

Year letter for animals born in **2025** is “**A**”

HOUSEKEEPING

- The **Online Sales** Entry Form went live last year and is now the preferred method for sellers for entering sales. You receive an immediate text confirming your entry has been received. Feedback from users is very positive. You can use your phone, laptop etc. The [Online Sales Entry Form](#) is available via the dropdown menu from the **Sales** tab on www.irishlimousin.com.
- **Notification of heavy birth weights within 48 hours of birth** (ONLY relevant for calves that you intend to **show** or **sell at a Society sale**): The procedure changed last year to **submit/accept birthweight via email to birthweight@irishlimousin.com**. This ensures both the **breeder** and the **office** have a record of the notification. Notification is only relevant for calves that you **intend to show or sell at a Society sale** and you think the **animal may exceed the 1.7kg average** daily live weight gain for males or **1.5kg for females**. Any calf that you intend to feed heavily for the show ring or will be fostered on a dairy cow should also be notified. Standard accepted birth weight for a male is 45kg and a female is 40kg.
- Unless calves are **notified at birth via email and verified**, calves that exceed these average daily live weight gains will not be allowed participate in ILCS sales or ILCS shows or any Club events.
- When registering a pedigree calf with www.agfood.ie, please a) **do not** enter your herd prefix – the calf pedigree name is all that is required, b) use the correct letter to begin the calf's name with, “**A**” for 2025.
- **Herd Inspections** are currently taking place on behalf of the Society. These are vital to maintain the integrity of the herd book.

RECRUITMENT OF A BREED SECRETARY

The Society will be advertising for a **Breed Secretary** in **June**. With advancements in technology, increased subcontracting opportunities, and greater insight into the industry's direction and priorities, we now have a clearer understanding of what the future Breed Secretary role will entail.

AUTOMATION OF OFFICE ADMINISTRATIVE TASKS

At the AGM, we informed breeders that the Society is in discussions with the Irish Holstein Friesian Association (IHFA) about potential opportunities to automate administrative tasks. This is ongoing.

YMA

Shanon Kinahan is supporting the Society to re-establish our Young Members Association (YMA). Karol Connell and James Wycherley from Council are supporting Shanon.

SPRING SALE SEASON

2025 has seen an **outstanding sale season**, which comes as no surprise given the strong prices commercial Limousins are achieving nationwide. Most encouraging, however, is **how Limousins outperformed all other breeds in terms of average prices and clearance rates**. This trend was also visible in many of the multi-breed sales.

Bulls	2025		2024		2023		2022	
Sale	Clearance	Average	Clearance	Average	Clearance	Average	Clearance	Average
Roscrea/Elphin Spring	94%	€5,958	98%	€5,739	Elphin 78%	€4,200	Elphin 75%	€4,170
Athenry	100%	€6,059	74%	€4,124	88%	€4,000	62%	€3,415
Roscrea - May	92%	€5,916	76%	€4,708	97%	€5,480	93%	€4,564
Roscommon	97%	€5,734	81%	€3,820	82%	€4,001	82%	€3,670
Roscrea - Autumn			68%	€4,515	87%	€5,144	64%	€4,135
Athenry			65%	€4,200	63%	€3,358	64%	€3,364

Some points of note

124 bulls were sold in total across the 4 sales.

The bulls sold were by **55 different sires**.

Athenry saw the **highest average price ever achieved (€6,059)** at a Society sale (with 100% clearance). The first Roscrea sale saw the **highest average price (€5,958) ever achieved at a premier sale**. The May Roscrea sale saw the second highest average price (**€5,916**) for a premier sale.

The Roscommon Sale saw the **highest average price** for that sale (€5,734) with a 97% clearance. The sale average was **up €1,914** on the previous year's sale.

Northern Ireland buyers were active at all 4 sales purchasing **11 (8.8%)** of the bulls sold.

Galway is the county **most bulls** are sold to (**21.6%**). Last year around one third of the bulls went to Galway, this year there is a greater spread around the country.

We modified our **marketing strategy** last year and fine-tuned it again this year.

