

**SOUTH DEVONS**  
**PERFORMANCE CHAMPIONSHIPS**

to be held at

**AGRIFEST SOUTHWEST**

**Wednesday**

**3<sup>rd</sup> November 2021**

**Westpoint, Exeter,**

**EX5 1DJ**



**Schedule**

**SOUTH DEVON HERD BOOK SOCIETY**  
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# **SOUTH DEVON PERFORMANCE CHAMPIONSHIPS**

## **Background**

This is the sixth year that the South Devon Herd Book Society is holding Performance Championships in which performance recording breeders from across the country are invited to compete.

This technical event is a showcase for Breedplan performance recording South Devon herds, to highlight the importance of Estimated Breeding Values as a tool for breeding selection.

This year's Championships are being held by kind arrangement of Agrifest Southwest on Wednesday 3<sup>rd</sup> November.

## **Judging**

Each class will be judged on inspection of the animals, and on their performance (Quality Beef Index for each bull and Suckler Replacement Index for each female) and will be placed accordingly.

From these winners will be selected the Male, Female and Breed Champions.

## **JUDGE:**

**Mr P Claridge, Knowlhill Farm, Middle Claydon, Bucks**

## **BREED SECRETARY:**

**Mrs Caroline Poultney**

## Classes

Entries will be taken for bulls and heifers aged between one year and two and a half years on the date of the Championships (3<sup>rd</sup> November 2021).

Entries will be restricted to pedigree registered South Devon cattle which are owned and exhibited by South Devon Herd Book Society members who participate in the South Devon Breedplan recording scheme.

All classes will be judged on a combination of inspection and performance points based on Quality Beef Index (QBI) for bulls, and Suckler Replacement Index (SRI) for heifers. The championships will be judged on inspection only.

The highest placed animal on inspection will receive the equivalent in points to the highest QBI (bulls) or SRI (heifers) of those animals in the ring; and the lowest placed animal on inspection will receive the equivalent in points to the lowest QBI or SRI. The remaining animals will receive points at the judge's discretion in between the two previous points. These points will then be added to the animal's own QBI or SRI, and the animals will be pulled forward in order of the highest combined points. In the event of a tie the animal with the highest QBI or SRI will be placed highest.

### **Two sections will be catalogued:**

- Bulls between 1 year and 2 ½ years of age
- Heifers between 1 year and 2 ½ years of age

These sections will be sub-divided according to age and number of entries.

## Championships and Prize Money

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There will be awards for:

- Best overall male £50, championship sash and rosette
- Reserve best overall male £25, reserve championship rosette
- Best overall female £50, championship sash and rosette
- Reserve best overall female £25, reserve championship rosette
- Breed champion £100, championship sash and rosette, and the Harlington Trophy
- £250 additional prize money to be divided between 1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> place in each class

# General Rules & Regulations

**1** South Devon breeders must read and comply with the rules and regulations laid down by the individual Show Societies, both before entering and at the show; and these must take priority over the requirements of the South Devon Herd Book Society (SDHBS) but if a subject is not mentioned the SDHBS rules will apply.

## **2 Ownership**

All cattle exhibited must be the bona fide property of the Exhibitor at the closing date for entries. If the animal/s has/have been bred by a different breeder it must be declared.

Exhibitors must not enter or bring to shows animals which have been bred by the person judging the South Devon classes at that show. If an animal is then forwarded to the judge it shall remain unplaced.

## **3 Closing date for entries**

Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> October 2021

## **4 Entry fees**

£50 + VAT = £60 per stall

Entry fees are payable at time of entry. In the event of an Exhibitor being unable to attend due to TB restrictions a full refund of entry fees will be given. A refund of £20 + VAT = £24 will be credited back to the Exhibitor by the South Devon Herd Book Society for every animal forward.

Every entry form must be completed fully by the Exhibitor at time of entry. No animal shall be entered for more than one class.

## **5 Exhibitors passes**

Passes will be dependent on the number of entries.

