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TOP PRICE BULL, 1986 SOUTH ISLAND NATIONAL SALE.

'RISINGHOLME UNIQUE' (Born 2.9.86)

THE VENDOR GUARANTEES HER AS A BREEDER.

'UNIQUE' CARRIES BLOODLINES OF THREE OF NORTH AMERICA'S GREATEST SIRES — EXTRA, BAVARIAN & ABRICOT PLUS SCOTLAND'S HEROD, NEFF & SCOTTISH EXTRA SPECIAL.
SHE WAS FLUSHED IN JANUARY THIS YEAR AND PRODUCED 15 EMBRYO FROM WHICH THERE ARE 12 PREGNANCIES

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    - ABRICOT
      - VICTOR
      - REJANE
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      - SCOTTISH EXTRA SPC.
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EDITORIAL

It can be called attrition. In simplistic terms it is a gradual wearing out. It is applicable where ever one looks. The faces I knew in 1974 have changed in 1988 — so has mine. The once smart young heifer is now the matriach of the herd, she is wiser and has many progency. With the progression of time we are left with continuing and expanding experience and knowledge.

The Simmental Society is no exception with seventeen years behind us we are now seeing our senior generation of members handing over to the up and coming. They leave behind not only their extensive knowledge but the fruits of their endeavour in the form of their established herds. It is heartening for them and of continuing strength to the Society to see these worthwhile cattle becoming the foundation of new herds and the expansion of others. Where we have 'exit' we invariably have 'entry' and those who take advantage of the situation are benefiting on the experience and wisdom of what has gone before. This is progress.

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Herd No. 294

WAIMIRO AND THE STERLING PARTNERSHIP ARE OFFERING FOUR BULLS AT THE NATIONAL SALES THIS YEAR. (THREE AT PALMERSTON NORTH ON 21.6.88, ONE AT CHRISTCHURCH ON 9.6.88). WITH THESE NEW BLOODLINES WE RECOMMEND YOUR INSPECTION.

OTHER BULLS & HEIFERS ARE ALSO FOR SALE ON OUR WAIMIRO PROPERTY.

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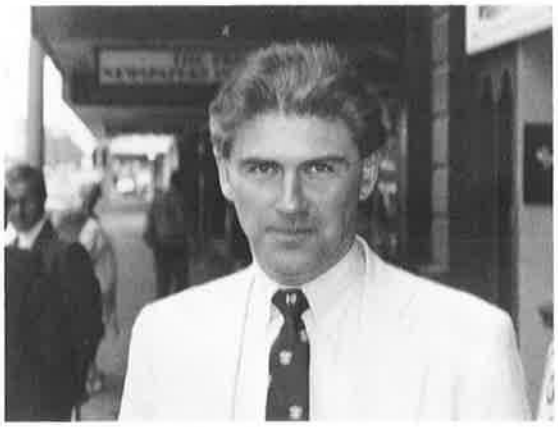
CANADIAN GENERAL MANAGER MAKES BRIEF VISIT TO NEW ZEALAND

Brian Kitchen from Calgary made a short visit to New Zealand following the Royal Easter Show in Sydney. His introduction to this country must have been quite a cultural shock — arrived 2 a.m., a brief sleep and then by car to Fairlie in the early morning during which he took the opportunity of catching up on some badly needed sleep. His awakening was on the Fairlie showgrounds venue for a true one day Highland Show — some transition from the metropolis of Sydney!



Brian has been with the Canadian Simmental Association for three years and is based in Calgary. Prior to joining the Association he was with the Calgary Stampede Association, which hosts some of the largest livestock events in Canada. The Canadian Association is by comparison of ours, huge, with a full time staff of nine, 2,500 members and 300,000 animals recorded in the herdbook. Registrations are around 20,000 a year with transfers at about 10,000.

Despite the size comparison basics are generally the same and Simmentals and crossbred cattle are keenly sought and bring premiums. The breed now ranks second in size in the country.

Having been introduced to the 'grass roots' of the country, opportunity was taken to give him a brief look at the Mt. Cook area and McKenzie basin on what was a superb high country day. Later in the day we introduced him to New Zealand cattle and made two very worthwhile visits to Ted Parr near Fairlie and Rodney Cox at Timaru, where Brian was able to see at first hand what we are doing and discuss breeding programmes and comparative points with the breeders. Following a very brief visit to the South Island he left for Rissington to spend a day with John and Star Absolom before leaving Auckland for home.

Unfortunately in his whirlwind visit to us his briefcase was lost by the airline and a number of things he had for me and for discussion were not available. Happily the case was recovered — in Jakartah in Indonesia — and returned to him in Calgary. It was a pleasure to have him with us in New Zealand, if for such a short time. The interchange of people from our associates in other countries is such a worthwhile thing. We hope next time he comes it will be for longer.

NEW AUSTRALIAN PRESIDENT

The new Australian Federal President is no stranger to New Zealand. Kerry Lowe has been a regular visitor to this country since establishing his Simmental herd in the early 1970s' and many of his bloodlines in his Manalueka Stud based at Brinsley near Orange in New South Wales, have originated from New Zealand.

This stud also has the distinction of being the first to export a purebred Simmental back to New Zealand in 1984.

Kerry has had a strong involvement with the Australian Simmental Association over a long period, serving on the Technical and Promotion committees as well as being President of the New South Wales branch. Currently he has links with the New Zealand Society with his own New Zealand herd and association with a number of our breeders.

We wish him well in his Presidency in the knowledge that he will have a great deal to contribute.

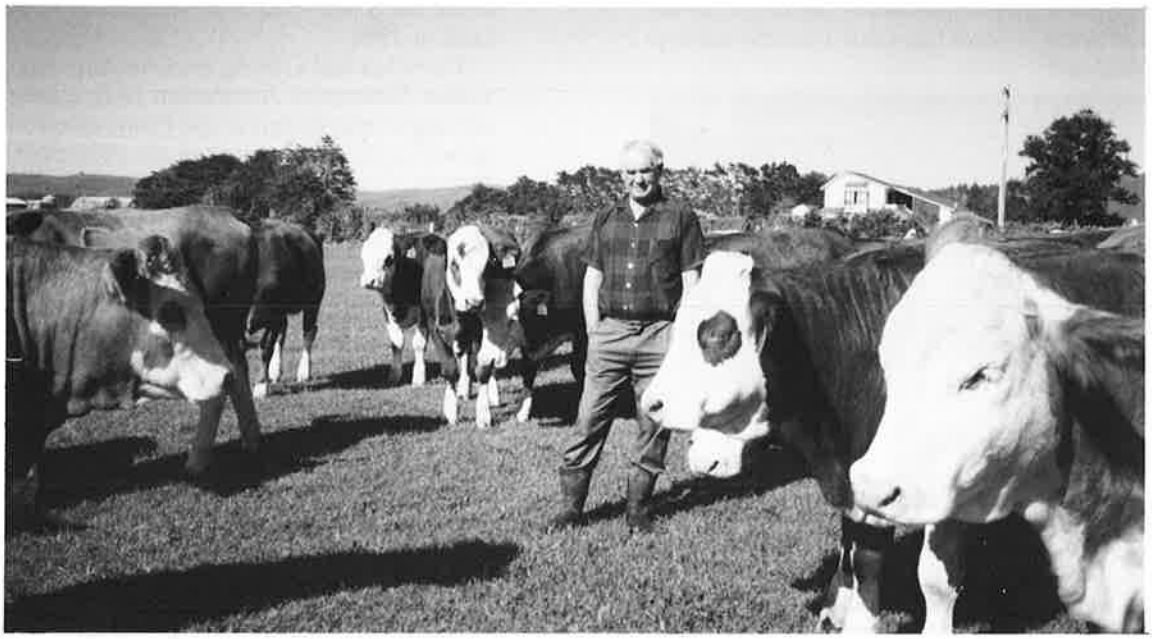
Kerry Lowe.

Brian Kitchen with Stan and June Crosson at the Fairlie Show.

TOKAWEKA SIMMENTALS

Herd 79

ANNUAL SALE JUNE 24, 1988
KAURI SALEYARDS, WHANGAREI



YOUR OPPORTUNITY TO BUY A TOP POLLED SIRE

This year's offering of 25 bulls are on target to produce impressive weights on Sale Day with the majority over 700kg on 30th March.

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About half the offering are polled.

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COUNCILLOR ELECT

In our annual Council Election two or three people complete their three year term each year. Councillors may stand for re-election if they wish for a further term. This year one vacancy occurred to be filled and in the call for nominations, we had but one candidate, Peter Weenink of Onga Onga, Hawkes Bay. His seat on the Council will be taken up on the 20th of June, following the Annual meeting.

Peter and his wife Muriel live on their farming property west of Waipukurau where they have a mixed farming enterprise with a Coopworth Stud and their Simmental Stud 'Kindar' which was established in 1974. In addition to his farming enterprise, Peter is a Farm Management Consultant and serves on the Central Hawkes Bay Hospital Board as Chairman of the Finance Committee as well as having interests in other rural orientated organisations.

He will bring to the Council his wide farming experience, proven ability in administration and computerisation. Coupled with his long time involvement with the Simmental breed, his contributions will be of great benefit to us.

His statement made at the time of his candidacy illustrates his positive attitude — "Our Society has a crucial role to play in the advancement of the New Zealand Cattle Industry, and the depressed state of Agriculture is no reason for not getting on with the job". We wish him well on the Council and look forward to his contributions.

NEW ZEALAND FARMER FEATURE

Our main advertising 'push' this year has been in the New Zealand Farmer and on the 4th of May we had a Simmental feature which ran to nine pages and forty three advertisements! Really great support. This publication must be given full credit for its interest and its up to date news — we suggest it as being a well worthwhile subscription, probably the best rural press we have ever had.

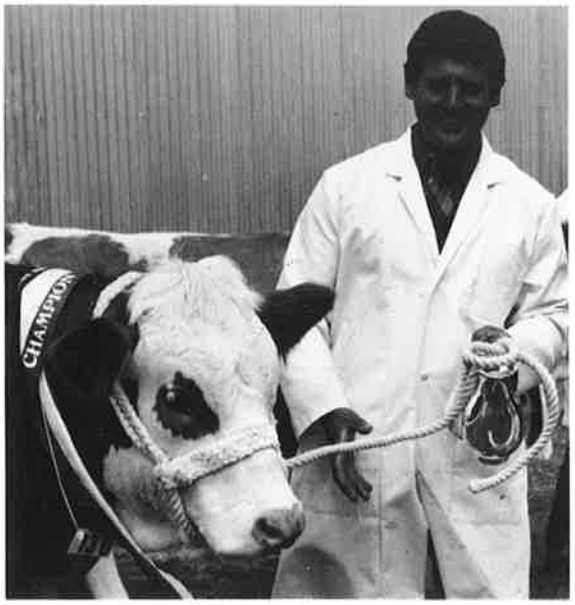
We advertise again on the 18th May and finally on the 1st of June.

