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WELSH BLACK CATTLE SOCIETY

CATALOGUE

OF THE 19TH ANNUAL SHOW AND SALE

Sponsored by the Welsh Black Cattle Society

of 23 Attested & Fully Accredited Welsh Black Females
accepted for entry in the Herd Book,
grading-up Appendix or Polled Register
Comprising: 23 Females (including 18 Maiden Heifers)
& 67 Welsh Black Stores



(where quality comes naturally)

To be held at
**MONMOUTHSHIRE LIVESTOCK CENTRE,
CROES Y BYCHAN, RAGLAN MONMOUTHSHIRE, NP15 2BH
FRIDAY, 8th NOVEMBER 2019**

Judging: 11.00 a.m.

Sale: 12.30 p.m.

The Auction Rooms, Tiverton Place, Abergavenny, Monmouthshire NP7 5PN
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JUDGES
Bulls and Females

Official Judge :

Mr. D.E. Rowbotham, Penwernhir, Pontrhydfendigaid, Ystrad Meurig, Ceredigion

Assistant Judge:

Mr. William Caron Lewis, Llwynmwyn, Ffair Rhos, Ystrad Meurig, Ceredigion

CLASSIFICATION AND JUDGES AWARDS

FEMALES 1 Females born on or before 30-6-17 5 Entries (nos 1-5)			
CHAMPION FEMALE 1st and 2nd Prize Winner only eligible to compete. 1st Prize Winners only in the ring until the Champion has been selected. 2nd Prize Winner in that Class then eligible to compete for the Reserve Champion.			
MAIDEN HEIFERS 2 Females born on or before 30-11-17 7 Entries (nos 6-12)			
3 Females born on or after 1-4-18 11 Entries (nos 13-23)			
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CHAMPIONSHIP PRIZES

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CHAMPION FEMALE – O.J. Lewis Perpetual Challenge Cup, Presented by Mr Peter Lewis in memory of his late father

CHAMPION MAIDEN HEIFER – The Russell Smith memorial Cup

CHAMPION WELSH BLACK – Presented by W.G. Lane & Sons (Abergavenny Ford)

LIST OF EXHIBITORS

<i>Name and Address</i>	<i>Lot Nos</i>	<i>Total</i>
*Davies & Son, Messrs. D.M., Lower Cathedine, Bwlch, Brecon (Johne's disease - Accredited to Risk Level 1 since Dec 01. Accredited free of BVD since Jan 03. Accredited free Leptosirosis since March 11.)	*16 *17 *20 *21	4
Davies, Mrs. E.M., Cwm-Moel, Aberedw, Builth Wells, Brecon (Johne's disease - Accredited to Risk Level 1 since May 14.)	6 7 8 9 19 22 23	7
Morgan Farms, A., Fferm Ty Draw, Rhigos, Aberdar, Glam (Johne's disease - Accredited to Risk Level 1 since March 06.)	1 2 3	3
Thomas, Mr. D. Glyn., Aberdyfnant, Llanddeusant, Llangadog, Carms (Johne's disease - Accredited to Risk Level 1 since Nov 07. Accredited free of BVD since Feb 14.)	4 5	2
Thorpe, Mr. & Mrs. C., Yew Tree House, Lucton, Leominster, Hereford (Elite Health Status. Johne's disease - Accredited to Risk Level 1 since Feb 02. Accredited free Leptosirosis since May 03. Accredited free of BVD since Feb 08. Accredited free of IBR since Oct 16)	13 14 15 18	4
Williams, Mr. Tudor Richard., Tonmawr Farm, Tonmawr, Nr. Port Talbot, Glam ... (Johne's disease - Accredited to Risk Level 1 since April 19)	10 11 12	3
	----- Total	23

* denote polled animals

Note: These health declarations are correct at time of going to print. All health declarations should be supported by an up to date pen card at the sale.

