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Targeted News from The Industry Heavyweights

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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Well Christmas is nearly upon us, and most of us are no doubt left wondering where 2015 has gone.

We trust you have had a successful calving, and are enjoying seeing the results of the genetic developments you are aiming for in your respective herds.

Just a friendly reminder about keeping your record keeping up to date and ensuring data is submitted to the office in a timely manner.

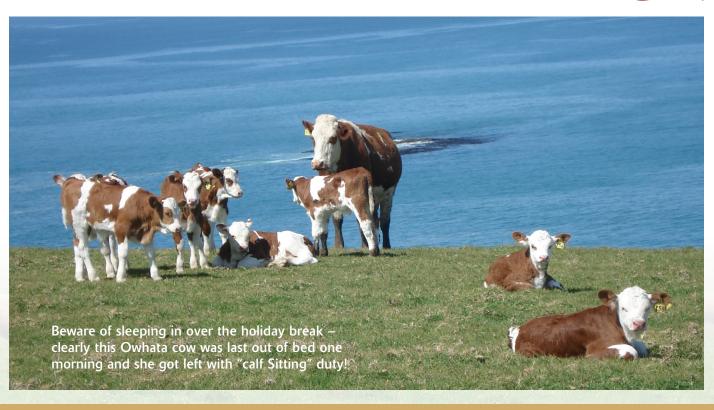
Most of you will have bulls out working at the moment. If you were unable to get a sample for DNA profiling from your bulls prior to joining, please ensure this is done when you take them out from the cows. Remember, calves will not be able to be registered if they do not have a sire with a DNA profile.

In addition to this, if you have calves coming up as a "temp" status on internet solutions, this is because their sire does not yet have a DNA profile. Simmental NZ would appreciate this being addressed as soon as possible.

PBB_{NZ} CHRISTMAS CLOSING HOURS

The PBB office will close at **12.00 noon on** Wednesday 23rd December 2015 and reopen at **8.00am on Monday** 11th January 2016











The confirmed dates for 2016 Tru-Test Beef Expo

2016

TRU-TEST

Future Beef NZ Friday 13th May to Sunday 15th May 2016

Open Days and sales Monday 16th and Tuesday 17th May 2016

The full programme is yet to be confirmed but it is envisaged that the programme will be very similar to 2015. The draft programme is looking to hold an Interbreed Dinner at Manfeild on the Monday evenina

The Queen of Hearts heifer show and sale is being revamped to be the NZ Champion Heifer and the plan is to hold this at lunchtime on the Tuesday.

Entry forms will be available in the early part of 2016.

STEAK OF ORIGIN

Entries for the Steak of Origin competition are open.

Entry forms are available from the B+LNZ website http://www.beeflambnz.co.nz under Competitions.

Entries close: Friday 19th February 2016

Semi-finalists announced: Friday 29th April 2016

Grand Final, Palmerston North: Wednesday 18th May 2016

PBB AND BEEF EXPO AGM UPDATE

The PBB AGM has been and gone, and we would like to take this opportunity to thank Garry McCorkindale for agreeing to represent Simmental NZ on both the PBBnz board and Beef Expo Committees. These roles take up a lot of Garry's time and his contribution is very much appreciated.

Save the

Date!

Future Beef Hoof and Hook Event 2016 13 - 15th May 2016 at Manfeild Stadium Feilding

Open to participants 8 - 25 years of age.

For more information contact: FBNZ Co-ordinator Megan Ellett email: futurebeef@pbbnz.com or phone: 06 323 0861

BLG PROJECT

This project is going really well. We have the first crop of calves on the ground and we will be looking forward to hearing about their progress. This year we have been able to increase the number of females being mated to Simmental, which is testament to the faith commercial farmers have in our breed.

Thank you very much to the breeders who have put more semen up for use in the current joining. Now is the time to start planning if you would like to have a sire represented in this project. There are many advantages as a breeder to have a bull selected for this project. Some of these are:

- All progeny data will be incorporated into Breedplan
- Actual carcass data on progeny. Currently carcass EBVs are driven by ultrasound and correlated traits so the inclusion of actual carcass data will enhance accuracy of these EBV's
- Across breed comparison with Angus, Hereford and Charolais.

So if you believe you have a sire worthy of being part of the next joining, please nominate him. If he is selected, 26 units of frozen semen are required on the bull. Semen in your freezer is also excellent insurance on your animal. Talk to Daniel Absolom if you need more information. It can be tricky trying to fit in semen collection during late winter, so maybe do it now once your bull has finished this seasons stud duties.



ULTRASOUND SCANNING REMINDER

Currently the main source of information Breedplan uses to produce carcass EBVs is ultrasound scanning. Breedplan currently produces EBVs for:

- Carcass Weight
- Eye Muscle Area
- Fat Depth
- Intramuscular Fat
- Retail Beef Yield

We encourage breeders to ultrasound scan all yearlings as we believe this is a real point of difference in terms of our breeds attributes versus the alternatives for commercial farmers. To generate meaningful carcass data it is a necessity to ultrasound scan. To book your ultrasound scanning call Bill Austin 027 410 0377.



