

WELSH BLACK BULLETIN

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Hold On!

After a year of low cattle prices, high forage prices and the worst drought since '02 for many of us, 2010 holds the ever persistent promise of *"Next Year Country"*.

With the lower cow numbers the outlook for higher calf prices this fall is good. Early fall rains set up the grass a little better this spring, although carry over feed will be low.

A bright spot for the Welsh breeders is the renewed interest from cattlemen in the United States for semen and breeding stock. This is the first sustained interest since the border reopened.

We, as purebred breeders need to continue to improve our herds using many of the tools available such as bull testing, ultrasound, feed efficiency and now DNA testing for important traits. We need to get our good message out and *"Hold On"!*

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