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Alleyoop x Noble x Delta

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CARTERS-CORNER DAZZLE-ET Bull ID: 94HO20946

It's the combination of milk, udders and huge DPR that make him special

UDDER

+3.50

• +3.50 UDC and over 800 Milk

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+383

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FITTERS CHOICE x Noble x Delta

Sire: SIEMERS FITTERS CHOICE-ET Dam: BGP NOBLE DHRMY 695-ET VG-87 MGD: BGP DELTA HARMONY-ET VG-87 Breeder: SHILOAH COMMUNITIES, INC/ ESKDALE



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CARTERS-CORNER FC HIHOPE Bull ID: 94HO20892

Half brother to DAZZLE Dazzle and HiHope are the only sires in the world that are over 3.5 for Type and UDC as well as being positive for DPR

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Rear Teat Pl.			2.49
Teat Length			0.14



Catch 1

Catch up with **Brian Behnke, St Jacobs' Business Manager,** at the ABS stand at International Dairy Week (IDW) or join in one of our farm visits by contacting ABS. You can also follow along through our social media.

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President's AGM Report

Garry Carpenter President, Holstein Australia Gunns Plain, Tasmania



The life of a dairy farmer is anything but straightforward.

While it seems many moons ago, it was only this time last year we were still navigating lockdowns and COVID restrictions. This year, for a good part of the country, it has been the weather, with almost unprecedented rains and flooding along much of the Eastern coastline.

From conversations with many of you, I know that people have pulled together to get each other through; rural communities looking after each other in a way they have become all too accustomed to. I'd like to acknowledge those members and those communities.

The normal cycle resumes

The 'new normal' or 'when will things get back to normal' have been constant media questions over the last couple of years.

For the Association, that time was at the beginning of the year with International Dairy Week taking place for the first time in two years.

Unsurprisingly numbers were down given where we were in January with Omicron, but this was such an important event for our industry.

I often say Holstein Australia (HA) is about just two things – the members and the cows. It was important for HA to host our first in-person member event since early 2020. And of course to celebrate the Holstein cow in person with members.

HA now has its full roster of classifiers on the road, busy as ever.

Our member services team now has staff at Dairy House five days per week, with the up side of COVID-19 being we can now offer our staff a balance between working from home and the office, something the Association needs to do to remain a competitive employer.

On behalf of all HA members, thank you to all staff for what you do, day in, day out. It is probably not often acknowledged but is much appreciated.

I would also like to acknowledge Delia

Worth, HA's long term Database Analyst, who passed away in January just a few weeks after retiring. Larger than life and with an individual take on the world, Delia had been there for members for just over 20 years. Our condolences to her family, friends and colleagues.

The health of the dairy sector

Top-line figures for the year show a decrease of 12% in registrations, 17% for classification and a 51% increase in genomic testing.

Allowing for year on year variations due to outside factors – namely export volume and pent up post-COVID class demand – the figures for registrations and classification are relatively steady over the longer term.

Many members, I know, are feeling pretty optimistic for the future, particularly given where the milk price was heading as the last financial year came to an end. With ever rising costs, feed, fertiliser, energy and more, this was the best news possible for the sector. I'm sure I'm not alone in being able to plan ahead with some confidence as a result.

Investing in the future

Holstein Australia is also planning ahead with some confidence.

We're only a few months way from introducing an updated classification system and reporting. Wider IT changes will occur over the coming years, with the Board currently considering the outcome of an IT review conducted over the past 12 months.

The Association is also investing time and resources in exploring opportunities for Holstein genetics and live exports to new markets. We are actively working to support Pakistan's HRM Dairies, along with Genetics Australia and other industry stakeholders. This focus over the past 12 months also saw the Association commit to a presence at World Dairy Expo in September, as part of a wider effort to promote Australian dairy genetics. We also continue to support trade with China and promote more widespread representation on behalf of members with government and industry bodies so that the trade can continue for the benefit of every dairy farmer.

Getting out and about

It is an exciting time for HA. Along with my fellow directors, I am at last, looking forward to getting out to see members in person.

Technology has stood us in good stead over the past couple of years with the facility to meet online meaning that business has continued as it should for HA, and we've got the job done. An element of this, down to efficiency more than anything else, will be part of every workplace from here on in.

That said, particularly for our Association, it has once again highlighted the importance of and need for regular faceto-face meetings. As we move forward, we'll be back in the real world more. It is the people, the members, and the shared passion for the Holstein cow that makes Holstein Australia what it is. And this exists in the real world, so we'll be seeing you at a sub-branch meeting or event soon.

We know that as the dairy industry has contracted there has been a decline in membership. We have also seen a number of members get to the end of their careers. While always sad to see people leave the industry, we have seen them reap the rewards of membership with member sales of registered animals averaging \$5,200 during 2021 compared to nonmember sales at approximately \$3,000.

To all our members, I wish you a successful year ahead.

Holstein Australia and the industry are in a good place to grow and develop into the future.

CEO's Report

Rohan Butler CEO, Holstein Australia



began my report for the 2020/21 financial year commenting on how complicated the year was due to COVID restrictions among other things. The same could be said for the 2021/22 financial year. I was surprised to realise that we in Victoria spent just over a quarter of it in lockdown, with interstate border restrictions lasting significantly longer.

Against this background, along with a volatile economic climate, particularly over the second half of the financial year, the Association had a very solid bottom-line result, which puts us in a good place over the medium to longer term.

Staff operations

Holstein Australia staff now total 14 FTEs, a similar level as in the previous financial year. During 2021/22 there were some changes with Simon Adams, Phil Hentschke, Delia Worth and Sarah Keens leaving the team. We are operating with five classifiers, including the training of two new classifiers, Bronte Symonds and Rebecca Haebich over the past 12 months.

Following the departure of Sarah Keens, the role of Marketing and Communications Coordinator has been filled by Amanda Glossop, who was raised on a dairy farm in Northern Victoria. The role is now fulltime as I saw a need to resource member engagement and communications more fully. She is starting to build relations with key sub-branch members and will be on the road visiting sub-branches, youth shows and other events over the next few months, as well as working with Adam Sawell on implementing our wider comms and marketing program.

It is important to note Delia Worth's departure and acknowledge her contribution to the Association across 21 years. Sadly Delia passed away suddenly in early January and her family was touched by the messages from both staff and members she had worked closely with. I want to thank the whole team and for their efforts working with members across the past 12 months, whether from home, in the office or on the road.

Annual Operating Plan

HA engaged a third party to conduct a complete review of the Association's IT capability in 2021/22. The review has been presented to the Board and at the broader level next steps are being considered.

That said, it was already clear that software used for classification had become dated and needed renewal. A new arrangement has been agreed with Holstein Canada to access the new version of the software.

Developments to implement the new system commence in October 2022 with the aim of full implementation in early 2023. This is realistically an update of the software and hardware used and the only impact for members should be an improvement to the way visits are run.

New revenue stream

Many members will be aware of the children's book 'Holly the Holstein', based on HA member Colin Daley. Author Russell Smith has provided HA with the opportunity to take over marketing the book, with any funds raised going towards funding HA Youth and Member activities. The book will be relaunched, including a new section on the Holstein Breed in Australia, in time for the Christmas market.

Export and potential markets for Australian genetics

The income for both members and the Association from live export is a great diversification from regular income streams. Currently, the majority of heifers are exported to China which in recent years has been a solid and valued market.

On the basis of spreading risk the Association is actively looking for options to diversify that market. A study was conducted to identify potential additional markets for Holstein heifers. As a follow up to that discussion NHIA has part funded a display of Australian Dairy Genetics at World Dairy Expo, HA is taking part in the display with the aim of building relationships with many of the foreign delegates that attend the event.

Member Services

Registration

Registration numbers were down 12% against the previous year to 35,426. At face value not a great result. The previous financial year saw several unexpected export orders that required registrations and that drove total registration numbers up. With that factored in, core registration numbers were reasonably steady.

Genomics

It was another strong year for genomic testing with 28,315 tests processed, up 51% on 2020/21. It is pleasing to see continued strong demand for what is now an established product. A key part of this is down to HA's work with genomic testing partners Zoetis and Neogen. We look forward to continuing to work with these organisations into the future.

Classification

Classification was down 17% against the previous financial year to a total of 27,902. While a drop from our highpoint of 33,494, this figure from the previous financial year included the 'class surge' we experienced after classifiers had been off the road for a few months due to COVID lockdowns and again when border restrictions eased.

For a period in 2021/22 we also had just three operating classifiers with two in training, significantly reducing the number of people available to evaluate animals. When compared to the most recent year not affected by COVID there was a 7% increase in classifications.

Summary

While activity was somewhat down against the previous year some of that has been due to the unsettled nature of the work environment during the Covid-19 pandemic.

Despite the impact of non-COVID global events, economically and otherwise, I am pleased to report that we are now starting to see a return to more normalised operations. An exciting year presents ahead for the Association on a number of fronts.