High spring sales averages helps **breeders** selling **at home**.

Click on the [spring sales reports](#) to catch-up.



CARTRONFREE UNBELIEVABLE ET from the herd of **John and Martina Browne**, Granard, Co. Longford sold for the top price this spring of **€26,700** to **Dovea Genetic** at the Roscrea March sale.

To include or not include indexes on Sales Catalogues, that was the question?

Breeders had very different views regarding whether to include indexes on the sales catalogues or not, the same point related to Council Members. Council sought the inputs from the clubs, sellers and buyers.

We surveyed the sellers at the March Roscrea sale to get their opinions on whether to include the indexes or not. **33 of the 35 sellers (94%)** choose to include their animal's indexes on the sale catalogue.

We also **surveyed buyers** at the March sale asking their preference (a catalogue with ICBF indexes or without). **100%** of the respondents expressed their preference to include ICBF indexes in the catalogue.

The majority of breeds that conducted pedigree sales (and all the multi-breed sales) included the ICBF indexes on their catalogues.



Reserve Champion Currycramp Viniscus from the Leitrim based herd of **Thomas Mulligan** sold for the top price of **€8,200** at Athenry sale.

Following are the sires of the bulls that make the highest average prices (sires included where >=2 bull sold per sire).

Sire	Bulls per Sire	Average per sire
Keltic Rembrandt	2	€8,050
Ampertaine Elgin	3	€7,400
Jurancon	2	€7,150
Ampertaine Commander	4	€7,075
Ampertaine Metric	3	€6,700
Kaprico Eravelle	2	€6,650
Grangeford Jojo Et	2	€6,550
Jaurel	2	€6,550
Mereside Godolphin	4	€6,300
Ampertaine Magnum	2	€6,100
Telfers Munster	2	€6,000
Plumtree Fantastic	10	€5,980
Ampertaine Foreman	3	€5,933
Fuschia	2	€5,900
Ewdenvale Ivor	6	€5,800
Tomschoice Lexicon	14	€5,614
Hector Gd	4	€5,500
Netsurfer	2	€5,500
Powerful Proper	2	€5,450
Elderberry Galahad	3	€5,400
Glenrock Redemption	2	€5,300
Ampertaine Gigolo	2	€5,050
Aughalion Prince ET	5	€4,840
Claddagh Mccabe (ET)	6	€4,700
Record	2	€4,550
Carrickmore Maximus ET	2	€4,350
Chatelain	2	€4,350
Lodge Hamlet	2	€4,200

Following are the sires of the highest number of bulls sold at Spring Sales

Sire	# bulls per sire	% bulls per sire
Tomschoice Lexicon	14	11.3%
Plumtree Fantastic	10	8.1%
Claddagh Mccabe (ET)	6	4.8%
Ewdenvale Ivor	6	4.8%
Aughalion Prince ET	5	4.0%
Ampertaine Commander	4	3.2%
Hector Gd	4	3.2%
Mereside Godolphin	4	3.2%
Ampertaine Elgin	3	2.4%
Ampertaine Foreman	3	2.4%
Ampertaine Metric	3	2.4%
Elderberry Galahad	3	2.4%
Ampertaine Gigolo	2	1.6%
Ampertaine Magnum	2	1.6%
Carrickmore Maximus ET	2	1.6%
Chatelain	2	1.6%
Fuschia	2	1.6%
Glenrock Redemption	2	1.6%
Grangeford Jojo Et	2	1.6%
Jaurel	2	1.6%
Jurancon	2	1.6%
Kaprico Eravelle	2	1.6%
Keltic Rembrandt	2	1.6%
Lodge Hamlet	2	1.6%
Netsurfer	2	1.6%
Powerful Proper	2	1.6%
Record	2	1.6%
Telfers Munster	2	1.6%

Date for your diary Cappamore Show

The All Ireland “**Commercial Limousin Breeding Heifer of The Year**” (€1,000 in prize money) will take place on Saturday **16th August** as part of the jammed packed schedule of **Cappamore show**.

