

# TRUSTEE MEETING SUMMARY

## APRIL 22<sup>nd</sup> & 23rd 2008

### **REGISTRATIONS**

- Year to March 2008 closed down 4%.

### **MEMBERSHIP**

- 32 adult and 5 HYB names approved
- Membership now stands at 5770 adult 1500 HYB

### **FINANCE**

- Budget approved
- Stable block development underway, completion expected August 2008

### **LEGAL**

- Nominations for Southern, South Wales and Yorkshire received. No nomination for Scotland.
- Next AGM 25 November 2008 at Dunston Hall Norfolk
- Mr Phillip Davies confirmed as President Elect 2009

### **CATTLE INFORMATION SERVICE**

- Cows recordings up 35,000 over past year.
- 250 new herds 100 lost or ceased production.
- CIS has been awarded the Queens Award for Enterprise

### **RESEARCH**

- % Inbreeding to be discussed at next meeting.
- Type Merit Working group meeting to discuss Dairy Strength and Body conformation results
- Virtual Cow first draft discussed and viewed.

### **BREED DEVELOPMENT**

- 39,000 classifications to date.
- Some delays in seven month cycle.
- Complete Members to be reminded of adherence to rules.

### **SHOW & SALE**

- National Holstein Show 16/17 February 2009 – Stoneleigh.
- Future events and dates to be discussed, April not the desired month.
- Judging School 5<sup>th</sup> August – M Gould, Shropshire
- Royal Show 2009 Judge John Dennison
- Regional Judges for National Competition announced.
- Centenary Sale at Beeston – September 2009

### **MEMBERSHIP & JOURNAL**

- New classification format well received.
- Complaints received regarding extent of non-Holstein breed adverts.
- Advertisers to be reminded regarding advertising standards.

### **HOLSTEIN YOUNG BREEDERS**

- Young stock judging cancelled at M Millers due to TB. New venue to be arranged.

### **CENTENARY CELEBRATIONS**

- Events for presentation of awards outlined
- Centenary Scrapbook to be costed
- Centenary Dinner costs escalating – significant sponsorship required

### **POLICY**

- Records from QMMS will not be allowed at this time
- Change in DNA laboratory put on hold.

### **ANY OTHER BUSINESS**

- Date of next meeting 30<sup>th</sup> June
- Plans for Derbyshire convention outlined
- DEFRA awaiting outcome of judicial review before addressing pedigree prices.
- Formal thanks to retiring Chief Executive David Hewitt.