

# MIDLAND DEXTER GROUP

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## NEWSLETTER – SUMMER 2007

### Group AGM

Sunday 1 April was the Group's AGM, hosted by Gordon and Judith Taylor, at Dordon Village Hall, followed in the afternoon by a visit to Gordon's Delrose Dexter herd, which all looked extremely well and quite at home in a lovely barn, which Gordon had constructed himself. Thank you both for a very pleasant day.

The winners of the Junior Stockperson Competition were announced at the meeting. Congratulations to the winners: 1<sup>st</sup> Judy Ashwin; 2<sup>nd</sup> Christopher Ashwin; 3<sup>rd</sup> Jenny Lewis, who all produced folders on the work with their Dexters – judged by Terry Foley. Judy Ashwin was presented with the "Delrose Trophy", a rosette & bucket containing grooming kit. Runners up each received a rosette. All three contestants were given Easter eggs, provided by Gordon. Well done to all juniors who prepared folders for the Competition.

### MDG Group Officers for year 2007/2008

<b>Chair</b>	Lucy Blackwell
<b>Vice Chair</b>	Alison Kirk
<b>Treasurer</b>	Pete Lancaster
<b>Secretary</b>	Alison Kirk
<b>General Committee</b>	Gordon Taylor
	Ann Williams
	Lin Blackwell
	Gill Lancaster
	Ann Lea

### Retention of Bulletin

It was pleasing to learn that the DCS Bulletin is to remain. I am enclosing a copy of a letter received from Eileen, which we will discuss at the next meeting.

### Subscriptions

Have you forgotten to pay your subscription? If so, please forward your cheque, made payable to 'Midland Dexter Group' to:

**TREASURER:** Pete Lancaster, Church Farm, Church Lane, South Littleton, Evesham, Worcestershire WR11 8TJ (tel: 01386 833836)

Family membership: £10  
Individual membership: £7.50

Best Wishes to you all and good luck to those who are busy showing

Alison

### Meeting – Sunday 29 July 2007 (10.30am for 11am)

Meeting kindly hosted by Mark & Darryll Bowles, Rycroft Farm, Cotes Road, Barrow upon Soar, Leicestershire LE12 9JR. Mark & Darryll's Linford Herd were the Group's 2006 Large Herd Competition Winners. For new members: Mark and son Chris have also developed the Dexter Cattle for Sale web site. During the afternoon members will be able to view Mark & Darryll's Linford Herd of Dexters, which have been regular winners in the show ring.

Look forward to seeing everyone and please don't forget the contribution for the lunch table! Many thanks. \*\*\*\*\* **DIRECTIONS ATTACHED** \*\*\*\*\*

**Sunday 19 August 2007** – Calf Show, including class for steers, at Stratford upon Avon Livestock Centre. **Gordon is sending out details to all members under separate cover.**

**October 2007** – Group away weekend, with proposed visit to Pike End Farm, Rishworth, Sowerby bridge, on the borders of Lancashire & Yorkshire - the home of Martyn & Caroline Ryder. Details in next Newsletter. For further details about Martyn & Caroline, please see under Links (Pike End Farm) on the Dexter Cattle For Sale web site.

**Sunday 6 April 2008** – Group AGM & Ordinary Meeting to be held at Broomcroft Farm, Shrewsbury, hosted by Clive & Caroline Taylor. Further details later in the year.

### [www.dexterbeefonline.co.uk](http://www.dexterbeefonline.co.uk)

Clive Taylor, host for our AGM in 2008, has developed this site for producers of Dexter beef. It is well worth viewing and Clive has already put a lot of work into the web site. As Dexter breeders and ultimately producers of superb beef (in whatever quantities) we need to raise the profile of Dexter beef.

If you're unsure about advertising on this web site, please contact Clive Taylor (please refer to [www.dexterbeefonline.co.uk](http://www.dexterbeefonline.co.uk)). There are already several MDG members on the site, but more beef outlets need to be advertised.

### Group Web Site

As a member of the MDG, Clive has recently offered to develop a new Group web site and to keep it updated. Further details when the site is ready to go 'live.'



## **DIRECTIONS**

### **MEETING TO BE HELD SUNDAY 29 JULY 2007 HOSTED BY MARK & DARRYLL BOWLES**

From the M1 / M69 junction take the western bypass to A6 north towards Loughborough, once on the A6 northbound (dual carriageway) look for the sign for Barrow upon Soar / Quorn, this will be the 2<sup>nd</sup> sign with Barrow upon Soar on it, so ignore the 1<sup>st</sup> .

Then turn off the dual carriageway and within 75 yards you come to a small roundabout at which you turn left to bring you over the dual carriageway you have just left.

At the next roundabout go straight over, turning right here will get you back onto the A6, which will do for your trip home.

Along this road for about 1/3rd mile brings you to a single file river bridge, go over that to the next larger pretty roundabout and turn left into Barrow High Street. Take the next left at the Three Crowns Pub, and it is exactly 1.2 miles to our gateway on the left hand side of the road, where you will see a white coloured Dexter sign hanging near the hedge.

For Sat Nav users the postcode is LE128JR.