

It has been a fairly good summer this year, weather unpredictable as usual.

The Sussex featured well at the various shows in the Interbreed classes and our exhibitors presented some fantastic cattle for the judges.

Autumn

This year we also competed at the Suffolk Show and although we were in the Any Other Breed section we still had 17 animals forward for judging. It is very possible that next year we will have our own classes which will bring shows with our own classes up to six again.

We had two wonderful farm walks with excellent weather, visiting the Hoopers Herd in May and the Montreal Herd in September for our annual prize giving and lunch included.

Thank you to all our hosts of various events this year, to our exhibitors and stock persons.

Congratulations to all the prizewinners during the year, both at the shows and in our Herd Competition and we know that Sussex herds feature well in local herd competitions.

We must also thank all our judges, at the shows and for the herd competition and our Inspectors who travel far and wide inspecting young bulls for registration and also females for the Herd Book Opening.

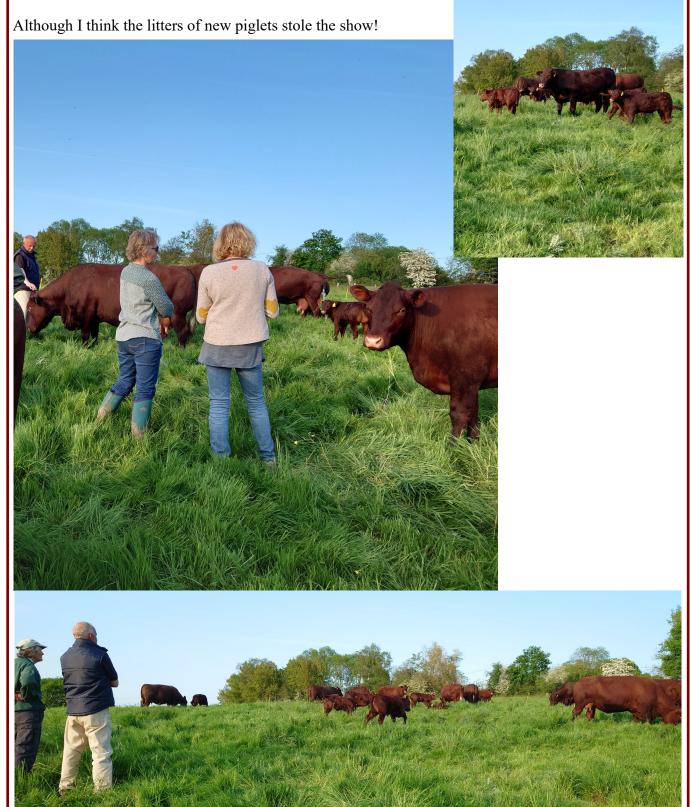
Finally, welcome to all our new members and breeders who have joined us this year. We are sure you will gain a great deal of pleasure from your Sussex cattle.

Your Council will continue to do everything feasibly possible to promote the Sussex and encourage new members and breeders.

# FARM WALK & BBQ 18th MAY Hoopers Herd

We are definitely lucky with the weather for our events. This was a wonderful evening walk around the Hoopers Herd followed by a delicious BBQ.

Thank you very much to our hosts Polly Dumbreck and Family.



## SUSSEX CATTLE SOCIETY

### LARGE HERDS COMPETITION 2023

JUDGES: Mr. D. Stevens & Mrs. S. Harmer

- 1st E.H. Holdstock & Son, Elbridge Herd
- 2nd Chandler & Dunn Ltd., Goldstone Herd
- S. & F. Carr & Daughters, Oxendean Herd 3rd
- Mr. G.A. Innes, Titsey Herd 4th

Best Stock Bull in Class: Goldstone Poll General 2<sup>nd</sup> at the Goldstone Herd Best Cow/Heifer and Calf in Class: Intwood Buttercup 1<sup>st</sup> at the Intwood Herd

#### **Judges' General Comment**

Thanks to all the competitors for their time and hospitality. We enjoyed our 4 days judging and saw some very impressive cattle including over 700 cows. The overall Stock Bull quality was good. The top two herds in the competition both used Signet recording and have used this to their advantage.

We recommend that all herds record now that the Society is providing this service free of charge.

All six large herds were thriving, and all are very well managed. The cattle were doing the job that each

owner required, some on very poor pasture on which Sussex cattle excel. The top bull was Goldstone Poll General 2<sup>nd</sup> for the second year running with reserve Windsor Regent at the Intwood herd. The top cow and calf was Bruce Lockhart's Intwood Buttercup 1<sup>st</sup> with her calf.