The show has up to 80 classes with excellent prize money of offer.
See [Cappamore Show website](#) for more details.



Rutland Unforgettable from the herd of **Noel Rutledge** sold for the **top price** of **€11,000** at the May Roscrea sale.

Where are our buyers from this spring?

County	Roscrea March	Athenry April	Roscrea May	Roscommon May	Total	%
Galway	2	9	5	11	27	21.6%
Tipperary	10	1	3		14	11.2%
Northern Ireland	4	2	2	3	11	8.8%
Roscommon			3	7	10	8.0%
Clare	3	2	2		7	5.6%
Wicklow	1	2	2	1	6	4.8%
Laois	3		2		5	4.0%
Meath	1	3	1		5	4.0%
Monaghan	2	1		2	5	4.0%
Kilkenny	2		2		4	3.2%
Offaly	2		2		4	3.2%
Kerry	2	1			3	2.4%
Longford	1			2	3	2.4%
Louth				3	3	2.4%
Westmeath			1	2	3	2.4%
Carlow	2				2	1.6%
Cavan	2				2	1.6%
Donegal	1	1			2	1.6%
Kildare	2				2	1.6%
Limerick	2				2	1.6%
Mayo	1			1	2	1.6%
Sligo	1		1		2	1.6%
Wexford	1				1	0.8%
Total	45	22	26	32	125	



National Limousin Show 2025

The Irish Limousin National Show will be held at Tullamore on Sunday August 10th.

If you wish to enter, please **contact Tullamore Show Society** directly on 057 9352141 or via Tullamoreshow.com.

Classes for National Limousin Show

YMA Classes

- **Limousin Young Handler** - Junior 12 Years to 16 Years
- **Limousin Young Handler** - Senior 17 Years to 25 Years

Male Classes

- National Pedigree Registered Limousin Bull Born before 31/12/2023
- National Pedigree Registered Limousin Bull Born on or between 01/01/2024 and 30/04/2024
- National Pedigree Registered Limousin Bull Born on or between 01/05/2024 and 31/08/2024
- National Pedigree Registered Limousin Bull Born on or between 01/09/2024 and 31/10/2024
- National All Ireland Pedigree Registered Limousin Bull Born on or between 01/11/2024 and 31/12/2024
- National All Ireland Limousin Bull Born in 2025
- National Pedigree Registered Junior Limousin Male Champion
- National Pedigree Registered Senior Limousin Male Champion
- National Livestock Show Pedigree Registered Limousin Male
- Overall Male Champion

Female Classes

- National Pedigree Registered Limousin Cow calved or in calf senior heifer born before the 01/01/2023 (Calf at foot must be born on or after 01/01/2025)
- National Pedigree Registered Limousin Heifer Born on or between 1/1/2023 and 30/6/2023.
- National Pedigree Registered Limousin Heifer Born on or between 1/7/2023 and 31/12/2023.
- National Pedigree Registered Limousin Heifer Born on or between 1/1/2024 and 31/3/2024.
- National Pedigree Registered Pedigree Limousin Heifer Born on or between 01/04/2024 and 31/08/2024
- National All Ireland Pedigree Registered Limousin Heifer Born on or between 01/09/2024 and 31/10/2024
- National All Ireland Limousin Heifer Born on or between 01/11/2024 and 31/12/2024
- National All Ireland Pedigree Registered Limousin Heifer Calf born in 2025
- National Pedigree Registered Limousin Junior Female Champion
- National Pedigree Registered Limousin Senior Female Champion
- National Livestock Show Pedigree Registered Limousin Female Champion

Other classes

- All Ireland Pair of Pedigree Registered Limousins
- National Livestock Show Pedigree Registered Limousin Champion 2025

Note: Normal Average Daily Weight Gain rules apply for all calves - 1.7kg males and 1.5kg females. **All animals born on or after 1/1/24 (including calves at foot) will be weighed on the morning of Tullamore show.**

BEEF STAKEHOLDER FORUM UPDATES

The Beef Stakeholder Forum was established to facilitate stakeholders share views and concerns regarding the updated ICBF indexes that went live in November 2023.

