

THE NEW ZEALAND HEREFORD ASSOCIATION MEMBER NEWSLETTER

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World Hereford Conference 2012

The 16th Annual Hereford Conference will be held in Calgary, Alberta, Canada, July 8-25, 2012.

Visit the NZHA website for further

- Full conference information
- Conference program
- Technical speaker sessions
- Junior schedule



DATE	PROGRAM	LOCATION
Sunday, July 8	Arrive in Vancouver, Pre-Tour	Vancouver
Monday, July 9	Hereford Field Days	Abbotsford/Princeton
Tuesday, July 10	Douglas Lake Ranch	Kamloops
Wednesday, July 11	Banff National Park	Banff
Thursday, July 12	 Pre-Tour guests arrive in Calgary Attendees arrive in Calgary Registration – Sheraton Hotel 	Calgary
Friday, July 13	 Arrival of attendees and registration AM - WHC Council Meeting PM - WHC Conference Evening - Meet and Greet Social Supper 	Sheraton Hotel
Saturday, July 14	 WHC - White Hat Ceremony and Official Opening Conference Technical Sessions Chuckwagon Races and Grand- stand Show 	Calgary Stampede (Palomino Room) Calgary Stampede
Sunday, July 15	Western Style Pancake BreakfastFree Day	Sheraton Hotel Calgary Stampede
Monday, July 16	 Tours Junior Hereford Show	Old Ag Society Facilities
Tuesday, July 17	World Hereford Cattle Show	Old Ag Society Facilities
Wednesday, July 18	Ranchers DayClosing and Barbeque	Old Ag Society Facilities
Thursday, July 19-22	Post Conference Tour	Saskatchewan/Manitoba
Monday, July 23-25	Post Conference Tour	Ontario

President's Note

It is now but three weeks to Christmas, spring has come and gone and the early summer has brought rain to most of us and some welcome grass growth. We weighed milk lambs for the works at heavier weights than usual, and the cows that are out with mating sires look well.

We had our NZHA Council meeting early November, where the '2011-2016 Strategic Plan' was presented by Colin Corney. Four members of the planning committee, William and John Morrison, Mike Cranstone and Alan Cook attended the presentation. The comprehensive Strategic Plan was very well received by Council and at a conference call two weeks later was adopted without amendment. The NZHA Council sincerely thanks the working party of Colin Corney, Sam Hain, Paul Scott, John Morrison, Jason Graham, Dave Warburton, William Morrison, Graham Potter, Mike Cranstone, Alan Cook and Philip Shepherd for many hours on conference calls discussing, deliberating and planning. Congratulations on a job well done. The plan is now available for members to view on our website.

Professor Jon Hickford from Lincoln University spoke to the November Council meeting. His address on DNA, ownership of IP, and "snip-chip" technology was most interesting and thought provoking. I attended the cattle judging at the Hamilton Royal Show and congratulate Joshstar Stud on winning both the Champion Hereford Bull and Female titles - quite a rare feat at a Royal Show. The bull then went on to win the 'Meat & Wool Cup' so well done. There were a large number of Hereford entries and the standard of cattle was excellent. Judges Greg Chamberlain and Daniel Smith had their work cut out.

I mentioned in my last report to watch this space. We returned to the show ring at the Canterbury A&P show with two heifers, thanks to Anna. I enjoyed being out in the ring again, with the highlight being the winning of the Junior Meat & Wool Cup.

Well that's about my lot for this issue. The AB's won the rugby World Cup. National have returned, and even Winston is back! Just one thing I would like to request is more support from our breeding members with respect to breeder advertising. Please consider advertising in our annual Hereford Magazine, the focus is to be hybrid vigour and will also include the promotion of NZ Herefords to the world in conjunction with the 2012 World Hereford Confer-

ence. Advertising in this outstanding publication will be very worthwhile.

I wish you all a safe and very happy festive season and all the best for 2012.

Till next time.

Regards, Peter Smyth, NZ Herefords, President



Registry Report

DNA PROFILES are required on all mating sires. They can be checked on the Hereford website under "Animal Enquiries". If you have not supplied required DNAs, registration of progeny will not proceed. If you intend using an Imported AI sire, check for a DNA profile and Hypotrichosis testing on internet solutions prior to use. DNA profiles and Hypotrichosis testing can be extracted from semen from old animals.

Contact the Office if you require envelopes for hair samples. Remember even if it's not your bull, you will need to ensure there is a profile to register progeny in your herd.

IMPORTING TO NZ regulations have altered. Please check amendments to our NZ rules before importing semen. Exporting requirements vary from country to country, but the majority require a certificate showing DNA for the subject and parent verification. It is important to ensure you have the appropriate documentation available where progeny is to be registered in another country.