COUNCILLOR RETIRING

Neil Barnett who did not seek re-election this year first joined the Council in June 1979 when he was based at Halcombe near Feilding. During his nine years he has worked consistently on all aspects of the breed and its promotion, with particular emphasis on computerisation and performance recording. Neil was the promoter and implementor of the Coopental Class at the Royal Show, the only performance recorded class in any beef breed in the country. His Simmental herd was established in 1975 and progressed to become one of the larger herds in the country producing top cattle from a base that was rigorously culled and meticulously performance recorded. What he created over the years now goes on, entirely with Land Corp who purchased his total herd when he sold in 1987.

We will miss Neil at our Council meetings, we are grateful for his time and effort. It must be of considerable satisfaction to him to know we now have our computer unit that is in full operation, a project in which he as Chairman of the Technical Committe had very personal involvement.

We wish him and Derrien and their family every success in the future.



COUNCILLORS RE-ELECTED

Our two Councillors who sought re-election this year will continue for another three year term. They are Alan Perry, our President and Don Graham, Chairman of our Sales Committee. Alan enters his third term on Council and Don his fourth.

R. H. KERR — ON THE MEND

Life member and past President of the Society, Dick Kerr had the misfortune to have a very bad car smash in January in which he sustained severe injuries. We are pleased to report that he is now well on the mend, if still on crutches, but back driving his car (a new one) and getting about again in his usual cheerful manner.

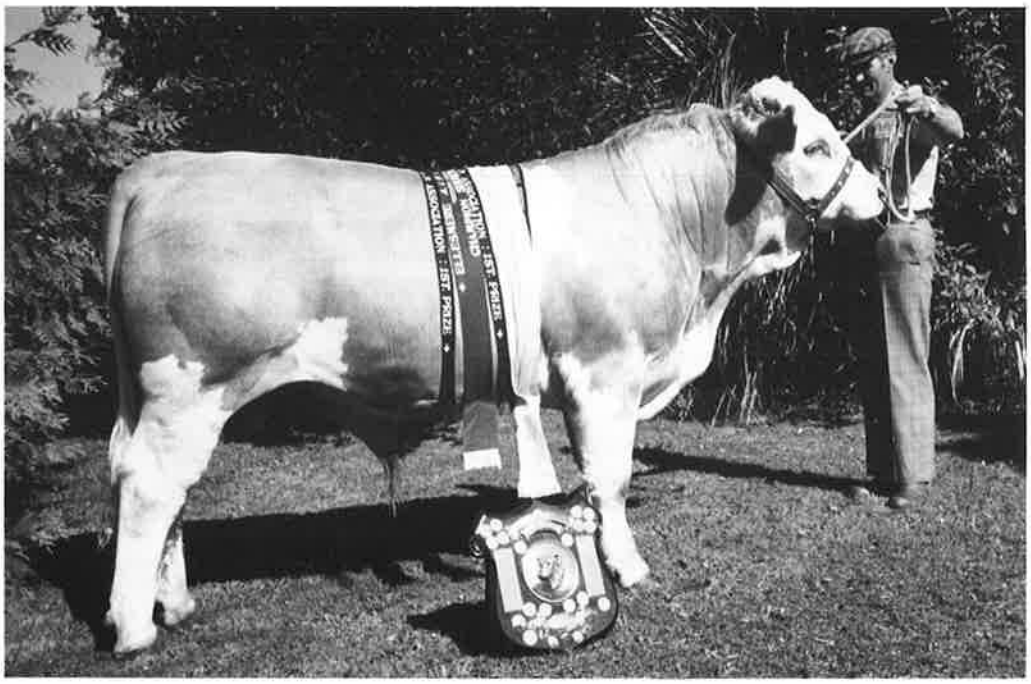
SPRINGBROOK SIMMENTALS

PRESENT

At South Island Sale

SOLID GOLD

by Brundish Lars



RESERVE CHAMPION ROYAL SHOW

Also watch out for

FIELDMARSHAL

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The bulls are looking superb weighing 840kg *ENTIRELY ON GRASS/HAY*

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NEW GENETIC MATERIAL FOR SIMMENTAL CATTLE

There has been a concern for a number of years that the genetic base of the Simmental breed in New Zealand has become very narrow. Since the importation of the breed in the early 1970's there has been an introduction of both European and North American bloodlines. The pure European bloodlines have been diminished over the years because of the cost barriers and health regulations, while the North American bloodlines consisting of graded pures, and to a lesser extent, pure bloodlines, have been promoted into New Zealand. This is detrimental only in the fact that the large pool of pure blood Simmentals were not being part of the improvement of the breed.

Rodney Cox of "The Levels", South Canterbury along with other breeders, could see that Australasia needed an injection of new genetic material from a progressive area where high class breeding programmes were being performed. These areas were obviously European, with West Germany being the obvious choice.

Rodney was asked in 1984 to visit West Germany to present a paper at the Ulm Simmental Conference and Show. While in Germany, he inspected as many bull stations, quarantine stations and cow herds as possible and came to the conclusion that the quarantine facilities in Germany were of a very high standard. The security, cleanliness and management was first class. This made him, along with Derek Satterthwaite (Simmental breeder and Director of Levels Gentech Ltd.), ask the question, "Why shouldn't this genetic material be introduced into New Zealand if the correct protocols could be put in place?"

A joint agreement with a large West German company was formulated with Dr Edwin Schwarz to investigate all avenues relating to the importation of semen and embryos into New Zealand.

Negotiations started with the Ministry of Agriculture and Fisheries in Wellington. The initial response was "No". Rodney and Derek could not accept this answer and were not prepared to take this lying down, so under the name of their embryo transplant company, Levels Gentech Ltd., sent an M.A.F. Director to Germany. This Director returned with a very good attitude and a much better understanding of the high standards the Germans set.

It took three years of quiet persuasion and diplomacy to set up the protocol between the M.A.F. in New Zealand and the West German Animal Health Division in Bonn. It must be stated that the M.A.F. in New Zealand have been tremendous in their efforts to make this project possible.

In 1987, Levels Gentech Ltd. were given the go-ahead and Rodney and Derek returned to Germany to select donor cows and bulls most suitable for Australasian conditions. This selection was in conjunction with Dr Edwin Schwarz, who is regarded as a judge of high repute in the Simmental world. The best cows and bulls available were selected and embryos collected. The sires in the programme were from a very high performance recording system and are considered to be the best in the world.

After three years of hard and expensive negotiating and organising, 99 embryos arrived in New Zealand in November, 1987.

Organisation of recipient animals in New Zealand began in August of 1987. As the import conditions stipulated the embryos being transferred into recipient animals in a quarantine situation, heifers were purchased in the lower half of the North Island and moved to Somes Island Quarantine Station in Wellington Harbour.

There were a number of different methods considered for synchronising and heat detection of the recipient animals and also thawing and transferring the embryos so finally, a number of different methods were used on a trial basis and all records kept to compare with final pregnancy results.

Thawing and transplanting was carried out by Dr Heinrich Tenhumberg from Germany and Dr Eddy Dixon from Palmerston North.

At the end of the required quarantine period, the recipients were released to grazing and pregnancy tested.

Levels Gentech Ltd. General Manager, Jock McIntosh, reported that there were some reservations regarding the expected results due to the fact that it was the first time in N.Z. bovine embryos had been placed in recipient animals in a quarantine proper situation.

However, the end results of this trial shipment were very pleasing and after studying the results of the various methods used, Jock felt quite confident that even better results could be obtained in any future importations.

The resultant pregnant recipients are now grazing on the Levels property at Timaru and are due to calve in August of this year.

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Top European & American bloodlines are used in our A.I. and E.T. programmes.

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Born 26-8-87
240 day weight 504kg

EMERALD DALE

BORN
6.8.83

SIRE:
SIEGFRIED
421175

DAM:
E.D. BABETTE
AK9

'E.D. EILEEN AP53'

CHAMPION ALL BREEDS YEARLING HEIFER 1984 WAIKATO
SUPREME CHAMPION 1984 WORLD CONGRESS TOUR
SUPREME CHAMPION 1985 AND 1988 WAIKATO CLUB SHOW

Nine Progeny due in October from this dam using the sire BBA Galant 12L.

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SIMMENTALS

BORN
13.8.87

SIRE:
BBA GALANT
12L

DAM:
E.D. EILEEN
AP53

'E.D. CONCORDE AW13'

CHAMPION MALE 1988 WAIKATO CLUB SHOW
450 kgs at 254 days

FOR SALE

'E.D. SIEGFRIED III' AU114E
SIRE: SIEGFRIED 421175
DAM: E.D. BABETTE AK9

OUR NATIONAL SALE ENTRY PALMERSTON NORTH 21 JUNE. A SON OF THE GREAT SIRE SIEGFRIED WHOSE PROGENY COMPLIMENT HIS DOMINANCE AS TRAIT LEADERS THROUGHOUT THE WORLD.

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We are offering two bulls of style and dimension at Frankton 7 July.
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HAROLD, EILEEN, JAMES & SELINA MARSHALL
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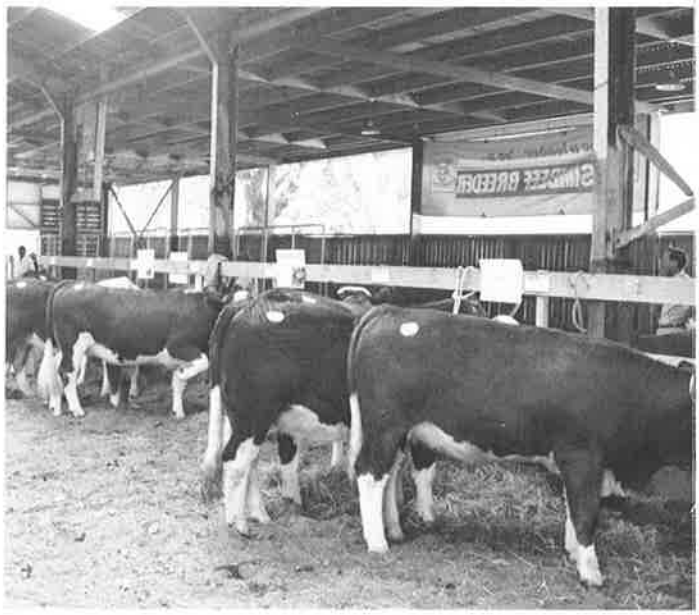
Waikato and Districts Club President, Gilbert Pearce.