### **INTERMEDIATE HERDS COMPETITION 2023**

JUDGES: Ms. J. Howard & Mr. J. Giffin

- 1st C.E. & W.S. Millson, Trottenden Herd
- 2nd D. Spanton & F. Peterson, Maygate Herd
- 3rd Buchanan Family, Black Ven Herd
- 4th The Montreal Estate, Montreal Herd

Best Stock Bull in Class: Petworth Regent 11<sup>th</sup> at the Trottenden Herd Best Cow/Heifer and Calf in Class: Maygate Poll Shadow 2<sup>nd</sup> at the Maygate Herd

#### Judges' General Comment

Thank you to everyone for showing us round your herds, it was a very close competition, with very little to choose between the top three.

We saw many many different management systems from those using Sussex on very extensive grazing, some with no inputs at all, to those using common land with all the issues that plenty of public access brings and others contending with floods! It will be very interesting to come back next year to see how those of you switching to various versions of mob grazing get on in Year 2.

There were some excellent cows and followers but sadly the bulls less so and most of the better bulls seen were older. This continues to be a problem for the breed though having said that there were a few excellent yearlings flying the flag.

We were impressed by the enthusiasm of all the owners / managers with most having a clear vision of where they are going with their cattle and we thank you for your time and enthusiasm.



### **SMALL HERDS COMPETITION 2023**

JUDGES: Mr. R. Dunn & Mrs. B. Hide

- 1st Mrs. J. Howard, Coopers Herd
- 2nd Mrs. V. Deradour, Wren's Herd
- 3rd Mr. S. & Mrs. N. Bish, Saxonhurst Her
- 4th Mrs. S. Watts, Montgomery's Herd

Best Stock Bull in Class: Coopers Poll Regent 3<sup>rd</sup> at the Coopers Herd Best Cow/Heifer and Calf in Class: Saxonhurst Lock Heedless 32<sup>nd</sup> at the Saxonhurst Herd

#### Judges' General Comment

What a contrast from last year's drought to this year's abundance of grass. All cattle looked extremely well and calves shone in the sunshine, which we were lucky to choose the best days.

The standard of all herds was very good, the established herds maintaining a consistent level while younger herds continue to progress.

Different management styles that these cattle seem to fit all, an interesting mob grazing system the cattle seemed very content and very placid.

We would like to thank all the competitors for their time and hospitality, it makes judging a very enjoyable experience.

Herne Valley Rose Bowl for the highest place novice entrant in the Herd Competition: Oxendean Herd



### **CHAMPION HERD**

Judge: Mr. Alan Mummery

I was honoured to be asked to judge the Supreme Champion Herd of the Year 2023 for the Sussex Cattle Society. I enjoyed visits to 3 outstanding, but quite different herds, and I congratulate the owners on their success in winning their individual classes. My task was not easy but I was charged with the great responsibility of choosing a Supreme Champion for 2023.

It was fascinating see such high quality breeding herds all with very different management systems and farm environments. The judging took place after one of the wettest summers in history so there was plenty of grass around so the cattle all looked in great condition.

I am grateful to all of the owners who spent time showing me around their farms and all 3 should be very proud of their herds and the progress that they are making with the breed. It has proved to be a much more difficult decision than I anticipated and I have decided to award the Supreme Champion award to the **Elbridge Herd** for the following reasons:-

Stockmanship of all 3 class winners was of the highest quality so I could not differentiate of this basis. My decision to favour the Elbridge Herd is because I saw cattle being managed very successfully on some very challenging marginal ground and the herd looked extremely impressive- a great advert for the breed. This, coupled with the consistent herd type from the breeding cows, to the intakes of in-calf and maiden heifers which is the aim of any breeder to achieve. I congratulate E H Holdstock & Son on their success.

Finally, I thoroughly enjoyed my tour and put me rather wanting to return to my previous times as one of the auctioneers to the Society!





Our younger members and stockpersons have formed the "Next Generation" Group. For age group 16 to 30ish!

### YOUTH MEMBERSHIP

This is for members between the ages of **13 and 25** 

### YOUTH ASSOCIATE MEMBERSHIP IS FREE

### Please ask the Office for a form to join or use the form on the website.

It has been a very successful first year for the Next Generation. The first get together was in March when a show team from the Maygate Herd was selected. At the same time Hannah Jenner and Louise Lincoln were given the task of preparing the team and to take them to the shows. No one could have predicted that they would take the Breed Championship at the first show, Heathfield, with the Cow. They went on to have numerous successes during the year with both the cow and two heifers. We have to say a big thankyou to David Spanton and Flic Paterson, owners of the Maygate Herd, for making this happen and giving so much to support the breed.

Later events were held at the Montreal Herd and Offham Herd where the use of EBVs in selecting breeding females and assessing conformation and type from a judge's perspective.

The South of England show saw our trainee judges getting together one evening for an assessment. Five females of various ages were put before them to be placed for a female championship and the reasons for this to be given to Brenda Hide, our assessor.