The Stakeholder Forum meeting scheduled for Wednesday March 5th was postponed as the majority of breeds voted not to attend. The driver behind this was the lack of any tangible progress achieved since the Forum was established. It is uncertain whether the Stakeholder Forum will be reestablished.

In the interim, meetings (Zoom and face-to-face) have taken place initially between ICBF and the ICBF Board members representing breeds Societies: (Peadar Glennon - Pedigree Cattle Breeders, Robert Shannon and Laurence Feeney – both from the Irish Holstein Friesian Association - IHFA).

These led to follow-on meetings with the invitees expanded to include the officers of the Pedigree Breeders Council: Seamus Nagle – Salers (Chairman), Ken Hill – Blonde d'Aquitaine (Secretary) and Shauna Mulhall - Shorthorns (Treasurer). This group are now representing all breeds in negotiations with ICBF. A list of 15 focus points has been created by this group.

LIMOUSIN SOCIETY MEETINGS WITH ICBF AND OTHER STAKEHOLDERS.

The Limousin Society continues to engage with ICBF and other stakeholders to address our concerns. A cohort of breeds (as well as the breeds represented by the people mentioned above) are also attending separate meetings with ICBF.

As we are currently in negotiations with ICBF, the Society needs to be cautious about what we include in this update. Unfortunately, progress with ICBF to date has been slow. The input costs and output values that contribute to the economic model are scheduled for revision as part of the September 2025 index update. Based on the current value of beef, the feedback we've received suggests that these changes could have a positive impact on the Limousin breed. While we remain hopeful, it's important to note that the algorithm doesn't always produce results that align with expectations.



Keltic Classy Lassies
Heifer Sale

Keltic Limousin

11 JULY – 14 JULY

Online Timed Sale via Mid Tipp Mart

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12 JULY **KELTIC CLASSY LASSIES**
Viewing Day on Farm

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2025 HALL OF FAME RECIPIENT – TOMMY GANNON



Society President Ann Hester and Tommy Gannon

The Irish Limousin cattle society is delighted to announce Tommy Gannon as the 2025 Hall of Fame recipient. Tommy received his award at the awards ceremony on Sunday May 4th in the Sheraton Hotel Athlone. Presenting the awards was Pat Gilligan, FBD Insurance and Fabien Peyaud, the founder & MD of Herdwatch and this year's sponsor of the Bovine Category.

For those who may not be aware of Tommy's involvement with and contribution to the Limousin breed:

Based in Claregalway in county Galway, Tommy became a Limousin breeder in 1998 and joined the North West Limousin club where his affable nature and great work ethic were quickly recognised leading to him being nominated to represent the NW club on the ILCS Council. Tommy contributed greatly to Council, imparting wisdom on whatever matters arose, quietly spoken but always thinking before speaking. His greatest contribution was undoubtedly his willingness to help out organising and stewarding at Society events, the quiet worker always in the background never looking for the limelight.

Tommy has always been a terrific advocate of the Limousin breed and Irish agricultural shows, not as an exhibitor but more importantly as a supporter, the person who never has anything to gain but just there from sheer enjoyment, a warm smile and softly spoken words of encouragement for everyone, a gentleman through and through.

The contribution that he has made both to the Irish Limousin Cattle Society, the North West Limousin club and the Irish shows scene makes Tommy Gannon a very worthy Irish Limousin Cattle Society Hall of Fame recipient.

Everyone at the Irish Limousin Cattle Society extends heartfelt congratulations to Tommy and wishes him every success in the future.

ALL STAR AWARD 2025 RECIPIENT ERNEVALLEY TEMPTRESS



Eddie & Ben Lynch, Ernevalley, receiving their All-Star award from Damien O'Reilly with Society President Ann Hester.

On Saturday 1st March 2025 the Pedigree Breeders Council held the fourth annual All-Stars awards in the Midlands Park Hotel in Portlaoise. The worthy recipient of the Limousin All-Star was the outstanding heifer Ernevalley Temptress from the herd of Eddie and Ben Lynch, Loughduff, Co. Cavan.