Audit and Finance AGM Report

Phil Hall, Wokalup, WA Representative, Audit and Finance Committee

am pleased to present the 2021/22 Financial Report for Holstein Australia. Pleased because, even though the current economic climate has been unpredictable coming out of the global pandemic, we have managed to maintain our services while sustaining a moderate operating surplus.

I would like to highlight a few areas of both the audited accounts and the Profit and Loss Statement.

We produced a profit of almost \$145,000 for the year that includes the change in market value of the investment fund.

Gross profit down

Our Profit and Loss Statement shows gross profit in 2021/22 decreased by just under \$817,000 on the back of the lower investment fund value however, we saw only a marginal reduction in operating profit to \$490,000 from \$547,000 in 2020/21.

Our sales revenue was up marginally by \$112,000 with total revenue of \$3.89 million; our operating expenses were up by only \$57,500 to \$3.33 million.

It was also pleasing to see each revenue category hold its own when compared to the previous comparative period. Live export continues to be a significant contributor to the bottom line; not only to the profit and loss but it also helps keep our cash on hand at historically high levels allowing us to comfortably fund day-today operations.

There were some movements in some expense categories such as classification, member and technical services. Rising fuel and accommodation costs saw classifier running costs increase post-COVID and staff exiting the business saw a reduction in member service salaries. Staff taking maternity leave and recruiting staff to fill the gap added to technical services salaries.

The Board feels this is a reasonable result given the uncertainty of the economic climate we have operated in during the past 12 months. We have successfully navigated our way ahead and without the government assistance afforded to us in the COVID years.

Investment fund – What a difference 12 months makes!

Because of the extreme volatility in the global equity market during 2021/22, our investment portfolio suffered a decline in value. While not affecting operational financial performance directly; the unrealised loss is still a negative in the P&L statement.

It is worth remembering that in recent times the fund has improved in value at historically high rates. Last year saw an increase exceeding 20% and despite a reversal of fortunes in 2021/22, the change in value was not as bad and most market benchmarks.

This financial asset contributes to the Association's Balance Sheet, which shows our Total Assets increased marginally to \$5.32 million. Offsetting the unrealised loss in fund value, cash on hand increased by nearly \$600,000 to \$1.18 million on the back of good export revenues.

Our Total Liabilities was on par with last year and decreased slightly by \$20,000 to \$969,000, leaving Member Equity at more than \$4.35 million.

Moderate outlook ahead

Acknowledging that operating surpluses cannot be maintained indefinitely, especially with our reliance on the export market the Board has grappled with the question of how to adjust to the current economic situation and how to best and, importantly wisely, use members' funds. Costs are under control and prudently managed to ensure there is no change in service delivery.

Given the uncertain times we are in, the 2022/23 budget represents a very conservative outlook for the Association. The Board felt very strongly that they should not budget for the best-case scenario, but equally, we hope to avoid the worst case by working harder to grow business and control costs. The Association must not lose its momentum preparing for the changes that are happening within the industry. The budget forecasts income to be relatively flat compared with last year. However, there are encouraging signs that classification revenue will increase with more available class days and COVID catch-ups. Exports volumes may continue their upward spiral but as we have no control over the trade our estimates will again be lower than 2021/22.

Our expenses are also forecast to be flat although we will see an increase in two key areas: project expenditure and class team fuel costs however there will be some offset by a reduction in salaries by not filling recently vacated positions and a pending retirement.

What will stand out to members is the significant investment in projects that will kick-start during the 2022/23 financial year. This will have a major impact on the budget and has produced the forecast loss for the year.

The Board holds the strong view that now is the right time to begin the funding of IT projects that are long overdue. These will take time to investigate let alone implement and should the Board give them the green light; will give the association the independence it needs to control its own destiny. The Association has never been in a better financial position to fund these projects and our cash flow forecasts are positive so will expect to fully fund them from cash on hand.

As I stated last year at this time the Board has for some time made promises to use the Association's cash reserves when the need arises. The Board believes that 2022/23 is the year to begin delivering on the promise.

In closing, I'm happy to say the new financial year has started well and we are currently ahead of budget for year to date, although it is still early days.

BDCC AGM Report

Gino Pacitti BDCC Chair Myponga, SA



t is 12 months since I was appointed to the Chair of the Breed Development and Conformation Committee and as such, this is my second report on what can be described as an interesting year for the Committee.

As was the case in 2021, COVID restrictions and vaccination rollouts prevented what is normally a run of meetings and herd visits organised during the year. None of us could escape that and as I said in my report last year hopefully, the landscape has finally changed to allow more frequency of out of town meetings.

Committee

At the 2021 AGM Scott Somerville from Somerelle Holsteins in Timmering Vic was elected to the BDCC replacing Marcus Young.

Scott's family has been breeding Holsteins in northern Victoria for almost 50 years and has been an active member of the Association serving two years as President of the Northern Victoria Sub-branch.

His passion for breeding good Holstein cows is one of that factors that led him to nominate for the BDCC. A strong advocate for maintaining the relevance of registered cattle, Scott is keen to promote the benefits of registered Holsteins.

At the time of writing, two BDCC members – Geoff Horrocks and Wes Brown – have reached the end of their respective terms and are eligible to renominate.

Competitions

All-Australian Photographic Competition

After a disrupted couple of years the All-Australian Photographic Competition was back, and the judges met face-to-face to decide placegetters.

This year's competition included animals that qualified during 2020/21 and 2021/22 and I'm pleased to say that entry levels were very good with more than 170 contesting the numerous age categories. Returning judges, David Peglar and Matt Templeton were joined by David Johnston who stepped in at the 11th hour after Lisa McKay was unfortunately unavailable.

Can I pass on a vote of thanks to the members for their patience over the past two years who continue to support this great competition and a shout out to the photographers who, year after year never fail to produce such fantastic images of what I believe is the best of the breed.

Cow of the Year

For this year's judging, the Committee was joined by member judge Lachlan Fry, Katandra Park Holsteins, WA and industry judge Tim Weller from World Wide Sires to judge another field of quality matriarchs of the breed. All will be revealed at the Awards presentation so good luck to the finalists and congratulations to the 2022 Australian Cow of the Year.

Breed Development

Master Breeder

At the request from a sub branch the BDCC analysed the breakdown of points that make up the Master Breeder award to determine if there was bias towards one or more components that make up the award, these being production, STP, classification and SBC.

On investigation into the breakdown of points awarded for 38 Master Breeder herds it was evident that there is no bias weighting towards herds with a focus on production.

In fact, the data demonstrated that classification and breeding dominate the point's distribution with more than 60% of points coming from those two components as opposed to 20% for production.

It's worth remembering that the BDCC periodically reviews the production benchmarks that make up animal awards and this includes monitoring long-term trends in herd production improvements.

Throughout the year a number of members' animals were highlighted in the ABV releases demonstrating the impact of

Genetic merit

deep cow families and the influence of the Appendix system in continuing to develop the breed in Australia.

During 2021/22, cows and heifers that made the Top 20 list show case genetics with high components and as well as improvements for health traits including fertility, SCC and survival.

Congratulations to those members whose breeding programs are being recognised as genetic leaders in the breed.

The value of registered Holsteins

While speaking of leaders within the breed I must mention the high sale value of registered Holsteins as we have seen in a number of sales in recent times.

I make particular mention of excellent results for sought after pedigrees at Elmar, Murribrook, Windy Vale and Avonlea just to mention a few; as well as the ST Create the Future sale at IDW.

And let's not forget Australia's longest running Holstein bull sale in Boyanup in the WA that continues into its 62nd year; regularly averaging over \$8000.

Classification

It's fair to say that the classification team have had their work cut out for them over the past 12 months as they play catch up following COVID. However, with just under 30,000 classifications for the year I believe the momentum is swinging in the right direction.

To help with the load another classifier was appointed during late 2021 and I know many of you would have already met Rebecca Haebich in her travels or know her from her family's involvement with HA.

No stranger to registered Holsteins and classification, Rebecca's family hail from Tailem Bend in SA and have been active in the Holstein community including helping organise the Murray Bridge Calf Day over the past 20 years. So, a belated welcome to Rebecca!

In other classification developments that are worthy of mention:

- Leanne Summerville was appointed as Tour Coordinator helping John Crowther book the class tours.
- Holstein Canada is rolling out their new classification software and we expect to have access to that and new tablet hardware over the coming months.
- Classifier Sean Millar attended the WHFF Type Harmonisation workshop in Switzerland at the end of September.

Two special resolutions were presented at Holstein Australia's recent AGM but were not adopted by voting members present, attending on line or voting by proxy.

Having sought independent expert advice, the Board proposed changes to streamline the organisation's governance structure based on current best practice and what the Board understands to be the current and future needs of all members.

Special Resolution 1 – Committees

This resolution related specifically to a new committee structure proposal. The intent was to allow committees to have a more targeted focus and enabled HA to harness untapped member skills in each committee focus area.