At our last Council meeting, the young potential judges were reviewed and we are very pleased to announce that Laurence Angus, Ruth Perry, Chris Reed and Leighton Snelgrove have been promoted to our Judges Panel. Congratulations to you all.



### **SHOW RESULTS 2023**

#### HEATHFIELD SHOW 27 May : Judge Mr. Matthew Stoker

#### Cow born before 30/06/2020

1st Maygate Poll Shadow 2nd Mr. D. Spanton & Mrs. F. Paterson 2nd Montreal Heedless 1st The Montreal Estate 3rd Coopers Poll Lofty Lily 4th Ms. J. Howard Senior Heifer born 01/07/2020 & 30/06/2021 1st Montreal Poll Beauty 2nd The Montreal Estate 2nd Maygate Poll Shadow 7th Mr. D. Spanton & Mrs. F. Paterson 3rd Bowerland Poll Barmaid 6th Mr. R. Horsman 4th Coopers Darkey 7th Ms. J. Howard Intermediate Heifer born 01/07/2021 & 31/12/2021 1st Montreal Poll Gipsy 8th The Montreal Estate Junior Heifer born 01/01/2022 & 30/06/2022 1st Maygate Poll Gaiety 8th Mr. D. Spanton & Mrs. F. Paterson 2nd Bowerland Poll Prebble 37th Mr. R. Horsman 3rd Montreal Poll Snowdrop 4th The Montreal Estate Bull born on or before 31/12/2020 1st Coopers Poll Regent 3rd Ms. J. Howard 2nd Bowerland Poll Stargazer 1st Mr. R. Horsman Bull born 01/01/2022 - 30/06/2022 1st Black Ven Poll Stargazer 5th The Buchanan Family 2nd Montreal Poll Buccaneer 2nd The Montreal Estate **Best Matching Group** 1st Mr. D. Spanton & Mrs. F. Paterson 2nd Ms. J. Howard 3rd The Montreal Estate

Breed Champion: Maygate Poll Shadow 2nd



Male Champion Male Reserve Female Champion Female Reserve Coopers Poll Regent 3rd Black Ven Poll Stargazer 5th Maygate Poll Shadow 2nd Montreal Poll Gipsy 8th

#### **INTERBREED CHAMPIONSHIPS & CLASSES**

Beef Group Reserve Best Bull Beef Reserve Native Beef Reserve Champion Mr. D. Spanton & Mrs. F. Paterson Coopers Poll Regent 3rd Maygate Poll Shadow 2nd

#### SUFFOLK SHOW 31 May/1 June

#### Any Other Breed Cow in milk or in calf

1st	Montreal Heedless 1st	The Montreal Estate		
3rd	Offham Poll Daisy 7th	J. & S. Harmer		
2nd	Goldstone Poll Snowdrop 221st	Chandler & Dunn Ltd.		
Any Other Breed Heifer born 2022				
1 st	Goldstone Poll Gaiety 108th	Chandler & Dunn Ltd.		
	Goldstone Lofty Lily 62nd	Chandler & Dunn Ltd.		
Any Other Breed Heifer born 2021				

4th Goldstone Gaiety 82nd Any Other Breed Bull Any Age 2nd Black Ven Poll Stargazer 5th 3rd Coopers Poll Regent 3rd 4th Goldstone Poll General 26th Any Other Breed Best Group of Three 2nd Chandler & Dunn Ltd. 3rd J. & S. Harmer

Any Other Breed Male Reserve Any Other Breed Female Reserve Any Other Breed Best Sussex Sash Black Ven Poll Stargazer 5th

Chandler & Dunn Ltd.

The Buchanan Family Ms. J. Howard Chandler & Dunn Ltd.