2 Simmentales

HAWKES BAY ROYAL SHOW

Once again, we would like to thank Glen Anthony Simmentals and Ratalea Simmentals for doing our breed proud at the Hawkes Bay Royal Show. As usual these two studs had two very formidable show teams on exhibition and they certainly did our breed proud. Here are the official show results:

SIMMENTAL

Thursday 22 Oct 2015

4521 Cow, (3 years & over) with her own calf/calves at foot1stGlen Anthony SimmentalsRatalea Yule

2nd Glen Anthony Simmentals, Waipukurau, Glen Anthony Yuletide 3rd Sue Wylie, Dannevirke, Ratalea Yarrow

4522 Heifer, (2 years) with her own calf/calves at foot

1st Glen Anthony Simmentals, Waipukurau, Glen Anthony Bonnie2nd Glen Anthony Simmentals, Waipukurau, Glen Anthony Brocade3rd Glen Anthony Simmentals, Waipukurau, Glen Anthony Beauty

4523 Performance Class Cow

1st Glen Anthony Simmentals, Waipukurau, Ratalea Yule2nd Glen Anthony Simmentals, Waipukurau, Glen Anthony Yvette3rd Sue Wylie, Dannevirke, Ratalea Yarrow

4523.1 Champion Senior Female

Champion Glen Anthony Simmentals, Waipukurau, Ratalea Yule Reserve Glen Anthony Simmentals, Waipukurau, Glen Anthony Bonnie

4524 Yearling Heifer

1st Glen Anthony Simmentals, Waipukurau, Glen Anthony Chorale2nd Glen Anthony Simmentals, Waipukurau, Glen Anthony Cleo3rd Glen Anthony Simmentals, Waipukurau, Glen Anthony Chorus

4525 Heifer Calf

1st Glen Anthony Simmentals, Waipukurau, Glen Anthony AD032nd Glen Anthony Simmentals, Waipukurau, Glen Anthony AD043rd Glen Anthony Simmentals, Waipukurau, Glen Anthony AD07

4526 Yearling Heifer, Performance Class

1st Glen Anthony Simmentals, Waipukurau, Glen Anthony Cleo2nd Glen Anthony Simmentals, Waipukurau, Glen Anthony Chorus3rd Glen Anthony Simmentals, Waipukurau, Glen Anthony Chorale

4526.1 Champion Junior Female

Champion Glen Anthony Simmentals, Waipukurau, Glen Anthony Chorale Reserve Glen Anthony Simmentals, Waipukurau, Glen Anthony Cleo

4527 Bull, 2yrs & over

1st Glen Anthony Simmentals, Waipukurau, Glen Anthony Yale2nd Sue Wylie, Dannevirke, Ratalea Anchor3rd Glen Anthony Simmentals, Waipukurau, Glen Anthony Bronson

4527.1 Champion Senior Champion Glen Anthony Simmentals, Waipukurau, Glen Anthony Yale **Reserve** Sue Wylie, Dannevirke, Ratalea Anchor

4528 Yearling Bull

1st Sue Wylie, Dannevirke, Ratalea Captain

2nd Glen Anthony Simmentals, Waipukurau, Glen Anthony Chicargo

3rd Glen Anthony Simmentals, Waipukurau, Glen Anthony Colorado

4529 Bull Calf

1st Glen Anthony Simmentals, Waipukurau, Glen Anthony AD092nd Sue Wylie, Dannevirke, Ratalea Duke3rd Glen Anthony Simmentals, Waipukurau, Glen Anthony AD02

4530 Yearling Bull, Performance Class

1st Glen Anthony Simmentals, Waipukurau, Glen Anthony Chicargo 2nd Glen Anthony Simmentals, Waipukurau, Glen Anthony Colorado

4530.1 Champion Junior Bull

Champion Sue Wylie, Dannevirke, Ratalea Captain Reserve Glen Anthony Simmentals, Waipukurau, Glen Anthony Chicargo

4530.3 Supreme Champion

Supreme Champion Glen Anthony Simmentals, Waipukurau, Glen Anthony Yale

4531 Pairs Class

1st Glen Anthony Simmentals (2)2nd Glen Anthony Simmentals (1)3rd Glen Anthony Simmentals (3)

4532 Progeny Class

1st Glen Anthony Simmentals (2)2nd Glen Anthony Simmentals (1)3rd Glen Anthony Simmentals (3)

BEEF ALL BREEDS

Friday 23 October 2015

4880 All Breed Senior Bull 2nd Sue Wylie, Dannevirke, Ratalea Anchor

4881 All Breed Yearling Pairs 2nd Glen Anthony Simmentals, Waipukurau

4882 All Breed 2yr Heifer Production Class, with or without own calf 1st Glen Anthony Simmentals, Waipukurau, Glen Anthony Brocade

4883 All Breed Cow (3 Years And Over) with own Calf/calves At foot

2nd Sue Wylie, Dannevirke, Ratalea Yarrow

4884 All Breed Yearling Bull

2nd Glen Anthony Simmentals, Waipukurau, Glen Anthony Carter 3rd Sue Wylie, Dannevirke, Ratalea Captain

4885 All Breed Yearling Heifer 3rd Glen Anthony Simmentals, Waipukurau, Glen Anthony Coco Pop



Remember to collect those tail hairs for DNA profiling.

HOUSE KEEPING REMINDERS

DNA PROFILES

Please remember to get hair samples for DNA profiling of the bulls you have used in service this past breeding season.

Remember: Calves need to be sired by a bull with a DNA profile loaded onto internet solutions in order to be registered.



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