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Invitation to the World Galloway Community

Galloway World Congress 2027

2–12 August 2027 | Ireland, Scotland & England

Post Congress Tour

15–19 August 2027 | South West England

The Organising Committee is delighted to invite breeders, owners, enthusiasts and friends of **Black, Belted, White and Riggitt Galloway cattle** from around the world to join us for the **2027 World Galloway Congress**.

This Congress promises to be a truly memorable occasion as we gather in the homeland of the Galloway breed to celebrate not only the strength and success of our global Galloway community, but also the **150th Anniversary of the Galloway Cattle Society of Great Britain and Ireland**.

Over eleven unforgettable days, delegates will experience the very best that Ireland, Scotland and England have to offer. From visits to some of the finest Galloway herds to iconic landmarks including **Titanic Belfast, Glenarm Castle, the Giant's Causeway, Hadrian's Wall, the Ulster Folk Museum**, and the spectacular landscapes of the **Lake District**, the programme has been carefully designed to combine cattle, culture, history and friendship.

The Congress offers a unique opportunity to exchange knowledge, renew old friendships, make new connections and celebrate our shared passion for one of the world's most distinctive native cattle breeds. In this 150th year of the Galloway Society, rare examples of the first herd books will be on display on conference day.

Whether you are a long-standing breeder, a new enthusiast, or simply have an interest in Galloway cattle, we warmly welcome you to be part of this historic celebration. We look forward to sharing our farms, our heritage, our hospitality and our passion for Galloway cattle with you.

Join us for an unforgettable journey through Ireland, Scotland and England as we celebrate 150 years of the Galloway Cattle Society of Great Britain and Ireland and the enduring legacy of the Galloway breed. Simply complete the Booking Form and send to our tour operating partners – Fields Farm Tours.

Extend Your Adventure – Optional Post-Congress Tour

15–19 August 2027 | South West England

Why not extend your stay and discover even more of Britain's beautiful countryside and outstanding Galloway cattle?

Following the Congress, delegates are warmly invited to join an **optional five-day post-tour** through the stunning South West of England. This exclusive extension will include visits to exceptional **Galloway, Belted Galloway and Riggitt herds**, a day exploring the breathtaking landscapes of **Exmoor National Park**, and a visit to the renowned **Chagford Agricultural Show**. Along the way, delegates will enjoy the warm hospitality of local breeders while experiencing some of England's most picturesque farming country.

We look forward to welcoming you to the **2027 World Galloway Congress** and sharing this unforgettable experience with our worldwide Galloway family.



Galloway World Congress

Main Tour

Great Britain & Ireland

2-12 August 2027

Galloway World Congress Itinerary

Day 1 – Monday 2 August | Northern Ireland

NI Arrival Day

- Register at the Europa Hotel, Belfast
 - Congress registration and welcome packs
 - Welcome Reception and Dinner at the world-famous **Titanic Belfast**
 - Overnight: Europa Hotel, Belfast or your own choice of accommodation
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Day 2 – Tuesday 3 August | Northern Ireland

- Visit to **Upper Buckna Farm (Blacks)** – J & NJ Smyth
 - Guided tour of the magnificent Glenarm Castle
 - Lunch at **Glenarm Castle**
 - Afternoon visit to **Gruige Farm (Blacks and Belted)** – Dessy Henry
 - Return to Belfast
 - Evening at leisure, Own dinner arrangements
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Day 3 – Wednesday 4 August | Northern Ireland

- Visit to **Ballylough Farm (Belted)** – Richard Creith
 - Lunch on the spectacular Antrim Coast
 - Choice of afternoon excursions:
 - **The Giant's Causeway**
 - **Carrick-a-Rede Rope Bridge**
 - **Old Bushmills Distillery**
 - Return to Belfast
 - Evening at leisure, Own dinner arrangements
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Day 4 – Thursday 5 August | Northern Ireland

- Visit to **Castlegore Farm (Blacks)** – Barry Douglas
 - Visit to the **Ulster American Folk Park**
 - Lunch at museum
 - Time to explore the museum and experience life of Ulster settlers in America
 - Return to Belfast
 - Evening at leisure, Own dinner arrangements
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Day 5 – Friday 6 August | Ireland to Scotland

GB Arrival Day

- Ferry crossing from Belfast/Larne to Cairnryan
 - Visit to **Crailloch Farm (Whites & Duns)**– Robert & Janine Fisher
 - Continue to Cairndale Hotel, Dumfries
 - Registration at Cairndale Hotel and welcome packs for those joining in Dumfries
 - Welcome buffet dinner at Cairndale Hotel
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Day 6 – Saturday 7 August | Scotland

- Full day at the **Dumfries Show**
 - Lunch in the Society marquee
 - Buffet dinner at Cairndale Hotel
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Day 7 – Sunday 8 August | Scotland