Black Ven Poll Stargazer 5th Montreal Heedless 1st



### SOUTH OF ENGLAND SHOW 9-11 June : Judge Mr. Geoff Pearson



#### Cow born on or before 30/06/2020

	1st	Maygate Poll Shadow 2nd	Mr. D. Spanton & Mrs. F. Paterson	
	2nd	Offham Terpsichore 34th	J. & S. Harmer	
	3rd	Montreal Heedless 1st	The Montreal Estate	
	4th	Goldstone Poll Snowdrop 221st	Chandler & Dunn Ltd.	
Senior Heifer born on or between 01/07/2020 and 30/06/2021				
	1st	Offham Poll Gaiety 11th	J. & S. Harmer	
	2nd	Coopers Darkey 7th	Ms. J. Howard	
		Maygate Poll Shadow 7th	Mr. D. Spanton & Mrs. F. Paterson	
		Montreal Poll Beauty 2nd	The Montreal Estate	
Intermediate Heifer born on or between 01/07/2021 and 31/12/2021				
	1st	Montreal Poll Gipsy 8th	The Montreal Estate	
	2nd	Offham Lady 29th	J. & S. Harmer	
Junior Heifer born in 2022				
	1st	Goldstone Lofty Lily 62nd	Chandler & Dunn Ltd.	
	2nd	Goldstone Poll Gaiety 108th	Chandler & Dunn Ltd.	
	3rd	Maygate Shadow 9th	Mr. D. Spanton & Mrs. F. Paterson	
	4th	Montreal Poll Snowdrop 4th	The Montreal Estate	
Senior Bull born before 01/01/2022				
	1st	Coopers Poll Regent 3rd	Ms. J. Howard	
	2nd	Offham Crusader 4th	J. & S. Harmer	
Junior Bull born 2022				
	1st	Black Ven Poll Stargazer 5th	The Buchanan Family	
	2nd	Goldstone Poll General 24th	Chandler & Dunn Ltd.	
	3rd	Montreal Poll Buccaneer 2nd	The Montreal Estate	
	4th	Goldstone Poll General 26th	Chandler & Dunn Ltd.	

#### Group of Three owned by Exhibitor

1st J. & S. Harmer 2nd The Montreal Estate 3rd Chandler & Dunn Ltd. 4th Mr. D. Spanton & Mrs. F. Paterson **Progeny Group of Three** 1st The Montreal Estate 2nd Chandler & Dunn Ltd. **Best Pair Matching Yearlings** 1st Chandler & Dunn Ltd. 2nd The Montreal Estate

#### Breed Champion: Coopers Poll Regent 3rd



**Breed Reserve Bull Champion Bull Reserve Female Champion Female Reserve Junior Champion** Junior Reserve

Maygate Poll Shadow 2nd Coopers Poll Regent 3rd Black Ven Poll Stargazer 5th Maygate Poll Shadow 2nd Offham Poll Gaiety 11th

Goldstone Poll General 24th

#### **INTERBREED CHAMPIONSHIPS & CLASSES**

**Champion Male** Coopers Poll Regent 3rd

#### **ROYAL NORFOK SHOW 28-29 June : Judge Mr. James Holdstock**

#### Cow or Heifer, in milk, in calf or with calf at foot born before 1/1/2021

1st Offham Poll Daisy 7th J. & S. Harmer 2nd Goldstone Poll Snowdrop 221st 3rd Montreal Heedless 1st Heifer, in calf, born on or between 1/1/21 & 31/12/2021 1st Montreal Poll Gipsy 8th 2nd Goldstone Iris 67th 3rd Goldstone Gaiety 82nd 4th Coopers Darkey 7th Heifer, born on or after 1st January 2022 Goldstone Lofty Lily 62nd 1st 2nd Montreal Poll Snowdrop 4th 3rd Goldstone Poll Gaiety 108th  $4^{\text{th}}$ Intwood Buttercup 5th Bull, born prior to 1/1/20221st Offham Crusader 4th 2nd Coopers Poll Regent 3rd Bull, born on or after 1/1/2022 1st Black Ven Polled Stargazer 5th 2nd Goldstone Poll General 26th 3rd Montreal Poll Buccaneer 2nd 4th Goldstone General 24th **Norfolk Special** 1st Intwood Buttercup 5th 2nd Intwood Gondolia 3rd **Best of Breed Group of Three** 1st Chandler & Dunn Ltd.

2nd Ms. J. Howard

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J. & S. Harmer Ms. J. Howard

The Buchanan Family Chandler & Dunn Ltd. The Montreal Estate Chandler & Dunn Ltd.

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Breed Champion: Offham Crusader 4th



Breed Reserve: Montreal Poll Gipsy 8th

Male Champion Male Reserve Female Champion Female Reserve Junior Champion **Junior Reserve** 

Offham Crusader 4th Coopers Poll Regent 3rd Montreal Poll Gipsy 8th Goldstone Iris 67th Black Ven Polled Stargazer 5th Goldstone Lofty Lily 62nd



### **KENT COUNTY SHOW 5-7 July : Judge Mr. Tom Peters**

#### Cow or Heifer, in milk or in calf born before 1/1/2021

**INTERBREED CHAMPIONSHIPS & CLASSES** 

**Native Junior Championship** Black Ven Polled Stargazer 5th

1<sup>st</sup> Montreal Heedless 1st The Montreal Estate 2nd Goldstone Poll Snowdrop 221st 3rd Maygate Poll Shadow 2nd 4th Offham Poll Daisy 7th Senior Heifer, born before 1/1/2022 1st Montreal Poll Beauty 2nd 2nd Goldstone Gaiety 82nd 3rd Montreal Poll Gipsy 8th 4th Offham Poll Gaiety 11th J. & S. Harmer Junior Heifer, born in 2022 1st Goldstone Lofty Lily 62nd 2nd Maygate Poll Shadow 9th 3rd Goldstone Poll Gaiety 108th 4th Montreal Poll Snowdrop 4th The Montreal Estate Senior Bull, born before 1/1/2022 1st Offham Crusader 4th Junior Bull, born in 2022 1st Black Ven Polled Stargazer 5th 2nd Goldstone Poll General 24th 3rd Montreal Poll Buccaneer 2nd 4th Montreal Poll Duke 5th Family Couple. A matching pair 1st Chandler & Dunn Ltd.