Grateful thanks must go to the Waikato Club and its organising Committee headed by Gilbert Pearce for a well run sale and an excellent field day. Thanks also to those who enabled us to see their cattle and fed and watered us.



A top line of heifers, Waikato Sale.

John Scott, one of the Field Day Hosts delivers his 'brief' – beside him are Barry and Dot Anderson.

Gilbert Pearce's herd sire 'Lord' Nelson at Putararu.

2 year old bulls at Puketawa.

WAIKATO ACTIVITIES

The Waikato and Districts Club held their first Invitation Female Sale at Claudelands on the 19th of April. Fourteen years ago the first Simmental females were sold in the same complex when the breed was just establishing.

The catalogue of 39 animals was drawn from the Waikato, Hawkes Bay and Manawatu and comprised of in-calf three year olds, in-calf 2 year heifers and weaner heifer calves. The 7 older females did not sell as freely as the remainder of the catalogue but averaged a sound $1,585 with a top price of $2,100 for (Lot 8) sold by W. & G. Eccles of Te Aroha. In the two year old section 19 heifers sold at an average of $2,489 with a top of $5,000 for a heifer from G. G. Pearce (Lot 24) which went to Tusmore Simmentals in Australia. Two others made over $4,000, (Lot 25) from J. P. & S. Absolom at $4,700 and (Lot 30) from A. B. Perry of Rongotea. It was apparent that pedigrees were of influence in purchaser selection. 12 Weaner heifers sold very strongly with only one less than $1,000. Top price was a staggering $4,200 for a Jade/Siegfried calf (lot 35) offered by the Absoloms which went to a relatively new herd of Victoria Park Simmentals of Hamilton. G. C. & M. E. Mathis of Tirau sold (Lot 37) one of their entries for $2,200.

Prior to the Sale all entries were paraded with commentary on a grass area adjacent to the selling ring. The finals of judging were completed by David Carter of Avon Park Simmentals near Christchurch during the parade and his wife Melinda sashed the prize winners which were as follows:

3 YEAR OLDS

1st Lot 1. Glen Anthony Tara, Sire: Usch. A. H. & G. M. Thompson ($2,000).

2nd Lot 5 Puketawa AT 15. Sire: LJB Jade. J. B. Scott ($1,800)

2 YEAR OLDS

1st Lot 24 Ohu Una. Sire: Rotomara Nelson. G. G. Pearce ($5,000)

2nd Lot 11 Emerald Dale Heidi. Sire: E/D Haywood. Marshall Family ($2,300)

CALVES

1st Lot 35 Rissington AW2E. Sire: LJB Jade. J. & S. Absolom ($4,200)

2nd Lot 37 Marfrey Wendy. Sire: Piggot Range Poll Douglas. G. & M. Mathis ($2,300)

The sale was attended by over two hundred people from all over the North Island with a few from the far South. Australian visitors Jim Mahoney from Adelaide and Bill Davis and his wife from Melbourne also attended the Sale. The set up of the ring and sales area was attractively done and a lot of hard work had been put in on the day prior to the Sale by the Club Sales Committee. On the day, the presentation and standard of entries was a credit to the vendors. The overall average of $2,057 for the 38 sold was considered highly satisfactory. Volume buyer of the day was Glenside Farms, the McKorkindale family of Lawrence in Otago who took home five animals. Two heifers are destined for the Tusmore Stud in South Australia.

Following the Sale the Waikato Club arranged a dinner cruise on the Waikato River which was attended by some sixty breeders and friends. It was a good finish to a well organised day.

FIELD DAY (WAIKATO)

Following the Heifer Sale at Claudelands the Waikato Club organised a field day bus tour in the area. This event was well patronised with a full coach leaving Hamilton after breakfast on Wednesday morning. First stop was John and Penny Scott's Puketawa property near Cambridge where their herd was inspected and morning coffee partaken in the Scott's garden.

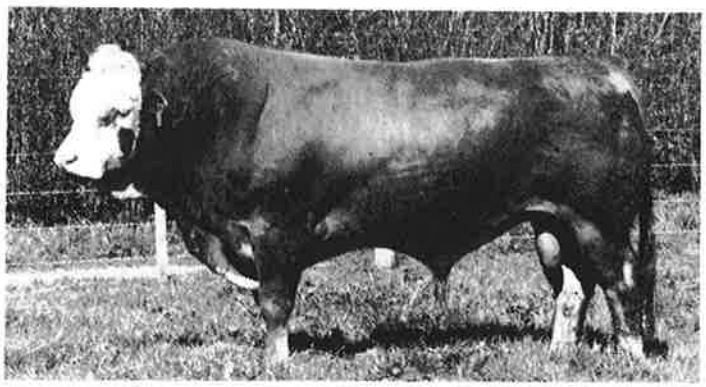
Puketawa is a most attractive property set on the slopes of Maungatartari amidst lovely stands of native bush. Time was taken to look at herd sires, sale bulls and the females of the herd which were displayed to advantage around the homestead. The Scotts' nearly had a visit that wasn't! Either the bus was too big or the front gate too small — however forty five drivers can't be wrong and somehow they 'conned' the driver through the gap. Next on the visit list was Gilbert and Vivien Pearce's property at Putaruru where the Ohu herd had a complete muster to be displayed in the yards. An impressive line up of cattle of all ages. Following a leisurely inspection of the herd visitors were treated to pre-lunch drinks before moving off to the Timbers Museum at Putaruru for a very good lunch — time was also taken to inspect the comprehensive collection of old mill machinery and equipment at the museum. From Putaruru we swung north again and stopped briefly at a small new sheep meat export works at Tirau. The inclination to go into these premises was not strong amongst the fairer sex and most (including the boys!) had a walk in the sun before rejoining the bus. On our return trip to Hamilton we visited Hillview Stud at Ohapo, a quite staggering enterprise in the racing world which has been created in the last two years on over 500 acres of magnificent Waikato downs country. The set up must have cost in the millions and is run by the Holdcorp group, a public company funded by public shareholding of people interested in the racing industry. The Stud manager Brent Gillovic welcomed us to the property and gave a short talk on the enterprise prior to presenting two of the Stud's resident Stallions for our perusal. The stallion pictured 'Bassenthwaite' from the U.K. is syndicate owned to the tune of $1.7 million ! — what are we doing in cattle?!! The whole property is beautifully set up with vast landscaped gardens and lawns around the building complex and miles of post and rail fences. Grass over growth is a problem with horses and control has to be maintained. This is normally done by inviting the dairy herds in the area to assist but at Hillview they have an imaginative approach and are building up a resident herd of Simmentals. Last year some sixty selected cows were purchased of various grades — unregistered, and these have been mated to a top pedigree bull. It is the objective to build this herd up to a purebred (unregistered) herd to supply the nearby local markets at Frankton. The manager of this section of the enterprise plans to run top cattle on a purely commercial enterprise. If the total concept of the property is any indication of what they can do it will be a herd well worthwhile seeing run on a property which lends itself to viewing any livestock and visited by large numbers of people. Hillview most generously entertained us to drinks at the conclusion of our visit.

SILVERMOYLE SIMMENTAL STUD

THIRD ANNUAL BULL & FEMALE SALE
ON FARM, MANAWARU ROAD, TE AROHA
FRIDAY 17TH JUNE, 1988 at 1 P.M. (Lunch Provided)

16 TRANSFERABLE PUREBRED BULLS (12 POLLED)
16 COMMERCIAL PUREBRED BULLS (6 POLLED)
10 TRANSFERABLE IN-CALF PUREBRED FEMALES (MIXED AGE)
6 COMMERCIAL IN-CALF PUREBREDS

ALL TRANSFERABLE CATTLE SOCIETY INSPECTED



TOKAWEKA PLUTO (Son of DUNCAIRN MODELER)
Principal Herd Sire

Pluto has left a line of very lengthy solid coloured calves. About half the offering of bulls are his sons. They are sure to please.

For Inspection, Enquiries or Catalogues ring Vendors:

WILLIE & GENE ECCLES, Phone Manawaru 808.

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BEEFPLAN

As you are aware this programme is now within our Office and the severence with the New Zealand Meat Producers Board is virtually complete.

We feel it is timely to give recognition to one with whom we have had a long association and continuous communication. Paul Harper joined Beefplan in 1978 at its inception — it had operated under various umbrellas until that date. Since then he has battled away in what often must have been frustrating situations trying to keep people on the 'rails', placated and promoting performance recording. At times, and he would be the first to admit it, he has been like the blackbird in the cherry orchard when everyone has a gun — his course has not always been easy but he has had the dedication to take the 'flak' and carry on. We, from just one office will miss him as a reference point and someone with whom you could, sort out problems even if it did involve a battle! We take this opportunity of saying 'thank you Paul' for the many occasions you have assisted us. We wish you well in the future.

Paul Harper.

INSPECTIONS AND SHOWS

There is a continuing and ongoing requirement for inspectors and show judges. These people are usually selected for their experience and knowledge of stock. So that we have a pool of people on which to draw it is important that we give opportunity to those who are interested and have the ability, to gain experience by working with inspectors as judges as the opportunities occur. Pre-sale inspections are usually short day trips — it would not be difficult to take a keen young person along as an observer — I am sure they would welcome the opportunity.

At Shows where an associate judge is allowed to give somebody the chance to work with you. If they won't allow an associate judge get he or she into the ring as a steward, it's all experience. The most important thing is to tell them what you are doing, how you go about it, and what to look for.

WAIKATO AND DISTRICTS SIMMENTAL CLUB

Results of the Waikato and Districts Club show for 1988.

Judge Mr Fred Saunders.

HEIFER CALF

1st. Willie Eccles.
2nd. Lauraine McNaughton.
3rd. John Hall.