- **World Congress Conference** - at Cairndale Hotel, Dumfries
 - Guest speakers and Society presentations
 - Lunch
 - Afternoon conference sessions
 - **Touch of Tartan evening celebration** with dinner
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Day 8 – Monday 9 August | Scotland

- Visit to **Barlaes/Glen Howl (Blacks)** – Robert McTurk
 - Farm lunch
 - Visit to **Irelandton Farm (Belted)** – Kyla & Robert Graham
 - Travel to Northlakes Hotel, Penrith after visits
 - Buffet dinner at Northlakes Hotel, Penrith
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Day 9 – Tuesday 10 August | England – Lake District

- Visit to **Howside Farm (Blacks)**– Richard Maxwell
 - Visit to **Racy Ghyll Farm (Belted and Blacks)** – James Rebanks
 - Lunch at Howside Farm
 - Evening cruise on **Derwentwater**
 - Dinner in Keswick
 - Return to Northlakes Hotel, Penrith
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Day 10 – Wednesday 11 August | England

- Visit to **Chesters Roman Fort and Hadrian's Wall**
 - Explore one of Britain's most important Roman heritage sites
 - Afternoon visit to **Beanley Herd (Blacks and Belted)**
 - Lunch on the farm
 - Return to Northlakes Hotel, Penrith
 - Farewell Dinner at Northlakes Hotel, Penrith
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Day 11 – Thursday 12 August

Departure Day

- Breakfast at the hotel
 - Check out
 - Delegates depart for home or continue their onward travels
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Highlights of the 2027 Congress

- Visit outstanding Galloway herds across **Ireland, Scotland and England**
- Celebrate the **150th Anniversary of the Galloway Cattle Society of Great Britain and Ireland**
- Explore the iconic **Titanic Belfast**
- Discover the historic **Glenarm Castle**
- Experience the spectacular **Giant's Causeway**
- Visit the famous **Old Bushmills Distillery**
- Step back in time at the **Ulster Folk Museum**
- Cross the Irish Sea to Scotland
- Enjoy the **Dumfries Show**
- Explore **Hadrian's Wall and Chesters Roman Fort**
- Cruise on beautiful **Derwentwater** in the English Lake District
- Celebrate with a **Touch of Tartan Evening** and a memorable **Farewell Gala Dinner**

GALLOWAY WORLD CONGRESS BOOKING FORM

Booking Deadline: 30th April 2027

Hotels subject to availability

Please complete ALL sections of the Booking Form

Tour Options:

- ☐ IRELAND (IRL) TOUR £997.00 per person
- ☐ Include IRL HOTEL (Europa Hotel) – £460.00pp based on double/twin sharing
- ☐ Single supplement (Europa Hotel) – £340.00

- ☐ GREAT BRITAIN (GB) TOUR £1595.00 per person
- ☐ Include GB HOTEL (Cairndale Hotel, Dumfries & Northlakes Hotel, Penrith) – £576.00pp based on double/twin sharing and meals included
- ☐ Executive Room upgrade £30 per room per night
- ☐ Deluxe Room upgrade £50 per room per night
- ☐ Single supplement (Cairndale Hotel, Dumfries & Northlakes Hotel, Penrith) - £510.00

Room Type: ☐ DOUBLE ☐ TWIN

☐ No Hotels Please – I'll book my own accommodation

Note: Accommodation cost is per person for the duration of each segment.
Single supplement is in addition to the double/twin sharing total.
Please note that a single room at the Cairndale Hotel is a single bed.

Postal Address:

Postal/ ZipCode: _____ COUNTRY: _____

Telephone No: _____

Mobile No: _____

Email: _____

Mobility & Accessibility

Please let us know if you have any mobility requirements or require assistance during the tour:

Emergency Contact

Name: _____

Relationship: _____ Telephone: _____

Special Requirements

☐ 1 Delegate Name _____ Any Dietary requirements Y/N

☐ 2 Delegates Name _____ Any Dietary requirements Y/N

☐ 3 Delegates Name _____ Any Dietary requirements Y/N

☐ 4 Delegates Name _____ Any Dietary requirements Y/N

Total Number: _____

Dietary Requirements

Please advise us of any dietary requirements or allergies:

Your travel arrangements:

Please provide these details for ETA purposes only

UK Arrival Date:		Airport:		TIME:		FLIGHT:	
UK Departure Date:		Airport:		TIME:		FLIGHT:	

Title	First Name	Surname	DOB	Nationality	Special Requests	Preferred Badge Name

AGREEMENT

I have read and agree to accept the booking conditions.