PEDIGREE & GRADING-UP

WELSH BLACK FEMALES

CLASS 1

FEMALES BORN ON OR BEFORE 30-6-17

5 Entries (Nos. 1-5)

A Morgan Farms

1 **GWRANGON-FAWR HAF 174424 Vol 106**
(X005/MGW)

Born 17/05/2017
(UK722063200216)

gs. PENWERNHIR SERAFF(K029/RPW)

Sire - BRYSGAGA BERWYN 21ST(S003/RBR)

gd. BRYSGAGA GWENNO 48TH(M003/RBR)

gs. YSGUBORIAU BRENIN 75TH(M026/JYS)

Dam - GRAIG-GOCH MERIEL 19TH(Q008/JGA)

gd. GRAIG-GOCH MERIEL 14TH(H011/JGA)

Running with Tynygraig Arthur Vol. 107 from 2-4-19 to day of sale. Remarks: Dam's Bodysum total score insepction on 14-2-19 was 84 being Body confirmation 88, Beef character 90, legs/feet 77 and mammary score 83. Sire's dam inspected on 19-11-18 was 91 being Body confirmation 90, Beef character 92, legs/feet 90 and mammary score 92.

A Morgan Farms

2 **GWRANGON-FAWR MAI 174428 Vol 106**
(X004/MGW)

Born 16/05/2017
(UK722063100215)

gs. PENWERNHIR SERAFF(K029/RPW)

Sire - BRYSGAGA BERWYN 21ST(S003/RBR)

gd. BRYSGAGA GWENNO 48TH(M003/RBR)

gs. MEADOWSWEET DAFYDD 2ND(P006/BME)

Dam - GWRANGON-FAWR MENNA 2ND(R001/MGW)

gd. GWRANGON-FAWR MENNA(N002/MGW)

Running with Tynygraig Arthur Vol. 107 from 2-4-19 to day of sale. Remarks: Dam's Bodysum total score insepction on 14-2-19 was 86 being Body confirmation 86, Beef character 87, legs/feet 85 and mammary score 86. Sire's dam inspected on 19-11-18 was 91 being Body confirmation 90, Beef character 92, legs/feet 90 and mammary score 92.

A Morgan Farms

3 **GWRANGON-FAWR MACA 3RD 174427 Vol.106**
(X009/MGW)

Born 24/05/2017
(UK722063600220)

gs. PENWERNHIR SERAFF(K029/RPW)
Sire - BRYSGAGA BERWYN 21ST(S003/RBR)
gd. BRYSGAGA GWENN0 48TH(M003/RBR)

gs. NEUADD HEBOG 184TH(J034/JNE)
Dam - GWRANGON-FAWR MACA(Q001/MGW)
gd. GWRANGON-FAWR HELEDD 2ND(L002/MGW)

Running with Tynygraig Arthur Vol. 107 from 2-4-19 to day of sale. Remarks: Dam's Bodysum total score in sepection on 14-2-19 was 88 being Body confirmation 88, Beef character 90, legs/feet 88 and mammary score 85. Sire's dam inspected on 19-11-18 was 91 being Body confirmation 90, Beef character 92, legs/feet 90 and mammary score 92.

Mr. D. Glyn Thomas

4 **DYFNANT FANCY 13TH 174168 Vol 106**
(X008/TDY)

Born 26/05/2017
(UK741641700282)

gs. MIGNEDD TOMOS 2ND(G019/JMI)
Sire - LLECHWEDD EGRYNWR(N020/ELE)
gd. LLECHWEDD MONA 14TH(Y008/ELE)

gs. NEUADD HEBOG 185TH(J036/JNE)
Dam - DYFNANT FANCY 5TH(Q002/TDY)
gd. CERDIN FANCY 21ST(G074/GCE)

Running with Llechwedd Rhys 47th 18631 Vol. 105 from 23-8-19 to day of sale

Mr. D. Glyn Thomas

5 **DYFNANT FANCY 14TH 174169 Vol 106**
(X013/TDY)

Born 09/06/2017
(UK741641500287)

gs. MIGNEDD TOMOS 2ND(G019/JMI)
Sire - LLECHWEDD EGRYNWR(N020/ELE)
gd. LLECHWEDD MONA 14TH(Y008/ELE)

gs. NEUADD HEBOG 185TH(J036/JNE)
Dam - DYFNANT FANCY 6TH(R009/TDY)
gd. CERDIN FANCY 21ST(G074/GCE)

Running with Llechwedd Rhys 47th 18631 Vol. 105 from 23-8-19 to day of sale

MAIDEN HEIFERS

CLASS 2 FEMALES BORN ON OR BEFORE 30-11-17 7 Entries (Nos. 6-12)