ANIMAL STATUS' can be updated using weight forms and mature cow weight forms. Alternatively you can supply the office with a list of herd book numbers, disposal code and date at any time.

DNA PROFILING Please find enclosed with this issue of Red

Rag, a DNA envelope for use in DNA profiling your 2011 mating sires(s).

Best practise tip – it is prudent to test your mating sires for hypotrichosis also.

If you require additional envelopes please contact the NZHA office.

Wishing you all a very Merry Xmas and a Happy New Year.

Linda Shailer, Registry

January 3rd 2012 – Group Run Cut off Dates –

Due to the Xmas break, could all performance data intended for the January 2012 group run, please be with Hereford registry by 20 December 2011 for processing.

Alternatively, 3 February 2012 cut-off for data to be included in the February 2012 group run is your next option.

Thank you



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Council Communications

Dear Members,

Please read the following thoroughly. These are important matters for your attention that were discussed at the November 2011 NZHA Council meeting.

Finance

Heifer billing to be at same time as cow fees (November). This is a 'notice of payment' as heifer payment due the following May. **Merial Cash back form** - to be placed online for autumn

purchases of product.

New rule to be included in 2012 rule book.

'Any member services provided by the NZHA are payable by the 20th of the month following the date of invoice".

"Unpaid bills at sixty days will attract interest. Furthermore at 90 days, debt recovery will be actioned at debtors own cost".

Registry

Group Run results

Delay in turnaround – a 10 day turnaround from Group Run analysis has been promoted.

In months where a large amount of performance data is submitted, turnaround times are generally longer than 10 days. Up to 14 working days.

PBB Software support - PBB offers software support for HerdMASTER4 only. ILR2 performance recording programme accepts data from other software packages, however PBB does not

Council Nominations 2012

Under New Zealand Hereford Association Council rules, 50% of the Council retires by rotation annually.

The following Councillors retire by rotation in 2012 and are available for renomination:

P Smyth, C Corney, R Jupp, P Barnett, C Douglas The following councillors are retiring and

are NOT available for renomination:

G Brown

All candidate nominations, including those willing to stand again, are to be submitted to the NZ Hereford Association General Manager by Wednesday 25th January 2012 and must include the consent of the person nominated.

I hereby nominate _____

to the Council of the NZ Hereford Association.

Dated this _____ day of _____ month of _____ (year)

Nominator: _____

Nominee:

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offer support for these programs.

Revised Selection Indexes - have been released along with the new Dairy Terminal Index. Information included with this Red Rag and can be found on the NZHA website.

NZBT Autumn Workshops 2012

Speakers – Andrew Byrne and Christian Duff from ABRI. Content – Breedplan technologies.

14 workshops to be held throughout NZ in the seven farmer regions. Funding gained from Beef + Lamb New Zealand to cover all costs.

NZBT to continue with the very successful Agent education day. Hoping to run Youth Ambassador Technical days to support youth education.

NZHA Sponsorship

Altum – secured a further two year contract.

Promotion

Magazine 2012, Natalie Campbell will be the Editor. Email contact – herefordprojects@pbbnz.com Theme – continue with Hybrid Vigour and also WHC 2012. Hereford Prime win will also be featured.

World Hereford Conference, Calgary, 2012

- Latest information has been placed on the NZHA website.

BEEF EXPO 2012

Super Sires Units - 2012

North Island Langtry property South Island Fisher property

Monday 14th May 2012

Super Sires Open Day

Proposed change in format to save time -Bulls to be yarded before arrival of public – judged earlier in the day. Yard display first at 12.30pm then paddocked.

Monday continued.

3pm Judging of Led bulls at Manfeild

4pm Queen of Hearts Sale

Evening function - Steak of Origin 10th anniversary dinner.

Tuesday 15th May 2012 HEREFORD SALE

Hereford Breeders Luncheon – *including AGM, Herd of Excellence and other presentations* Hereford – *Beef Expo Bull Selection Process will take place again in 2012.*

Hereford Beef Expo Judges 2012 Senior Judge Charlie Lee

Senior JudgeCharlie LeeCo-JudgeMarc Robertson

Herd Of Excellence 2012

Four nominations were received for 2012 North Island competition.

Quote from 2011 HOE winner, Gray Pannett "Valuable learning experience having business appraised from outside perspective."

Beef + Lamb New Zealand to have involvement as per 2011 Field Day. Useful media resource and attracts a large commercial audience. Time line as per previous year – see Red Rag, Aug 2011 issue.