Signed:

Date:

Please send the completed form and full payment to: FIELD FARM TOURS LTD, Field House, 3 Stephenson Court, Stephenson Way, Newark, Notts. NG24 2TQ or email: libby@fieldfarmtours.co.uk

Congress Booking Conditions

Tour Accommodation

Two accommodation options are offered:

- The **Include HOTEL** options provide you with hotel reservations which are made for your convenience in GB, Ireland or both. The hotels selected are highly recommended as these will be the main hub for the conference. Coach pickups and registrations will be from the recommended hotels. Double rooms contain one double bed and are suitable for two people wishing to share one bed. Twin rooms contain two single beds and are suitable for two people wishing to share a room but not a bed. Single rooms contain one bed and are suitable for one person only. Most hotels will use a twin or double room for single occupancy and the single occupancy supplement is applicable for all single room use. We are not currently holding any family rooms for this event; these would be subject to availability or the need for multiple rooms. Please be aware that smoking is prohibited in all UK hotels and restaurants. Any preferences/ accessibility requirements should be made known at the time of booking so we can cater to you effectively. All hotels recommended are within walking distance of the evening dining arrangements. Please tick on the booking form if you would like to include hotel rooms in GB and/or IRL in your booking. NB – there are limited numbers of reservations so please book early to catch the best deal.
- The **No Hotels Please** option offers the flexibility for those that would rather source their own accommodation. You arrange your own accommodation - all we ask is that you meet us in the agreed meeting points for events and travel.

Meals

Meals are included as per the itinerary. Please advise us of any dietary restrictions beforehand.

Travel Inclusions and Exclusions

Delegates are responsible for arranging transportation to and from the Congress and Post Congress Tour.

Flights, transfers and airport hotels are not included in the package price and should be organised separately.

For delegates selecting both Ireland and GB, ferry travel to the mainland is included in the package.

Coach travel between venues is also included in the tour package

Tour Numbers

If the minimum number is not met we reserve the right to cancel the tour or amend the per person cost. We will not be able to offer day visits until we know how many people will be travelling on the full tour.

Bookings will be accepted on a first come first served basis.

Payments

Payments are due in full at the time of booking. This is to avoid un-necessary bank charges by making multiple payments.

Once we have received your completed booking form, we will send over a booking confirmation with information on how you can pay. This includes BACS or by card either by telephone or our manage my booking system.

Payments need to be made in GBP and account for the bank fees and fluctuating exchange rates.

Cancellation

Cancellations can only be accepted in writing.

Cancellations received prior to 30th April 2027 are subject to a cancellation fee of 25% per person.

Cancellations received after 30th April 2027 are non-refundable. (Every effort will be made to refund where possible) All refunds will be made in the form of payment received by Field Farm Tours Ltd.

Hotels are strict with their cancellation policies but if we can get any refund back to you, we will try our best.

All guests travelling with Field Farm Tours MUST have adequate travel insurance.

Disclaimer

Field Farm Tours Ltd and or/ Galloway Cattle Society reserves the right to cancel or change any event on the itinerary due to registration not being met or exceeded and will substitute comparable services.

Field Farm Tours Ltd and/or Galloway Cattle Society will not assume responsibility for cancellations of any event due to weather, traffic, thefts, quarantines, epidemics, force majeure or act of God. In the event of such cancellations, amendment or withdrawal, the monies paid will be refunded, less any fees. Field Farm Tours Ltd and/or Galloway Cattle Society do not accept any liability for injuries/losses of whatever nature incurred by the attendee and/or accompanying persons. You must be adequately insured to travel on this tour. Refunds will not be issued because your insurance doesn't cover or you failed to have any in place.

Useful Travel Information

Convenient Arrival & Departure Airports for Belfast, N Ireland

Belfast City BHD (10-15 mins by Airport Express 600 to Belfast City Centre OR taxi)

Belfast International BFS (45mins by Airport Express 300 to Belfast City Centre OR taxi)

Dublin DUB (2 hours by coach to Belfast City Centre)

Convenient Arrival & Departure Airports for Dumfries and Penrith

Newcastle NCL (Train and Coach options available)

Glasgow GLA (Train and Coach options available)

Edinburgh EDI (Train and Coach options available)

Manchester MAN (Train and Coach options available)

Liverpool LPL (Train and Coach options available)

Additional Independent Field Farm Tours Services

Transfers & Airport Hotels

Field Farm Tours do provide an additional service. Should you require any transfers or airport hotels to meet with your flight requirements, either on arrival or departure, please do not hesitate to contact our office.

Tel: 0044 1636 616060 or e-mail: libby@fieldfarmtours.co.uk

Tour Extension

Alternatively, you may wish to extend your stay in the UK and require help with any hotel reservations, car hire, farm visits, air or rail tickets, we will be happy to assist you, no obligation. Tel: 0044 1636 616060 or e-mail: libby@fieldfarmtours.co.uk



Optional Post-Congress Tour

South West England

15–19 August 2027

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15–19 August 2027 | South West England

Why not extend your visit and experience even more of Britain's beautiful countryside and outstanding Galloway cattle?