Mrs. E.M Davies

6 **CWMHENLLWYN GLYTHEN 3RD Vol 107**
(X001/DCM)

Born 25/05/2017
(UK721009500414)

gs. **CARAN DAFYDD DDU 2ND(K005/JCN)**
Sire - CENNEN DAFYDD DDU 4TH(N026/FCE)
gd. **CENNEN PEGGY 46TH(C004/FCE)**

gs. **RHIWLAS RHYS 2ND(B536/PRH)**
Dam - CWMHENLLWYN RHIAN 2ND(J001/DCM)
gd. **CWMHENLLWYN SIAN(DCM/S001)**

Not Served

Mrs. E.M Davies

7 **CWMHENLLWYN ELEEP Vol 107**
(X002/DCM)

Born 01/07/2017
(UK721009600422)

gs. **FOEL HEULYN 5TH(GFO/A019)**
Sire - GERDDI CYFHEBOG 68TH(Q002/EGE)
gd. **GERDDI RHIANFA 2ND(B001/EGE)**

gs. **GERDDI-BLUOG CARWYN(J002/EGB)**
Dam - CWMHENLLWYN GAWR 3RD(R001/DCM)
gd. **CWMHENLLWYN GAYNOR 2ND(H003/DCM)**

Not Served

Mrs. E.M Davies

8 **CWMHENLLWYN FIRP Vol 107**
(X003/DCM)

Born 02/07/2017
(UK721009700423)

gs. **FOEL HEULYN 5TH(GFO/A019)**
Sire - GERDDI CYFHEBOG 68TH(Q002/EGE)
gd. **GERDDI RHIANFA 2ND(B001/EGE)**

gs. **GERDDI CYFHEBOG 68TH(Q002/EGE)**
Dam - CWMHENLLWYN NON 4TH(T001/DCM)
gd. **CWMHENLLWYN MORWEN(J005/DCM)**

Not Served

Mrs. E.M Davies

9 **CWMHENLLWYN OLWEN 2ND Vol 107**
(X004/DCM)

Born 28/08/2017
(UK721009200425)

gs. FOEL HEULYN 5TH(GFO/A019)
Sire - GERDDI CYFHEBOG 68TH(Q002/EGE)
gd. GERDDI RHIANFA 2ND(B001/EGE)

gs. RHIWLAS RHYS 2ND(B536/PRH)
Dam - CWMHENLLWYN FFION 2ND(K001/DCM)
gd. CWMHENLLWYN CARIAD(DCM/Y004)

Not Served

Mr. Tudor Richard Williams

10 **PELENNNA ENA 174849 Vol 106**
(X007/WPN)

Born 30/09/2017
(UK722498100119)

gs. NEUADD HEBOG 151ST(D013/JNE)
Sire - TRYFIL CAWR (AI) (N001/RTI)
gd. WAEDOG CELYNEN 134TH(E025/JWE)

gs. RHYS ANEURIN 9TH(N010/RRY)
Dam - PANTYRHUAD ENA 4TH(T023/TPY)
gd. ORIELTON ENA(E024/BOR)

Not Served

Mr. Tudor Richard Williams

11 **PELENNNA MERIEL 174852 Vol 106**
(X008/WPN)

Born 08/10/2017
(UK722498200120)

gs. NEUADD HEBOG 151ST(D013/JNE)
Sire - TRYFIL CAWR (AI) (N001/RTI)
gd. WAEDOG CELYNEN 134TH(E025/JWE)

gs. MEADOWSWEET DAFYDD 2ND(P006/BME)
Dam - GWRANGON-FAWR MERIEL 2ND(U002/MGW)
gd. GRAIG-GOCH MERIEL 19TH(Q008/JGA)

Not Served

Mr. Tudor Richard Williams

12 **PELENNA MURIEL Vol 107**
(X010/WPN)

Born 21/11/2017
(UK722498300121)

gs. NEUADD HEBOG 151ST(D013/JNE)
Sire - **TRYFIL CAWR (AI) (N001/RTI)**
gd. WAEDOG CELYNEN 134TH(E025/JWE)

gs. GERDDI-BLUOG ADDEWID 4TH(Q001/EGB)
Dam - **FRAMPTON MURIEL(U001/LFR)**
gd. LLANARTH MURIEL 2ND(M016/BTR)