NZHA Strategic Plan 2011 -2016

A road map for the NZHA future direction was unveiled to the NZHA Council at the November meeting and was subsequently adopted without amendment.

See details in this issue of Red Rag or on the NZHA website.

Show And Sales

A summer option for the NZHA breed uniform and also a 'modernisation' of the uniform is being investigated.

Youth Ambassador Programme

NZHA /WHC Ambassador 2012 – William Gibson of Foulden Hill Stud, Middlemarch will attend the Calgary event.

Rockhampton 2012

A PBB tour is planned to attend the BEEF AUSTRALIA -Rockhampton 2012 Sale and Technical seminars. In conjunction with this - a group of six NZHA Youth ambassadors will be invited and sponsored to attend Rockhampton 2012.

GENERAL BUSINESS

Council Nominations

Councillors retiring by rotation and seeking renomination – P Smyth, C Corney, R Jupp, P Barnett, C Douglas G Brown is retiring from the NZHA Council Council nomination form- in this issue of the Red Rag.

Thank You . . .

It is very pleasing to finally have the New Zealand Hereford Associations Strategic Plan completed and signed off.

With this I would personally like to thank all those passionate people who over the years have worked hard to build our breed to the strength it is today. There have been many hours of hard work and toil by many of our predecessors, Councillors and breeders who without their work we would not have had such a platform to put the current plan into a living document.

For me as Chairperson of the working group who all worked very long hours discussing, debating and collaborating the document that is now available to all members to read and assist in its deployment. It is humbling to understand the amount of work our Council have achieved over the past (number of years council) years. Prior to being elected onto council Michael Bayly, Jan Wills and Laurie Paterson were already in early stages of putting a Strategic Plan together which provided a foundation for us. Managing Genetic Abnormalities – a worthwhile technical article. Reproduced courtesy of the Canadian Hereford Assn. Can be found on the NZHA website under Hypotrichosis.

Red Rag member newsletter

From August 2012 the Red Rag will be sourced by members via the NZHA website. Read online or a 'print off' version (pdf file) will be available also.

Herd Tour Dates

South Auckland Club to host 2014 tour Eastland Club to host 2015 tour

2012 NZHA Council meetings Mon 5 / Tues 6 March 2012 & 16 May 2012

Steak Of Origin 2012 - Timeframe

7 February	entries open
20 February	processing starts
17 March	entries close
24 March	processing ends
13 April	semi final
14 May	Grand final – 10th anniversary dinner

Tru-test super sires

The Langtry and Fisher families are grazing the Super and Impact sires for Beef Expo 2012.

Could breeders who are intending to enter bulls this year please contact one of the following organisers:

Rod Jupp	06 754 6764	North Island
Kevin McDonald	07 333 8068	North Island
Jimmy Murray	03 319 4331	South Island
David Morrow	03 303 3749	South Island

The NI bulls need to be on the Langtry property on February 8th 2012.

Downlands Deer Transport will be transporting the bulls again. Please contact Tim Coombes on 021 391 868 or 03 697 4922.

I have mentioned some of the names of our members who have contributed a large amount of their time and knowledge during the ten months. I would love to name everyone but fear I would miss someone out as there were many who phoned me, sent emails, took time to write and even some who visited me personally to discuss how we all could move our breed over the coming years. I must not forget the current councillors who have all discussed, debated, assisted and supported the working group throughout.

Thank you to all!

I know we will never please everyone but hope that over the next five years most will appreciate that we do have a road map and direction.

Now the challenges and hard work begins. . .

Kind regards Colin Corney

Strategic Plan

The NZHA Council is commited to the profitable and sustainable development of the NZ Hereford breed and the farming systems that promote productivity and responsible land use through the implementation of this strategic plan.

Vision: To provide New Zealand's beef producers with the genetics, expertise in quality beef production and industry leadership, which is required to add value and increase market opportunities. Mission: The NZHA will provide the leadership to collaborate and innovate with industry stakeholders,

co-ordinate marketing, and communicate breed strengths in order to create value for our members, their customers and the consumers of Hereford derived beef.

Strategic themes

1	Governance	To evolve a responsible and sustainable governance body that is positioned to steer NZHA confidently towards future opportunities.
2	Farm	To lift the productivity and profitability of Hereford breeders farming systems, and increase the rate of genetic progress to their targeted breeding objectives
3	Leadership	To develop and equip individuals from within the NZHA membership with the necessary skills to administer the Hereford Association and lead the beef industry forward. The Association needs to look at investing in people to drive the breed in the right direction.
4	Market	Assist NZHA breeders to develop a market orientated approach - aligning Hereford breeding programs with target market specifications/demands
5	Information	To effectively deliver quality information which the membership can utilize to improve their farming business, the genetics produced and relationships with customers and other relevant industry members.
6	Growth and Development	The NZHA fosters an environment that supports growth and development through the successful implementation of the Strategic Plan, with ongoing reviews and development.



