

SALERS CATTLE SOCIETY OF THE UNITED KINGDOM LTD

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The cost of the complete tour will be £1,744 sterling, per person, which I think is good value at £116 per day. This will include coach travel, all hotels, breakfasts and evening meals, entry to places of interest and tours, entry to the Royal Highland Show, all Convention meals etc. I am just trying to finalise midday meals and barbeques and most, if not all, midday lunches will be covered by the UK Society and its members. Out of the 15 days, at the moment at least ten midday lunches will be included in the cost. On the free time days, such as in Chester, delegates might like to find their own lunch eating places. There are plenty of typical English restaurants, cafes and pubs. Our tour operator will also arrange any pre or extended visits plus car hire if required. Details of this will follow on the official booking form.

For more information please contact me, John Crowe, at address shown above.

INTERNATIONAL SALERS FEDERATION CONVENTION 13THJUNE -27THJUNE 2009

Saturday 13th June (day 1)

Delegates arrive throughout the day at Heathrow Airport.
Evening meal and welcome at Airport Hotel

Sunday 14th. June (day 2)

9.00 a.m. start.
Arrive Windsor Castle 11.30 a.m. Castle visit and River Thames trip. Lunch somewhere ?
Dinner/ bed/breakfast in Oxford.

Monday 15th. June (day 3)

9.00a.m. start.
a.m. visit FAI Farms, The Field Station, Wytham, Oxford, OX2 8QJ. Tel: 01865 790880. This is an experimental farm with Salers cattle, pigs, sheep, poultry etc. Tea/coffee biscuits on arrival. Welcome and explanation of farm activities, farm tour, barbecue lunch. Leave approx 1p.m.-1.30p.m. and travel to Oxford.
p.m. Tour of Oxford
Dinner/bed/breakfast – same hotel as day two

Tuesday 16th. June (day 4)

9.00a.m. start.
a.m. Visit to Peter & Sheila Donger, Seawell Grounds, Foxley, Towcester, Northants NN12 8HW. Tel: 01327 860226. Salers and Charolais breeder. Lunch on farm.
p.m. Visit to Andy & Chris Thompson, Gateridge Farm, Croughton, Brackley, Northants. NN13 5LJ. Tel:01869 810441. Salers breeder and breeder of Suffolk Punch horses, one of the oldest working breeds. Tea and biscuits then travel on to Stratford-on-Avon, home of William Shakespeare.
Dinner/bed/breakfast at Stratford-on-Avon.

Wednesday 17th. June (day 5)

9.00a.m. start
a.m. Look round Stratford-on-Avon, home of William Shakespeare, Ann Hathaways Cottage etc. leaving at 11a.m. Travel to Fred & Alison Robinson, Highfields Farm, Church Preen, Church Stretton, Shropshire SY6 7LQ. Tel: 01694 771357. Lunch on farm and then tour of Salers on farm.

Travel to Chester via Llangollen, Horseshoe Falls/Horseshoe Pass.
Dinner/bed/breakfast in Chester.

Thursday 18th. June (day 6)

9.00a.m. start.

a.m. Chester tour by gladiator and free time – Cathedral, river, museum, open air bus etc. Lunch at individual's choice.

p.m. Visit to racing stable, Malpas, near Chester.

Dinner/bed/breakfast.-same hotel as day 5.

Friday 19th. June (day 7)

9.00a.m. start.

a.m. Visit to Cogent AI sexed semen centre, p.m lunch at Grindley Brook Canal staircase locks and then visit to Applebys Cheese making farm and tour of farm. These cattle are of Cogent breeding producing Cheshire and Shropshire cheese.

Dinner/bed/breakfast same hotel as day 5.

Saturday 20th. June (day 8)

9a.m. start

a.m. Travel to Lake District Cumbria, stopping for lunch.

p.m. Tour of Lakes and places of interest. This is where Donald Campbell broke the water speed record. home of Beatrix Potter, Herdwick sheep etc.

Dinner/bed/breakfast in Lake District.

Sunday 21st. June (day 9)

9a.m. start

a.m. Travel to Gretna Green. Visit the Old Blacksmith's Shop. This is where English couples used to elope to get married just over the English border in to Scotland. There will be the possibility for delegates to take part in a mock marriage ceremony over the old anvil.

Dinner/bed/breakfast same hotel as day 8

Monday 22nd. June (day 10)

9.00a.m. start

a.m. Travel to Rigel Pedigree (Messrs. Pye) Leven Fields, Middleton-on-Leven, Yarm, North Yorkshire TS15 0JX. Tel: 01642 590125.

11.00 - 11.30 arrive, coffee, welcome, introduction to herd/breeding programme.

11.30 - 13.00 tour of farmstead, inspection of cattle in the buildings.

13.00 - 14.30 light buffet lunch.

14.30 – 16.30 farm tour (visit 3 herds by tractors+trailors.

16.30 – 17.00 presentation by sponsor?

17.00 – 19.00 social event/barbecue, with informal entertainment (?live music)

19.00 – 19.30 farewells, coach departs to arrive at hotel circa 21.30

Bed/breakfast in the Borders.

Tuesday 23rd. June (day 11)

9.00a.m. start

a.m. Visit to Fenwick Jackson, Kersheugh, Jedburgh, Roxburghshire TD8 ^QT. Tel: 01835 862454. Tour of Salers on farm.

p.m. Travel to James & Sophie Manners, Deanfoot, Denholm, Hawick, Roxburghshire TD9 8SH. Tel: 01450 870656. for lunch and tour of Salers on farm

p.m. Tour of Salers at Rob & Kath Livesey's, Firth Farm, Nether Firth, Netherraw, Lilliesleaf, Melrose TD6 9EP. Tel:01835 870724.

Dinner/bed/breakfast same hotel as day 10.

Wednesday 24th. June (day 12)

8.30 a.m. start

a.m. Visit to Willie & Jennifer Davidson, Poldean, Wamphray, Moffat, Dumfriesshire. Tel: 01683 300356.

Tour of Salers on farm followed by lunch on farm. Leave at 1p.m.

Travel via 'Beef Tub' to Glenkinchie Whisky Distillery for 4p.m. tour and sampling of whisky en route to Edinburgh.

Dinner/bed/breakfast in Edinburgh.

Thursday 25th. June (day 13)

Royal Highland Show – in to Showground by 8.30a.m. for 9a.m judging of Salers classes. Judge Travis DePalme, Salers breeder from Canada. Lunch at own choice? Look around Show

6p.m. Presentation of awards and party at the International Pavilion on the Showground (cost for UK members ????) Back to hotel. Dinner, bed, breakfast. Same hotel as day 12

Friday 26th. June (day 14)

a.m. to Showground

10a.m. Quality Hotel on Showground. Country presentations (10minutes per country). Lunch in hotel.

1pm –3p.m. ISF Meeting and AGM

3.30p.m. Stay on showground or return to hotel to change for Conference Dinner.

7.30p.m for 8p.m. Conference Dinner in President's Pavilion. After Dinner Speakers – Ian Riddle SAC and Laurent Antignac, French Salers Association.

Dinner/bed/ breakfast. Same as day 12/13

Saturday 27th. June (day 15)

9.30a.m. Arrive at Show for Interbreed Competition at showground or free time in Edinburgh.

2.30 p.m. Guided tour of Edinburgh

Dinner/bed/breakfast. Same as day 12,13 & 14.

Sunday 28th. June (day 16)

Depart from Hotel after breakfast (or scenic tour of Scotland)