The proposed structure would have split the Breed Development and Conformation Committee (BDCC) into two new committees – Classification & Awards and Genetic Improvement.

The Board also sought to establish a Member Engagement Committee to deliver increased member value. This would have replaced the Strategic Directions Committee (SDC), which played Before closing I was saddened to hear the news of the passing of Australia's highest classified cow Fairvale Morty Lady 51 in July.

A month shy of her 17th birthday Morty Lady's achievements were outstanding:

- Australia's only EX-97 point cow
- 2 times IDW Supreme Champion
- Supreme Champion at Sydney Royal

AGM special

resolutions

a vital role during Holstein Australia's

had minimal work to do since.

business plan consultation process but has

The proposed committee's focus was to

through the sub-branch network and

Youth. There was also scope for other

Special Resolution 2 – Company

Under current rules the Chief Executive

This resolution would have enabled

the Board to appoint an appropriately

Secretary, allowing the CEO to devote

more time to the day-to-day business

of running the Association in the best

qualified individual to the role of Company

Officer automatically assumes the role of

committees based on the needs of

members at any given time.

Secretary

Company Secretary.

interests of members.

be engaging with the wider membership

• Overall Champion in the On Farm Challenge.

Truly a wonderful Holstein!

I know that at the time of writing there will be a special resolution put before the membership at this year's AGM to vote on a proposed new structure of the board committees.

HOLSTEIN AUSTRALIA AGM

Whatever the outcome I look forward to working with those members who make up the committee responsible for advancing the Holstein breed in Australia.

Outcomes

Two member-information sessions were held as well as discussion prior to the vote at the AGM. Following this, neither vote reached the required 75% of members attending the AGM or by proxy to vote in favour.

Discussion about special resolution 1 focused on a perceived cross-over between committee purposes and concerns around a member's ability to elect representatives.

While a number of members agreed the benefits of the appointment of a Company Secretary separate to the CEO were clear and common industry practice, the main issues raised related to the potential for additional cost. While the Board's intention was to be transparent about any future appointment, a number of members held the view the rules already allowed for this to occur.

The Board is now consulting with the BDCC and SDC on how best to harness untapped member skills, committee purpose and improve both committee efficiency and effectiveness under the existing structure.



Meet your new BDCC member

New Breed Development and Conformation Committee member Bryan Dickson (Emu Banks Holsteins, Terang, Victoria) switched from a crossbred herd to pure-bred Holsteins in 2002, before becoming an early genomics adopter.

"I could see the potential of genomics early on, and I'd say we dabbled in it for a few years. Early days there was a lot of variance in the results, but this improved as more people came on board," Bryan said.

"To my mind science always wins and data is always accurate. The more data you have the more accurate it is. So around 2012 we started testing all our animals, which we still do.

"I think the real turning point for us way back then was that when genomics picked the worst heifer, it *was* the worst heifer."

Bryan and his wife Jo also classify 100% of their herd, "whether good, bad or indifferent."

Their focus, and one of Bryan's main reasons for standing for the BDCC, is breeding Holsteins fit for commercial reality.

"This has to be our focus in my opinion. I'd guess around 80% of Holstein Australia members or more are what I'd call commercial members, and they need Holsteins that deliver consistently in the dairy and pay their way.

"Over the last few years the breed has made great strides in daughter fertility and overall type has improved. I reckon there needs to be a similar focus on feed efficiency.

"I believe we need to make the cows smaller as they are now getting too big – I'd like to see a shorter, stronger chest width, but not too short," he said.

The Emu Banks herd (was 1,000, now 750 milkers) is fed on a regime of pasture, silage and grain. Production averages around 8,000 litres and 600 kg milk solids.

"That's about our benchmarking and profit point," he said. "We could do a lot more on a different feeding regime, but if we feed them too much they become less profitable. We've also got a big farm, so the



One of Bryan's main reasons for standing for the BDCC, is breeding Holsteins fit for commercial reality.

cows can walk up to 4 km per milking."

Emu Banks sends 500 to 700 heifers to China each year, keeping 200 to 300. The decision about which to keep as replacements and which to sell is based on genomics 85% and on physical looks / phenotypes 15%.

"I think we've got a good mix with our breeding program," Bryan said. "I used to focus on BPI at all costs, but when the kids began showing we also started to focus on type. BPI first, but then type.

"Essentially what I'm looking for are the highest BPI bulls that have good type – good daughter fertility and cell count – which also works for us commercially." Emu Banks Holsteins is a family affair. All four of Bryan and Jo's daughters have been involved in showing as well as working on the farm.

Jacque and twins, Leah and Anna, are at home on the farm, with Leah and Anna still at secondary school. Older sister Rachel is studying science at Melbourne University and is currently on exchange in Canada.

As to the future of the Holstein breed in Australia, Bryan's thoughts are pretty clear.

"We've got to be commercially orientated and have to build or optimise a functional cow. It's that simple. Interestingly I've been talking with a number of American breeders and their focus seems to be the same. We all want stronger, healthier cows," he said.

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The unparalleled performance of Clydebank Allen Leonie

Clydebank Allen Leonie-ET EX-94-2E 6* was named Holstein Australia's 2022 Cow of the Year in recognition of her idyllic conformation, her leading production performance, and her enviable list of VG and Excellent progeny.

Leonie was bred by two-time Master Breeders Ross and Linda Somerville, who milk 300 cows in their Clydebank Holsteins herd, at Timmering in north-west Victoria. She represents seven generations of Clydebank breeding, stemming from their famous Lass family, back to the Clydebank Gay Lass EX-4E STP 40*.

Clydebank is a family-run operation that includes son Dale, daughter Brooke, and youngest son Tim who, with wife Maddy, run their own prefix True Blue Holsteins. Another son Brad and his wife Janelle are nearby, with their registered herd, Melaleuca Holsteins.

Leonie is the second 'Lass' to win the prestigious title, with family member Somerelle Leader Lasso EX-91-3E STP 6* LIFE 2 crowned Cow of the Year in 2015. It is a bloodline that has become synonymous with brood cow success, with Leonie's direct family line boasting 72 Star Brood Cow stars – an achievement Ross Somerville is particularly proud of.

Ross said Leonie and her progeny represented their values and the type of Holstein they strived to breed. "The consistent quality and performance of her descendants at Clydebank has been unparalleled," he said.

Born in March 2005, the 17-year-old Leonie is a daughter of the 1998 Swan Hill Junior Champion, Clydebank Storm J.Lass EX-90-2E 3*. A successful show cow herself, Leonie was crowned Supreme Champion at Rochester's Great Northern Show in 2012, and has featured regularly as an On Farm Challenge winner at local and state level. Now retired, Leonie has a lifetime total exceeding 71,000 litres, with a top lactation as an 8-year-old at 13,514 litres and 864 kg milk solids with a Pl 120.

At EX-94-2E, Leonie is in the top echelon of classified Holsteins in Australia – and with



Clydebank Allen Leonie-ET EX-94-2E 6*, bred by the Somerville family, Clydebank Holsteins, Timmering, Victoria.

a mammary score of EX-97, her udder is among the best ever seen in the breed. Superior dairy strength and world class udders are also a feature of her progeny. Clydebank Braxton Leonie EX-93-2E, Leonie's highest classified daughter todate, scored EX-95 for dairy strength and mammary. Also at EX-95 for dairy strength is Leonie's daughter by De-Su Gillespy. The long-time herd favourite,

CLYDEBANK ALLEN LEONIE-ET

Herd Book: 1476640 DOB: 20/03/2005 **Owner:** CLYDEBANK HOLSTEINS **Breeder: CLYDEBANK HOLSTEINS** Classifications: EX-94-2E Dairy Strength: 92 **Rump:** 95 Feet & Legs: 91 Mammary: 97 Awards: 6*SBC Best Lactation: Age 8-1: 13,514 litres 3.0% 404kgP 3.4% 460kgF PI 120 Production ABV: 4/22 Milk +768 Protein +0 Fat +0 BPI -42 HWI -70 OT 105 MS 101 ASI -88 Progeny Performance: 5 EX, 2 VG89, 2 VG87, 1 VG85 & 2 GP.

Clydebank Gillespy Leonie EX-91-2E is still active at 9-years-old, continuing to add to her lifetime total already exceeding 73,000 litres.

Of the two Excellent Picston Shottle daughters, Clydebank Shottle Leonie-ET EX-90-2E STP remained at Clydebank and achieved Superior Total Performance status in July 2022. Clydebank Shottle Leona-ET EX-90-1E 2* 1xM 1xP was sold in 2014 as a yearling at the Holstein Centenary Celebration Sale, topping the event at \$12,750. She was bought by fellow northwest Victorians, Brent and Kim Mitchell. The Mitchells were long-time fans of the Lass family, enthusiastically adding the bloodline to their Mitch Holsteins herd where Leona has developed into an Excellent high production cow, brood cow, regular On Farm Challenge placegetter and show winner, named Honourable Mention Senior Cow at Rochester in 2017.

