

## Report to ICAR Members

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## Developments in last 12 months

- 1. Working Group (2) and Technical Committee Meeting (2) and Workshop (1).
- 2. Two new service users (Germany & Switzerland). Seeking more.
- Service Development: Prototype wwt evaluations (3x) for Charolais (7) & Limousin (9) Service Users – implementation shortly
- 4. Ca €100,000 service fees.
- 5. Research collaborators focused on variance components, use of cross-bred data, calving traits, female fertility, carcass traits.
  - Simmental next priority.
- Beef genomic workshop Oct/Nov 2014 in Ireland.