YEARLING HEIFER.

1st. Darryl Turton.
2nd. Barry Anderson.
3rd. Barry Anderson.

COW TWO YEARS AND OVER.

1st. Jim Marshall.
2nd. John Scott.

FEMALE CHAMPION.

Jim Marshall.

RESERVE.

Darryl Turton.

BULL CALF.

1st. Jim Marshall.
2nd. Willie Eccles.
3rd. John McNaughton.

BULL 1 TO 2 YEARS.

1st. Peter Chamberlin.
2nd. Peter Chamberlin.

MALE CHAMPION.

Jim Marshall.

RESERVE.

Peter Chamberlin.

SUPREME CHAMPION

Jim Marshall's Cow.

JUNIOR HERDSMAN TROPHY.

Fiona Mawson.

TROPHY FOR THE MOST POINTS SCORED AT THE WAIKATO A & P SHOW.

Gilbert Pearce.

Double Champions – Waikato Club Show. Mother and Son, entry of the Marshall family of Emerald Dale Stud.

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NEW A.I. SIRES

KILBRIDE FARM NEVADA
"A REAL BULL PRODUCER"

BORN 25.6.83
WEIGHT 1263 Kgs
FRAME SCORE 8.7

Nevada was purchased at the Perth Bull Sales for a record 8500 gns, as a junior bull. His dam is one of only 12 Elete Golden Cows in the U.K. He still holds the record for being the heaviest bull ever weighed in Northern Ireland at 400 days when he achieved the remarkable weight of **806kgs.** A son of Nevada was judged Intermediate Champion at this year's Perth Bull Sales in Scotland.

CONFORMATION:
Nevada has a great sires outlook and carriage. He carries his weight well on good flat bone and has a good angle to his hock and pastern and has large correct feet. Nevada's tremendous weight comes from his great overall length particularly in his hindquarter. His smooth coat, red eye, and dark red colour is evident in all his pure bred progeny.

NEVADA IN HIS WORKING CLOTHES

SUPREME CHAMPION ENGLISH ROYAL 1986

ORAGE (IMP. F.)
KILBRIDE FARM LESTER
KUNNE (IMP. G.)
KILBRIDE FARM NEVADA
SCOTTISH NEFF (IMP. G.)
BROOKFIELD GIRDA
ZIRPE (IMP. G.)

MET MAGNUM
"A SOFT EASY CALVING BULL"

BORN 16.3.85
WEIGHT 1230 Kgs
FRAME SCORE 8

This is the first time the famous French sire "Milord" has been represented in New Zealand. Met Magnum has sired 32 purebred calves to date and is a proven easy calver on heifers. He has an impressive show record like his dam "Belinda" who has won championships at Royal Shows throughout Australia.

CONFORMATION:
An exceptionally long bodied bull with smooth shoulders and great natural thickness. He has a strong muzzle and heavily hooded eye. His progeny are particularly soft and smooth coated and most have full eye pigmentation.

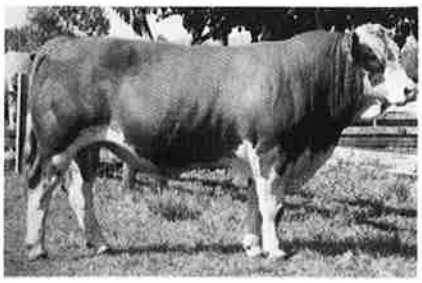
MILORD (French)
MET MAGNUM
BAVARIAN
PUREBRED BELINDA
EAST DOME FREYA

NORLAND LOT
"A GREAT ALL ROUND BULL"

BORN 11.1.80
WEIGHT 1030 Kgs
FRAME SCORE 7

Norland Lot needs little introduction to N.Z. His top selling son Rotomara Nelson sold to Gilbert Pearce of OHU Simmentals for $14,000. His 1987 crop of sale bulls averaged $3,380 at Waiiti/Rotomara Stud. His daughters continue to leave their mark throughout the Simmental industry.

CONFORMATION:
Although he was not a particularly big bull Lot's conformation was faultless. He had a great head and shoulders, alert outlook and very good feet and legs.



EXTRA (Canada)
NORLAND LOT
SC. HEROD (Imp. G.)
WOLSTON IRMA 4TH
IRMA (Imp. G.)

SEMEN PACKAGES OF A MINIMUM OF 40 STRAWS ARE BEING OFFERED FOR SALE, EITHER ALL FROM ONE BULL OR SOME FROM EACH

PRICE $30 PER STRAW PLUS G.S.T.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION AND ORDERS CONTACT:
INTERNATIONAL SIMMENTAL SERVICES,
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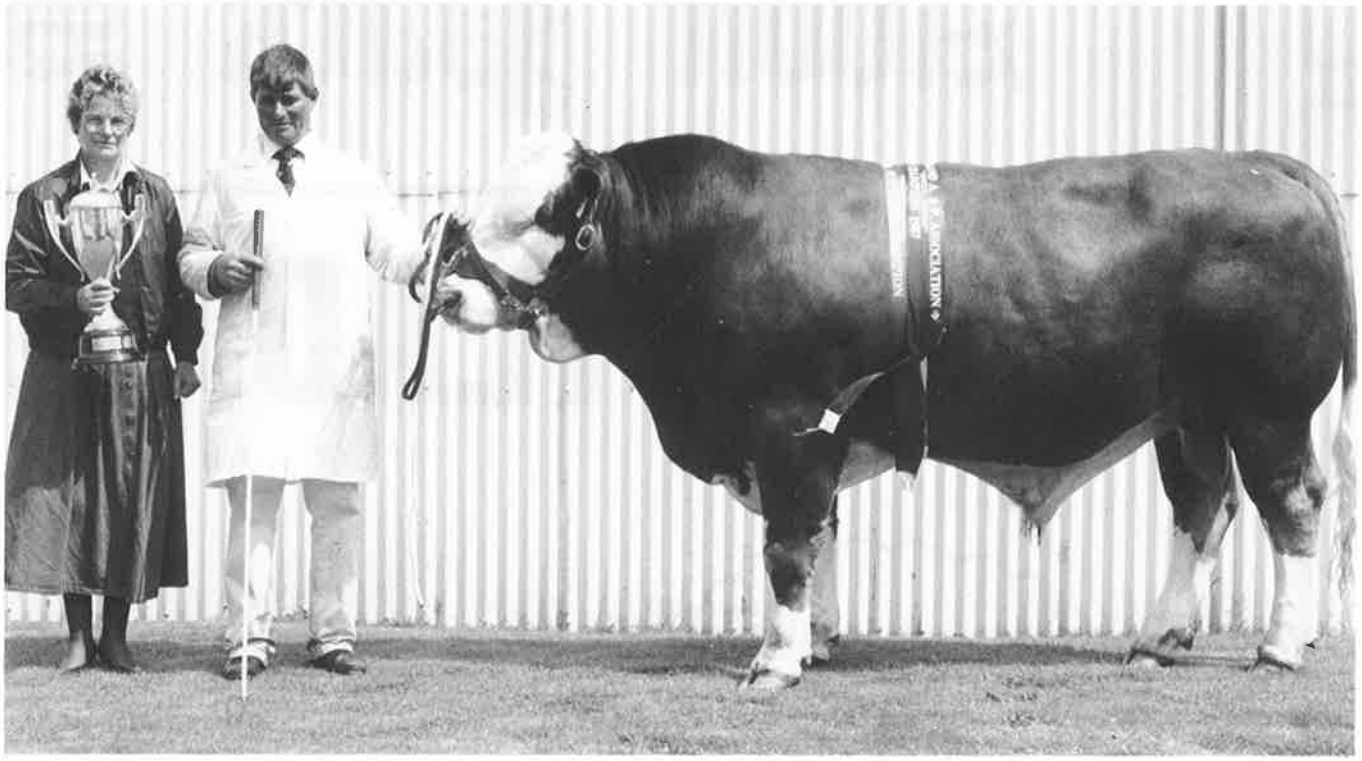
SOUTHLAND WINS 'THE CUP'



Simmentals were first shown at Invercargill in 1977 and caused quite a sensation (and a few funny looks). Ten years later they line up as a force to be reckoned with and a well accepted and recognised breed in the ring. Pam and Alister Duncan from Mossburn took cattle to Invercargill for the first time at the Royal in 1979. Since then they have been regular supporters and strong contenders at the major Shows in the Southland region. 1987 proved to be the cumulation of their aspirations. With their bull 'Canterbury Trinidad' they won the Senior Meat & Wool Cup against all breeds, a great achievement in the centre of a very strong and long established area of traditional breeds. In the Simmental classes there was a good line-up for Judge R. N. S. Cox of Timaru.

Results were as follows:

Senior Bull: A. W. & P. Duncan.
Yearling Bull: R. W. Lott 1. W. A. Rouse 2. L. E. McLachlan 3 & 4.
Cows over 3 Years: A. W. & P. Duncan.
Two Year Heifer: J. A. & M. J. Robins 1 & 2.
Yearling Heifer: W. A. Rouse 1. G. I. McCorkindale 2. J. A. & M. J. Robins 3. L. E. McLachlan 4.
Pair Heifers: W. A. Rouse 1. L. E. McLachlan 2. J. A. & M. J. Robins 3.
Group (Bull and two females): L. E. McLachlan 1. J. A. & M. J. Robins 2. A. W. & P. Duncan 3.
Senior Female Champion & Grand Champion & Reserve: J. A. & M. J. Robins.
Junior Champion Female: W. A. Rouse.
Reserve: G. I. McCorkindale.
Senior Male Champion & Supreme: A. W. & P. Duncan.
Junior Champion Male: R. W. Lott.
Reserve: W. A. Rouse.
Junior Herdsman: Jane McLean.

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We are prepared to pay a premium for a small quantity of semen from any of the above bulls.