The generational success of the Lass family is something Ross believes can be attributed to their robust nature, and their consistent ability to breed tremendous workabilites, above average production and high classification – qualities he is now seeing in the progeny of Leonie's son, Clydebank Le Damion EX-93 (Ledame).



Somerville family at Clydebank Holsteins: Brad & Janelle Somerville, Tim & Maddy Somerville, Brooke Somerville & Dale Somerville.

"A bull like Ledame that adds muzzle, chest width, depth of rib, slope to the rump and teat length is a great asset," Ross said. "He is now being used by several prominent Holstein breeders, and already has five VG 1st lactation daughters with 50% of his daughters scoring VG by their second lactation!"

With 45 registered daughters to-date classified 100% GP or better across three herds, including two VG88 and two VG87 3rd lactation daughters, Ledame will continue to disperse Leonie's influence across the Holstein breed.

Despite strong competition, Leonie's victory for Cow of the Year was unanimous across the panel of judges, consisting of the Breed Development and Conformation Committee, and invited guest judges, Western Australia's Lachlan Fry of Katandra Holsteins, and Tim Weller, representing World Wide Sires Australia.

Tim was looking for what he believed to be the closest to the "ideal cow".

"For me, the Cow of the Year needs to be a cow that would fit in any herd – one that combined proven production performance, fertility, ideal type, and all the elements in between to create the picture of a model Holstein cow," Tim said. He praised his winner for her longevity and her proven status as a brood cow, saying it was Leonie's superior classification score, combined with the superior classification scores of her offspring that gave her the clear advantage. Tim said the magnificent performance of the other nominees should not be overlooked.

"Every entrant was an amazing cow in their own right and each deserved to be nominated for their own reasons," he said. "Leonie is a magnificent individual, and just a step ahead in the development of her progeny, giving her an advantage based on actual classification data."

Fellow judge Lachlan Fry described Leonie as the nominee that "ticked the most boxes."

"Leonie stood out with her long list of Excellent and highly classified daughters, along with her highly classified son who also producing a number of high performing daughters," he said. "Leonie herself is an Excellent 94-point cow with a 97-point udder, has produced lactations up to 13,000 litres, and has an impressive show and On Farm Challenge record – she's an incredible cow."

Lachlan credite Leonie's success to the decades of dedicated breeding by the Somerville family.

"She was born and bred from a cow family they have developed over many generations," he said. "Producing cows like this is a credit to the Somerville family and to Australian cow families like the Lasses."

Lachlan views the Cow of the Year competition as the pinnacle of Holstein breeding, alongside the Master Breeder award and an International Dairy Week Championship title.

"I follow the results with great interest and it was a great privilege to be asked to be on the judges panel," he said proudly. "I would love to win it myself one day – it really is a bucket list achievement!"

Ross and Linda Somerville, Clydebank Holsteins with Clydebank Braxton Leona VG89, daughter Cow of the Year, Clydebank Allen Leonie ex-94-2E.



IN THE SHOW RING

Adelaide Champion worth waiting for

t was a special moment for South Australian breeders Rob and Bec Walmsley when their 5-year-old Holstein, Robsvue Avalanche Penny EX-90-1E, was crowned Senior Champion Holstein by judge David Peglar, at Adelaide's 2022 Royal Show in October.

Not only was Penny the first Royal Champion for Rob and Bec to carry their Robsvue Holsteins prefix, but she was a daughter of one of Rob's foundation Holstein cows, Robsvue Atwood Penny EX-91-2E 2* 2xM 1xF 2xP.

Atwood Penny had been given to Rob as a bonus on his wages while working for Master Breeder Bill and Jo Thompson, Glenorleigh Holsteins.

"Atwood Penny was one of the first cows I got from Bill and Jo," Rob said. "Their 'P' family has always been one of their best cow families and I had always liked her dam."

Even as a calf, Rob thought Avalanche Penny had promise. Though he had to be patient, waiting for her to develop and hit form at the right time.

"Penny has been a slow maturing sort of cow - but she came in nicely this year and really hit her straps," Rob said. "I still think she has a long way to go, but seeing her on this lactation - she has been the one we've been waiting for."

After exceeding 11,000 litres and 730kg milk solids on a second lactation, Penny classified Excellent in May after her third calf with an EX-93 mammary. The Walmsleys took Penny to Bendigo in June where she won a strongly contested 4-year-old class at the Victorian Winter Fair.

Leading the 5-year-old class at Adelaide, the judge found Penny as an easy choice as Champion.

"There certainly were some really strong



Champion Holstein Royal Adelaide Show 2022, Robsvue Avalanche Penny EX-90-1E, exhibited by Rob and Bec Walmsley, Robsvue Holsteins, Myponga SA. Photograph: Bradley Cullen

cows winning each of the senior milking classes," David said.

"I was very happy with the four cows I selected for my final senior contention, and it took an outstanding cow to win it - but the 5-year-old was an awesome cow. She was a cow you really had to admire for her overall strength of front end and openness to her rib. And she had an amazing udder to go with it - just outstanding."

Penny placed ahead of the Treloar family's 4-year-old Edge Doc Sweet VG85 in Reserve Champion, with the Honourable Mention awarded to the Seeliger family's Esjay MVP Tania VG85.

For his Intermediate Champion, David selected the Junior 2-year-old entry Esjay Buffalo Royale, exhibited by the Seeliger family, Esjay Holsteins.

"My Intermediate Champion was only a baby 2-year-old, but a very stylish young cow with a beautiful udder," he said.

"She was a really neat young cow with a bright future - the type I think will really develop in times to come."

The Tweddle family of Benlargo Holsteins took the Reserve title with their Senior 2-year-old Benlargo Crushabull Aura ahead of the Honourable Mention Intermediate, Rockwella Farm Pemberton Buttercup, exhibited by Wes and Rita Hurrell.

In the Junior Championship, David gave the advantage to Jaybrooke Landslide Marion for her length of frame and hard topline ahead of the Reserve, Edge Sidekick Chanel. Esjay Radar Phelma received Honourable Mention with her owners, the Seeliger family, awarded Premier Breeder and Exhibitor. HJ

Adelaide Royal Show results

Judge, David Peglar, Sleepy Hollow Holsteins, SA

Junior Champion: Jaybrooke Landslide Marion, J Seeliger, Jaybrooke Holsteins, Steelton SA; Reserve: Edge Sidekick Chanel, S & H Treloar, Edge Holsteins, Victor Harbor SA; Honourable Mention: Esjay Radar Phelma, Seeliger family, Esjay Holsteins, Flaxman Valley SA. Intermediate Champion: Esjay Buffalo Royale, Seeliger family, Esjay Holsteins, Flaxman Valley SA; Reserve: Benlargo Crushabull Aura, Tweddle family, Benlargo Holsteins, Glencoe SA; Honourable Mention: Rockwella Farm Pemberton Buttercup, W & R Hurrell, Rockwella Farms, Yankallila SA.

Senior Champion: Robsvue Avalanche Penny, R & R Walmsley, Robsvue Holsteins, Myponga SA; Reserve: Edge Doc Sweet, S & H Treloar, Edge Holsteins, Victor Harbor SA; Honourable Mention: Esjay MVP Tania, Seeliger family, Esjay Holsteins, Flaxman Valley SA. Premier Breeder: Seeliger family, Esjay Holsteins, Flaxman Valley SA. Premier Exhibitor: Seeliger family, Esjay Holsteins, Flaxman Valley SA.

Champion outshines herdmate at the Ekka

The Barron family of Cambooya in south-east Queensland dominated the senior in-milk classes at the Royal Queensland Show in September, with a pair of Maple-Downs-IGW Atwood daughters claiming the Champion and Reserve Champion titles.

Under the eye of judge Lindsay Marshall, Yurunga Farms, NSW, the Champion senior 3-year-old Ardylbar Atwood Johnny Rose VG87 used her youthful mammary system and strength of rump to upstage her highly fancied herdmate and 2021 Qld Cow of the Year, Ardylbar Atwood Gracie-ET EX-90-1E in Reserve. The winning 6-year-old entry of Daniel Holmes, Arabella Novo Joy VG89 was named Honourable Mention.

Rose was the "in-form cow on the day", with the judge giving her a clear advantage in overall conformation and style.

"My Champion is an eye-catching young cow presented in wonderful form," Lindsay said. "She is balanced, sharp, wide, deep, open ribbed and with a quality udder. She has an advantage in bloom to her mammary system and has more correct set to her rump to place over the capacious, good uddered cow in Reserve."

The champion Atwood daughters were bred by Adrian and Sheryl Barron (Ardylbar Holsteins) and their son Waylon, with both bloodlines originating from the South Australian Master Breeder herd of Bette Hall. Rose's third dam, Plana Johnny Rose EX-90-6E, was Champion at Brisbane in 2000 and 2007, while Gracie's dam was the 2011 Brisbane Champion, Plana Magic Grace EX-93-1E 2*.

