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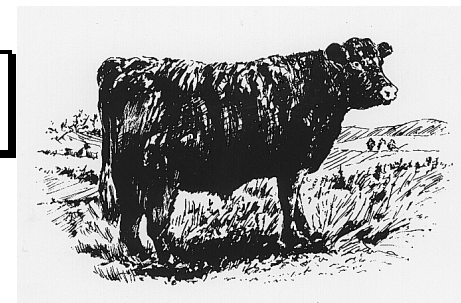
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DATES FOR THE DIARY – 2010/11

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| 15th October | Closing date for Journal advertisements |
| 23rd October | Autumn Sale – UA, Stirling Agricultural Centre |
| 29th October | BorderWay Agri-Expo, Carlisle |
| 17th December | Entries close for Premier Sale at Castle Douglas |

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| 31st January | 2010 born calves to be registered by this date |
| 10-11th February | AGM, Annual Dinner and Premier Sale, CD |

REGISTER YOUR CALVES ON-LINE.....IT'S CHEAPER!

A gentle reminder to breeders of the new policy from 1st November 2010 to charge more for registrations received on paper as opposed to on-line via the website. From this date, to encourage more members to register births on-line (which are considerably easier and quicker to process in the office), registrations submitted on paper will be charged an extra 50p/cow. This change has previously been highlighted and clearly has had an effect for the 2009 registrations with 71% of herds now registering on-line as opposed to 52% in 2008 - which equates to an additional 1,200 cows. If you'd like to make the switch, please contact the office for your username and password.

STOCK FOR SALE

At the time of writing, the following stock featured on the Society's dedicated Stock for Sale web-pages at www.luingcattlesociety.co.uk:

Bulls

Dirnanean Hawk, 4yo, R&W (Jimmy Cosgrave - 00353 87 9793414)

Heifers

Drinkstone Luings and Sim-Luings (10 ea. - A. Park – 01450 370795)

Steers

Annelshope Luings: 11 weighing 350-400kg (Rob Carr – 07824 399219)

WELCOME NEW MEMBERS

A warm welcome to the 22 new members who have joined the Society since those listed in the summer 2009 newsletter:

- Mr.R.A. Manley, 2 Newbridge Farm Cottages, Newbridge, S'hampton
- Mr.J.F. Simpson, Tullyglens Farm, Tullyglens, Dunphail, Forres
- Mr.J. MacPherson, Blarghour Farm, by Dalmally, Argyll
- Mr.G. Ralston, 1 Scallasaig, Glenelg, Kyle, Ross-shire
- Mr.P. Simpson, Poole Bank Farm, Troutbeck, Windermere, Cumbria
- Messrs R.S. & K.L. Jones, Denwick Farm, Deerness, Orkney
- Mr.I. McKie, Lanton Estate, Millfield, Wooler, Northumberland
- Mr.N. Stephenson, 4 Kingsburgh, Snizort, by Portree, Skye
- Mr.G.J. Ibbetson, High Salter, Roeburndale West, Lancaster
- Mr.A. McClelland, Drumbuie Farm, Kirkmichael, Ayrshire
- Mr.R. McCrae, Culmill Farm, Kiltarlity, Inverness
- Mr.D. Hill, Cathpair Estates Ltd., Thornylee Farm, Clovenfords, Galashiels
- Mr.M. Munro, Burnside Croft, Altass, Lairg, Sutherland
- Ms.J. Beveridge, Gartlea Farm, Gartocharn, Alexandria, Dunbartonshire
- Mr.R.B. Sutherland, Outchester Farm, Belford, Northumberland
- Mr.A. Freeman, Townhead, Wansfell, Troutbeck, Windermere, Cumbria
- Mr.M. Kemp, Dairy Barn Farm, North Houghton, Stockbridge, Hampshire
- Mr.N.H. Horsfall, Dalschonsie Farm, Rannoch, Kinloch Rannoch, Pitlochry
- Mr&Mrs.T. Wilson, Geltsdale Farm, Castle Carrock, Brampton, Cumbria
- Mr&Mrs. P. Johnson, Herdship, Harwood, Barnard Castle, Co.Durham
- Mr.D.Cooper & Ms.G. Houlston, Tardoes, Muirkirk, Cumnock, Ayrshire
- Mr.A. Waugh, Thompson's Walls, Kilham, Mindrum, Northumberland

COLOUR OPTIONS FOR REGISTERING CATTLE

To make the on-line registering process even quicker and easier, we have asked Grassroots to change the colour option from a free text field to a drop down menu option list. So when you go on-line to register your 2010 births this winter, you will have five colour options – Red, Yellow, Roan, Red & White and White. I'll spare the blushes of the breeder who used the free text field for colour to state that his heifer was in fact 'dark roan with a white belly'sounds lovely but I took the liberty of editing it down to 'Roan'.

BORDERWAY AGRI-EXPO – FRIDAY 29TH OCTOBER

The Society will be promoting the breed on behalf of the membership at the above event taking place at H&H Carlisle. With the recent cancellation of the AgriSmith Live event at Stoneleigh, this year's event promises to be even better. The Society will be taking a large stand with five pens of stock kindly supplied by *Attonburn* (Luing bulling heifers), *Benhar* (Sim-Luing cow & Charolais calf), *College* (Sim-Luing in-calf heifers), *Skefhill* (Luing cow & Sim-Luing calf) and *Winstor* (Luing cow & calf).....if you're going to do something you might as well do it properly. Come along and see for yourself!

OPEN DAY NEWS

2010 - A huge turnout of 300 people attended the event on Saturday 14th August at West Preston, Kirkbean, Dumfries – home to Steven & Elaine Murray's *Rockcliffe* Luing herd. Glorious summer weather awaited the visitors who enjoyed a farm tour featuring talks and a great line-up of stock. Congratulations to the Murray family for putting on such a super day that will long be remembered by the many who attended – full report in next journal.

2011 – TUESDAY 16TH AUGUST ON ORKNEY!

Less of an Open Day and more of an Open Week this one.....promises to be an event not to be missed. The board have decided to go for a slightly smaller scale more focussed event for 2011 and the Orcadian breeders have put their hand up and volunteered! We were keen to announce the date asap to allow members to plan their trip and in particular to BOOK ACCOMODATION EARLY! The rough plan to date allows visitors to attend Orkney's biggest agricultural event, the County Show, on 13th August, spend Sunday and Monday touring about and then attend the Luing open day/tour.

HEALTH SCHEME REMINDER

From 2011, any breeder consigning stock to an official Society sale (CD, Dingwall or Stirling) MUST be a member of a CHeCS accredited health scheme - contact the office for more details if you need any information.