

AUSTRALIAN AYRSHIRES NEWSLETTER

April 2022

Hi Ayrshire Members,

For those members in Qld and NSW affected by the recent floods, we hope you are now recovering and returning to some form of normality.

For members who exhibited in the Sydney Royal Easter Show recently, we hope your show day was successful, and we congratulate you on promoting the Ayrshire breed through this premier event. Results will be published in our next newsletter.

It's great to see Shows around the country are again being held, starting with IDW in Victoria, and since held in other states.

Federal Council - Bull and ET Calf Registrations

To align Australian Ayrshires with the majority of dairy breeds nationally and internationally, Federal Council is advising members from **1**st **July 2022**:

- all Ayrshire bulls prior to registration will require genomic testing
- all ET calves will require parent verification prior to registration

Highest Lifetime Production Cow

World Ayrshire Federation are undertaking a survey on the highest lifetime production Ayrshire cow on record. We want to submit Australian's highest achieving production cow - please review your records and advise Greg Klatt of your highest lifetime production cow (including name and production details). Please provide information by **31**st **May 2022.**

We will include the top three submissions in our next newsletter for all to see and confirm our top cow in Australia to the World Ayrshire Federation.

2021 World Photo Competition

With reduced numbers in the 2021 Australian Photo Competition, we were not able to submit entries for all classes in the World Photo Competition. For the owners of those animals selected to represent Australia we thank you for your entries and wish you the best of luck in this competition.

Congratulations to Jake Matthews, who has been selected as our Australian judge for this competition.

Photos will soon be available for viewing on the World Ayrshire Federation web site and voting for the People's Choice Competition.

Tasmania Branch Life Membership:

Congratulations to the four members who recently received Tasmanian Branch Life Membership: Matthew Luck, Lyndal Luck, Tom Johns and Bessie Johns

2021 All Australian Photo Competition/Production Awards/Cow of the Year

There has been a delay in announcing the All Australian Photo Competition winners as unfortunately animals were left out of the competition when the previous presentation was held. We will be announcing the winners via a ZOOM presentation in the near future.

Congratulations to the 2021 First Prize Cow of the Year and Production Awards winners:

Cow of the Year: Munden Farms - Magic Park Model Maiden

Protein Herd Average 2 to 10 cows: Bridget Liebelt Protein Herd Average 51 cows & over: Boldview Farms

Total Butterfat plus Protein Team of 10 cows: Munden Farms

Total Butterfat plus Protein Cow 2 yrs: Bridget Liebelt - Regal Park Vicking Shower Total Butterfat plus Protein Cow 3 yrs: Munden Farms - Munden Farms Volvo High Total Butterfat plus Protein Cow 4 yrs to 6 yrs: Munden Farms - Rockvale Star Locket 2nd Total Butterfat plus Protein Cow 7 yrs to 9 yrs: Munden Farms – Munden Farms Irish Jule Total Butterfat plus Protein Cow 10 yrs and over: Munden Farms – Midway Park Mardely

2021 On Farm Challenge Champion of Champions

We congratulate our inaugural On Farm Challenge Champion of Champions, as judged by Kevin Smith - Magic Park Shady Maiden, exhibited by Munden Farms.

Federal Council has decided to expand this competition in the future to include Junior, Intermediate and Senior Champion from all states holding an On Farm Challenge. More information will be communicated in the near future.

IDW 2022

IDW saw 45 Ayrshires exhibited in front of our judge Mr Mark Patullo. Whilst numbers were down from previous years, the quality of exhibits remained evident.

Congratulations to the following exhibitors of our Ayrshire champions:

Junior Champion: Finesse Reagan Maisie - Casey Treloar
Reserve Junior Champion: Arila Primitive Marquisite - W & A Macadam
Honourable Mention: Geelunga Reagan Joyous - Geelunga Ayrshires

Intermediate Campion: Lara Orlando Connett - Ferguson Farms

Reserve Intermediate Champion: Paschendaele Klassy Tri Time - Eagles Partnership

Honourable Mention: Cher-Bar Lady Bradman - Ferguson Farms,

Senior Champion: Magic Park Shady Maiden – Munden Farms
Reserve Senior Champion: Roland Lodge Cornette - Canobie Partnership
Honourable Mention: Paschendaele Forever Gigi - Eagles Partnership

Grand Champion Ayrshire Exhibit: Magic Park Shady Maiden – Munden Farms

Encouragement Award: A & M Hayter
Premier Breeder: Eagles Partnership
Premier Exhibitor: Ferguson Farms

Congratulations to Casey Treloar, with her heifer Finesse Reagan Maisie who also won Junior Champion Heifer – Senior Leader in the Youth Show, and Reserve Junior Champion Interbreeds.