Fresh on her second lactation, the 3½-year-old Rose classified VG87 including VG89 for mammary and VG89 for dairy strength. Prior to the Royal, Rose was "just a paddock cow", with the Barrons admitting they hadn't paid much attention to her as a young cow, but noticed her gradually improving as she matured.

"She's one of those cows that just goes about her day without a fuss," Sheryl said.

"When she calved for the second time, Waylon thought she was looking pretty good and decided to break her in. We were pretty excited to see her do so well."

The Intermediate classes belonged to the Arabella team, winning the Champion, Reserve and Honourable Mention. It was a huge result for the Holmes family, reflected in the hot demand for their Royal winners at their dispersal sale just a few weeks later.

Their Intermediate Champion, Arabella 1st Bev VG87 reached \$8,000 selling to the Chesworth family (Tomargo Recluse) of Dubbo NSW.

The Reserve Champion, Arabella Lambda Olivia GP84 sold to the Jones family of Gippsland Victoria, topping the sale at \$19,000, followed closely by the Honourable Mention, Arabella SK Dottie VG86 at \$18,500.

Arabella's Royal success helped drive their impressive sale average of \$7,784, attracting buyers from across Queensland, Victoria and New South Wales.



Ardylbar Atwood Johnny Rose VG87, led by Waylon Barron, Ardylbar Holsteins, Queensland. *Photograph: Andrew Cullen*

Royal Queensland Show results

Judge: Lindsay Marshall, Yurunga Farms, NSW

Junior Champion, Adadale Sidekick Roletha-ET, Paulger family, Adadale Holsteins, Kenilsworth QLD; Reserve: Arabella Calisto Ding, Arabella Farming Company, Arabella Holsteins, Brookstead, QLD; Honourable Mention: Arabella Chief D Betsy, Arabella Farming Company, Arabella Holsteins, Brookstead, QLD

Intermediate Champion: Arabella 1st Bev, Arabella Farming Company, Arabella Holsteins, Brookstead, QLD; **Reserve:** Arabella Lambda Olivia, Arabella Farming Company, Arabella Holsteins, Brookstead, QLD; **Honourable Mention:** Arabella SK Dottie, Arabella Farming Company, Arabella Holsteins, Brookstead, QLD

Senior Champion: Ardylbar Atwood Johnny Rose, A.D. & S.L. Barron, Ardylbar Holsteins, Cambooya, QLD; **Reserve:** Senior Champion, Ardylbar Atwood Gracie, A.D. & S.L. Barron, Ardylbar Holsteins, Cambooya, QLD; **Honourable Mention:** Arabella Novo Joy, Arabella Farming Company, Arabella Holsteins, Brookstead, QLD.

NSW State Show back in style

A fter a challenging couple of years with drought, fires, floods and COVID, the South Coast and Tablelands Sub-Branch of Holstein Australia was delighted to hold the 2022 NSW State Show, the largest Holstein displayed in the region, on Saturday 27 August, at the newly renovated Nowra Showground.

It was an exciting new venue for this year's show, boasting new and improved facilities, the perfect backdrop for the show and all its inclusions.

With a large display of dairy cattle and a large gallery of dairy farmer spectators attending, it was incredible to see such wonderful support for this year's event, particularly after the lastminute cancellation of last year's event.



HA CEO Rohan Butler, judge Murray Sowter with Senior Champion, Calderwood Golden Dreams Marg 2nd and owners Craig, Luke and Jade Whatman.



Emma Cochrane, of Raine and Horne, and judge Murray Sowter present the junior champion ribbon to David Crapp and Wiley's Ridge Unstopabull Barbara Red.



Judge Murray Sowter presents the Junior Champion Red and White ribbon to David Crapp and Wiley's Ridge Unstopabull Barbara Red.



Senior Champion Red, Daniel Wallis' entry Evergreen Goldchip Jocular paraded by Wayne Cass.



David Ninness, of Semex, presents the intermediate champion ribbon to Matt Russell's entry Brunellen Park Crushabull Princess.

> Photographs: South Coast Register: Robert Crawford and Sam Baker

NSW State Show results

Judge: Murray Sowter Murribrook Holsteins, NSW

Senior Champion, Open Show: Calderwood Golden Dreams Marg 2nd; Reserve: Avonlea Jacoby Sarah; Honourable Mention: Evergreen Goldchip Jocular.

Senior Champion, Red and White: Evergreen Lookout Jocular; Reserve: Eagle Park Apple Crumble.

Intermediate Champion, Open Show: Brunellen Park Crushabull Princess 8537; Reserve: Rural View Solomon Divine; Honourable Mention: Strongbark Tatto Tara.

Junior Champion Youth Show: Wiley Ridge Late Nite Apple Cara – Saxon Crapp; Reserve: Sweet Apple Llezee – Katrina Cochrane; Honourable Mention: Parrabel RS Denver Okutie – Aloha Thompson.

Junior Champion – Red & White: Wiley Ridge Unstopabull Barbara – Saxon Crapp; Reserve: Wiley Ridge Late Nite Apple Cara – Saxon Crapp; Honourable Mention: Eagle Park Mirand Jelly.

Junior Champion – Open Show: Wiley Ridge Unstopabull Barbara – Saxon Crapp; Reserve: Parrabel Goldwyn Saturday – CC & J Cochrane; Honourable Mention: Wiley Ridge Late Nite Apple Cara – Saxon Crapp.

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IDW plans to pack a punch in 2023

There is something special about International Dairy Week. And 2023 will mark the 33rd year the dairy industry comes together to network, educate, catch up and celebrate Australian dairy cattle.

Last year, the landscape was different. We were still in the grip of a pandemic. Handlers and spectators alike were required to wear face masks. It was an odd sight to see.

New event co-directors Declan Patten and Brad Cullen, and event coordinator Stacey Leppert pushed through to ensure that IDW came together and what a show it was!

The standard program will be back in 2023 plus a stand-alone Red and White Holstein Show for the first time.

Declan Patten said he'd always been a huge supporter of the Red and White Holstein breed.

"I have seen them continue to improve and develop as a breed and we are excited to showcase them in a standalone show," Declan said

The inaugural National Red & White Show will be judged by Callum McKinven, Lookout Farms in Quebec, Canada. McKinven is one of the most highly regarded judges in the world, having judged in 31 countries, including at IDW in 1999.

Holsteins will be judged by Warren Ferguson, of Ferdon Genetics, New Zealand (pictured). He judged the National Jersey Show in 2012 and the Ayrshires in 2017.





IDW 2023 also boasts two very accomplished Holstein Australia members as judges. Lachlan Fry, Katandra Park Holstein & Jerseys, WA will oversee the Ayrshire Show – having judged multiple breeds Australia-wide; including the Jerseys at the 2021 Sydney Royal Easter Show.

He is joined by Brad Gavenlock, Cherrylock Cattle Co, Victoria, who will be judging the Illawarra show. Brad has judged extensively throughout the country and also has an eye for a champion outside the ring; having owned or managed 20 International Dairy Week Champions. The Youth Program continues to be strengthened with the return of the All Breeds Youth Show and Holstein Australia Youth Challenge.

The lead in to IDW now includes a youth focus on Saturday as well – with showmanship and fitting clinics along with a family-friendly food-truck festival and entertainment on site.

IDW information: www.idwaus.com or www.facebook.com/internationaldairyweek.

IDW Youth Challenge entries roll in

Sundays at International Dairy Week have long been Youth Challenge day and it's back and gaining momentum.

After a 12-month hiatus due to COVID-19, the Holstein Australia Youth Challenge returned in 2022, with a phenomenal 70 participants across the Ayrshire, Brown Swiss, Guernsey, Holstein and Jersey breeds taking part. Holstein Australia Youth Challenge Coordinator Justin Johnston said he was expecting more than 100 competitors in January 2023.

Teams for the 2023 Holstein Australia Youth Challenge have been registering from throughout Australia and will be joined by a New Zealand Jersey team, an exciting addition to the program. Diary date: 2023 Holstein Australia Youth Challenge Sunday, 14 January from 11.00am in the Blackmore & Leslie Complex at International Dairy Week.

For more information about the activities and show schedule for the week, visit www. idwaus.com.

A fantastic year to have Faith

BY JON HOLLAND

Warramont Diamondback Fondue EX-90-1E is the latest cow in the worldrenown Faith family to catch the attention of the Australian community.

In the past two years she has classified Excellent, completed a 305-day lactation of nearly 12,000 litres, won multiple Championship titles, and has been crowned 5-year-old All-Australian for 2020-22. Her remarkable success has been a culmination of the stewardship of Simon and Neville Wilkie, Crookslea Holsteins, Bacchus Marsh; the masterful breeding of David and Trudy Fiebig and the consistent genetics of the Faith cow family.