Up to 2 entries – 1 pass, 3 entries and over – 2 passes

## **6 Ear tag**

All cattle entered must be double tagged, and the ID entered on the entry form.

## **7 TB testing**

All cattle entered must be TB tested clear within 60 days of the date of the Event and test certificates must be provided upon arrival.

## **8 Correctness of entries**

Exhibitors are solely responsible for the accuracy and eligibility of their entries. All cattle must be fully pedigree registered in the main section of the South Devon Herd Book. Passports must accompany the animals and must be handed to the

South Devon officer on arrival. The Society reserves the right to take a DNA sample from any animal to verify its identity.

## **9 Exhibition of cattle**

All cattle entered must be fully halter trained, and all animals must wear bulldog clips in their noses (nose rings in bulls fulfil this requirement) when not stalled from the time of offloading to the time of loading back on to cattle transport.

**10** There must be no tampering with their animals by any Exhibitor or their representative to conceal defect, including deliberately hiding white hair.

## **11 Neck numbers**

Neck numbers will be provided by the Society.

## **12 Food, forage and feeding appliances**

Exhibitors must provide their own feeding stuffs, pails or buckets and feeding troughs. Straw will be provided.

## **13 Electrical equipment**

Exhibitors must provide and use circuit breakers with all blowers and other electrical equipment, and all equipment must be inspected and labelled as having passed a PAT test.

## **14 Arrival and departure**

All cattle must arrive at Westpoint by 4 pm on Tuesday 2<sup>nd</sup> November.

## **15 Insurance and liability**

The South Devon Herd Book Society (SDHBS) will not accept liability for death or personal injury caused by the SDHBS or their servants or agents or any person whilst entering or leaving Westpoint. The SDHBS shall not be responsible for death, injury, disease or loss caused to any Exhibitor or to his servant or agent, or to any animal exhibited by the said Exhibitor or by a Vehicle brought by the Exhibitor to Westpoint from whatever cause, death, injury, disease or loss arises. All Exhibitors must ensure they hold sufficient Public Liability insurance.

# AGRIFEST SOUTHWEST

Agrifest in November is the region's premier event for the livestock industry, bringing together farmers, agricultural traders, professionals and researchers under one roof to discuss, showcase and celebrate farming in the UK.

The event includes competitive classes for primestock showing for pedigree and prime cattle, dairy calves and prime lambs.

Agrifest also incorporates the Royal Smithfield Club beef ribs and saddle of lamb competition.

Six industry leaders will be joining the programme of speakers throughout the day with talks designed to inform and inspire. From regeneration to regulations and of course, life after Brexit, Agrifest Southwest is primed to tackle the important contemporary issues facing the region's farmers.

## PRE-EVENT SUPPER

The pre-event Supper will be held on the evening of Tuesday 2<sup>nd</sup> November at Westpoint.

Tickets should be purchased from the Agrifest organisers and please visit their website for further information ([www.agrifestsouthwest.co.uk](http://www.agrifestsouthwest.co.uk)).

South Devon beef supplied by HADLEY FARMS LTD will be served as the roast.



# ENTRY FORM

Please complete in full, and return to SDHBS, Westpoint, Clyst St Mary, Exeter, EX5 1DJ by the date of closing Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> October), together with your cheque made payable to SDHBS for £60 per animal

## EXHIBITOR DETAILS

Exhibitor Name .....

Address .....

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Postcode .....

Telephone .....

E-mail .....

## CATTLE DETAILS

***Nb: If entries exceed maximum stalling available to SDHBS, the Society reserves the right to impose a maximum number of entries per exhibitor***

<i><b>Animal name</b></i>	<i><b>Animal Tag ID</b></i>	<i><b>Date of birth</b></i>

*I hereby certify that the particulars herein are correct to the best of my knowledge and belief, and I hereby agree to conform to and abide by the Rules & Regulations laid out within this Schedule.*

**Signed:** .....

**For & on behalf of (exhibitor)** .....

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