



The Irish Moiled Cattle Society is a recognised Breed Society under Regulation (EU) 2016/1012

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Dear Breeder

Just to inform you, that the Irish Moiled Cattle Society Breeding Programme has been recently updated.

The Irish Moiled Cattle Society have identified several old Irish Moiled bulls (listed in Table x), from which semen remains in existence, all be it, most of it is in storage in archive. Except for Argory Edward (F) none of these bulls, at the time of this update (March 2026), have been DNA tested using the new modern SNP technique.

Table x

| DOB | TAG | NAME | HB NUMBER | DESCENDANTS (Aug 2025) |
|------------|-------------|---------------------------|------------------|-------------------------------|
| 23/04/1984 | 184377/13 | Laurelgrange Lawrence (F) | 0968* | 532 |
| 20/09/1985 | 184377/15 | Argory Edward (F) | 0969 (D) | 4,519 |
| 31/08/1986 | 371340/1935 | Myra Silken Thomas (F) | 0997 (D) | 3,691 |
| 18/08/1987 | 372662/55Y | Laurelgrange Alfred (F) | 1019 (D) | 706 |
| 14/08/1988 | 30240/343A | Springfield Unique (F) | 1026* (D) | 4,244 |
| 22/10/1988 | YP739/19 | Dal Conchobar (F) | 1038 (D) | 4,610 |
| 06/07/1989 | CLT89.03 | Templeson Cornelian (F) | 1054* (D) | 1,362 |
| 09/04/1990 | ZBB90.02 | Bellevue Owen (F) | 1067* (D) | 5,528 |
| 18/08/1991 | CJH91.01 | Hallmark Patrick (F) | 1111 (D) | 910 |
| 10/12/1994 | UK902400300 | Bellevue Defender (F) | 1198* (D) ET | 3,059 |

The Irish Moiled Cattle Society successfully applied to DAFM to obtain a derogation for these bulls in Table x. They are now categorized as foundation bulls, marked with an (F) after their name in the Herdbook. All these bulls have played a significant role, in the conservation and genetic revival of the Irish Moiled breed which can be seen in Table x with the number of total descendants to have been entered in the Herdbook from these bulls up until August 2025 listed in the table.

These bulls are entered in Class 1 of the Main Section of the Herdbook, denoted by (F), they are not sire and dam verified and have the potential of producing further offspring, due to the availability of semen in storage. Offspring may be eligible to be entered in the Main Section of the Herdbook, provided all other criteria are met.

In December 2023 Argory Edward was DNA profiled by SNP technique using semen in order that progeny could be sire verified by SNP DNA technique. The bull recorded as the sire of Argory Edward, Maymore Red Hugh, also has semen in storage and was also DNA profiled by SNP in 2021. In May 2025, during routine checks, the Society noted that the ICBF database had flagged up that Maymore Red Hugh was not the sire of Argory Edward.

The sire of Argory Edward (F) has been removed from his pedigree, however Argory Edward still remains as a full pedigree registered bull in Class 1 of the main section of the Herdbook due to the derogation which now categorises him as a foundation bull with a significant role in the revival of the breed.

The same will apply to any of the other bulls in Table x if ever shown to have wrong parentage, through up-to-date DNA analyses.

Yours Faithfully

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