- 2nd The Montreal Estate
- 3rd J. & S. Harmer
- 4th Mr. D. Spanton & Mrs. F. Paterson Group of three animals
- 1st Chandler & Dunn Ltd.
- 2nd The Montreal Estate
- 3rd Mr. D. Spanton & Mrs. F. Paterson

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J. & S. Harmer

The Buchanan Family Chandler & Dunn Ltd. The Montreal Estate The Montreal Estate



#### Breed Champion: Black Ven Polled Stargazer 5th

#### Breed Reserve: Goldstone Lofty Lily 62nd



Male Champion Male Reserve Female Champion Female Reserve Black Ven Polled Stargazer 5th Offham Crusader 4th Goldstone Lofty Lily 62nd Montreal Poll Beauty 2nd

#### **INTERBREED CHAMPIONSHIPS & CLASSES**

Junior Beef Male Champion	Black Ven Polled Stargazer 5th			
Junior Champion	Black Ven Polled Stargazer 5th			
The Leslie Doubleday Perpetual Challenge Trophy for the best group of four animals : Sussex Team 4th				

#### **Beef Breeder Bull of Native Origin**

1st Black Ven Polled Stargazer 5th The Buchanan Family 2nd Montreal Poll Duke 5th The Montreal Estate **Beef Breeder Bull Champion** Black Ven Polled Stargazer 5th Montreal Poll Duke 5th **Beef Breeder Bull Reserve Champion** Beef Cow of native origin with own calf at foot 1st Goldstone Poll Snowdrop 221st Chandler & Dunn Ltd. 2nd Montreal Heedless 1st The Montreal Estate 3rd Maygate Poll Shadow 2nd Mr. D. Spanton & Mrs. F. Paterson Beef Cow or Heifer with Calf Reserve Champion Goldstone Poll Snowdrop 221st Cattle Sweepstakes Native Beef 4th Goldstone Lofty Lily 62<sup>nd</sup>

#### EDENBRIDGE SHOW 27-28 August : Judge Mr. Ian Shaw

Cow or Heifer born before 01/01/2021				
1st Montreal Heedless 1st	The Montreal Estate			
2nd Maygate Poll Shadow 2nd	Mr. D. Spanton & Mrs. F. Paterson			
Senior Heifer born in 2021				
1st Maygate Poll Shadow 7th	Mr. D. Spanton & Mrs. F. Paterson			
2nd Coopers Darkey 7th	Ms. J. Howard			
3rd Montreal Poll Gipsy 8th	The Montreal Estate			
4th Flowerfield Gaeity 1st	Cobtree YFC			
Junior Heifer born in 2022				
1st Montreal Poll Snowdrop 4th	The Montreal Estate			
2nd Goldstone Lofty Lily 62nd	Chandler & Dunn Ltd.			
3rd Maygate Poll Shadow 9th	Mr. D. Spanton & Mrs. F. Paterson			
4th Flowerfield Lily 2nd	Cobtree YFC			
Senior Bull born before 01/01/2022				
1st Coopers Poll Regent 3rd	Ms. J. Howard			
Junior Bull born on or after 01/01/2022				
1st Goldstone Poll General 24th	Chandler & Dunn Ltd.			
2nd Black Ven Polled Stargazer 5th	The Buchanan Family			
3rd Montreal Poll Duke 5th	The Montreal Estate			
Best Pair				
1st Chandler & Dunn Ltd.				
2nd Ms. J. Howard				
3rd The Montreal Estate				

Breed Champion: Montreal Heedless 1st

Breed Reserve: Montreal Poll Snowdrop 4th





Male Champion Male Reserve Female Champion Female Reserve Coopers Poll Regent 3rd Goldstone Poll General 24th Montreal Heedless 1st Montreal Poll Snowdrop 4th

INTERBREED CHAMPIONSHIPS & CLASSES Supreme Champion Beef Bull Reserve Coopers Poll Regent 3rd