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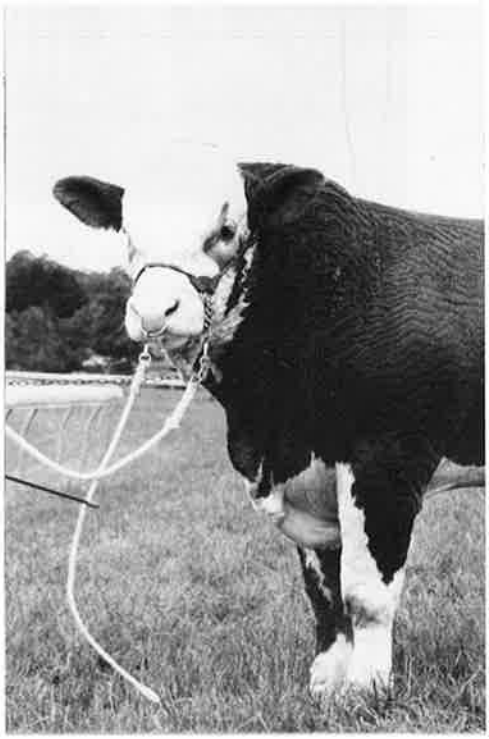
THE STEADING



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FOOTROT FLATS

THE STEADING FOOTROT FLATS

Born 16.4.86.

By BEAT—Canadian Trait Leader for
—Weaning Weight
—Daughters First Calving Ease
—Daughters First Calf Weaning Weight

OUT OF WEROMBAN ELSIE by EXTRA out of CENTURION GERTRUD

FOOTROT FLATS is a full brother to LONSDALE FARM BERNARD, Australia's most successful Homebred Sire.

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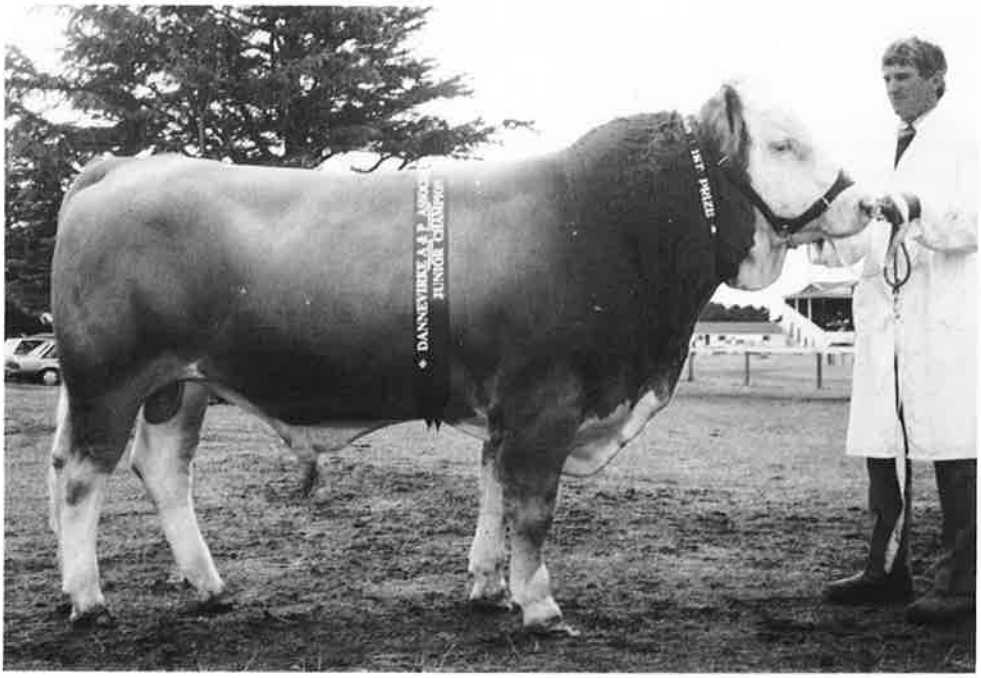
DUNSHAUGLIN FARM

offers UNCLE
Son of RUFFIAN

**(Supreme Champion 1986,
Hawkes Bay Meat & Wool Cup)**



UNCLE Born 29.9.80.
Weight 880kg. Extreme Length. Frame Score 8+.
Another Champion from a BLYTHE Cow.
Dunshauglin Bulls have taken

2 SUPREMES
6 INTERBREEDS
& 7 JUNIOR CHAMPIONSHIPS
over the past two years

WE BREED FOR SOUNDNESS, LENGTH AND GROWTH WEIGHT

ENQUIRIES FOR RUN OR STUD BULLS
TIM MURPHY Phone Waipukurau 89869.

PHOTO COMPETITION

THE WORLD-Simmental-Fleckvieh Federation is conducting a photographic contest in the course of the 7th World-Simmental-Fleckvieh Congress 1988 concluding on Wednesday, Sept. 14, 1988.

FLECKVIEH ALL OVER THE WORLD

We are looking for the most beautiful, most impressive and most original photographs, which show at least one Fleckvieh cattle in its typical surroundings.

Eligible:
All hobby photographers

Admitted pictures:
Glass covered or uncovered colour slides, framed. The slide frames have to show names and addresses of the participants.
Photographs, black and white or coloured, of the size 10 × 15cm. Photographs can only be accepted, if the negatives belonging to them are available. The photograph has to show name and address of the sender.
Only original photographs admitted, no photo montages, nor reproductions or the like. The submitted photo has to be by all rights the propriety of the participant. Accidentally photographed persons on the photo have agreed to an eventual publication of the photograph.
In case the photos are to be returned the appropriate return postage has to be enclosed.
The participant transfers all rights for publication to the World-Simmental-Fleckvieh Federation.
No liability can be taken for loss or damage to submitted slides.

Number of photos per participant:
Each member country of the World-Simmental-Fleckvieh Federation may submit 3 photos for the final selection. For the pre-selection by the local organization of the member country 5 photos per participant may be submitted.

Closing date: ✸
The entries must be received by the local organizations by June 30th, 1988 (date as per postmark) the very latest. The 3 photos for the final selection from each local organization have to be mailed to the World-Simmental-Fleckvieh Federation until August 1st, 1988 (date as per postmark) the very latest.

Selection of photos for the final:
From all the photos submitted to the local organizations a jury will choose there 3 photos for the final. A jury of the World-Simmental-Fleckvieh Federation will choose 20 photos from all photographs sent in by the local organizations of all member countries, which will be used in the public contest. The decision of the jury is impeachable.

Public contest for the determination of the winner photograph:
From the 20 photos from all over the world chosen by the jury prints of the size 30 × 45 cm will be produced at the costs of the World-Simmental-Fleckvieh Federation. These prints will be presented for judgement to the congress participants during the course of the 7th World-Simmental-Fleckvieh Congress on Wednesday, Sept. 14th, 1988 in Munich.
Each congress participant may designate his favourite from the 20 pictures by ballot. The ballots for the photographic contest are to be found among the congress documents. In the evening of the Congress day the counting of the delivered ballots and the determination of the winner photograph will take place.

Prizes:
The photographer of the winner picture receives a cow bell in bronze with embroidered collar belt donated by the Federation of Austrian Simmental Breeders. The submitters of the remaining 19 pictures will receive prizes made available by the World-Simmental-Fleckvieh Federation and other companies.
All ballots indicating the winner photograph will participate in a raffle taking place in the evening of the Congress day during the banquet. For this raffle 10 prizes will be offered. Course of law is excluded.

Organizer:
World-Simmental-Fleckvieh Federation.
Entries to · **SIMMENTAL CATTLE BREEDERS**
P.O. BOX 13142 CHRISTCHURCH.
PHONE (03) 793-166

Louise Hutching with her champion bull calf at the Dannevirke Show in February. Louise is daughter of well known Colin and Catherine Hutching.

SIMMENTAL VIDEO

Good progress is being made on the production of our video by Follas Productions of Auckland. They have already filmed calf sales, commercial herds and various pictorial sequences in both Islands with some excellent footage taken. Filming will be continued with bull sales and probably into the calving in the spring. From what is being assembled we will obviously have a very good production for release later in the year.

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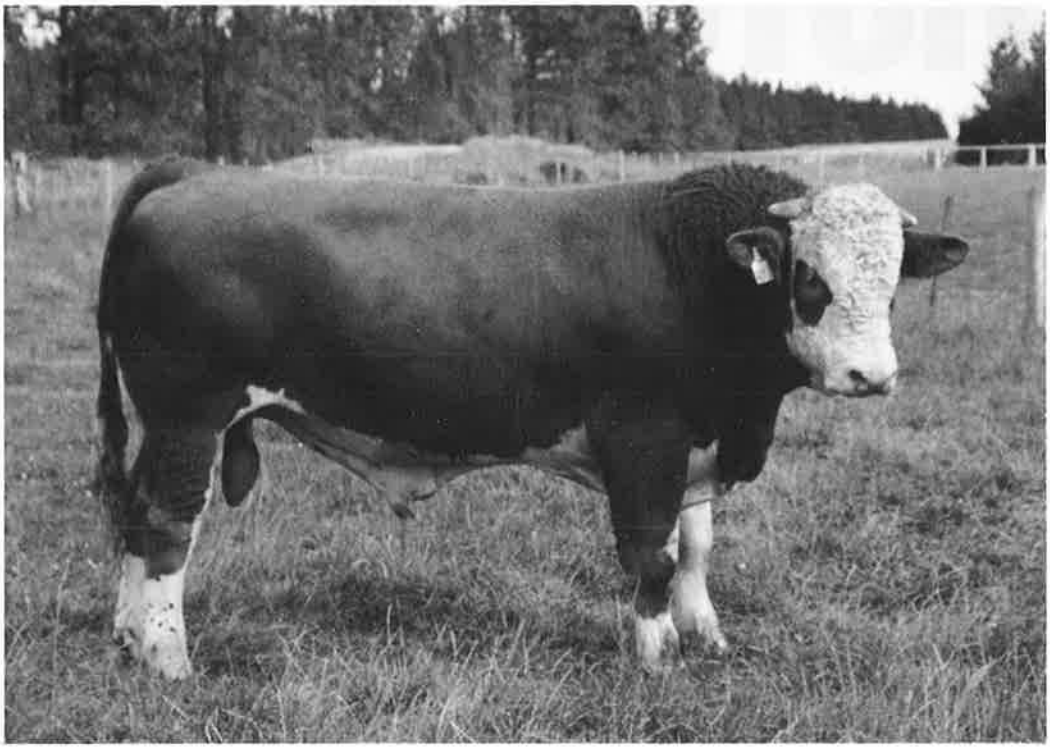
PINELEE SIMMENTALS



PINELEE URANIUM

This outstanding, tall, long, dark red bull, with full eye pigmentation will be offered at the South Island Simmental Sale on June 9th.

Sired by **RISSINGHOLME NAPOLEON** he was the second top priced bull at the 1984 South Island Sale and the first Simmental bull sold in a N.Z./American partnership!