Outback Adventure – Queensland, Australia

Stuart and Rita Brown - Maranui Hereford Stud, Waihi Beach

In May 2011 we went outback from Townsville, travelling by bus to Charters Towers where we were picked up by the owner of Wandovale station - where would stay for our two month outback experience.

We travelled north for an hour then turned off onto a dirt/ metal road and travelled for another two and one half hours to Wandovale Station. As they had so much rain in the summer and also had a lot of damage from the February Queensland cyclone, they had reasonable feed but a lot of fences and trees down. After all the cyclone devastation they were only too happy for an extra pair of hands to assist.

How did we get interested in doing something like this? Well we had a contact for this property and also we had been on a couple of trips through the outback country of Queensland which gave us the urge to want to experience it further.

The first week we were there it was all hands to help clean up around the house as they were having a Flying Doctors field day were everyone came from around the district, up to two hours away for a chance to catch up with the Dr for family checks etc. There was about 20 adults and 15-20 children.

The first week the guys were working on repairing fences and motorbikes - getting ready to commence mustering on another station 'Nulla Nulla', 60 kms daily travel from Wandovale. Fences are all 3 wire barbs with pickets (waratah standards) every 10-15m apart and gates are made using the same material (very heavy, like our old Taranaki gates). Paddocks were usually around 1,000 ha. They would muster one paddock at a time into laneways which then lead to the cattle yards. Mostly they would round up about 600 -800 head which would be a mix of cows/calves, bulls and other young stock as after the fences had been damaged there was a lot of mobs mixed up – a tremendous amount of drafting to be done. Plus sorting neighbours stock as well and delivering back to their owners.

Three guys were up around 5-00 - 5-30 each morning and would travel to Nulla Nulla - mustering the whole time we were there. On Nulla there was another manager and 3-4 single guys which were mostly backpackers. Nulla advertised through the WOOF scheme for workers and they would get all sorts of guys coming - some were good and others had no idea what to do on the land which was an education in itself trying to tell them what to do. (You had to laugh or you would go mad). There was a French guy who did not understand English very well and/or he didn't listen well

to instructions - one afternoon out mustering, he was told to leave the bulls behind in the paddock as they were bringing up the other cattle. He was at the rear bringing up the bulls! His comment, "what is a bull"?

A 1080 drop was carried out around their three properties and took two days to spread. To start they kill two beasts and cut the meat up into little pieces and then council staff came and pumped the meat with 1080 poison. It was then our job to spread it.

Wandovale is 23,000 ha, Nulla Nulla is another 23,000 ha and they had another property 'Pandanus', about 60km away which was 65,000ha. This block was quite hilly and rolling land whereas the other two blocks were mostly flat with a few gullies and streams running through. I managed to go for a drive and see around part of the block at Wandovale and some of Pandanus. That was the only time we saw Pandanus. They tend to keep working as a team on one property at a time, rather than having the workers spread around.

All the mustering was done on automatic 4 wheelers ranging from 400 to 750cc. Riding was very rough with lots of rocks in the paddocks and many times a bike would get stuck on a rock. Or they would get stuck in mud or caught up on logs with the trees down from the cyclone. This made it very hard for them to get around at times.

A lot of time is spent between mustering days doing repairs on motorbikes. You have to be a jack of all trades in the outback and be able to fix anything and everything. You also need a well-equipped workshop. Repair kits for repairing flat tyres are carried on the bikes and also a compressor to pump up a tyre when you need to.

The cattle are mainly Brahman and currently they are trying some crossing with Charolais which are providing nice soft skinned animals that shift well onto the feed lots. These cattle are called Charbra's. Altogether they owned a total of around 35,000 head of cattle.

The owners also have a fourth station which is about 6 hours south from Nulla, (3hrs south from Charters Towers) called 'Durdham' - used as a finishing block for their 2 & 3 yr. old cattle. Towards the end of mustering they sent a mob of about 1,000 head of steers to Durdham for finishing - a total of 6 trucks with 2 trailers and 1 truck with 1 trailer were loaded.

Helicopters were used sparingly to help bring up the stragglers in the more spread out areas. They charged \$ 400 per hour. The biggest mob they had in the yards was around 1500 head. Mostly they would get in around 600 - 800 at a time. All the calves were weaned and put in a mob and were brought in from the paddock and yarded nightly. They were fed molasses, urea and some sorghum. This helped to quieten them and made them easier to handle. By the end of mustering, approximately six weeks, they had around 2,000 weaners in the mob. They then went through the calves and branded, docked, dehorned, earmarked and dipped for ticks. This took about 5 days.