Best Pair Beef Cattle4th Chandler & Dunn Ltd.Interbreed Beef Progeny Group1st The Montreal EstateSuper Beef Bull Native3rd Goldstone Poll General 24thChandler & Dunn Ltd.4th Black Ven Polled Stargazer 5thThe Buchanan FamilyNative Beef Heifer Sweepstakes1st Montreal Poll Snowdrop 4<sup>th</sup>The Montreal EstateNative Interbreed Heifer Calf born 01/01/2023 to 31/07/20231st Montreal Poll Heedless 3rdThe Montreal EstateNative Interbreed Bull Calf born 01/01/2023 to 31/07/20231st Maygate DukeMr. D. Spanton & Mrs. F. Paterson

# FARM WALK Lunch and Prize Giving 3rd September

Once again we had a wonderful day out at the Montreal Herd. Around 50 members and friends attended and our hosts provided a wonderful in a fantastic setting. Thank you very much Sue and Jules Green for the invitation and to Ruth Perry and the rest of the staff for all the hard work that is involved in hosting such an event.



MONTREAL ESTATE and the MONTREAL HERD

Sue and Jules Green bought the Estate in 2012. This was the first time it came on to the market in 60 years and we were fortunate enough to already own a 400 acre farm and live locally. This gave us the confidence to purchase it, but we now know that owning an Estate is very different to owning a farm. Over the 11 years of ownership we have been fortunate enough to have the time, finance and support to invest significantly in infrastructure and diversification. Key achievements include upgrading 8km of forestry tracks and reconfiguring the buildings on the Estate. At Penn Farm, where we are based today, this was the old dairy which we shut on the first day of own-



ership. It is in the centre of the Estate, and following a massive rebuild and lots of planning we moved here two years ago. From where we moved, which comprised beautiful old farm buildings, we have just finished building a Business Centre comprising 13 offices based just outside Sevenoaks.

As part of additional diversification we purchased the Mayfield herd in 2019, comprising 32 in calf cows and a bull (Goldstone Poll Duke 3rd), which we still have today. Within a year of ownership, and with Brenda Hide's help, we realised we needed a dedicated person to run the herd and flock and Ruth Perry has been with us since that day. The herd has increased in size through breeding and strategic external purchases including 9 in calf cows from the Coopers herd and 6 cows from the Petworth herd. In 2019, we purchased a neighbouring farm, called Long Meadow Farm. It has been a fantastic strategic purchase as the grazing land links with other Estate grazing land, and there was a good set of barns that needed investment to mechanise the feeding and strawing up in the winter. This has been very successful but does limit our herd to a size of 60 cows, which is probable capacity for Ruth to manage. Because of the size of the Estate we are unable to show you the herd's winter base but we have prepared for you a wonderful walk and drive around the north end of the Estate to view the majority of our herd including our Spring Calving cows, our Show cows, the yearling and in calf heifers.



Ruth Perry, Montreal Herd

Leighton Snelgrove & Lisa Buchanan



I can't claim to take any responsibility for the quality of the herd as this is all down to Ruth, with Brenda advising in the background. However, Jules and I have supported their aspirations and really enjoyed the Sussex cattle experience whether viewing them in the field as we work in our office, showing the cattle, or meeting the lovely dedicated people in the Sussex Society. We even visited Sussex members based around Albany in Western Australia.

It just leaves us to wish you an enjoyable day at Montreal and to thank you for your fellowship.

