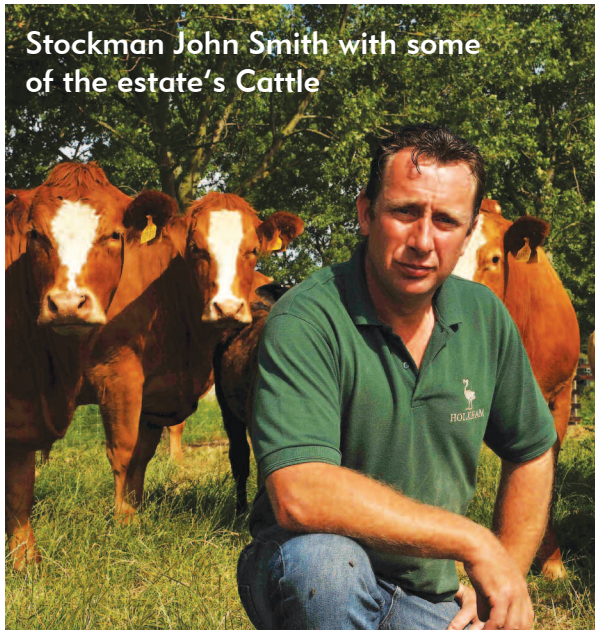




EASTERN REGION NSA FARM WALK 2012

Stockman John Smith with some of the estate's Cattle



VISIT TO THE HOLKHAM ESTATE
Wells-next-the-Sea,
Norfolk, NR23 1AB

TUESDAY 19TH JUNE 2012

**meet at 1.45pm in the main car park in
front of the house.**

*We are very grateful to Holkham Hall for allowing
us to visit the estate and Mark Bowyer, Farm
Manger, will take us to see the Nature Reserve,
Park and Farm.*

Holkham Estate has a unique history of farming, shooting and conservation. The four-course rotation system was famously popularised here by Coke of Norfolk; while his son, the second Earl of Leicester, started the sport of driven game shooting.

For more than 300 years, the Earls of Leicester have taken it in turns to enhance the aesthetic value of the Estate by planting thousands of trees, but more importantly, to create a rich and varied habitat.

Due to modern farming methods, the Estate is now much more intensively farmed. Holkham Farming Company Ltd operates as a farm contractor over about 2,850 hectares of estate land. The current rotation is based around sugar beet, wheat, barley and oilseed rape with root crops such as potatoes, carrots and parsnips grown where irrigation is available.

Holkham Emerald is a new joint venture operation between the Holkham Estate and Emerald Crops Limited. The intention of this new company is to develop a sizeable vegetable production operation on the Estate, utilising Holkham land and water and Emerald marketing and growing skills.

The livestock enterprises consist of a herd of 190 predominantly South Devon suckler cows which graze the Norfolk Nature Reserve in summer.

At present there is no sheep enterprise on the estate but there will be plenty of things of interest for us all to see.

You MUST advise in advance if you will be attending as we have to book a coach to take us round the estate and will need to know numbers. There will be a charge for the coach of between £2.50 & £5.00 per head dependent on numbers. Also, to get free parking you will need to show your NSA Membership card to the car park attendant on arrival.

Please contact Jonathan Barber's office
on Tel: 01953 607860 Fax: 01953 607626 or
Email: jonathan@ceressolutions.co.uk
by **MONDAY 11TH JUNE** at the very latest.

**Please don't just turn up on the day as you will not be
able to take part.**

The Great Barn