The cattle are all fed molasses with urea mixed into it and also have mineral salt blocks out in the paddocks for them. Any cows that go through the yard at weaning that are culled for breeding are spayed as this is the only way they can get them fat enough to finish for the works.

The mail was delivered twice a week on Tuesdays and Fridays. Supplies were ordered on a Monday morning and delivered the next day.

The children are educated by correspondence until they get to

Congratulations to Richard Morrison

Marton farmer, Richard Morrison, has been awarded the Beef + Lamb New Zealand agricultural scholarship that will take him to the Five Nations Beef Alliance and Young Ranchers Programme being held in Mexico later this month.

Richard (32), was selected from a strong line-up of candidates vying for the chance to represent and promote New Zealand beef, as well as helping to foster international relations within the beef industry.

Beef + Lamb New Zealand People and Capability Manager, Diane Falconer said Richard, who is farming a large scale sheep, beef and cropping business in the Western North Island, will be a great ambassador for New Zealand at the conference.

The Five Nations Beef Alliance draws its membership from the beef farming nations including New Zealand, Australia, Canada, USA and Mexico. Almost half of the world's beef and cattle exports college age and head to boarding School. Sally and John have three daughters - the oldest at boarding school and the other the 11yr old twins will be going next year.

What did Rita do all the time that Stewart was out on the farm? There was always plenty to do around the house with washing, cleaning and cooking. There was also several times when help with cattle in the yards was required.

There were a few wild deer on Wandovale and they would often get guides come in with hunters. They would accommodate and feed these hunters. There were also plenty of wild pigs and kangaroos. Every so often there would be a clean up on the kangaroos - processed for pet food and others for commercial use in shops and restaurants.

After two months Stewart was starting to get motor bike fatigue so we decided it was time to come home. All in all, it was a real experience - only wishing we were 20 years younger.

come from these countries.

The Alliance has been operating since the early 1980's and is charged with pushing for trade liberalisation.

"The role of the Five Nations Beef Alliance is to collectively work for better global beef trade opportunities."

The Alliance launched the Young Ranchers Programme last year with the aim of attracting young leaders from each nation who are passionate about the future direction of the beef industry.

Richard will be required to report back to New Zealand beef farmers on what he has learned in the Programme.

"The thought of travelling to Mexico to rub shoulders with other passionate beef producers is an unimaginably exciting prospect," he said.

Update - Richard has returned recently from Mexico.

Young Hereford Breeder Awarded Study Scholarship

Announced at the Society's annual Summer Show on Saturday, Whangarei A&P Society has awarded its yearly agricultural scholarship to 18 year old Kamo local, Ben Burgess.

Ben's enthusiasm, clear direction and goals impressed the judges and set him apart from the three other award contenders.

Scholarship convenor, Mr Murray Jagger, advised that Ben's ambition and passion to achieve was clearly evident throughout the interview process and sealed his place as the recipient of the Society's \$7,500 scholarship (\$2,500 each year over three years) to assist with study costs.

"Ben has been developing his own breeding programme over the past few years and he is very keen. He has imported semen from Canada and has a planned, systematic path in mind as he aims to achieve his desire to lift the size of his Hereford herd so they are more competitive with other beef breeds," Mr Jagger said.

"Ben's initiative and his willingness to pass on and share his knowledge also impressed us. He is involved in calf club judging and has already built a reputation as a good stock handler. As a result, his expertise is often sought by other breeders showing their

stock and he is also starting to share his knowledge by training others."

Ben's strong interest in animals is the basis for his desire to attend Vet School next year. Prompted to apply for the scholarship by his teacher at Kamo High School, Ben was delighted to be granted the scholarship assistance.

"My main goal next year is to do well at Vet School and I am pretty excited about receiving this scholarship. It will definitely be a help with the fees and other expenses related to starting this next step in my career", Mr Burgess said.

Mr Jagger advised the purpose of the Scholarship is to assist young people to further their education and training at any agricultural institution.

"The Whangarei A&P Society Scholarship is open to all young people contemplating or participating in agricultural based studies. Applications are available from the Society and close in September each year, with judging taking place in November. Anyone wanting more information can phone the office or visit our website - www. summershow.co.nz", Mr Jagger said.

