

JANUARY 2015 NEWSLETTER

Dear Member

It is with regret that I have to inform you of the death of Mr Richard (Dick) Powell (Garregllwyd Flock 00946) on Tuesday 20th January.

Dick together with his wife Rosena have been very prominent members of the Society for over 60 years. Dick is probably one of the best known showman within Wales and The Borders with many Interbreed Championships, too numerous to mention, at the Royal of England, Three Counties, Royal Welsh and many more major shows. Dick was very unique in the way he prepared and showed his sheep, and was always ready to offer advice if he felt it was required especially to the younger members or sometimes even to older members of the Kerry Hill Society.

He will be sadly missed by all who knew him, we therefore extend to Rosena and Family our deepest sympathy.

The Funeral will take place on Saturday 31st January, 12noon at Guilsfield Church, Nr Welshpool, Powys

Family flowers only. Donations if desired to the Air Ambulance, The Kerry Hill Flock Book Society and Cancer Research.

Rosena and Family would like you to join them for refreshments after the service at Guilsfield Community Centre

Society Officials

Following on from our Council meeting yesterday I am still your Chairman for this coming year with Linda Barnard continuing in the Vice Chairman's role and Gill Dutton continues with the Treasurer's role. Pam Chilman continues as Secretary.

Gwen Pugh is our new President with Jeff Chilman President Elect. Yvonne Brown continues to be our webmaster.

The Officials for the Northern Ireland Kerry Hill Flock Book are:-

Chairman James McClintock, Secretary Joan Clarke, Treasurer, Dale Wylie

Transfer of animals

It is becoming increasingly important to transfer your animals over to the people you have sold them to, whether this is to a private buyer or at a sale. It can lead to some problems arising when the new buyer wants to register progeny from them if the dam and sire is not transferred into their name. Please make sure that you either inform the Secretary or Yvonne Brown in writing or via e mail/ pedweb which will allow her to press the button to allow them to be transferred correctly after first checking with the database.

NSA Sheep Events

The Society will be present at the following events in 2015:

NSA Welsh Sheep – Tuesday 19/5/15 at Glanmiheli and Drefor, Kerry, Newtown, Powys

NSA North Sheep - Wednesday 3/6/15 at Millstone Moor Farm, Cockermouth, Cumbria;

NSA Sheep South West - Tuesday 16/6/15 at Higher Nichols Nymet, Nichols Nymet, North Tawton,

Please come along to any of the stands and say hello and if you have any spare time to lend a hand on the stand it will be most welcome.

Results of 2014 Flock Competition

The first prize winners of each section of the Flock Competition are as follows:-

The John Beavan Cup 10 & under Ewes

1st K Angus (Blackabbey Flock)

The W V Davies Bowl 11 – 29 Ewes

1st G Roberts (Pengwern Flock)

The John Bache Cup 30 – 75 Ewes

1st J & P Owens (Woodhouse 2 Flock)

The Morgan Moore & Shepherds Cup 76 Ewes and over

1st A John (Lax Flock)

The Wallace Clarke Cup for the best Ram Lamb

1st D & K Whybrow (Cardington Flock)

The Gwen Pugh Award for the best Ewe Lambs

1st J & P Owens (Woodhouse 2 Flock)

The J E Anthony Cup for the Champion Flock

J & P Owens

Woodhouse 2 Flock

Reserve Champion Flock

S Jones

Fronarth Flock

AGM Suggestion to move the venue around the country

A suggestion was made at the AGM to explore the possibility of moving the venue and taking it around the country. Please let us know any ideas you may have about this together with any suggestions for hotels etc. However, for this year, the date and venue have already been set: the AGM and Dinner will be on Saturday 14th November, at the Metropole Hotel in Llandridnod Wells.

New Office hours for Secretary

Our Secretary, Pam Chilman will be available Monday to Friday from 10.00am to 3pm. Outside of these hours please leave a message on the answer machine leaving a landline number to get you back on where possible.

Shows in 2015 where Kerry Hill Classes are held

May 4: North Somerset Show
May 9 - 10: Newark & Notts County
May 13 - 15: Balmoral (NI)
May 16 - 17: RWAS Smallholders Event
May 23: Shropshire County Show
May 27 - 28: Staffordshire County Show
May 27 - 30: Bath & West

June 12 - 14: Three Counties
June 13: Aberystwyth

July 1 - 2: Royal Norfolk
July 3 - 4: Omagh (NI)
July 4: North Wales / Caernarfon Show
July 18: Castlewellan (NI)
July 20 - 23: Royal Welsh
July 24 - 25: Border Union Show

August 1: Brecon
August 1: Tenbury
August 1: Oswestry
August 6: Burwarton
August 8th: Eglwasbach
August 11 - 12: Anglesey
August 18 - 20: Pembrokeshire County Show
August 20: Flint & Denbigh

August 26: Merioneth
August 27: Monmouthshire County Show
August 29: Berriew

September 10: Westmorland County Show
September 12: Kington
September 19 - 20: Royal Berkshire Show

Nov 30 - Dec 1: RWAS Winter Fair

Alternatively, if your local show doesn't have classes for Kerry Hill Sheep, you may still be able to enter them in "Any Other Pure Breed" or "Any Other Rare / Native Breed" classes – please ask your show secretary for more information.

Registration Charges

Please note that from May 1st 2015 Ewe/Ewe Lamb registration fees will rise to £3.00 per female. Ram/Ram Lamb registration fees remain unchanged