Not Served. Dam was Champion Maiden Heifer at the 2016 Monmouth Autumn Show and Sale

CLASS 3
FEMALES BORN ON OR AFTER 1-4-18
11 Entries (Nos. 13-23)

Mr. & Mrs. C. Thorpe

13 **LUCTON SEREN 42ND Vol 107**
(Y005/TLU)

Born 04/04/2018
(UK301478400154)

gs. BRYSGAGA BRENIN 28TH(RBR/S016)
Sire - **CARAN BANNER (AI) (A025/JCN)**
gd. CARAN NIA 9TH(JCN/W008)

gs. CAERYNWCH BARON 11TH(P022/WCH)
Dam - **LUCTON SEREN 27TH(T010/TLU)**
gd. LUCTON SEREN 5TH(K003/TLU)

Not Served

Mr. & Mrs. C. Thorpe

14 **LUCTON SEREN 43RD Vol 107**
(Y007/TLU) AI

Born 09/04/2018
(UK301478600156)

gs. BRYSGAGA BRENIN 28TH(RBR/S016)
Sire - **CARAN BANNER(A025/JCN)**
gd. CARAN NIA 9TH(JCN/W008)

gs. CAERYNWCH BARON 11TH(P022/WCH)
Dam - **LUCTON SEREN 22ND(T002/TLU)**
gd. LUCTON SEREN 2ND(E003/TLU)

Not Served

Mr. & Mrs. C. Thorpe
15 **LUCTON SEREN 44TH Vol 107** Born 12/04/2018
(Y008/TLU) (UK301478700157)
gs. CAERYNWCH BARON 9TH(K024/WCH)
Sire - CAERYNWCH BARON 11TH(P022/WCH)
gd. CAERYNWCH EBRILL 2ND(G002/WCH)
gs. LUCTON BRENIN(D001/TLU)
Dam - LUCTON SEREN 11TH(P001/TLU)
gd. LUCTON SEREN 2ND(E003/TLU)

Not Served

***Messrs. D.M. Davies & Son**
16 **CATHEDINE YEDDA (Twin to Heifer) (UP) Vol 107** Born 25/04/2018
(Y003/DCT) (UK720639600375)
gs. RHUDEL KRACKER (PROVEN)(K009/ERU)
Sire - MAES-BACH KRACKER 10TH(T005/SMB)
gd. RHAADR CHARMING 5TH(H022/RRR)
gs. ORIELTON LLEW(L002/BOR)
Dam - CATHEDINE QUAVR(Q010/DCT)
gd. CATHEDINE MUSIC(M016/DCT)

Not Served

***Messrs. D.M. Davies & Son**
17 **CATHEDINE YNEZ (UP) Vol 107** Born 19/05/2018
(Y009/DCT) (UK720639200378)
gs. RHUDEL KRACKER (PROVEN)(K009/ERU)
Sire - MAES-BACH KRACKER 10TH(T005/SMB)
gd. RHAADR CHARMING 5TH(H022/RRR)
gs. ORIELTON LLEW(L002/BOR)
Dam - CATHEDINE QUIZ(Q008/DCT)
gd. CATHEDINE ELLA(E022/DCT)

Not Served

Mr. & Mrs. C. Thorpe
18 **LUCTON MENNA 16TH Vol 107** Born 20/05/2018
(Y012/TLU) (UK301478500162)
gs. CAERYNWCH BARON 9TH(K024/WCH)
Sire - CAERYNWCH BARON 11TH(P022/WCH)
gd. CAERYNWCH EBRILL 2ND(G002/WCH)
gs. CARAN BANNER(A025/JCN)
Dam - LUCTON MENNA 7TH(R001/TLU)
gd. LUCTON MENNA 4TH(N003/TLU)

Not Served

Mrs. E.M Davies

19 **CWMHENLLWYN BRONWEN 2ND Vol 107**
(Y001/DCM)