The IDW STG Australia Create the Future Sale, held at IDW saw three Ayrshires sold.

Lot 26: Munden Farms Hawaiian Venus sold to Sam Macadam: \$8,000

Lot 26a: Finesse Reagan Maisie, sold to N Castle, for \$10,000

Lot 27: Munden Farms Orange Razzledazzle sold to WP & AM Macadam for \$7,000

2021 Virtual Heifer Show

The inaugural Ayrshire Virtual Heifer Show held in October 2021 and organised by Lauchlan Moore, with the support of the NSW branch realised 39 entries. The event was judged by Peter Berresford of Heydale Ayrshires in the UK.

The results:

Junior Champion:Parnell Blink Lydoexhibited by L&J GassReserve junior Champion:Regal Park KS Showerexhibited by D&S Mayo

Honourable Mention: Paschendaele Raya exhibited by Eagles Partnership

Senior Champion: Katandra Farms King Sire Scarlet exhibited by R Burgmann Reserve Senior Champion: Mayfield Farms Ragna Rox exhibited C McDonald Honourable Mention: Ghinni Creek Gentle Robin exhibited by L Moore

Overall Champion: Katandra Farms King Sire Scarlet exhibited by R Burgmann

Gippsland Dairy Youth Group

The Gippsland Dairy Youth Group All Breeds Heifer Show saw good results for Ayrshire cattle:

Class 6: Heifer born 1/9/21 - 321/10/21: 1^{st} - Munden Farms Vicking Orange – Munden Farms Class 7 Heifer born 1/7/21 - 31/8/21: 3^{rd} - Munden Farms Ringer Blueway – Munden Farms Junior Champion Heifer: Munden Farms Vicking Orange – Munden Farms Honourable Mention Grand Champion of Show: Munden Farms Vicking Orange – Munden Farms Class 20: Over the Hill Handlers (open to all over the age of 30): 2^{nd} – Karl Munden

Tasmania Branch Calf Day

The 30th Tasmanian Ayrshire Calf Day 2022, Judged by Max Hyland had 23 entries:

Junior Champion Heifer: Gordella ES Brandy - K & K Haberle Reserve Champion Heifer: Gordella BK Mary May - K & K Haberle Honourable Mention: Gordella BJ Hawaiian - K & K Haberle

Senior Champion Heifer: Craigville Rubicom Dutchess - B&J Johns Reserve Champion Heifer: Mat-Jew-Lay King R. Venus - M&L Luck Honourable Mention: Craigville Tuxedo Bree 2 - B&J Johns

Grand Champion Heifer: Craigville Rubicom Dutchess - B&J Johns Reserve: Gordella ES Brandy - K&K Haberle

Grand Champion Bull: Craigville Rubicom Bruno - B&J Johns

Supreme Exhibit: Craigville Rubicom Dutchess - B&J Johns

Mt Pleasant Show, South Australia

Andrew Gray had the opportunity to judge 27 head of dry heifers at the recent Mt Pleasant Show.

Juvenile Champion: Geelunga Reagan Joyous – Geelunga Ayrshires
Reserve Juvenile Champion: Dynamite Didjago Bang – Dynamite Ayrshires
Honourable Mention: Torlea Champ Katrina – Bridget Liebelt

South Australian Ayrshire Spectacular Sale 2022

The sale provided the opportunity for animals to be purchased by breeders in five different sates: QLD, NSW, Vic, Tas and SA.

34 of the 37 live lots were sold on the day, with a top price of \$3,700 paid for Lot 20: Geelunga Reagan Tracey, sold to WP & AM Macadam The sale average realised \$2,520, plus an embryo package of 5 embryos which sold for \$600 per embryo.

Greg Klatt President Australian Ayrshires