**Sue Green** 



David Spanton with the John Dunn Cup

### SUSSEX CATTLE SOCIETY TROPHIES & AWARDS 2023

The Peter Szechenyi Trophy Exhibitor gaining highest gross price at the Christmas Stock Shows & Sales in 2022: Mr. G.A. Innes The Fish Hall Perpetual Trophy Winner of Large Herds Competition: E.H. Holdstock & Son, Stockman's Certificate of Merit: Martin Russell 2nd Chandler & Dunn Ltd., Stockman's Certificate of Merit: Chris Reed 3<sup>rd</sup> S. & F. Carr & Daughters, Stockman's Certificate of Merit: John Foley 4<sup>th</sup> Mr. G.A. Innes, Stockman's Certificate of Merit: Bill Peters Best Large Herds Stock Bull Goldstone Poll General 2nd Society Cup for Large Herds Best Cow & Calf Intwood Butter cup 1st The Harman Hunt Cup Winner of Intermediate Herds Competition: C.E. & W.S. Millson, Stockman's Certificate of Merit: Pete Masters 2nd D. Spanton & F. Paterson, Stockman's Certificate of Merit: Flic Paterson 3rd Buchanan Family, Stockman's Certificate of Merit: Leighton Snelgrove 4th The Montreal Estate, Stockman's Certificate of Merit: Ruth Perry Best Intermediate Herds Stock Bull Petworth Regent 11th Society Cup for Intermediate Herds Best Cow & Calf Maygate Poll Shadow 2nd The Hales Cup Winner of the Small Herds Competition: Ms. Jane Howard 2nd Mrs. Virginia Deradour 3rd Mr. Simon & Nikki Bish 4th Mrs. Susette Watts, Stockman's Certificate of Merit: Thomas Jones Best Small Herds Stock Bull Coopers Poll Regent 3rd Ralph Sheppard Trophy for the Small Herds Best Cow & Calf: Saxonhurst Lock Heedless 32<sup>nd</sup> Hernevalley Rose Bowl : Novice Herd in the Herd Competition: Oxendean Herd The John Burberry Memorial Trophy Stockman exhibiting Best Junior at the South of England Show: Leighton Snelgrove **Oxo Silver Bull** Champion Sussex Bull at the Royal Norfolk Show: Offham Crusader 4th The Kingswood Farms Challenge Cup Champion Sussex Female at the Royal Norfolk Show: Montreal Poll Gipsy 8th The Jack Bowthorpe Challenge Cup Exhibitor's Competition: The Montreal Estate The Ted Barnes Award The Herdsmans Challenge Cup Stockman exhibiting the winning herd in the Exhibitors Competition: Ruth Perry The Tom Dinnis Memorial Challenge Cup Novice in the Exhibitors Competition 2023: D. Spanton & F. Paterson The Roussillon Glow-worm Perpetual Challenge Trophy Bull of the Year: Black Ven Polled Stargazer 5th The John Marchant Memorial Trophy Breeder of the Bull of the Year: Buchanan Family **The Scalands Perpetual Trophy** Female of the Year: Maygate Poll Shadow 2nd **The Poplars Award** Yearling of the Year: Black Ven Polled Stargazer 5th The Mayfield Perpetual Polled Trophy Polled Animal of the Year: Black Ven Polled Stargazer 5th The South Africa Cup Interbreed classes & Championships: Black Ven Polled Stargazer 5th The Roussillon Trophy Beef Performance Classes & Championships: Black Ven Polled Stargazer 5th **Montie Sillars Perpetual Challenge Trophy:** Exhibitor of Pairs: Chandler & Dunn Ltd. The Chelsfield Perpetual Challenge Trophy Exhibitor of Groups: Chandler & Dunn Ltd. & The Montreal Estate The Andrew Walter Memorial Trophy Best Young Bull registered during 2023: Black Ven Polled Stargazer 5th Laurel Stevens Trophy Traditional Sussex: Buckhurst Buccaneer 4<sup>th</sup> at the Saxonhurst Herd The David Innes Perpetual Challenge Cup Presented by the Innes Family for the Champion Herd in the Herd Competition: E.H. Holdstock & Son John Dunn Cup

Person who has shown greatest support and enthusiasm during the year: Mr. David Spanton

# REGISTRATIONS

In January you will all be sent Herd Registration Capitation Forms. Please complete them and return to the Office by 31st March. We will then issue an invoice which will cover all female calf registration fees for the year and enter male calves on the database. This is important if you plan to register a young bull.

Birth Returns should be sent in at the end of each month through the online database accessed through our website. (Easiest to do it as you do your BCMS.) All calves male and female should be entered.

### **REGISTERING BULLS**

# Updated Rules and Regulations apply from 1st October so please use the correct forms from the website of apply to the Office to have them sent by email or post. We will not be accepting incorrect out of date forms.

### **DNA PARENTAGE TESTING**

From 1st January 2021 all young bulls will be required to have DNA sampling taken, we advise that this be done by the vet when the veterinary inspection is being undertaken, if not samples will be taken by the Bull Inspectors, a DNA sample will also be taken from the Sire and Dam. The purpose of this is to establish the parentage of all bulls. This is a progressive plan and will eventually result in all bulls having their parentage proven. The Society will be paying for the Sire and Dam DNA sampling but it will be the breeder/owner of the young bull who will pay for that DNA sample and sire verification.

Note: It is requirement for all bulls that are selected for semen collection to have their parentage proven through DNA testing.

### **CHANGE OF OWNERSHIP**

Offspring are not eligible for registration if the sire and/or dam have not been transferred to your herd.

### **2022 BIRTH RETURNS**

These are now late, please send in through the online system. (We do still accept paper birth returns at present but if you can do it online please do.)

### HERD BOOK VOLUME 127

This will go to print soon. It covers 2022 born Registrations and bulls registered this year If you would like a copy please contact the Office. (Free to breeders)

### **REGISTRATION CERTIFICATES**

PLEAST NOTE CERTIFICATES WILL NOT BE SENT OUT

### **UNTIL EITHER**

**CAPITATION FEES OR REGISTRATION FEES HAVE BEEN PAID** 

# SUSSEX FOR SALE

### PETWORTH WELLINGTON 11TH 18-1186 Born 26/04/2018

Sire : Sproutes Wellington 2nd 11-1271 Dam : Petworth Stonesdown 54th 12-0959 BVD Accredited—Premium Cattle Health Scheme Lepto & IBR free. Non vaccinated 4 Yearly TB Semen tested annually Pasture based system Very quiet and good tempered Has achieved good pregnancy rates Used to being in areas with public access, with dogs etc.