The All-Star award will add to the plaudits Temptress has already won. She is the Supreme Champion from the 33rd National Limousin Show, held in August in Tullamore. From the outset once she entered the ring in Tullamore she commanded the attention of a packed ringside and duly impressed show judge Henry Savage Jnr. She first clinched victory in her age class before going on to secure the Senior Female Champion title, followed by the Overall Female Champion accolade and finally culminating in the 2024 Supreme Champion title.

Temptress is an outstanding heifer and a fantastic example of the Limousin breed. This heifer has it all – width, length and style. Her femininity, correctness, and sheer presence made her a standout in a fiercely competitive show ring.

Temptress boasts a pedigree which combines generations of exceptional breeding, she is sired by Leopard and out of the homebred Ernevalley Naughty Girl ET—a daughter of the renowned Haltcliffe Vermont.

Temptress's success was a just reward for the Lynch family's dedication, and commitment to breeding outstanding Limousin cattle.

We congratulate the Lynch family on this fantastic achievement.

METHANE EMISSIONS – Limousin the Greenest breed

Limousin continues to outperform other beef breeds in terms of lower methane emissions. The initial research was conducted indoors, but it has now expanded to grass-based systems, with a large cohort of Limousin making up the trial.

Once methane emissions data is included in the indexes, it should benefit Limousin cattle.

WEBINARS

The Society arranged two webinars this spring. The presenters at the first webinar were:

- Eurogene AI Services - Mark Connolly
- Progressive Genetics/Munster AI - Rose Goulding
- Elite Pedigree Genetics - Bartley Finnegan



To view and listen back to this webinar, click on [this link](#) and enter the password **gv=Ry&13**

The presenters at the second webinar were:

- Brian Phillips - World Wide Sires
- John Lynch - Dovea Genetics
- Martin Ryan - Preparation & Management of Pedigree livestock for shows & sales.

To view and listen back to this webinar, click on [this link](#) and enter the password **3@39EkY6**

You can scroll forward and back through the recording.

Southwest & Cork clubs

PEDIGREE LIMOUSIN HEIFER SALE

JOIN US FOR OUR BIENNIAL HEIFER SALE

A brown Limousin heifer is shown in profile, standing on a green field. The background is a dark blue sky with bright stadium lights creating a lens flare effect. The heifer is facing right.

6TH SEPTEMBER

ROSCREA MART

MORE DETAILS AND CATALOGUE TO FOLLOW IN DUE COURSE

NORTHWEST CLUB REPORT

Northwest Limousin breeders had a very successful 2025 sales season with Club members doing the quadruple with Champions at all Society Spring sales. Congratulation to:

Dermott Shaughnessy who took the **Senior Champion at the March Roscrea Premier** sale with his bull **Lisna Unique** who went on to sell for a commanding price of **€12,200**. For more detail click on the [Roscrea March sale report](#).

Des Joyce who took the **Overall Champion at the Athenry** sale with his bull **Lisnageeragh Unison** taking overall champion and selling for **€7,100**. For more details click on the [Athenry sale report](#).

Bertie Mannion's Ballyline Van was crowned **Male Champion** at the May **Roscrea Premier** sale selling for **€6,700**. **Noel Rutledge's** 17 month old young bull **Rutland Unforgettable** sold for the top price of **€11,000**. For more details click on the [Roscrea sale report](#)

Bertie continued a great season with the **Champion and Reserve Champion** at Roscommon sale. The Champion and top price (**€10,400**) on the day went to **Ballyline Vin**, a son of Plumtree Fantastic. For more details click on the [Roscommon Sale report](#).

Full calendar of events in 2025

- Club Open Day Carrownedden Limousin's Sunday 20th July.
- Calf Finals – Venue and Date to be confirmed.
- Herds Competition – Date to be confirmed.
- Heifer Sale – December 1st Elphin Mart.