Simon and Neville had been searching for a potential 'big-time' show cow – and found it in Fondue. They bought her at the first stage dispersal of the Fiebig's Master Breeder herd, Warramont Holsteins, in March 2021. The sale fetched an impressive average of \$3,900 for 135 lots with a sale topping \$24,000 for the 4-yearold Diamondback Fondue.

Global expansion

The Faith family has been creating headlines ever since the famous North American brood cow Plushanski Chief Faith EX-94-4E burst onto the scene in the early 1970s as the USA's no.1 index Holstein.

For 50 years, Chief Faith's descendants have topped international index charts while simultaneously leading champion strings at premier shows around the world. Among the historical chart toppers, her daughter, Plushanski Valiant Fran-ET EX-1E 35* still stands among the highest rated star brood cows in North America. Her Canadian granddaughter, Quality BC Frantisco EX-96-3E 31*, is a two-time Royal Winter Fair Champion, Holstein International World Champion, and regarded by many as one of the greatest Holstein show cows of all time. Male descendants Plushanksi Thor Cutter, Sandy-Valley Forbidden and To-Mar D-Fortune are just some of the prominent bulls that have dispersed the Faith



All-Australian 5-year-old – Warramont Diamondback Fondue EX-90-1E, exhibited by Neville & Simon Wilkie, Crookslea Holsteins, bred by David & Trudy Fiebig, Warramont Holsteins.

influence throughout the world, alongside countless embryo exports founding new maternal branches across every continent.

Female members of the Faith family began arriving in Australia in the early 1990s. In 1992, Western Australian Master Breeder Ray Kitchen imported embyros by Singing-Brook NB Mascot from Plushanksi Pen-GBI Fire GP, resulting in the legendary brood cow Carenda Mascot Faith-IMP-ET VG87 7* 1xM 1xF 1xP. Mascot Faith quickly cemented the bloodline's influence in Australia through her son Carenda Fabulon (FABULON) and his ET full sister Carenda Gibbon Fame-ET VG88 14*.

Excellent standouts demonstrating the family's ability for superior conformation include Carenda Oman Floosie-ET EX-90-1E STP 1xEP 1xF LIFE 2 and Carenda Bullion Frances EX-90-3E 2xM 1xF 1xP LIFE 3, alongside the Hill Valley Basar Acme (INFORMER) daughters, Carenda Informer Floosie-ET EX-91-1E 1xEP, Carenda Informer Feebee EX-90-1E 1xEP and Carenda Informer Florrie-ET EX-90-3E 3xM 4xP. The family's genetic potency is demonstrated in elite brood cows such as Carenda Bullion Fawn VG86 11* 1xM 1xF 1xP, Carenda Donor Farrah VG87 6* 1xEP and Carenda Supersire Freaky-ET EX-90-1E 5*, and popular return-to-service sires Carenda Flashback (FLASHBACK) and Carenda Frankland (FRANKLAND). And the excitement around the first milking daughters of Genetics Australia young sire Carenda Pemberton (PEMBERTON) ensures the Faith family's continued influence over the next generation.

While the Kitchens imported embryos from North America, a European branch of the Faith family was introduced via the Genetics Australia Eureka program. The Annecy branch stems from the brood cow Plushanski Celitus Farci VG87 via a maternal sister to the popular sire Plushanksi Thor Cutter. Eureka Fatal Annecy-IMP-ET VG89 1xM 1xP was bought as a yearling by Gippsland Master Breeders Rob and Lynette Johnston. The Annecys guickly flourished in the Glomar Holsteins herd, most notably producing the All-Australian, State On Farm Challenge and Royal Melbourne Champion, Glomar McCutchen Annecy 5506 EX-90-2E.

In South Australia, five embryos were imported from Canada sired by the US

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chart leader Ronnybrook Prelude out of Quality Wister Frosti GP83. Bought by Ron and Mary Fiebig, Warragai Holsteins, the five embryos resulted in four pregnancies, and four heifer calves. Close to his retirement, Ron gave one of the heifers, Warragai Prelude Fran-IMP-ET VG85, to his son David and daughter in-law Trudy, who were at the early stages of establishing their own Holstein prefix – Warramont Holsteins.

Pinnacle year

Before their dispersal, David and Trudy Fiebig milked up to 300 cows on their 200 hectare farm just outside Mount Gambier in south-east South Australia. Their Warramont herd received Master Breeder status in 2020 – something David is incredibly proud to have achieved.

David attributes a lot of their success to his cows, and the cow families he says have been a privilege to work with – in particular the Pen-Col D family, and the Faiths.

"The Faith family is pretty entrenched when it comes to Holstein breeding," David said, believing a key to their success was their good temperament, and their ability to adapt to any farming model and breeding program. "They were always really good cows to work with. Production wise they usually responded well depending on which bull you crossed them to, and they had pretty reasonable body capacity which was something I tried to breed for."



Plushanski Chief Faith EX-94-4E – foundation cow of the Faith family and former USA No.1 index cow.

For David, the breakthrough cow was the Strathaire Southwind Luke (WINLUKE) daughter from Prelude Fran, Warramont Winluke Frosti EX-91-3E 11* 1xEP 1xM 1xP LIFE1.

"Frosti was an exceptional cow from the beginning," he said. "She was tall and long and deep, and had loads of style. And her temperament was exemplary – she never put a foot wrong."

Frosti's success had a major influence on David's son Brett who was developing a keen interest in showing, taking the spotty heifer to local shows and calf days.

"We hadn't done much showing prior to



Royal Adelaide, Royal Melbourne and Mt Gambier Champion 2006 – Warramont Winluke Frosti EX-91-3E 11* 1xEP 1xM 1xF 1xP LIFE 1, bred by David and Trudy Fiebig, Warramont Holsteins.

Frosti," David said, acknowledging the support they received from their Holstein sub-branch members. "We had a really strong group of enthusiastic local breeders who certainly encouraged us. We were pretty lucky to have a cow like Frosti who allowed Brett to enjoy his showing and to hone his skills."

In 2006, as a 7-year-old, Frosti reached her peak form, winning Champion Cow at Adelaide Royal, Melbourne Royal and the Mount Gambier Fair.

"That year really was the pinnacle," David said, remembering Brett's hard work and dedication, and the frantic nature of competing at three major events across two states in just a six week period. "Brett was always busy with her, bringing her home each time, then loading her back on the horse float to set up again at the next event. But Frosti just ran with it and always looked the goods."

Frosti was named Reserve All-Australian Mature Cow the same year, while also completing her best production record of 12,684litres, 3.3% 412kg protein, 4.5% 567kg fat in 305 days with a Pl 127.

As a brood cow, she had two sons enter Al, with a red and white Ladino Park Talent son, Warramont Red Ferrari-ET (REDFERRARI) producing 106 Australian registered daughters of which 90% classified GP or better.

Of her seven VG daughters, three scored VG88 including the Boss Iron daughter Warramont Boss Finesse VG88 STP 1xF LIFE

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1. Chasing a bit of colour, David flushed Frosti to the Swiss red and white Holstein, Savard-RED. The flush produced two daughters. The black and white Warramont Savard Fern-ET VG88 STP 2* was a consistent performer for eight lactations, and was the dam of Warramont Licorice Fuschia-RED VG85, one of the 'hot ticket' animals of the dispersal, selling for \$6,000 to Donnybrook Holsteins.

The red and white heifer from the flush, Warramont Savard Flower-ET-RED VG87, was never able to match the production performance of her sister, but she did provide one special daughter by Mr Apple D Diamondback – Warramont Diamondback Fondue-ET EX-90-1E.

Tying up loose ends

Frosti's only Excellent daughter was also her last naturally born daughter. Warramont Talent Faith EX-90-2E STP 6* was born with veterinary assistance after Frosti was diagnosed with a twisted uterus. While Frosti quickly recovered from the ordeal and went on to complete her stella show season, the difficult birth meant she was no longer able to carry another pregnancy.

Luckily the calf survived, and despite David admitting Talent Faith was never a "show cow", she was still a cow he held in high regard.

"She was a great looking cow with tremendous body and capacity," he said. "Never 'showy' enough for a typical 'show' cow – but a cow who worked hard and earned her Excellent class score."

Her daughter, Warramont Roumare



Brett, Trudy, David and Jane Fiebig, Warramont Holsteins, at Mt Gambier Show 2006 with their Champion cow Warramont Winluke Frosti EX-91-3E 11* 1xEP 1xM 1xF 1xP LIFE 1.

Fortune EX-90-3E STP 8* 3xM LIFE1, completed five consecutive lactations exceeding 10,00litre while boasting an EX-92 mammary. A fourth generation Excellent arrived in Fortune's daughter Warramont Mascalese Franchise-ET EX-90-1E 1xF.

