

February 2010

Dear Sir or Madam,

AFFILIATED SOCIETIES' CONFERENCE, SATURDAY 10th APRIL 2010

The Annual Conference of Affiliated Societies will be held at the on Saturday 10th April 2010, at approx. 1.00pm, at the Twin Oaks Hotel, Junction 29 of the M1, near Chesterfield, Derbyshire.

This letter is being forwarded to all Secretaries together with copies for those nominated to represent their Affiliated Society at the Conference. Only the two named delegates can take part in the discussion at this conference. Voting cards are enclosed and these must be displayed by your delegates when casting a vote for your club. To vote all Affiliated Society fees must be paid up-to-date to enable Affiliated Society delegates to vote at the conference.

Yours faithfully

Ms S Knowles

For and on behalf of the British Goat Society.

AGENDA

1. To consider the following matters at the request of the Affiliated Societies named;

BRITISH ALPINE BREED SOCIETY “Any female goat awarded five Certificates of Merit should be given CM at the end of her registration.”

GLOUCESTERSHIRE GOAT SOCIETY “When a milking goat in the AOV classes has gained as many Certificates of Merit as a milker in the Breed Classes needs to gain Breed Challenge Certificates she be allowed to include CM after her name as the others have Br Ch. Of course that would include her also achieving * or Q*. This would increase the value of CMs and will be of interest to future students of pedigrees.”

BATH & DISTRICT MILK RECORDING CLUB “Bath & District Milk Recording Club suggest that, in order to save the BGS money, members should be able to ‘opt out’ of receiving Herd Book, Year Book and Monthly Journals, whilst still, of course, paying the full annual subscription. There must be households like mine where a member is also a club secretary and a second set of these items is not required. Perhaps this ‘option’ could be incorporated when installing the new Grassroots system thus saving on printing, envelopes and postage.”

HIGHLAND GOAT CLUB “The Highland Goat Club proposes that existing BGS licensed judges, taking up residence outwith the UK and Eire be permitted to retain their licenses, judge in the UK and Eire and be considered for renewal at the end of their three year term. Also, as the BGS grants licenses to judges resident in Eire, those judges be permitted to judge anywhere in the UK ”.

AYRSHIRE GOAT CLUB “Ayrshire Goat Club feel more should be done with the BGS trophies. Perhaps they could be on display at the shows to which they have been allocated, with the remit that shows would be responsible for insuring them for the time they are out of the office.”
2) “ In view of the fact that licensed judge numbers seem to be declining, should the BGS do more to encourage people to become judges? Renewing licenses for ex pat judges could be

helpful, also, maybe we could look at having licensed judges from Southern Ireland to fill the gap”.

ANGLO NUBIAN BREED SOCIETY

“The Anglo Nubian Breed Society requests that the British Goat Society re-instate the recognition at shows of female kid classes, and that this resolution, if passed, be given priority status by the BGS Committee, with a view to it being approved for the coming 2010 show season”.

2. To consider recommendations regarding date and venue of Autumn Conferences for 2010/11
 - a. Procedure as to voting: No resolution will be submitted to the British Goat Society, by the Chairman, unless there is a majority in favour indicated by a show of hands. No assurance can be given that such resolutions will be adopted as all relevant factors known to the Committee must be considered and the Committee may not authorise further action to implement such resolutions.
 - b. Approximately 7 minutes will be given to the consideration of each subject. Where more than one resolution is submitted only the first one will be considered. Should time allow and at the Chairman's discretion further resolutions may be considered.
 - c. Only the named delegates of Affiliated Societies are allowed to speak and vote. Voting cards are enclosed and must be used if your club vote is to be recognised.

Details of the resolutions have been circulated to all Affiliated Societies and Clubs in order that they can have their own discussion as to the merit of the resolutions before the Conference. Resolutions are typed exactly as received.