2025 Club Officers

Chairman – Ray O'Hara

Secretary – Neil Lyons

Treasurers – James Coffee & Noel Barry

PRO – Ciaran Flaherty

On behalf of the club, we would like to wish all our members the very best of luck with the upcoming summer shows.



PJ Smith with **Bertie Mannion's** Ballyline Vin, **Champion** at Roscommon Sale selling for **€10,400**.

SOUTH EAST CLUB REPORT

Council resignation

On behalf of the club, we would like to thank Ger O'Brien for his heartfelt dedication and work whilst on council. Ger is a huge asset to our club, breed and wide farming circle.

No confidence

At our last club meeting a vote took place and it was unanimously decided not to print Eurostars in the catalogues for bull sales, this motion was brought to council by our council representatives. A vote of no confidence in ICBF shortly followed.

Club calf finals.

After a very strong entry last year our club calf finals will again take place at the Ossory show, Rathdowney and promises to be bigger and better with top prizes up for grabs. The show is held on Sunday 27th of July at Coolfin, Rathdowney R32P7F8.

Upcoming club meeting

Our next meeting will be held in May with more details to follow.

Glenford herd Dispersal sale

The Glenford Limousin herd will be dispersed with an online sale taking place from the 30th May – 2nd June. Viewing is welcome from the 4th of May. Contact PJ for more information 0876392794. This is a sale not to be missed with the herd built on a very strong female foundation. Open day on farm 1st June to view stock along with a young handlers event.



GLENFORD LIMOUSIN SALE
ONLINE 30TH MAY - 2ND JUNE

*Featuring the dispersal of the Glenford Herd
Open day on farm 1st June*

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SUPREME OVERALL
CHAMPION LIMOUSIN

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CORK CLUB REPORT

The South West and Cork clubs will have their biannual breeding heifer sale at Roscrea mart on Saturday September 6th. Based on previous years between 30 and 40 top class pedigree heifers will be presented for sale.

It is twelve months since the death of our dear friend **Tony Kelleher**. Click on [this link](#) for a short piece in memory of Tony.

Cork club LMX calf competition in Kanturk



Pair of bull calves – Limousin X Friesian €580 each

The Cork Limousin Club in conjunction with Kanturk Mart held a LMX Calf competition on Tuesday 8th April. Prizes were on offer to the

best LMX bull and best LMX heifer calf. Tasked with judging the calves was Brian Fleming.



The winning heifer calf was 5 weeks old, she weighed 94kg and sold for €555. The winning bull calf was one month old, he came to the sales ring as part of a pair – they weighed 78kg and sold for €580 each.

The winning owner of both categories was Johnny Lane of Boherbue. Both calves were off his current Limousin stock bull, their dams were Friesian cows from his dairy herd.

Click [here for sales report](#).



Kieran Noonan & Brian Fleming (Cork Limousin club), Johnny Lane (owner of prize winning calves) and Joe Noonan (Kanturk mart)

South West Club Report

South West and Cork clubs biannual breeding heifer

The South West and Cork clubs will have their biannual breeding heifer sale at Roscrea mart on Saturday September 6th. Based on previous years between 30 and 40 top class pedigree heifers will be presented for sale.



Annual commercial calf show and sale

The South West Limousin club held their annual commercial calf show and sale (organised by Sarah Mc Elligott) in Castleisland mart on Monday 7th April 2025. There was exceptional quality calves on offer. Prices ranged from €595 to €1010 for the prize winners – proof that using Limousin with any cow type pays dividends. Called upon for judging were local SW club members John O'Connor and Padraig McCarthy.

Two calves (the first prize winning bull and the third prize winning heifer) both sold for the day's top price of €1010.

The third prize winning heifer, a March born calf, also sold for €1010.

The first prize winning heifer was a smashing red Limousin heifer sold for €1000.

The second prize winning bull calf was a February born Red Limousin. This young calf is a striking son on Shannon Stan (LM9379) – Irelands shortest

gestation Limousin bull – Stan was bred by Sarah McElligott. He sold for €900.

The Third prize winning bull calf born in March to a Friesian cow and sold for €805.

