

NORTH EAST ENGLAND ABERDEEN ANGUS CLUB

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NEWSLETTER—SPRING 2010

I would like to welcome all members, old and new to the spring North East of England Aberdeen Angus Club Newsletter, I aim to give you a run down of important upcoming events in the Angus diary. I hope that this will allow you all to get more involved in the variety of events we have planned. Member participation is so important to allow the club to progress and grow, should you have any ideas and suggestions please do share them with us. I have included my contact details above for all correspondents.

Kind Regards *Victor Dobson (Club Secretary)*

MEMBERSHIPS FEES

The annual membership fee of £10 is now due please send a cheque made payable to “North East England Aberdeen Angus Club” to myself or Juliet Swires @ Cragg House Farm, Wilsill, Harrogate, North Yorkshire, HG3 5EE. Anyone wishing to pay by Direct Debit should contact Juliet for details (01423) 711745.

We intend to be stricter about membership, if your fee is not paid you shall not receive further correspondents from the club.

SOME DATES FOR YOUR DIARY:

2nd May - Show preparation demonstration including clipping demo and stock judging competition Kindly hosted by John and Sue Heath @ Ravensfield Farm, Cowden, East Yorkshire, HU11 4UG. To start at 12 noon, Light lunch provided at £2.00 per head. Please confirm attendance to myself by 25th April 2010 via the above contact details.

4th May - Multi-breed Sale at Thirsk auction centre.

7th June - Scanning & EBV Event at Thirsk auction centre, invitation to follow.

13th June - Visit to Cogent Bull Stud We have organised a club visit to the prestigious Cogent Bull Stud in Aldford Chester, the visit will last around 2 hours where we will have the opportunity to view the facilities and will be given a bull parade, we have been asked to arrive at 10am, they will be providing sandwiches for lunch. Again those wanting to come along please confirm by 30th May 2010

22nd, 23rd & 24th June - Lincolnshire Show Attendance has been poor at the Lincolnshire for the past few years, to encourage you all to come and exhibit your cattle we have added a new trophy for the show. We are always looked after exceptionally well at the Lincolnshire show, we would hate to lose our classes through lack of numbers, so please join us for a fantastic show.

6th, 7th & 8th August - Judging of Herd Competition This year the competition is kindly being judged by Mr. Alistair McLaren. An entry form is enclosed for all those wishing to participate this must be returned by 14th July 2010

7th August - Annual Club BBQ Adrian and Penny Johnson have volunteered to host this year at Clarence House Farm, Yeasley, York, YO6 4SL. We will be lighting the BBQ at 5:30pm, and require a contribution of £7 towards the cost of the event. Please confirm your attendance to myself by 16th July 2010 this is required to help us with the food preparations. We hope to see you all there.

8th August - Youth Development Program Workshop This year the workshop is been held at David & Penny Evans, Tree Bridge Farm, Nunthorpe. For entry forms and more information please contact myself or David Evans (01642) 723696.

29th October - National Calf Show this is to be held again at the Agri Expo in Carlise.

13th November - Club Calf Show to be held at Thirsk Auction Centre, we shall send out entry forms nearer the event.

26th November - Awards Evening and AGM - Our venue this year will be the Anchor Inn, Whixley, York, YO26 8AG. The AGM will commence at 7:15pm with the meal following at approximately 8pm, awards and a speaker to follow. The meal is a carvery, and includes sweet and a coffee/tea at a cost of £12.50 per head. Please let me know if you will be attending by 9th November.

POINTS FOR CLUB

TROPHIES

To help keep a check of your points I have included a points card for you to fill in throughout the year, this will make data collation at the end of the year much simpler.

On this note please be aware that this year the points for club trophies will include 'The Calf Show at Thirsk' in November which will count towards the awards in 2011 for the junior Calves.

CLUB WEB-SITE , PHOTO COMPETITION & 2011 CALENDAR

We are currently in the early stages of producing a club web-site this is to include a number of sections such as; Homepage, News, Info on stock for sales and map showing our members details. We are offering all members the opportunity to be included on the web-site for a small initial fee of £30, which will include your herd contact details visible via an interactive map. We welcome any ideas for the web-sites content.

A club photo competition has been launched, so if you have an Aberdeen Angus themed photo you would like to enter, please send a copy to me via post or on an e-mail—closing date 1st August 2010.

The winner will be on the front of the new 2011 North East England Aberdeen Angus Club Calendar, which we are in the process of setting up, details of how you can be included will follow, however if you know you would like your herd featured please contact me as spaces will be limited!