Canterbury A&P Show 2011

Senior Judge: Gray Pannett, Roxburgh Associate Judge: Lachlan Mackintosh, Rangiora

Cow, with her own calf(s) at foot (3 years and over) A D & J A Sidey - Jandoc Leonora

Heifer (2 years) - with or without her own calf at foot

William Gibson - Foulden Hill Tina Lake Station Herefords - Lake Venus

Champion Hereford Senior Female: A D & J A Sidey - Jandoc Leonora J K Forrester Memorial Trophy - Champion Hereford Senior Female.

A D & J A Sidey - Jandoc Leonor

Reserve Champion Hereford Senior Female:

William Gibson - Foulden Hill Tina

Performance Plus Class - cow or heifer two years and over with calf at foot William Gibson - Foulden Hill Tina A D & J A Sidey - Jandoc Leonora -Heifer

Senior Yearling Anna Smyth - PuteNgahuia Anna Smyth - PuteNgahuia

Heifer Junior Yearling William Gibson - Foulden Hill Audrey Richon Herefords - Richon

MerialAncare Champion Hereford Yearling Heifer

Anna Smyth - PuteNgahuia

Fraser Cooper Trophy for Junior Champion Hereford Female

Anna Smyth - PuteNgahuia

Reserve Champion Hereford Yearling Heifer

Anna Smyth - PuteNgahuia

Performance Plus Class - yearling heifer Anna Smyth - PuteNgahuia William Gibson - Foulden Hill Audrey Anna Smyth - PuteNgahuia

Bull 2 years and over Richon Herefords - Richon Iron I C & C L Ford - Woodburn Class

Bull Senior Yearling Anna Smyth - Glacier John Anna Smyth - Glacier Top

Bull Junior Yearling Richon Herefords - Richon Judgement Robertson, BI & CA/Duncraigen Farm Ltd -Duncraigen Formula Robertson, BI & CA/Duncraigen Farm Ltd -Duncraigen Fererer



MEAT & WOOL CUP - Supreme Beef Animal in the Show. Glacier John 372 Handler - Anna Smyth. Breeder – Wayne Williams, Glacier Hereford Stud, Fox Glacier

Champion Hereford Senior Bull Richon Herefords - Richon Iron

Reserve Champion Hereford Senior Bull I C & C L Ford - Woodburn Class

PGG Wrightson Ltd Champion Hereford Yearling Bull

Anna Smyth - Glacier John

Canterbury Hereford Club Silver Salver -Champion Yearling Bull Salver

Anna Smyth - Glacier John 372

Reserve Champion Hereford Yearling Bull Richon Herefords - Richon Judgement

Supreme Champion Hereford Anna Smyth - Glacier John 372

Performance Plus Class - yearling bull Anna Smyth - Glacier John

Richon Herefords - Richon Judgement Robertson,

BI & CA/Duncraigen Farm Ltd - Duncraigen Formula

Two Yearlings, any sex, bred by exhibitor, judged as a pair.

Anna Smyth - Glacier John Robertson, BI & CA/Duncraigen Farm Ltd -Duncraigen Fererer William Gibson - Foulden Hill Audrey

Group, Bull and two Females, any age William Gibson - Foulden Hill Audrey Richon Herefords - Richon Jackpot

Two animals by one sire or one dam Robertson, BI & CA/Duncraigen Farm Ltd -DuncraigenFererer William Gibson - Foulden Hill Audrey I C & C L Ford - Woodburn Class **The National Bank of NZ -Beef All Breeds** Judge(s): **John Murray,** Kaikoura Associate Judge: **Katherine McCallum,** TeAnau

Bull (2 years and over) 3. Richon Herefords - Richon Iron

Bull (Yearling) 1. Anna Smyth - Glacier John

Cow, with her own calf(s) at foot (3 years and over)

2. A H & E G Gibson - Blue Stone A506

Heifer, with OR without her own calf(s) at foot (2 years) 3. William Gibson - Foulden Hill Tina

Heifer (Yearling) 1. A H & E G Gibson - Blue Stone Flo

BEEF INTERBREEDS

Judge(s): Beef Breed Judges

JUNIOR HEIFER - Best Junior Heifer 3. Anna Smyth - Pute Ngahuia F122

JUNIOR BULL - Best Junior Bull 1. Anna Smyth - Glacier John 372

JUNIOR CHAMPION CUP - Best Registered Junior Beef Animal Anna Smyth - Pute Ngahuia F122

Wyllie Salver - for perpetual competition to Best Junior Beef Animal in the Show Anna Smyth - Pute Ngahuia F122

MEAT & WOOL CUP - Supreme Beef Animal in the Show. (Hereford) Anna Smyth - Glacier John 372

Waikato Royal Show 2011

Hereford Section Senior Judge - Greg Chamberlain Associate Judge - Daniel Smith



Awhea Immense Grand Champion Hereford. Meat and Wool Cup Winner - Supreme Beef Animal in the show.

