



Irish Shorthorn Society

NEWSLETTER

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The phonenumber is often busy. If you need to reach the office and cannot get an immediate answer, please text or email and we will endeavor to respond as soon as possible.

Current Phone Hours:
9am - 3:30pm

For all urgent queries, you can contact our President Amelda Middleton Leonard on 085-7109847.



New Breed Secretary:

Dear Members, we are delighted to introduce our new Breed Secretary, Shauna Mullhall.

Shauna lives on her family commercial suckler farm located near Ballymahon in Co. Longford. She is no stranger to all aspects of suckler farming and has been farming with her father from a young age. Shauna also has a BSc in Agricultural Science from Waterford Institute of Technology and gained experience at ICBF during her college placement. Over the last few years, she has worked closely with dairy and beef farmers helping them with breeding decisions, having worked with an AI technician during the peak breeding season each Spring. Currently on the verge of completing her Masters in quantitative genetics, Shauna is looking forward to helping breeders move the Shorthorn breed forward and working alongside you all in her new role.

Outgoing Secretary:

We wish to extend our sincere gratitude to our outgoing secretary Joanne Bowers. Joanne joined the Society in March 2023 and did immeasurable work during this time. We would like to wish Joanne and her family the very best going forward. Thank you Joanne for all your hard work and contribution to the Irish Shorthorn Society. You will be missed.

Youth Development Programme:

On Saturday 14th October, the YDP Committee held a Breeder's Information Day and Youth Development Programme in Bandon Mart Co. Cork. The day included talks from Paschal Coughlan of ICBF and Richard Lee from Knockagarry Shorthorns. On the day youngsters had an opportunity to clip, blowdry, handle animals, and learn tips for both at home and in the showing. Everybody in attendance was entered into a draw for spot prizes and each child went home with their own goody bag. Thank you to the YDP Committee and to all others who contributed to this event.



Please remember to submit your Irish Shorthorn Society certificates for change of ownership at your earliest convenience.

Should animals go down with TB, their Pedigree Certificates MUST be in the current herdowners name. This could effect the level of compensation received. The cost of reissuing certificates is €10 per cert.

Registrations should be submitted to the office by post or online where possible.

This ensures accuracy and speeds up processing time.

Please ensure correct payment is included.

Alternatively, payments can be made by card over the phone, online banking or by cheque payable to the Irish Shorthorn Society.

No work can be processed without correct payment.

Sires:

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Beef:

- Glann Jenson - Bova AI (sexed)
- Craigfaddock Parnassus - Eurogene
- Crooked Post Compass 30J - Bull Bank

Dairy:

- Kuszmar Mercury Stargazer - Progressive Genetics
- Ballytrain Braveheart - Dovea

- ***Abelsminde Jelzin (S3794) - SOCIETY BULL***

An exciting sire from Denmark, he tops the Danish league table on figures. His progeny have both growth and power and his daughters are proving to be exceptional. Supplies are limited so please contact the office to place your order.



Society straws can be ordered through the Society office at a cost of €45 per straw.

Please send photos of bull progeny to our facebook page. We love to share photos and updates regularly. You can also text photos to the Society phone on 086 046 1442.

Sire Directory:

We are delighted to share our brand new Milking Shorthorn Sire Directory “*Milking Shorthorn Sires of Excellence*”. This new sire directory can be found on the Society website under Sire Directory. Alternatively, if you would like a hardcopy, please contact the office and one will be issued to you as soon as possible. Contact: secretary@irishshorthorn.com or 0860461442.



The Irish Shorthorn Society are again grateful to ZURICH Insurance for their continued support & sponsorship in 2023.

To all our members, we ask that you once again consider ZURICH for all your farming insurance requirements.

There is no obligation to commit, all ZURICH asks of our membership is the opportunity to quote for your business.

For more information contact: Kevin Mc Donagh at Charles P Scanlon Insurance Brokers.
Telephone: 071 918 5770



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Shows & Sales 2023

We are delighted to deliver a brief recap of show results from 2023. A special thank you to all exhibitors who worked incredibly hard in presenting their animals this year.

- **Mullingar Show - Sunday 9th July:**

All Ireland Pedigree Registered Beef Shorthorn 2yr Heifer:

- 1st: Glannview Mabel - Adrian Flatley
2nd: Ballylehaun Fluffy - James Muldowney
3rd: Ricketstown Blythesome Rolo - Martin Kelly

Champion Shorthorn: Glannview Mabel - Adrian Flatley

Reserve Champion: Chapelton Princess Royal - Conor Murphy

- **Tullamore Show - 13th August**

All Ireland Registered Pedigree Shorthorn Beef Cow & Calf Class:

- 1st: Portshan Blueway - Noel & Lisa Dowd
2nd: Gordnadrass Polly - Peter Gormley
3rd: Ricketstown Mayflower Pipa - Martin Kelly

Champion Beef Shorthorn: Ricketstown Popeye - Martin Kelly

Reserve Champion: Creaga Vertigo - Noel & Lisa Dowd

Champion Dairy Shorthorn: Ransboro Blossom 40th - Glenn Carter

Reserve Champion: Ransboro Barrington Mary - Glenn Carter

- **Mohill Show - 20th August**

All Ireland Junior Bull Class. Born from January 1st 2022 to 31st August 2022 inclusive:

- 1st: Creaga Uno - Noel & Lisa Dowd
2nd: Lavally Mario - John Mullooly
3rd: Moygara Cashback - Dan McKeon

Champion Shorthorn: Gortnadrass Ida - Peter Gormley

Reserve Champion: Creaga Violet - Noel & Lisa Dowd

- **Limerick Show - 27th August**

All Ireland Shorthorn Heifer Class. Born or on between 1st January and 31st December 2022:

- 1st: Caramba Rothes Sylvia - Tom Staunton
2nd: Glannview Mayflower - Adrian Flatley
3rd: Ballinlig Kisha - John McDermott

Champion: Caramba Rothes Sylvia - Tom Staunton

Reserve Champion: Creaga Violet - Noel & Lisa Dowd



Macroom Sale:
Saturday 30th September.