With prices like these it is not surprising that dairy farmers are switching to Limousin.

Full report available [here](#).



First prize winning bull from **John and Vincent West** sold for **€1,010**, also pictured Padraig McCarthy.

North Eastern Club

AGM was held on the 15th of March. The following committee members were re-elected.

- Chairperson: Adrian McCabe
- Vice Chairperson: Thomas Carolan
- Secretary: Saoirse Fox
- Treasurer: Paul Callanan
- PRO: Aaron McPhillips
- YMA Officials: Paddy Clerkin, Peter McPhillips & Elanor Reilly

Spring Sales

The North Eastern Limousin club had strong representation leading the way at the Irish Limousin Premier bull sale in Roscrea on the 22nd of March. The top priced bull was owned by **John and Martina Browne** from Granard Co. Longford selling for **€26,700** to Dovea Genetics. **The Junior Champion** was **Brackan Vinnie**, bred by **Padraig Gormley** from Carrigallen, Co. Leitrim. He sold for **€6,800**. **The Reserve Senior Champion** was awarded to Derek Russell, Drogheda Co. Louth with Tonwnleyhall Urban who sold for **€5,500**.

Read about more North Eastern breeders sale successes on the [Roscrea Sales report](#).

North Eastern Calf Championship 2025

The 2025 Calf Championship final will take place at the Virginia Agricultural Show on the 20th of August. The Qualifying shows for the North Eastern Calf Championship include:

- Dundalk Agricultural Show, 8th of June
- Mullingar Agricultural Show, 13th of July
- Oldcastle Agricultural Show, 20th of July
- Arva Agricultural Show, 27th of July
- Castleblayney Agricultural Show, 4th of August
- Mohill Agricultural Show, 17th of August

To qualify for the Calf Championship, breeders must exhibit their calves at 3 of the listed qualifying shows while younger Spring calves must attend one of the qualifying shows. Best of luck to all our members in the 2025 show season.

North Eastern Limousin YMA

The clubs Young Members Association held a training and information day in Ballyjamesduff Mart on the 13th of October. There was handling and clipping demonstrations for the large number of young attendees. The club also welcomed members from the Northern Ireland Limousin Club. Thanks to Katie Brady, our YMA judge on the day and to everyone who helped in the organising of this event and to all the participants for taking part. A similar event will be held later in the year, more details will be announced during the year.



Council Members

Following are the current Council members.

Council Member	Region	Phone number
Ann Hester (President)	North West Club	087 2238252
Michael McNerney (Vice President)	Clare Club	087 8552379
John O Reilly (Joint Treasurer)	South East Club	086 2617188
Pat Sheahan (Joint Treasurer)	South West Club	087 2500311
Brendan Curtin (Communications)	National Representative	087 3850399
Michael Phillips	National Representative	087 2862285
Karol Connell	National Representative	086 3705729
James Wycherley	Cork Club	086 0740427
Gerry O Connell	North West Club	087 9681787
Arthur Lambert	North East Club	087 1365341
Martin Davis*	North East Club	087 4156596
Open Positions	South East & Donegal Clubs	

- *Martin Davis filled the open position in the North East club, this is a one year term.
- Ger O'Brien resigned from Council on April 9th. Ger was in the second year of his three-year term. Thanks to Ger for his contribution to Council.

REGISTRATIONS

Pedigree calf registrations continue to fall. Considering registrations are a significant percentage of the Society's revenue, this ongoing reduction highlights the need for continuous **focus on growing revenue and cost reduction**.

WHAT DO YOU WANT ON A NEWSLETTER?

How can we make the Society's newsletters more relevant to you? Please forward any ideas to pro@irishlimousin.com.

DON'T GET LEFT BEHIND

This newsletter (with active links to access more information) is available on the website. To ensure you receive all communications, please ensure the Society Office has your email address.

NEW SEMEN ROYALTY BULL

Bull Name	AI Code	Royalty Start Date	Straw Price	Royalty Fee
Tomschoice Oriflamme	LM2644	1 st July 2025	€20	€30

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