Franchise was bought as a 3-month-old calf by fellow SA Master Breeders the Siedel family, Fantasia Holsteins, at a local multi-vendor breeder sale hosted as part of the South East's 50th Celebration Fair. Franchise recently classified Excellent for the second time in April 2022, and has produced three daughters at Fantasia Holsteins.

A maternal sister to Franchise, Warramont Medallion Fromage EX-91-3E STP 2* remains a sentimental favourite for David and Trudy. Despite being very fit, it was decided that she was too old to sell as part of the dispersal. She remained with the Fiebig's small herd of 30 "good old girls", with David admitting "it'll be hard to stop milking cows while she's still here."

He describes Fromage as a "typical



The next generation of Faiths – Avant-Garde Latenite daughters of Warramont Licroice Firefly-ET VG85.

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Medallion daughter", being an aggressive feeder, pleasant nature, and boasting an EX-94 mammary and EX-92 dairy strength.

"She isn't a tall cow – but she's a mighty cow," David said. "She loves her feed and isn't afraid of anything – like a little Jack Russell she'll push her way through anything.

While she's still viable, David hopes to continue flushing his old favourite, with some exciting daughters by Kings-Ransom S Dreambig and Eba Davinci in his calf shed, and an All-Nure Secretariat yearling due to be mated soon.

He expects they will permanently close down their little dairy in March 2023, but will maintain his interest in breeding, with a group of five red and white ET heifer calves by Avant-Garde-I Latenite out of Warramont Licorice Firefly-ET VG85 to keep him busy.

"We haven't bred many red and whites up until now – so it's a nice way of tying up loose ends."

Coming full circle

Like David and Trudy, central west Victoria's Neville Wilkie has not lost his passion for Holstein breeding. Since 'retiring', Neville has maintained a small herd of dairy cows, milking them twice a day, and using the milk to rear 100 black and white steers each year.

Neville has been a passionate member of Holstein Australia for nearly 70 years, starting with the Crooksdale prefix in the early 1950s with his brother Raymond and father Dave.

In the late 1970s, Neville and his wife Margaret established their own prefix, Crookslea Holsteins, competing regularly at Melbourne Royal and local Western District Features.

Now in his 80s, Neville decided it was time for "one last chance" owning a highend Holstein cow, pairing up with his son Simon and heading to David and Trudy's dispersal.

For Simon, what started out as a 'few hours a week' helping out his retired father, has ended in a part share in a Champion show cow and All-Australian winner. Having worked for Holstein Australia as a 16-year-old, Simon says life has come full circle, remembering his first job was to sort through the All-Australian entries and prepare the photos for the judges.



Neville and Simon WIlkie, Crookslea Holsteins, with their Champion Cow, Warramont Diamondback Fondue EX-90-1E at Heytesbury Show.

"It's 40 years later and here we are – I've got one!" Simon says proudly.

Simon first spotted Fondue in a photo on social media. She was in her 'working clothes', grazing in a paddock, yet he could see she was "the right cut" and showing plenty of balance and style.

"We were looking for a cow we could take to Dairy Week or the Winter Fair," Simon said. "Not necessarily to win – but something that could potentially finish at the pointy end."

Having sent the photo to Neville, the pair agreed she was the cow they needed and

Faith family tree Plushanski Chief Faith EX-94-4E 22/11/1968 (Pawnee Farm Arlinda Chief EX) Plushanski Valiant Fran ET EX-1E 35* 24/03/1981 (S-W-D Valiant EX) Plushanski ljon Frosty-ET 3* 03/08/1984 (Sterk R.A. Ijon VG) Quality Wistar Frosti GP 12/01/1992 (To-Mar Wister) Warragai Prelude Fran-IMP-ET VG85 14/08/1994 (Ronnybrook Prelude GP) Warramont Winluke Frosti EX-91-3E 11* 1xEP 1xM 1xF 1xP LIFE 1 30/09/1998 (Strathaire Southwind Luke EX) Warramont Savard Flower-RED-ET VG87 29/09/2011 (Savard-RED) Warramont Diamondback Fondue-ET EX-90-1E

06/09/2016 (Mr D Apple Diamondback) headed to the sale at the Warrnambool Selling Centre. For Simon, their plan was fairly simple.

"I thought if we could get her for \$10,000, that would be great," Simon said. "If we needed to go to \$15,000, she must be a pretty good cow. If we had to go to \$20,000, then she was a really good cow – and probably the cow we wanted."

In the end, Fondue topped the sale at \$24,000. But as a young cow coming into her prime, with the quality of cow family behind her, Simon had confidence in his investment.

"It was probably more than I would have liked," Simon admitted, "but as soon as we got to the sale, we knew she was the cow we had been looking for. It really was love at first sight."

Simon had the philosophy he was better off buying the cow he wanted – rather than two cows he didn't want as much.

"Whether it's a good cow or a poor cow, you put the same amount of time into them – so you may as well own the good one," he said.

"Fondue may have been the dearest cow we have ever bought – but I also think she may have been the cheapest."

Fondue is now housed at Neville's farm at Bacchus Marsh where he milks six cows to feed the calves Simon says are there to pay for "their expensive hobby."

Plans for the future

The Wilkies have enjoyed their early success with Fondue, with plans for an IVF program before getting her back in calf ready for IDW and the Victorian Winter Fair in 2024.

"Fondue really enjoys showing," Simon said, "She is one of those cows that you could show three days a week – rain, hail or shine, twenty-four-seven, she holds her form and backs it up!"

Simon says he and Neville keep the Fiebigs updated regularly on Fondue's success, and is very grateful for the opportunity to work with such a special individual.

"As breeders, they have spent a lot of their time and money over the years to develop these cows and cow families. When you get a chance to own and work with such a really good cow, you have a responsibility to the cow and to her breeders, to get the best out of the cow – and we've had a fantastic year with her!"





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Lessons from classification score card

Classification plays a key role in many member breeding programs, from building pedigrees and cow family depth to use in animal promotion or gaining an overall picture of your herd progress. Holstein Australia has just completed a major survey on its classification service, and the results make interesting reading.

Holstein Australia CEO Rohan Butler said was important to understand member needs for services, particularly with classification software upgrades scheduled for the coming year.

"We'll be implementing an upgrade of software provided by Holstein Canada. As part of this, there will be a refresh of reports and data provided, so member input is crucial to this process," he said.

"A lot of what the survey told us confirmed our understanding of what members want, but there are some surprises that are worth sharing.

It's not about the dollars

The biggest reasons for not submitting animals for classification were 'already classified' and 'the wrong time'.

Cost of the service came in at number six of seven things that get in the way with classification visits. Only 12% of respondents indicated budget as a reason for not putting animals forward, although a fifth of respondents indicated that



The 2022 Member survey provided an insight into how members value the classification service.

service cost was a consideration when arranging their class visit. This was not seen to be a major barrier though, with more than one-third of those surveyed referencing the work to make the visit happen (drafting cows, organising data, etc) and the length of time animals are yarded as factors.

Visits per year

Eighty-two per cent (82%) of respondents indicated they currently had two visits



per year, with more than half (53%) comfortable with that frequency. Fortythree per cent (43%) indicated three or more visits per year would be preferable.

The survey also confirmed, as expected, that members are likely to put up fewer animals if the visits were at the wrong time of year for them.

While special classification visits can be booked, these come at increased cost to cover the expense of getting classifiers to a region for a single herd visit. A consideration for members in the same area could be special visits where multiple sub-branch members share the visit cost.

Time of year

It was no surprise to hear that November and October are the preferred time of year for classification nationwide. With the current structure, it is difficult to accommodate all regions in a two month window. HA is analysing the data from this section of the survey to see if there are regions that could take tours at different times of year.

Time of day

We all know dairy farmers are up before the sun and like to get major jobs done early in the day. Classification is

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no different, with 44% of respondents selecting a 9am start as their first preference and 33% selecting 7am as their ideal start time. It is often difficult to schedule work later in the day as it can clash with afternoon milking.

HA will use this data to identify start times that work for both members and also allow HA to fit an efficient number of cows into a day.

Member satisfaction

As a member association, HA needs to meet member expectations for classification services. Key factors are evaluation quality, consistency between classifiers, classifier interaction, professionalism, amount of time classifier is on farm and communication.

Ninety-five per cent (95%) of respondents rated all these factors as okay or better.

However, the survey identified that 25% of respondents had concerns about consistency between classifiers; the flip side being that 75% were happy with this. Consistency between classifiers is something HA strives hard to maintain and off the back of the survey this will remain a focus area for the team.

Three-quarters (73%) of respondents rated evaluation quality as satisfactory or highly satisfactory. In short, while the most members recognise that classifiers are doing a good job, some feel there needs to be more consistency between classifiers.

Refreshed reports

Over the next 12 months, HA will build a new report delivery system and refresh the standard set of reports that come with the service.



We know that members use classification data for both individual animal level decisions, marketing and also to evaluate the progress of their herd and breeding program.

