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# BELTIE NEWS



## NEW SECRETARY CONTACT DETAILS

Many members will be aware that the Society's new secretary has been appointed. **Christina Cormack** is an experienced breed society secretary and brings a wealth of technical knowledge and skills to the job. The handover process is well underway, and Christina is already dealing with registrations and is updating the animal database with all the information gleaned from the herd survey which was posted out with the January mailing. The most important step is for Christina to become the first point of contact for the membership and to take over the Society telephone and email address. This will take place at the beginning of July:-



WITH EFFECT FROM **1<sup>ST</sup> JULY**

**THE SOCIETY'S CONTACT DETAILS WILL BE AS FOLLOWS:-**

**Mrs. CHRISTINA CORMACK,  
BELTED GALLOWAY CATTLE SOCIETY,  
HOUSEBYRES FARM, MELROSE, ROXBURGHSHIRE, TD6 9BW.**

All mail should be sent to Christina at the above address.  
The Society's telephone number and email address will remain the same:-

**Telephone 07891 245870    Email [info@beltedgalloways.co.uk](mailto:info@beltedgalloways.co.uk)**

## SHOWTIME

The show season is well underway and once again the Society looks forward to welcoming members to its two main stands at the **Royal Highland Show** and the **Great Yorkshire Show**. Our stand at the Highland Show will be in its usual location overlooking the cattle judging rings and will be housed in an excellent facility thanks to the generosity of the Storrie family and Sibcas. The Belted Galloway judging takes place at 2.30 p.m. on Thursday 23<sup>rd</sup> June and immediately afterwards the Scottish Belted Galloway breeders club will be hosting refreshments on the stand, to which all members and friends are invited.

The Society has retained its prime position overlooking the judging ring at the Great Yorkshire Show and this will once again prove to be a popular event. Judging takes place on the first day of the show on Tuesday 12<sup>th</sup> July and members and friends will be most welcome to join us at the stand for refreshments afterwards.

Our regional breeders groups are also mounting stands at various local and regional shows. For more details of these please see our website [www.beltedgalloways.co.uk](http://www.beltedgalloways.co.uk) or contact your group secretary (details overleaf).

# CARLISLE SALE SUCCESS



Reserve Champion Beanley Freddie



Overall Champion Brightenflatt Carolina

The Society's annual spring show and sale held at Harrison and Hetherington's Carlisle mart proved a great success, with an excellent show of cattle and increased prices for most classes. The show was judged by Council member Edward Duggleby of Beswick Hall Farms, and for his champion he picked local breeders James and Natalie Bell's homebred junior heifer Brightenflatt Carolina. This worthy winner combined breeding from two of the best known herds, being sired by Park Waverley out of Clifton Lola. Reserve Champion went to Hedgeley Farms' young bull Beanley Freddie, a Polbae Abel son out of homebred cow Beanley Ayesha 2<sup>nd</sup>.

The sale got off to a good start, with senior heifers averaging almost twice the figure from 2015 at 2,100 guineas. Top price of the sale was 3,000 was paid for senior heifer Mochrum Stella 2<sup>nd</sup>. Junior heifers also averaged well at 1,313 guineas, with the top price of 1,800 guineas going to Northumbrian breeders Maurice and Tonia Tailford's Lipwood Tiddlewink. The overall champion was not far behind at 1,700 guineas. Bulls averaged 236 guineas down on the year, with the top price of 1,500 guineas going to Liz Wilkinson's Poplar Rupert. Reserve Champion Beanley Freddie made 1,300 guineas.



Smiles all round for Richard Creith and Belted Galloway judge John Hodge with Southfield Brunetta 2<sup>nd</sup>.

## BELTIE SUCCESS IN INTERBREED CHAMPIONSHIP

It is always gratifying to do well in your breed classes at the shows, but it is even more pleasing when your breed excels in the interbreed section. Congratulations are due to well known County Antrim Beltie breeder Richard Creith, whose six year old cow Southfield Brunetta 2<sup>nd</sup> not only won the cow class at Ballymoney Show and went on to win the overall championship, but then took the reserve prize in the interbreed championship. Brunetta 2<sup>nd</sup> was bred by the famous Southfield herd of Julie Strachey in Cornwall and was sired by Lullenden Bruno out of Southfield Bonnie RONALDA. It is tremendous to see a Beltie doing so well in this prestigious part of the show circuit, and it is to be hoped that this will be repeated in other shows around the country.