The dam, LEVELS 3/AN44 was sired by AROHA HUMPHREY 6/AH5 and whose grandsire was EXTRA CSA357.

Born and bred at 1800ft PINELEE URANIUM weighed 764kg at 550 days.

INSPECTION AND ENQUIRIES INVITED

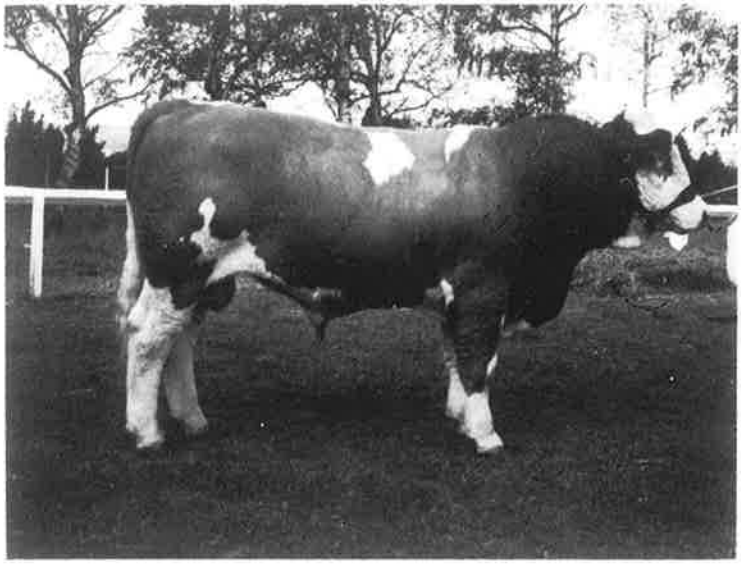
Contact Lorraine and Graeme Bain
Pinelee, 2 R.D. Outram.
Phone (024) 773845 Dunedin.

MAKERIKERI SIMMENTALS

(Herd No. 1226)

OFFERS AT THE SOUTH ISLAND NATIONAL SALE:

MAKERIKERI STATUS: for size and good bone.....



by Stuartslaw Joseph
out of a Rissington Ueli Cow

550d wt 815 kg
Frame Score 8 plus
Scrotal Circumference 46 cm

Winner of:
3 Supreme Simmental Championships
and
2 All Breeds Championships

Rising two-year-old bulls by Munga Park Polled Prince, BBA Galant 12L, FCF Sonny Boy and Balig Agent also available.

Enquiries and Inspection welcome:
IAN & PENNY WRIGHT
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Phone Loburn (050228) 788

Fairlie Show. Champion Simmental. P. Sibley (Judge), Ian Wright, Brian Kitchen (Canada) with Makerikeri Status.

SLOANE SIMMENTALS

TERILYNNE STUD

1988 ANNUAL BULL SALE JULY 6TH, 11 a.m.
KAURI SALEYARDS, WHANGAREI

We are offering sons of two High Performance Recorded Sires

COOPENTAL PAUL
PUKETAWA PREMIER

Females available on farm.
15 years Beefplan recording.
Farm inspection invited.

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WAI-ITI/ROTOMARA

"UNCLE FRED"

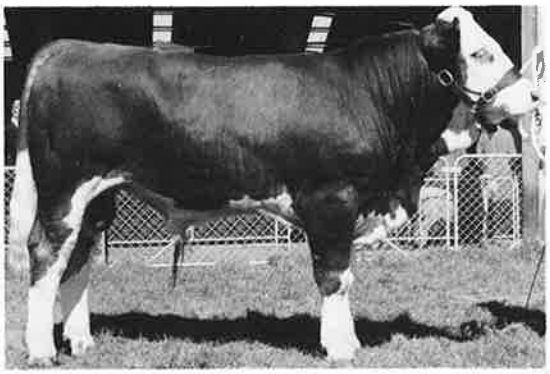
ALL BREEDS JUNIOR CHAMPION
AT WAIRARAPA A & P SHOW

JUNIOR CHAMPION SIMMENTAL
AT MANAWATU A & P SHOW

CURRENT WEIGHT 820 KGS

FRAME SCALE 8.5

BORN 12TH SEPT. 1986



GALLANT
BBA GALLANT
MISS BBA5H
WAI-ITI UNCLE FRED
NORLAND LOT
ROTOMARA POLLY
ANTAM AJ24E

"UNCLE FRED" LEADS OUR TEAM OF 3 BULLS
FOR SALE AT THE NORTH ISLAND NATIONAL SALE

22 BULLS FOR PRIVATE SALE
INCLUDING SEVERAL POTENTIAL STUD SIRES
BY NORLAND LOT AND RISSINGTON NATIONAL

VISITORS ARE ALWAYS WELCOME
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PETER McWILLIAM
ADMIRAL RD, GLADSTONE, MASTERTON.
PHONE (05927) 724.

GORE SHOW

A good group of Simmentals paraded at the Gore Show where they again had success in the inter-breed competitions. The McCorkindale family (Glenside Simmentals) took the Junior All Breeds Championship with their 'Bar 5' bull 'Rissington Poll Red. They are recent ring competitors and it was a big thrill for them.

David Elliot from Waimate judged the Simmental classes with the following results:
Senior Female: A. W. & P. A. Duncan.
Two year old Heifer: J. A. & M. J. Robins 1 & 2.
Senior Yearling Heifer: G. I. McCorkindale 1. L. E. McLachlan 2. J. A. & M. J. Robins 3.
Junior Yearling Heifer: L. E. McLachlan 1. J. A. & M. J. Robins 2. K. R. Hinton 3.
Senior Bull: A. W. & P. A. Duncan.
Junior Bull: L. E. McLachlan 1 & 2.

OTAGO SHOW (Dunedin)

Simmentals first appeared at Dunedin in the mid 1970's — on display only. This year a group of Simmental exhibitors were in competition with great success.
Yearling Heifer: McCorkindale family 1. L. E. McLachlan 2, 3, & 4.
Yearling Bull: L. E. McLachlan 1 & 3. McCorkindale family 2.
Bull/Heifer Pair: McCorkindale family 1. L. E. McLachlan 2.
Champion Female: McCorkindale family.
Champion Male: L. E. McLachlan.
Supreme All Breeds Female: McCorkindale family.
Supreme All Breeds Male: L. E. McLachlan.

OTHER SHOWS, SOUTHLAND/OTAGO

The breeders from the Southern area also presented cattle at Milton, Balclutha and Wanaka. Exhibitors as reported were: L. E. McLachlan, G. Bain, J. A. & M. J. Robins and K. R. Hinton. They are commended for their efforts in bringing the breed before the public.

NORTHLAND SHOWING SMALL, BUT EFFECTIVE.

Simmentals shown competitively in Northland this season have been few — one breeder in fact. Jim Houlbrooke of Waipu, has flown 'the flag' and with resounding success in a very strong beef area.
Whangarei: All Breeds Male Champion.
North Kaipara: All Breeds Junior Female Champion.
All Breeds Male Champion.
Kaitaia: All Breeds Female Champion.
(90 beef entries)
All Breeds Junior Male Champion.

We congratulate Jim on his achievements.

WAI-ITI FIELD DAY — MASTERTON

(A Report from Star Absolom)

One hundred and forty people attended a very enthusiastic Field Day on a beautiful autumn day at Gladstone, at the home of Peter and Sue McWilliam.

The day was opened by the Society President, Alan Perry and then an address was made by Bob Barton, on the merits of cross-breeding with Simmentals.

With the help of a loud hailer Peter then took us through his cattle which were all looking a picture. A pen of weaner steers, 1½ year steers, cows and calves and Sale bulls were inspected. While the day was not aimed at selling bulls, a total of 6 were sold which augers well for the future of the stud and the breed in the Wairarapa, probably one of the last areas in New Zealand to swing over to Simmentals.

The day ended with a weight guessing competition of three impressive Dunmore Cossack sons with the winner receiving a prize from Donald Scales.

Drinks and a barbecue at the homestead were much appreciated by both new converts to the breed and most of the local stud breeders.

MOTU-RA SIMMENTALS

PRESENT!
MOTU-RA MISS WONDER

Sire: SINGLEWICK DOUBLETIME

E.P.D.'s Weaning 24.8
Yearling 37.5

Accuracy No. 1 U.S.A.

INCLUDE HER IN YOUR BREEDING PLANS

Either Embryos or Recipients

Linda Jones, R.D. 1, Taupo.
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COMMERCIAL REPORT FROM NORTHLAND

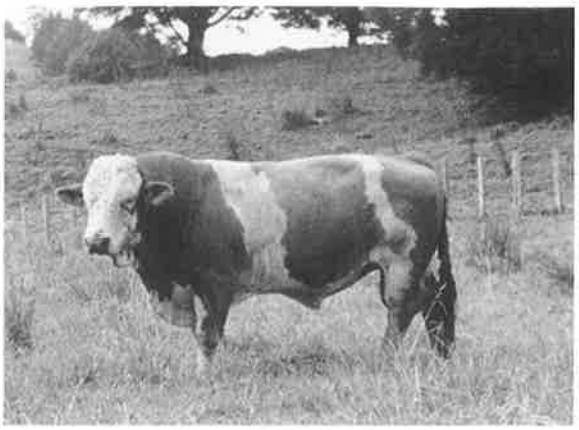
Doug Kay farms 560 acres on the eastern side of the Tangihua ranges in the Whangarei county.

He has been involved with farming in Northland over his whole life, with the last thirty years on his present farm.

Till recently Doug has farmed to traditional patterns with Romney sheep and predominantly Angus cattle with an influence of dairy Shorthorn which was introduced years ago to improve stretch and milking ability.

Stock quality has always been top priority and the record of his sales of surplus ewes and weaner steers in the Kauri Salesyards would be hard to beat.

However, in the last few years the winds of change have begun to blow in the area of Doug's policy decisions.



Six year old Siegfried Sire.

Sheep numbers have been drastically reduced with a complete phase out of breeding stock virtually complete. Cow numbers have increased towards a couple of hundred, with the steers being taken on to kill prime at 2½ years. The most radical step however was to buy a Simmental bull, of very large frame, sired by the renowned German bull Siegfried from the local Tokaweka Simmental Stud. In February of 1987 the first progeny were slaughtered at the impressive average of 375kg — followed this February with an average of 387kg for the first cut of 20. All graded P1 except for the single Angus in the line which was a leftover from the previous year.