Born 06/06/2018
(UK721009400427)

gs. CARAN DAFYDD DDU 2ND(K005/JCN)
Sire - CENNEN DAFYDD DDU 4TH(N026/FCE)

gd. CENNEN PEGGY 46TH(C004/FCE)

gs. GERDDI CYFHEBOG 68TH(Q002/EGE)
Dam - CWMHENLLWYN NIA 2ND(T002/DCM)

gd. CWMHENLLWYN FFION 2ND(K001/DCM)

Not Served

***Messrs. D.M. Davies & Son**

20 **CATHEDINE YAMINA (UP) Vol 108**
(Y013/DCT)

Born 13/06/2018
(UK720639500381)

gs. RHUDEL KRACKER (PROVEN)(K009/ERU)
Sire - MAES-BACH KRACKER 10TH(T005/SMB)

gd. RHAADR CHARMING 5TH(H022/RRR)

gs. ORIELTON LLEW(L002/BOR)
Dam - CATHEDINE SABRINA(S013/DCT)

gd. CATHEDINE GWENEVERE(G023/DCT)

Not Served

***Messrs. D.M. Davies & Son**

21 **CATHEDINE YASMINE (UP) Vol 108**
(Y016/DCT)

Born 06/07/2018
(UK720639600382)

gs. RHUDEL KRACKER (PROVEN)(K009/ERU)
Sire - MAES-BACH KRACKER 10TH(T005/SMB)

gd. RHAADR CHARMING 5TH(H022/RRR)

gs. MORLAIS MERLIN(H007/DMR)
Dam - CATHEDINE MARIE(M023/DCT)

gd. CATHEDINE CELINE(C012/DCT)

Not Served

Mrs. E.M Davies

22 **CWMHENLLWYN JENEPP Vol 107**
(Y002/DCM)

Born 22/07/2018
(UK721009100431)

gs. CARAN DAFYDD DDU 2ND(K005/JCN)

Sire - CENNEN DAFYDD DDU 4TH(N026/FCE)

gd. CENNEN PEGGY 46TH(C004/FCE)

gs. GERDDI CYFHEBOG 68TH(Q002/EGE)

Dam - CWMHENLLWYN LOWRI 3RD(T003/DCM)

gd. CWMHENLLWYN MAI(N004/DCM)

Not Served

Mrs. E.M Davies

23 **CWMHENLLWYN SIAN 3RD Vol 107**
(Y003/DCM)

Born 23/07/2018
(UK721009200432)

gs. CARAN DAFYDD DDU 2ND(K005/JCN)

Sire - CENNEN DAFYDD DDU 4TH(N026/FCE)

gd. CENNEN PEGGY 46TH(C004/FCE)

gs. GERDDI CYFHEBOG 68TH(Q002/EGE)

Dam - CWMHENLLWYN NON 4TH(T001/DCM)

gd. CWMHENLLWYN MORWEN(J005/DCM)

Not Served

WELSH BLACK STORES

SC & CEA MOGFORD, GLYN GWILYM FARM, RESOLVEN, NEATH

25/35 11 Welsh Black Steers, eligible for registration
36/47 12 Welsh Black Heifers, Pedigree, reg
48 Welsh Black heifer, n/s

GG JONES, WAUN DDERW ISAF, ERWOOD, BUILTH WELLS

49/53 5 Welsh Black Steers, 18m, pedigree, reg

H DAVIES, TONYSPYDDADEN FARM, COLBREN, NEATH

54 Welsh Black Steer, Pedigree, reg, 16/05/18
55 Welsh Black Steer, Pedigree, reg, 12/05/18
56 Welsh Black Heifer, Pedigree, reg, 21/05/18
57 Welsh Black Steer, Pedigree, reg, 25/07/18
58 Welsh Black Steer, Pedigree, reg, 14/10/18
59 Welsh Black Steer, Pedigree, non reg, 10/05/18

M THOMAS & CO LTD, TREHENRY FAWR, LLANDEFALLE, BRECON

60/75 16 Welsh Black heifers, 14-17m, pedigree, registered

T DAVIES, LASGARN FARM, TREVETHIN, PONTYPOOL, GWENT

76/78 3 Welsh Black steers, 18m, pedigree, non reg

D EVANS, 1 HIGH STREET, ABERCANAID, MERTHYR TYDFIL

79/84 6 Welsh Black steers

A HOOD, 3 GLOUCESTER MEWS, WOOTTON UNDER EDGE, GLOS

85/91 6 Welsh Black steers, 9-10m
92 Welsh Black heifer, 24m

93 onwards - late entries



NOTICE

*All Cattle are sold in accordance with the Welsh Black Cattle Society's Auction Sale Rules (copy available in Auctioneers' Office) and the conditions of Sale for Dairy Store and Beef Breeding Cattle at Markets published by the Livestock Auctioneers' Market Committee for England and Wales. In the event of discrepancy of Welsh Black Cattle Society's Auction Sale Rules shall prevail.