Top priced animal:
Kildee Carla, €2100. Owned
by Áine & Seán O'Donovan.

Shannonside Club Sale:
Saturday 7th October.

Top priced animal: Rusheen
Lucky, €4060. Owned by
Michael Connolly

Moyside & Croghan Shorthorn
Breeders Clubs Sale:
Saturday 21st October.

Top priced animal: Ardnaskea
Natalie 2nd, €3050. Owned by
Patrick Hehir.

Mount Leinster Club Sale:
Monday 30th October.

Top priced animal: Northside
Alice, €1800. Owned by Roy
Moorhead. Bred by Patrick
McCarthy.

Shorthorn Marketing
Company: Saturday 14th
October.

Top priced animal: Ballinlig
Bella, €2800. Owned by
Michael Roche. Bred by Terry
& Amelda Middleton

- **Strokestown Show - 9th September**

All Ireland male calf born between 1st September 2022 and 31st December 2022:

1st: Creaga Uno - Noel & Lisa Dowd
2nd: Ardtrasna Robbie - Peter Gormley
3rd: Mullan Breac Pennywise - Conor Ryan

All Ireland male calf born between 1st January 2023 and 31st March 2023:

1st: Gortnadrass Keystone - Peter Gormley
2nd: Creaga Vertigo - Noel & Lisa Dowd
3rd: Ballinlig Rocky - Amelda Middleton Leonard

All Ireland male calf born on or after 1st April 2023:

1st: Ballinlig Buster - Amelda Middleton Leonard
2nd: Portshan Laddy - Frank Whitney
3rd: Glannview Arthur - Adrian Flatley

All Ireland female calf born between 1st September 2022 and 31st December 2022:

1st: Glannview Mayflower - Adrian Flatley
2nd: Creaga Unity - Noel & Lisa Dowd
3rd: Glannview Flick - Adrian Flatley

All Ireland female calf born between 1st January 2023 and 31 March 2023:

1st: Creaga Violet - Noel & Lisa Dowd
2nd: Gortnadrass Rusty - Peter Gormley
3rd: Mullan Breac Nancy - Conor Ryan

All Ireland female calf born on or after 1st April 2023:

1st: Creevolan Stunner - John McDermott
2nd: Glann Maggie - Adrian Flatley
3rd: Aughnamona Hotgirl - Geraldine Shanley & Donal Spring

Champion: Creaga Violet - Noel & Lisa Dowd

Reserve Champion: Glannview Ekin Su - Adrian Flatley

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Premier Sale:
Saturday 18th November.

Top priced female: Creaga Violet, €4500. Owned by Noel & Lisa Dowd.

Top priced male: Moygara Cashback, €2400. Owned by Michael McKeon.

In calf heifer: Rockville Foggathorp 516, €2750. Owned by Anthony Dockery.

Maiden heifer: Tullylynn Tilly, €3950. Owned by Michael Flatley, bred by Henry Boland.

Weanling bull: Ballinlig Buster, €2000. Owned by Terry & Amelda Middleton.

Heifer Raffle Results:
Pedigree Heifer: Grace Fahy
€250: PJ Moran
Society Merchandise:
Maureen Kieran
€50 Farm Wardrobe
Voucher: John O'Doherty
€50 Farm Wardrobe
Voucher: Killian O'Sullivan

Well done to all our winners!

• Premier Sale - 18th November

Thank you to all who attended our Premier Show & Sale on Saturday 18th November. There was a wonderful turnout of Shorthorns.

Junior Female Champion: Creaga Violet - Noel & Lisa Dowd.
Junior Female Reserve Champion: Bellevue Freda - Jim & Mary Kilcullen.

Senior Female Champion: Moygara Willow 926 - Michael McKeon.

Senior Female Reserve Champion: Creaga Una - Noel & Lisa Dowd.

Overall Female Champion: Moygara Willow 926 - Michael McKeon.

Overall Female Reserve Champion: Creaga Violet - Noel & Lisa Dowd.

Junior Male Champion: Ballinlig Rocky - Terry & Amelda Middleton

Junior Male Reserve Champion: Ballinlig Buster - Terry & Amelda Middleton

Senior Male Champion: Lavally Mario - John Mullooly.

Senior Male Reserve Champion: Moygara Cashback - Michael McKeon.

Overall Male Champion: Lavally Mario - John Mullooly.

Overall Male Reserve Champion: Ballinlig Rocky - Terry & Amelda Middleton.



Amelda Middleton Leonard presenting a gift to Judge Richard Henning

New Club:

After the success of the Macroom Sale & YDP Event in Cork, it is hoped that a new club will be formed in the South-West region for Shorthorn Breeders and enthusiasts. If you have interest in being part of this club please call or text Áine O'Donovan on 087-2668334.



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