Cow 3yrs and over

1st S Morgan - Waitaporiri Curly2nd B&M Harvey - Ascot Cynthia3rd B&M Harvey - Ascot Isabella

2 Year Heifer

1st C&S Corney - Colraine Lydia2nd Ascot Herefords - Ascot Twiggy

Champion Senior Female S Morgan - Waitaporiri Curly

Reserve Champion B&M Harvey - Ascot Cynthia

Yearling Heifer

1st Kanuka stud - Kanuka Finesse2nd S Morgan - Joshstar Leonera

3rd C&S Corney - Colraine Cynthia

Heifer calf

- 1st B&M Harvey Ascot Lady Linda2nd G&L Peters Willowspring
- L.A. Twiggy 3rd Ascot Herefords - Ascot Hemione
- Champion Junior female,

Kanuka Stud - Kanuka Finesse

COLIN, STEPHANIE, NICOLE & BEN INVITE YOU TO THE

APOTUPARK & WAITAPORIRI POLLED HEREFORDS COMBINED DISPERSAL SALE



Thursday 16th February 2012 12.30pm

AT STREAMLANDS SALE COMPLEX/ WOOLSHED 602 WOODCOCKS RD WARKWORTH, NORTHLAND

26 MIXED AGED COWS WITH CALVES AT FOOT TO BE WEANED ON THE DAY

3 MATED RSG 2 YEAR HEIFERS

1 RSG 3 YEAR STUD SIRE, APOTUPARK NUGGET

COWS IN CALVE TO SRV GANSTER, HF STATESMAN, APOTUPARK NUGGET

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Reserve Champion

S Morgan - Joshstar Leonera

Grand Champion Female

S Morgan - Waitaporiri Curly

Bull 2yrs & over

1st S Morgan - Awhea Immense2nd J Graham - Joshstar Curlys Man

Yearling Bull

1st G&L Peters - Willowspring Utopia

- 2nd Kanuka Stud Kanuka Fortune
- 3rd B&M Harvey Ascot Winston

Bull Calf

1st S Morgan - Joshstar Regal Lad2nd B&M Harvey - Ascot Trump3rd S Morgan - Joshstar Challenger

Junior Champion Bull

G&L Peters - Willowspring Utopia

Reserve Champion

Kanuka Stud - Kanuka Fortune

Grand Champion Male and Supreme Champion Hereford

S Morgan - Awhea Immense

Cow 2yrs & over Performance class

- 1st B&M Harvey Ascot Cynthia
- 2nd C&S Corney Colraine Lydia
- 3rd Ascot Herefords Ascot Twiggy

Yearling Heifer Performance class

- 1st Kanuka stud Kanuka Finesse
- 2nd C&S Corney Colraine Cynthia
- 3rd B&M Harvey Ascot Lady Lindie

Yearling Bull performance class

- 1st G&L Peters Willowspring Utopia
- 2nd Kanuka stud Kanuka Fortune
- 3rd B&M Harvey Ascot Winston

Pair of Yearlings

- 1st Colraine/ Kanuka stud
- 2nd Ascot Herefords
- 3rd G&L Peters WillowspringStud

INTERBREED

Cow 2yrs & over - Reserve Champion S Morgan - Waitaporiri Curly

Bull 2yrs & over – Champion S Morgan - Awhea Immense

ALL BREEDS

Cow 3 yrs & over

1st S Morgan - Waitaporiri Curly Heifer 2 yrs

3rd C&S Corney - Colraine Lydia4th Ascot Herefords - Ascot Twiggy

Senior Yearling Heifer

3rd B&M Harvey - Ascot Lady Lindie

Bull 2yrs & over

1st S Morgan - Awhea Immense

FOUNDERS CUP - Breed team event 1st HEREFORD

MEAT & WOOL CUP CHAMPION

1st S Morgan - Awhea Immense (Hereford)

Northland Hereford Breeders Association

Our AGM and Dinner was held on Sunday, November 20th, 2011 at the Settlers Hotel in Whangarei. This venue has proved popular over the years as we always go home well fed and socially revitalised. There was a good attendance and the Committee has remained unchanged from last year.

Calving has finished, silage and baleage are being made and paddocks shut up for hay later on but if we don't get any rain soon many areas of Northland are going to be looking rather sad. It's a pity we can't siphon off some of the South Island precipitation which has been rather too much too often.