CATALOGUE ABBREVIATIONS
(Printed after the Herd Book number)

GRADING-UP APPENDIX

- F. – A Foundation Dam of unknown breeding and is registered in the grading-Up Appendix. No bull calves born to the female can be registered, but her heifer calves can be registered as First Grade Dams in the Grading-Up Appendix.
- F.G. – A First Grade Dam and registered in the grading-Up Appendix. No bull calves born to the female can be registered, but her heifer calves can be registered as Second Grade Dams in the Grading-Up Appendix.
- S.G. – A Second Grade Dam and registered in the grading-Up Appendix. No bull calves born to the female can be registered, but her heifer calves can be registered as full pedigree in the Herd Book.

POLLED REGISTER

Females

Polled Calves born to polled females can be entered in the Polled Register of the Herd Book.

- P.F.G. – A Polled First Grade Dam, naturally polled and by either a pedigree horned Welsh Black Bull and a registered polled dam or by a registered polled Welsh Black Bull and out of any registered horned Welsh Black Female.
- P.S.G. – A Polled Second Grade Dam, Naturally polled out of a Polled First Grade Dam and a registered polled Welsh Black Bull.
- P.T.G. - A Polled Third Grade Dam naturally polled with no vestige of horns or scurs out of a polled Second Grade Dam by a 'Proven' Polled Welsh Black Bull.
- P.G. -A Polled Graduate Dam, naturally polled with no vestige of horns or curs out of a Polled Third Grade Dam by a 'Proven' polled Welsh Black Bull.
- H.F.G. – Horned heifer calves born to any grade of polled dams, or by polled sires may be accepted as Second Grade Dams in Grading-Up Appendix.

New Polled Ruling

- (PP) – Pure Polled
(IP) – Impure Polled
(UP) – Unidentified Polled
(HP) – Horned Polled

Copies of the Rules relating to the Polled Register are available from the Secretary or from the Auctioneers.

(A.I.) – ARTIFICIAL INSEMINATION. Denotes bull which have been used for Artificial Insemination by any of the Cattle Breeding Companies.

BREEDING GUARANTEES

(a) All cows and heifers which are stated in the catalogue as having been served, or inseminated, not less than twelve weeks before the date of the Sale, or stated as having been running with a bull between dates (the latter of which is not less than twelve weeks before the date of the Sale) will be guaranteed to be in-calf to the service date, the date of insemination, or between dates and to the bull stated in the catalogue, unless alteration is announced at the time of Sale. In the event of any breach of warranty the purchaser must notify the auctioneers in writing, within the time prescribed in the auctioneer's sale rules, which in the case of cows and heifers proving not to be in-calf is 43 days. All females served, inseminated, or running with the bull less than twelve (12) weeks from the date of Sale shall be described in the Catalogue as not being guaranteed in-calf.

FREEDOM FROM DISEASE

- 1) Vendors must declare their herd's risk level for Johne's disease.
- 2) Herds are classified for Johne's disease as:
 - Risk level 1 – Herds have had at least 3 clear annual herd tests.
 - Risk level 2 – Herds that have had one or two clear annual herd tests.
 - Risk level 3 – Herds that have had less than 3% reactors in their last herd test.
 - Risk level 4 – Herds that have had more than 3% reactors in their last herd test.
 - Risk level 5 – Herds that are either not testing for Johne's disease in an approved health scheme, or are not complying with the rules of such a scheme.
- 3) Members of a licensed cattle health scheme for Johne's disease are required to isolate and test animals purchased from herds at all risk levels other than risk level 1
- 4) A purchaser wishing to take advantage of section 22 of the Society's auction sale rules – purchaser's rights in relation to vendor's warranty for Johne's disease and BVD – should ensure that samples are taken from cattle either prior to leaving the sale ground or within one week of the sale provided they are kept in appropriate isolation during that time.

