



Welcome to the November edition of the CIS Newsletter.

This month we have insight from Kivells into the value of Pedigree from Mark Davis. We illustrate how you can update your milk recording package to Complete, which includes type classification and breeding tools. Oswestry dairy farmer James Evans shares his experience on farm using CIS genomics service and if you are out and about at AgriScot or the Royal Ulster Winter Fair visit the CIS/Holstein UK stand to meet the team and enjoy refreshments.

THE VALUE OF PEDIGREE

Q&A with Mark Davis, Kivells

We spoke to Mark Davis from Kivells to find out the value of pedigree in animals going to market. Mark, who operates from the Exeter Livestock Centre, focuses on the sale of livestock via auction and private treaty, and more particularly, dairy cattle. Coming from a dairy farm, Mark has successfully built sales of Channel Island breeds to a new level.



[Read more...](#)

COMPLETE – Do you have pedigrees in the herd?

Did you know that you can upgrade your Milk Recording package to Complete to include type classification and breeding tools?

For a fixed fee per cow per month, there is access to registrations, milk recording, type classifications, Your Herd and now the addition of heifer genomic tests currently available for Holstein females – other breeds to follow as soon as the UK Evaluations are available.

Current participating breed societies are Holstein UK, Ayrshire, Jersey and Guernsey.

CIS Pedigree Package includes:

- Official Milk Recording - DIY or Assisted with frequency options
- Free phone/Web calf registration,

CIS Complete Pedigree Package includes:

- Pedigree package services
- 2 Type Classification visits per year
- Cow Mating tools

transfers and passport application

- Fertility and Health Recording
24 hour access to all information about animals online



The price for the gCOMPLETE package works out as the normal CIS Complete price and then an additional 60p per cow per month to cover the cost of the genomic tests.

To include Genomic Tests within the Complete Pedigree Package sign up for gCOMPLETE

We currently only offer genomic tests for Holsteins and Friesians. We are working with service providers so the offer can be extended to Jerseys and Ayrshires in 2017.

To find out more speak to your CIS area manager or the team on 01923 695202

FARMER FOCUS

gCOMPLETE for the future

Taking forward the family business, which his parents started from scratch, is the aim of James Evans of Priddbwl Mawr, Llangedwyn, near Oswestry.

Five years ago James returned to the family farm to focus on the dairy herd whilst his brother manages the contracting business. The brothers really appreciate the hard work, time and money that their father, Martin, invested when establishing the family business and feel privileged to have the opportunity to take it to the next stage. [Read more...](#)



CIS MANAGEMENT DIARY 2017

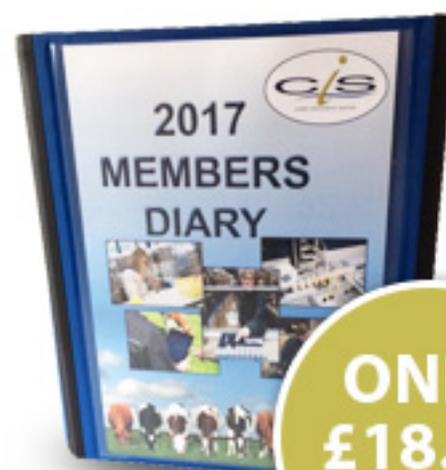
The CIS Management Diary is an invaluable tool for all dairy farmers and their staff.

It includes:

- Full 1 week to view diary for day to day herd management
- Medicine and Movement records
- Breeding, Feeding and Waste Management Plans
- Complies fully with National Farm Assurance

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WHAT'S ON

AgriScot, Highland Hall, Edinburgh	16th November 2016
Borderway Black & White Sale, Carlisle	3rd December 2016
Royal Ulster Winter Fair, Balmoral Park	8th December 2016



TEAM NEWS



Mike Whittaker

CIS have strengthened the Milk Recording Support team with a change of role for Mike Whittaker, previously Assistant Area manager.

Now based at the Telford office, Mike will be responsible for the interface between on-farm software and the programmes that CIS uses. This will include looking at the current offer to ensure the systems are user friendly with valued outputs.

For any queries in relation to on-farm software or the Milk Recorder Programme please contact Mike on 01923 695323

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