Bull sales are over but often prices were lower than in the past. Clients require BVD testing clearance of stock and many of us are following this up with vaccination especially as Northland is somewhat of a "hotbed" for the disease. The Show season has started but numbers are down in many cases over all beef breeds. Cost of preparation and transport along with entry fees and some exhorbitant ground fees don't help boost enthusiasm levels. We are encouraging the younger generation to take part, mostly for their benefit, but also to take the effort off ageing bodies among some of our older exhibitors! Our star performer, Ben Burgess, is having a few more shows before heading off to Massey University where he will study Veterinary Science.

We have moved our annual "Herd Walk" to February 12th next year which will be held by the southern breeders with lunch at Dean and Marjory Blythen's Streamlands Stud. The Apotu Park cattle will also be on display there for the last time as Colin, Stephanie and Ben will be having a dispersal sale later in the month. Ben will maintain his interest in Herefords while studying and plans to become an Associate Judge. He will then return to breeding and showing his own stock again sometime in the future.

We wish all Hereford breeders the compliments of the season and hope the weather becomes a bit kinder to all.

Sale Results

Kairaumati Hereford Sale 13th September 2011

5 - 2 year bulls sold average \$2,900
Top price \$3,100 to Glenoak Farms
6 - 18 month bulls sold average \$2,333
Top price \$2,800 to Merv Goudie
19 - 1 year bulls sold average \$1,679
Top price \$2,300 to K and C Caldwell

Ezicalve Ardo Bull Sale

42 two year old bulls sold at auction averaged \$2,200 (Top price of \$2,500)

30 two year old bulls sold in the paddock (on sale day) all at \$2,000

75 Yearling bulls sold at auction for a \$2,000 average (\$2,042) -Top price of \$5,000 for Lot 1 to John Lyons-Montgomery of the Belhavel Stud.

45 Yearling bulls sold in the paddock for an average of \$1,700

It should be noted that throughout the Cranstone and Morrison auctions, 75 Ezicalve assured yearling bulls averaged \$2,100.

A sale comment: The sale result has been very pleasing. The dairy industry's projected demand for Friesian heifers (in 2012) has had a significant influence on demand by limiting new orders and restricting bull-package size. Dairy farmers continue to be discerning, and with confidence in Ezicalve bulls' physical performance, purchase preference continues to be based on low birth weight and high Dairy Maternal Index. This pattern is obvious with a premium (a \$2,100 average at auction) being paid for 75 Ezicalve Assured Yearling Bulls across the Riverton and Ardo Studs.



Rob Burrows seen judging best Hereford at the West Otago Centennial Show assisted by the Topp Twins who added their comments then presented the ribbons. The photo was taken by Bev Kane, Westholm Herefords who was stewarding the cattle section. Robert Kane is in the background of the photo enjoying the comments. Camp Mother commented that Allan McCall's winning bull was particularly good in the groin area.

Stratford A & P Show All Beef Breeds — dominated by Herefords —



Pictured from left is Jim Gilbert, Robin Vickers, John Loveridge with Supreme Champion Keelryn Bright Star, Bruce Orr, Cedric Lander (Judge), Peter McDonald with Reserve Champion Gay Learning Cynthia.

NZHA Staffing

Whilst Natalie Campbell remains on maternity leave, the NZHA office duties will be shared by Donna Abbiss and Megan Ellett (from PBBNZ).

Donna's hours will be **Monday and Wednesday 8.30am-4.30pm** Megan's hours will be **Tuesday and Thursday 8.30am-5.00pm** As is currently, the office will continue to be closed on Fridays.

Thank you, Donna Abbiss Acting General Manager, NZHA



STEAK OF STATION RESULTS

The BEST STEAK from Gisborne/East Coast Stations for 2011 goes to Sam and Gemma Hain of Waikura Stn, Peheri - Congratulations!!

Sam and Gemma won the wonderful prize package of a night for two at the Pacific Harbour Motor Lodge, a meal for two at the Soho, a case of wine from Kirkpatrick Estate Winery and a carton of Silver Fern Farms cube rolls!

DEADLINE DATES

February RedRag copy due January 26th, 2012

Office Enquiries

Donna Abbiss, Acting NZ Hereford Manager, is available between 8.30am - 4.30pm, Monday and Wednesday and **Megan Ellett,** Tuesday and Thursday 8.30am -5pm. hereford@pbbnz.com

Linda Shailer, Hereford Registry, is available to assist with your Hereford registry enquiries between 8.00am - 4.00pm, Monday to Friday. lindas@pbbnz.com

Tag ordering, through the PBBNZ office, Monday to Friday. tags@pbbnz.com

Sharyn Anderson, DNA, is available for enquiries between 8.00am - 4.00pm, Monday to Friday. sharyn@pbbnz.com



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