

Hall of Fame Awards 2018

Shorthorn Recipient - Joe Doherty



Denis Naughten TD, Minister for Communications, Climate Action and Environment with Joe Doherty

The Irish Shorthorn Society proudly announces the Shorthorn National Hall of Fame award recipient for 2018 is **Joe Doherty** from Lurga, Charlestown, Co. Mayo.

Joe established the Kilbeagh herd in 2000 with the purchase of a pedigree shorthorn cow Glore Cleopatra from James Lyons from Glore, Aughamore. Two weeks later she calved down a big roan bull calf, Kilbeagh Pioneer which was purchased by Sligo A.I. in 2001. Descendants of Cleopatra are still in the herd today.

From these humble beginnings the Kilbeagh herd has grown steadily through the years and Joe with his wife Delia presently have 20 Pedigree cows and a Stock bull.

In 2005 Joe joined the Irish Shorthorn council and his continued service to this day has made him the longest serving council member. With his in-depth knowledge the Society was privileged to have Joe's talents at its disposal. During his time on Council he served as Chairman in 2009 and 2010 where his proudest moments are the introduction of the All Ireland calf class at Strokestown show and the establishment of the premier sale in Roscommon both of which continue today on the shorthorn calendar.

Joe's dedication and commitment to the breed is second to none. Joe is always a pleasure to talk to and he will freely impart his knowledge to new and young members at any given opportunity.

Joe is a member of the Moyside Shorthorn Club, a group of Shorthorn breeders in the northwest. See [f](#) moysideshorthorns for photos of the Kilbeagh herd.