#### Contact: Ed Mitchell 07540 870198 Ed.mitchell@nationaltrust.org.uk



### PETWORTH MAJOR 5TH 15-1134 Born 13/08/2015

Sire : Isfield Place Major 1st 12-1267 Dam : Buckhurst Jane 23rd 13-0233

Excellent stock bull available having provided excellent, reliable service to a Pasture for Life certified herd of c. 40 cows in a TB4 area. 8 years old, good on his feet and very even temperament, he was the Society's Best Young Bull registered in 2017. £3500.

#### Contact: Will Godwin 07718 712843



### PETWORTH REGENT 11TH 13-1263 Born 24/04/2013

Sire : Poll Regent 4th of Goldstone 09-1025-P Dam : Petworth Snowdrop 11th 90163

Member of Biobest Health Scheme, BVD accredited and Signet Recorded

Winner of the Best Bull in the Intermediate Herd Competition 2023

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### **RUGMER HILL HERD**

### COWS

RUGMER HILL GRACEFUL 10th 17-0087-T DoB: 29/04/2017 Sire: Rugmer Hill Matador 1st 11-1257-T, Dam: Rugmer Hill Graceful 2nd 11-0620-T RUGMER HILL CYCLAMEN 27th 18-0371-T DoB: 08/05/2018 Sire: Rugmer Hill Matador 1st 11-1257-T, Dam: Rugmer Hill Cyclamen 6th 11-0619-T RUGMER HILL CYCLAMEN 30th 19-0660-T DoB: 18/04/2019 Sire: Rugmer Hill Matador 1st 11-1257-T, Dam: Rugmer Hill Cyclamen 2nd 08-0065-T HEIFERS RUGMER HILL HEEDLESS 42nd 20-0783-T DoB: 12/07/2020 Sire: Rugmer Hill Matador 1st 11-1257-T, Dam: Rugmer Hill Heedless 33rd 14-0149-T RUGMER HILL CYCLAMEN 34th 20-0780-T DoB: 11/04/2020 Sire: Rugmer Hill Keystone Adam 1st 12-1324-T, Dam: Rugmer Hill Cyclamen 20th 16-0022-T RUGMER HILL HEEDLESS 44th 21-0464-T DoB: 05/07/2021 Sire: Rugmer Hill Matador 1st 11-1257-T, Dam: Rugmer Hill Heedless 33rd 14-0149-T RUGMER HILL CYCLAMEN 36th 21-0463-T DoB: 03/05/2021 Sire: Rugmer Hill Matador 1st 11-1257-T, Dam: Rugmer Hill Cyclamen 3rd 08-0069 RUGMER HILL DARKEY 46th 21-0462-T DoB: 01/05/2021 Sire: Rugmer Hill Matador 1st 11-1257-T, Dam: Rugmer Hill Darkey 43rd 17-0083-T RUGMER HILL DARKEY 47th 22-0464-T DoB: 11/05/2022 Sire: Rugmer Hill Matador 1st 11-1257-T, Dam: Rugmer Hill Darkey 43rd 17-0083-T RUGMER HILL GRACEFUL 19th 22-0463-T DoB: 09/05/2022 Sire: Rugmer Hill Matador 1st 11-1257-T, Dam: Rugmer Hill Graceful 2nd 11-0620-T RUGMER HILL HEEDLESS 45th 22-0462-T DoB: 18/04/2022 Sire: Rugmer Hill Matador 1st 11-1257-T, Dam: Rugmer Hill Heedless 33rd 14-0149-T RUGMER HILL GRACEFUL 18th 22-0461-T DoB: 20/04/2022 Sire: Rugmer Hill Matador 1st 11-1257-T, Dam: Rugmer Hill Graceful 3rd 11-0623-T RUGMER HILL SUCCESS 6th 22-0459-T DoB: 15/04/2022 Sire: Rugmer Hill Matador 1st 11-1257-T, Dam: Rugmer Hill Success 3rd 13-0145-T RUGMER HILL GRACEFUL 16th 22-0457-T DoB: 24/03/2022 Sire: Rugmer Hill Keystone Adam 1st 12-1324-T, Dam: Rugmer Hill Graceful 13th 19-0664-T RUGMER HILL CYCLAMEN 37th 22-0454-T DoB: 31/01/2022 Sire: Rugmer Hill Keystone Adam 1st 12-1324-T, Dam: Rugmer Hill Cyclamen 30th 19-0660-T

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### **BEAUMONT HERD - HEIFERS**

20-25 Heifers

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