18 month old Simmental cross steers.

An increase of 100kg per head in carcase weight without lowering stock rates, by merely changing breeds has prompted Doug to become an enthusiastic fan for the Simmental breed. The colour now evident in Doug's bull paddock is proof of his committment.

Sales of prime heifers at 1 years of age in September also reflect a similar breed differential with Simmental crosses averaging 263kg over the last 2 years while straight Angus averaged 185kg.

With part of the property reaching up the near vertical slopes of the Tangihua range, the cows have to earn their tucker and calving problems have been virtually a non event.

2½ year old Simmental cross steers. Second from left has no Simmental blood.

TATTOOING — EMBRYO TRANSPLANTS

A reminder to those breeders who are producing calves from embryo transplants. When the animal is tattooed the letter 'E' should be included following the animal number — e.g. AU 27 E.

TATTOOING EQUIPMENT

Those who have recently purchased equipment will know the horrendous cost. There must be quite a lot of surplus tattoo sets about around the country if only they could be located — they seldom wear out and spares are available. We suggest that if members know anyone locally who has been a breeder they check it out as the opportunity occurs. We are happy to assist in disposing of such equipment if we know where it is. We receive regular inquiries for tattoo gear.

YEAR LETTERS

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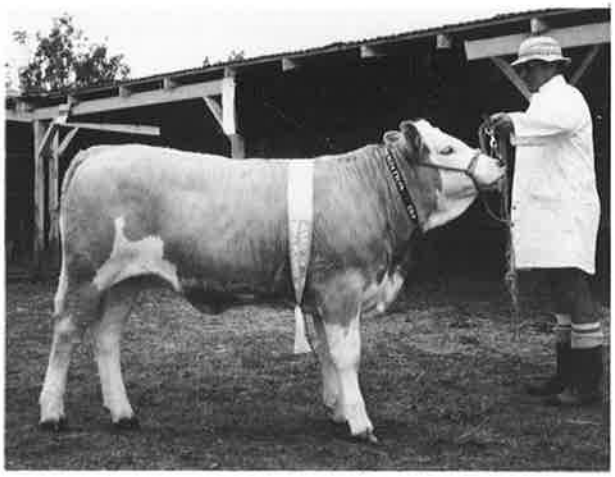
BROOKLANDS SIMMENTALS

Herd No. 726

AVON PARK PILGRIM



A TYPICAL PILGRIM DAUGHTER

2nd ANNUAL BULL SALE

on the property
Monday 20th June 1988 at 12.30 p.m.

Approximately 40 Stud and Commercial Bulls including sons of EAST DOME NEVADA and AVON PARK PILGRIM

Herd Size: 150 Cows on Beefplan.

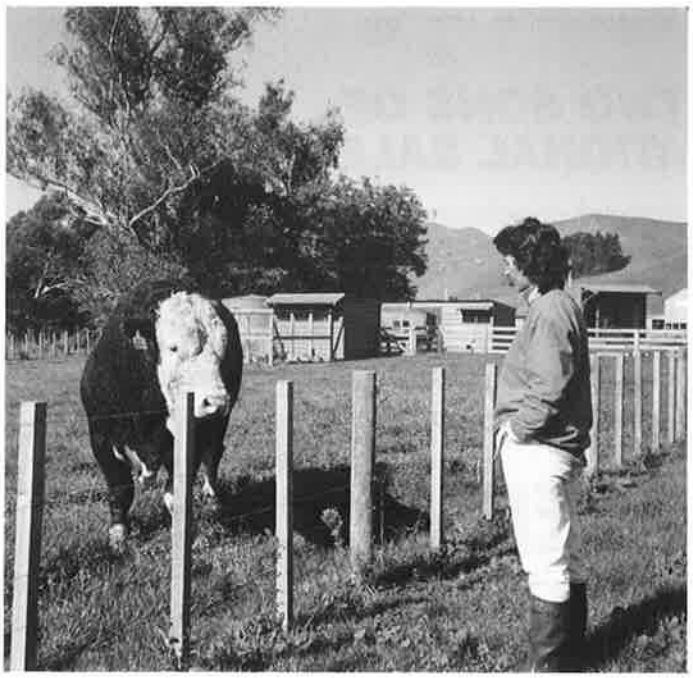
Enquiries and Inspection Welcome

Colin and Catherine Hutching
Top Grass Road
R.D. 2
DANNEVIRKE
Phone (0653) 45-181

TE KOUKA FIELD DAY — DANNEVIRKE

Tony and Bibby Plummer of Te Kouka Simmentals held another successful day with the emphasis on the high level of selection and performance recording. A most impressive line-up of females of all ages showed what a sound base the herd has got to produce the 18 three-quarter bulls being marketed this year. Probably the largest herd of grading-up cattle who have averaged a most creditable $340 for their 170 weaner steers sold in the weaner fairs this year.

The showing of the Beef Slides after enjoying the hospitality of the Plummers helped to ram home the benefits of Simmentals and produced a lot of good debate.



Old friends – Star Absolom meets a Rissington bull at 'Te Kouka'.

Top females at 'Te Kouka'. Tony Plummer is also very involved in forestry.

CANTERBURY CARCASE COMPETITION

For the first time that we know of, a purebred Simmental steer was entered in a carcase competition at Christchurch in March.

Tony Partridge, who farms near Lake Ellesmere has been a consistent supporter of our local competitions and this year won the heavy weight class on the hook and was judged champion carcase on points. On the hoof he made it into the first half dozen which just goes to show how deceptive these cattle can be. Regrettably we do not have the score sheet for this animal. It is the first time we have won the 'on hooks' at Canterbury and received the Championship.

CANTERBURY BREEDER DOES IT AGAIN

Mr O. J. Osborne of Doyleston topped Addington again in April for the ELEVENTH consecutive year with his annual draft of Simmental cross weaners. His top price was for one pen of autumn calves at $455.

WEANER SALES

Simmental weaners have topped markets all over the country this season in such numbers we have been unable to keep up with the play. Despite a considerable drop back in prices Simmental cross continue to command premiums away ahead of the rest. We report a brief on sales as we have received them — there are numerous others of which we do not have details but have done equally well and we congratulate vendors for producing great stock and keeping us to the fore.

MARKET TOPPERS

Taihape 5th consecutive year, $357, James Russell, Kimbolton.
Raglan $362, J. Bodley, $285 (heifers) Waikanawa Farms.
Waipukurau $370 (av. 74), A. H. Plummer
Omakau $308, D. Hanley — also $245 (heifers).
Gisborne $386, G. Kemp.
Masterton $335, Glenbrae Partnership.
Dannevirke $330.
Addington $302, P. Hastings.

YEARLING STEERS

Te Kuiti (27.11.87) $525 Howard Symons who topped the market again in what was described as one of the best line ups of yearling steers ever seen in the yards.

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SOME MUVVERS DO HAVE EM

Or a day or three in the life of a Councillor

The Waikato and Districts Club held its annual show with a good line up of good looking cattle and plenty of spectators. The weather was fine and it looked like a good day all round. Unfortunately there is always someone who really should have stayed at home in bed. This year it was the turn of our intrepid Councillor, who shall remain nameless. As it turned out perhaps he shouldn't have got out of bed all week. Informed sources told me that a few days earlier while out on his horse the unfortunate animal was stung by a wasp, it (the horse) proceeded to deposit our Councillor on top of the wasps nest, winding him. The little critters being extremely angry at being disturbed decided to make their anger felt and our poor chap went home in a rather sorry state. (Aren't these pin pricking problems we strike in farming a pain).

The next day was spent weaning and separating all the calves. At 6 pm the job done, the calves in the back paddock behind the electric fence our Councillor feeling quite satisfied to have a tedious and grubby job behind him though "I'd better check the fence before I go," dead as a Dodo. It had been going that morning. So off trudges our man looking for the break. Eventually he finds it. The Power Board had been through the farm that day replacing poles and possibly after having received a belt when trying to take it down decided to belt it back with their truck. Having made repairs it's off home looking forward to a hot shower, a quick look at the paper in his favourite little reading room and dinner. As he entered the garden gate in the gloom, it appeared that his lovely wife's immaculate garden had been used by the Army for tank manoeuvres, the water man had been severed and the outlet to the septic tank reduced to rubble. So much for his anticipated hot shower and relaxing in the smallest room in the house with the newspaper. It was stay grubby and a quick trip behind the bushes out the back. (Real bright sparks these Power Board blokes).

Then on the eve of the show when most people are preparing their cattle, this sorry fellow had a phone call from Granny to say that No. 1 son who was coming home for the weekend from Boy's Grammer in Auckland and had been deposited in Hamilton instead of Cambridge but would be on the next bus home. So dad rushes into town to collect said son from the bus depot, it's a fair distance. After waiting an hour for the aforementioned bus he decided to ring Granny to find out what had happened to his son, only to discover that No. 1 son had missed the bus and he would have to drive all the way to Hamilton to pick him up.

The next day dawns bright and clear (for a change) the cattle and family are loaded onto the trailer and into the car and off to the show they go. Arriving safely it was time to unload the cattle and the family. His 2 year heifer decided she would try out for the All Black team and proceeded to show us what a great goal kicker she would make by booting our Councillor right out of the trailer, the poor chap caught his head on the way and was nearly knocked unconscious. She must have also deposited some unmentionables all down the front of him because our soft spoken, usually neatly dressed, much loved Councillor was a very mucky fellow. You would think that that would surely be the end of a run of unfortunate mishaps, but no, there was a little more to come.

Son No 2 was playing with a mate in the Clubs caravan when one of the windows decided it didn't like the game and tried to leave, only part of it made it. Enough? not quite. Our Councillor's heifer thought to show us that she could also be quite fast down a footy field by towing him into the ring. (Mind you it may have been that she preferred to be led by someone with two legs not 1½, her fault of course that ½ of one seemed missing). But he wasn't alone, No 1 son's calf towed him out of the ring and he gave us a great demonstration on how to body surf on land. He showed us how to slide on your belly and then gracefully flip onto your back, very stylishly done, but I think that I for one will leave that for the younger generation.

Never mind John your heifers looked good anyway.

So ended a day or three in the life of a Councillor.

CANTERBURY SHOWS

Kirwee

— Judge, C. J. Patterson.