BULL FERTILITY TESTING

The fertility examination should ideally be done within one month of the sale. Purchasers should note that the veterinary certificate relates to the fertility of the bull on the day of examination. If the interval between the examination and the sale is longer than one month, then the possibility that something could have adversely affected the fertility since the day of the examination is increased.

The veterinary certificate should be made available for inspection at the sale and the purchaser should be supplied with a copy.

UNDERSTANDING THE BREEDPLAN PERFORMANCE RECORDING INFORMATION IN THIS CATALOGUE

Only Welsh Black GROUP BREEDPLAN EBVs or INTERIM EBVs with Accuracy (Acc) can be validly compared between herds.

ESTIMATED BREEDING VALUES (EBVs)

The EBV is the best estimate of an animal's genetic merit for that trait.

ACCURACY

An accuracy value is presented with every EBV and gives an indication of the amount of information that has been used in the calculation of that EBV. The higher the accuracy the lower the likelihood of change in the animal's EBV as more information is analysed for that animal or its relatives. Accuracy below 75% should be considered low.

CALVING EASE

Calving Ease EBVs are based on calving difficulty scores, birth weights and gestation length information. More positive EBVs are favourable and indicate easier calving.

DIR: Direct calving ease indicates how this animal influences the birth of its progeny.

DTRS: Daughter's calving ease indicates how well the animal produces daughters that have easier calving.

BIRTH AND FERTILITY

GL: Gestation Length EBV (days) is based on AI records. Lower (negative) GL EBVs indicate shorter gestation lengths which generally relate to easier calving and increased growth after birth.

BWT: Birth Weight EBV (kg) is based on the measured birth weight of animals, adjusted for dam age. The lower the value the lighter the calf at birth and the lower the likelihood of a difficult birth. This is particularly important when selecting sires for use over heifers.

SS: Scrotal Size EBV (cm) is an indicator of male fertility in regards to semen quality and quantity. Higher (positive) EBVs indicate higher fertility. There is also a small negative correlation with age of puberty in female progeny.

GROWTH

MILK: 200-Day Milk EBV (kg) is an estimate of an animal's milking ability. For sires, this EBV is indicative of their daughter's milking ability as it affects the 200-day weight of their calves.

200: 200-Day Growth EBV (kg) is calculated from the weight of animals taken between 80 and 300 days of age. Values are adjusted to 200 days and for dam age. This EBV is the best single estimate of an animal's genetic merit for growth to early ages.

400: 400-Day Weight EBV (kg) is calculated from the weight of progeny taken between 301 and 500 days of age, adjusted to 400 days and for dam age. This EBV is the best single estimate of an animal's genetic merit for yearling weight.

600: 600-Day Weight EBV (kg) is calculated from the weight of progeny taken between 501 and 900 days of age, adjusted to 600 days and for dam age. This EBV is the best single estimate of an animal's genetic merit for growth beyond yearling age.

MWT: Mature Cow Weight EBV (kg) is an estimate of the genetic difference in cow weight at 5 years of age. Smaller, or more moderate EBVs are generally more favourable.

CARCASE

CWT: Carcase Weight EBV (kg) estimates the genetic difference in carcase weight at a standard age of 650 days.

EMA: Eye Muscle Area EBV (cm²) estimates genetic differences in eye muscle area of a 300kg dressed carcase. More positive EBVs indicate better muscling on animals.

FAT: Rib Fat EBV (mm) estimates the genetic differences in fat depth at the rib in a 300kg dressed carcase. More positive EBVs indicate more subcutaneous fat and earlier maturity.

RBV%: Retail Beef Yield Percent EBV (%) represents total (boned out) meat yield as a percentage of a 300kg dressed carcase. A more positive EBV indicates higher percentage yield for the 300kg carcase size.

IMF%: Intra-muscular Fat Percent EBV (%) is an estimate of the genetic difference in the percentage of intra-muscular fat at the 12/13th rib site in a 300kg carcase. Depending on market targets, larger more positive values are generally more favourable.



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