Following the World Galloway Congress, delegates are warmly invited to join an **optional five-day post-tour** through the stunning South West of England. This unique extension offers the opportunity to visit exceptional Galloway and Belted Galloway herds, enjoy the spectacular landscapes of Devon and Exmoor, and experience one of the region's premier agricultural shows.

Sunday 15 August

Arrival in South West England

Settle into Two Bridges Hotel - Two Bridges – Dartmoor National Park – Devon – PL20 6SW where rooms have been reserved, and prepare for the start of the post-tour.

Monday 16 August

Devon Farm Visits

- Abel Family – Baggator
- John Heard – Okehampton
- John Hodge – Belted Galloways
- Lunch at Heard's Farm
- Evening meal

Tuesday 17 August

Discover Exmoor National Park

Spend the day exploring the beautiful landscapes of Exmoor including:

- Woolhanger Farming Partnership
- Exmoor Forest Farms
- Lunch and presentation with Exmoor National Park
- Evening meal

Wednesday 18 August

South West Herd Visits

- Clyde Coaker – Powdermills (Belted Galloways)
- Anton Coaker – Sherberton (Riggitt Galloways)
- Neil Cole – Prison Farm
- Barbecue lunch at Prison Farm
- Evening meal

Thursday 19 August

Chagford Agricultural Show

Conclude the tour with a visit to the renowned Chagford Show, celebrating the very best of Devon farming, livestock, rural crafts and local produce.

OPTIONAL POST CONGRESS TOUR BOOKING FORM

Thank you for your interest in extending your World Galloway Congress experience. The optional post-tour offers delegates the opportunity to visit outstanding Galloway and Belted Galloway herds, explore the beautiful landscapes of Exmoor National Park, and attend the renowned Chagford Agricultural Show.

Please complete and return this post congress booking form with payment by 30th April 2027 to info@gallowaycattlesociety.co.uk

Delegate Details

Lead Name: _____

Country: _____

Email: _____

Telephone: _____

Tour Registration

☐ Yes, I/we wish to book the Optional Post-Congress Tour (15–19 August 2027).

Number of delegates:

☐ 1 Delegate Name _____ Any Dietary requirements Y/N

☐ 2 Delegates Name _____ Any Dietary requirements Y/N

☐ 3 Delegates Name _____ Any Dietary requirements Y/N

☐ 4 Delegates Name _____ Any Dietary requirements Y/N

Total Number: _____

Dietary Requirements

Please advise us of any dietary requirements or allergies:

Accommodation

Accommodation has been reserved at:

Two Bridges Hotel

Two Bridges

Dartmoor National Park

Devon PL20 6SW

Bed & Breakfast Rates:

- Double/Twin Room: £89 per person per night
- Single Occupancy Room: £147 per person per night

Please indicate your accommodation requirements:

☐ Single Room

☐ Twin Room

☐ Double Room

If sharing, please state the name of the person you will be sharing with:

Please indicate how many of the 5 nights (15–19 August) you wish to stay:

☐ 1 Night Sunday 15th August

☐ 2 Nights Monday 16th August

☐ 3 Nights Tuesday 17th August

☐ 4 Nights Wednesday 18th August

☐ 5 Nights Thursday 19th August Depart 20th August

Mobility & Accessibility

Please let us know if you have any mobility requirements or require assistance during the tour:

Emergency Contact

Name: _____

Relationship: _____ Telephone: _____

Tour Includes

Your post-tour package includes:

- ✓ Visits to Galloway, Belted Galloway & Riggitt herds
- ✓ Lunch will be available on the farm. Arrangements are to be confirmed, and a charge may apply
- ✓ Accommodation to be reserved via the Galloway Cattle Society, please forward payment for hotel to the GCS.

Tour Does Not Include:

- ✓ Transport to and from South West England also for the duration of the tour. (Coaches are not provided for this part of the tour, delegates to arrange own or share transport).
- ✓ Entry to Chagford Agricultural Show
- ✓ Evening Meals

Declaration

- ☐ I wish to reserve a place on the Optional Post-Congress Tour.
- ☐ I understand that accommodation charges will be payable to the Galloway Cattle Society

Signature: _____

Date: _____

Return completed forms by Friday 30th April, 2027 to:
World Galloway Congress 2027 Organising Committee
Email: info@gallowaycattlesociety.co.uk

All correspondence relating to the World Congress/Post Congress tour will be sent by email. Please ensure we have your current email address and notify us of any changes. We look forward to welcoming you to South West England for a memorable conclusion to the 2027 World Galloway Congress.