Two Year old Heifer: A. T. & L. A. Partridge.
Yearling Heifer: I. G. & P. J. Wright 1. N. D. Oliver 2. M. Groters 2.
Yearling Bull: I. G. & P. J. Wright 1.
Champion Bull & Female: I. G. & P. J. Wright.

Little River

— Judge A. McKerchar (Hereford).

Senior Bull: D. C. & M. J. Carter.
Yearling Bull: I. G. & P. J. Wright 1. D. C. & M. J. Carter 2. G. & J. Marshall 3.
Two Year old Heifer: D. C. & M. J. Carter.
Junior Heifer: I. G. & P. J. Wright 1. D. C. & M. J. Carter 2.
Champion Bull & Female: I. G. & P. J. Wright.

McKenzie Highland Show (Fairlie)

— Judge, P. Sibley.

Senior Cow: D. S. Crosson 1. A. R. & J. A. Midgley 2.
Senior Bull: A. R. & J. A. Midgley.
Senior Heifer: I. G. & P. J. Wright 1. I. R. Caird 2. A. R. & J. A. Midgley 3.
Senior Junior Bull: I. G. & P. J. Wright 1. A. R. & J. A. Midgley 2.
Heifer Calf: I. R. Caird 1 & 3. A. R. & J. A. Midgley 2.
Bull Calf: A. R. & J. A. Midgley 1. D. S. Crosson 2. A. T. & L. A. Partridge 3.
Supreme Champion Simmental: I. G. & P. J. Wright (Makerikeri Status).

Oxford Show (first showing).

Champion Bull, All Breeds: I. G. & P. J. Wright, Makerikeri Status.

NEW MEMBERS

We will in future list new members as opportunity occurs. The following list is from November, 1987 to date.

J. M. & A. P. Taylor, Waimumu, R.D. 4, Gore.
D. & J. Marais, Inlet Road, Kerikeri, Northland (PO Box 537 Kerikeri).
D. A. & K. R. Bell, R.D. 3, Matamata, Waikato.
J. W. & I. E. Crawford, Cleardale Stud, R.D. 2, Rangiora.
R. J. & M. R. Haseltine, Riverview Road, Kerikeri, Northland.
T. M. Banks & Son, Coutt's Island, R.D., Christchurch.
P. T. Wynne-Lewis, Braeburn Farm, R.D. 3, Porangahau.
B. J. & J. A. Stallard, R.D. 23, Pukengahu Road, Stratford.
H. A. T. Kidd, Tuhingamata Road, R.D. 1, Taupo.
S. G. & C. A. Spelchan, R.D. 4, French Pass Road, Cambridge.
P. C. & D. Schimanski, P.O. Box 132, Inglewood.
L. M. Dekker, R.D. 7, Ashburton.
P. W. Ratcliffe, 25 Heads Road, Wanganui.
M. L. & P. N. Edgecombe, Beaconsfield Road, R.D. 24, Stratford.
C. R. Thorburn, R.D. 2, Cambridge.
G. R. & B. M. Smith, R.D. 5, Opotiki.
J. G. B. Grant, Mangatangi, R.D. 1, Pokeno.

SIMBEEF MEMBER

R. C. Pears, 'Colgrain', R.D. 2, Lumsden, Southland.

ACCOMMODATION

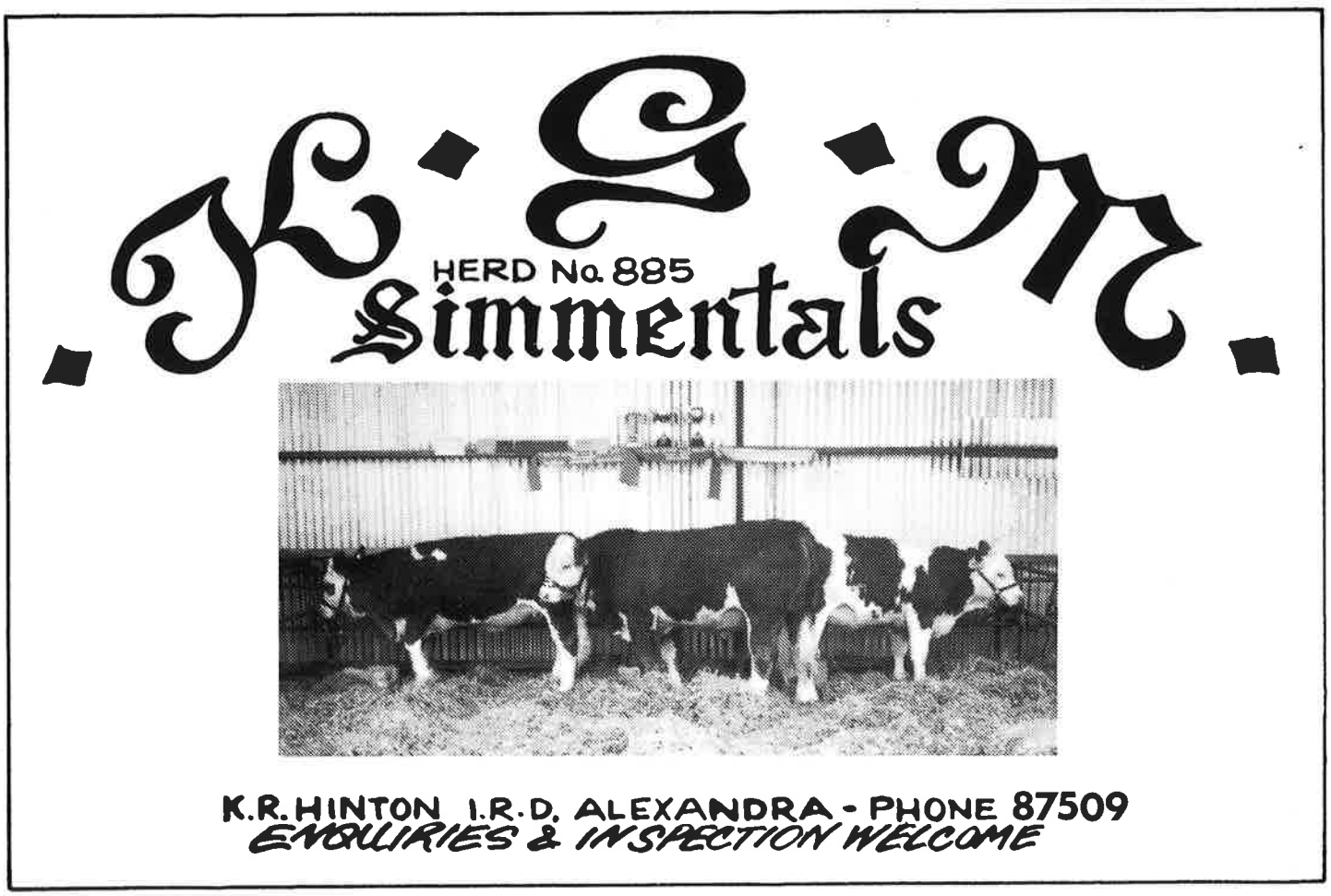
From time to time we receive requests for accommodation for various events — Sales, Shows etc. While we would like to be able to do this for people it is quite an imposition on the office and not infrequently takes a lot of time which we can ill afford. On occasions we have secured what is required and have the next day had to cancel it because other arrangements have been made — a bit frustrating!

If you are coming to a Show or Sale make your booking well in advance and you will normally succeed. Where we have a major event such as an A.G.M. or a Royal we usually block book to ensure people are all together. On other occasions we would be grateful if you could organise your own accommodation — we think and hope that's fair!

ONE OVER THE FENCE

The story of the old bull and the young bull has oft' been told — our grapevine system recounts a recent addition of the Simmental bull who spied a mob of attractive heifers over the boundary on the neighbours property. A bull of action he wasted no time in joining them if but briefly being rapidly returned to his home property with predictable neighbourly reaction — the females of his choice were not **his** breed. Neighbourly relationships were somewhat strained as a result.

Our Simmental was no slug and his time was profitably spent. Our neighbour now claims he has some of the best weaner calves that ever set foot on his property. Maybe there will be a gate in the fence next season!



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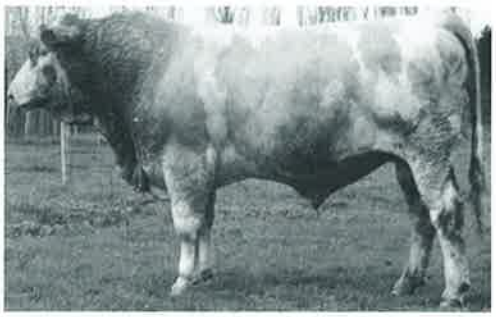

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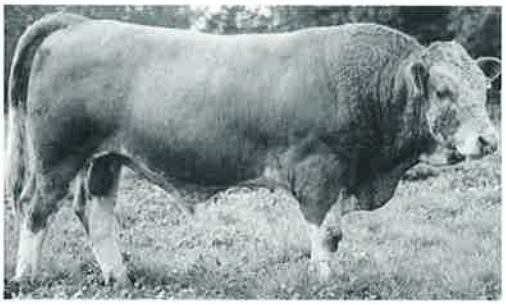
by RISSINGTON MONITOR



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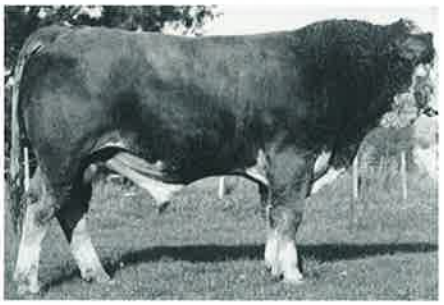

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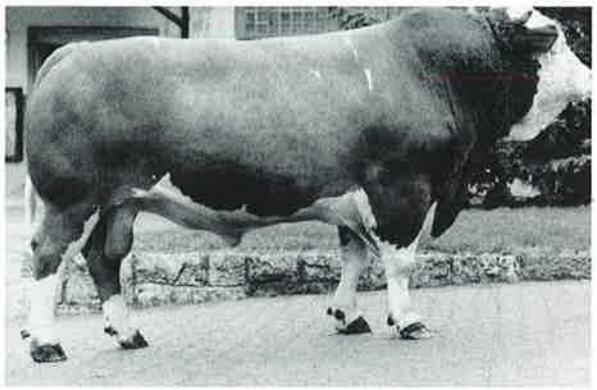

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