The survey confirmed that members are still using the data to both evaluate and market individual animals as well make herd level decisions. Using classification data for sire selection was at the bottom of the list perhaps surprisingly, but even then 1 in 5 members use it to help guide building their bull team.

A key finding was that members want classification data loaded easily into their on-farm system (Easy Dairy, Mistro, etc) and to receive the reports promptly.

While there have been some improvements recently, the current system is limited in this area. Internally the biggest system hold up is processing classification of unregistered animals.

Further data use

A question was asked about other data members combine with classification data, specifically genomics, with a third of respondents doing this.

Currently, the two data sources are not easily put together and are not as user friendly as they should be. This was a factor for some who wanted to work with both data sets. As part of the new reporting system HA will be looking to improve this so members get the best from their investment in collecting data.

Thank you to the many members who took the time to complete the survey. Your contribution will play a big part in improving classification reporting and the way the service is delivered.



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Type harmonisation, a global priority

Type harmonisation has been given top priority for improving genetic correlations and the consistency of data that creates international bull proofs.

This is one of the outcomes of the 14th World Holstein Friesian Federation (WHFF) classifier workshop, held in Switzerland in September.

Holstein Australia senior classifier, Sean Millar, represented Holstein Australia at the workshop, which is designed to assess classification models and linear standards around the world, and to improve international uniformity in Holstein conformation evaluations.

This was Sean's third time attending the WHFF workshop. His last attendance was in 2018 in the UK; the 2020 event was cancelled during the COVID pandemic.

Sean said it was a privilege to represent the Australian Holstein breed at such a prestigious international event, networking with fellow classifiers and industry mentors, and discussing the latest findings in true-to-type Holstein breeding.

"It is important for us to continually learn, to compare and share in our experiences and learn from really good 'cow people"," he said. "Regardless of where they are in the world, what housing or feeding system they use, they have knowledge to share, and it's amazing how the philosophies in Holstein breeding are always similar.

"The basic principle behind the event is to get all the Holstein breeding countries reading and measuring their cows with the same weight," Sean said. He emphasised the classification workshops were about the accuracy and uniformity across different countries rather than the end score of an individual, rather. "This will give continuity in our evaluations and more continuity in our bull proofs."

When assessing a cow, Sean believes his role as a classifier is to report what they see.

"Strictly speaking – this is a body part – this is the measurement – this is the score."

While it is important for the breed to uphold a high level of uniformity in its classification models, he admits that when measuring traits against a standardised linear scale, there is still a need for each country to have its own unique goals and preferences.

On-farm workshops

A series of on-farm classification workshops were a highlight for Sean,



The WHFF classification workshop involved a mix of indoor presentations and practical on-farm sessions.

and a break from the corporate presentations. They gave the participants the opportunity to share ideas in smaller groups, evaluate animals under varying housing conditions and discuss the results according to each country's modelling.

It was also an opportunity for Sean to share his experiences with Australia's Ginfo program.

Ginfo is the Australian dairy industry's genomic Information reference population. It is a collaboration between DataGene, DairyBio, Dairy Australia, Holstein Australia, Jersey Australia and the Victorian Government.

"I see the Ginfo program as being very beneficial in collecting reliable data because it allows us to evaluate a broader range of cattle – not just registered cattle," he said.

"We also perform a large number of LTEs (Linear Trait Evaluation) compared with other countries."

There were numerous presentations and speakers throughout the three day event providing updates on international trait correlations and genetic improvement. Sean was impressed by the data presented, with Australian figures showing a close correlation for many individual traits.

Dairy strength

The composite dairy strength was discussed at length, with Sean noting varying opinions around evaluating the trait and its effect on production and longevity.

"There was a lot of discussion around dairy strength and angularity and its merits when evaluating a cow," Sean said. While the current Australian classification model uses the term 'dairy strength', incorporating traits such as chest width, body depth and angularity, some countries are looking to redefine the trait of angularity as 'rib direction'.

"Some countries prefer to use the term 'dairy form', which brings in bone quality and texture. This doesn't necessarily translate the same with our definition. And some question the use of angularity at all."

Another topic of discussion was the foot and leg composite, with front leg evaluations and 'locomotion' as a measured trait increasing in popularity. Locomotion has been a research trait already in Australia for many years, though Sean admitted it was difficult to measure in a uniform fashion.

"In some countries, locomotion plays a big part in their overall feet and leg composite," he said. "However, to assess it properly, it is necessary to view the cow in a space where she walks freely without being rushed or pushed. For us in Australia, this is hard to measure when we deal with such variation in surfaces." The new research traits presented were of particular interest to Sean, though he emphasised any modifications needed to be supported by scientific evidence, and associated with the durability, functionality and profitability of the Holstein cow.

"There were quite a few different research traits presented with graphs and discussions around the correlation between specific traits and profitability," he said, noting traits such as 'front feet orientation', 'rib direction' and 'udder balance' as potential traits for the future.

"It's interesting to hear discussions on how each country will incorporate different traits into their class systems and the potential they have for bull proofs," he said. "It was an opportunity to rethink our concepts around traits such as angularity and chest width. Are we measuring these traits correctly? Or are they being influenced by the ever increasing stature of the breed? And therefore how much is stature influencing our concept of capacity?"

Excited by the future of Holstein evaluations, Sean plans to share the discussion points from the workshops with the Breed Development and Classification Committee and the Board, and is looking forward to further advancements in technology with iPads to replace the traditional handheld devices for classification over the coming months. **HJ**

Don't miss Herd '23 in Bendigo, 10-11 March

Dairy herd improvement enthusiasts will be eager to set aside 15-16 March 23 in their diaries to attend Herd '23, the popular conference for the dairy herd improvement industry.

Held every two years at Bendigo, Victoria, the Herd conference has a reputation for addressing exciting topics through speakers who are leaders in their field, including scientists, farmers and service providers.

The Herd '23 program has a strong sustainability theme, with a particular focus on how breeding and herd improvement can contribute to a sustainable Australian dairy industry.

Professor Jennie Pryce from DairyBio will provide an overview of global initiatives to improve sustainability through genetics. Barry Irvin from Bega Cheese will share his experience with implementing a circular economy initiative, from both the farmer and processor perspective. And Michelle Axford will share early findings from her work to develop a Calf Vitality breeding value.

Dr Matt Shaffer, DataGene CEO, said Herd conferences were a rare opportunity for people working in dairy herd improvement to get together and share ideas.

"The sense of community and connections forged at Herd Conferences are just as valuable as the presentations. This was really highlighted at Herd '21 where we managed to run the event in between lockdowns and offered attendance in person and online. We'll be offering a hybrid format again in 2023," he said.

Herd conferences are a joint initiative between DataGene, Dairy Australia, Holstein Australia and the National Herd Improvement Association (NHIA).

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Michelle Axford will share at Herd '23 the early results of her research to develop a breeding value for calf vitality.

Delightful display

After missing last year due to COVID restrictions, we are so delighted to present on the following pages the winners and placegetters of the Semex/Holstein Australia All-Australian competition. This competition included animals that qualified during 2020/21 and 2021/22.

Thanks to the judges - David Peglar (Sleepy Hollow, Fleurieu & Central South Australia), Matt Templeton (View Fort, South Gippsland, Victoria) and David Johnston (Segenhoe Park, Western Districts) - for their time and enthusiasm in reviewing the 177 entries.

Enjoy the display of the best of the best of Australian Holsteins. And don't forget to have your show cows photographed so you can enter them in next year's competition.



PREMIER BREEDER

Awarded to: JH & CJ Gardiner

> Premier Breeder award sponsored by WFI

W7 PREMIER EXHIBITOR

Awarded to: **RK & JR Gordon**

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The Semex/Holstein Australia All-Australian Competition is a national photographic competition that recognises excellence in conformation and showing. It is open to all Holstein Australia Herdbook and Appendix 1,2 and 3 females that have been successfully shown at a show adjudicated by a judge from the national panel. The three-member judging panel selected both the finalists and the top three places in each class.

6 YEARS & OVER



1st: CLYDEVALE SOLOMON SUNSET-ET

Sire: WALNUTLAWN SOLOMON-ET-RDF-DPF-BLF-CVF-BYF Dam: HULLABALOO BOLTON SUNDAE 7282-ET Breeder: A F & C M DEE, VIC **Exhibitor:** CLYDEVALE HOLSTEINS PTY LTD ATF DEE FAMILY TRUST VIC



2nd: EAGLE RIDGE **AMAZING G POLLYANNA**

Sire: MR ATLEES ALTAAMAZING-ET-BLF-CVF-BYF Dam: EAGLE RIDGE GOLDROY POLIYANNA Breeder: RG & KV EAGLE, VIC Exhibitor: R K & J R GORDON, VIC



3rd: MURRIBROOK REGINALD VICTORY-ET

Sire: REGANCREST REGINALD-**BLF-CVF** Dam: STRONGBARK LINJET VICTORY-ET Breeder: M J SOWTER, NSW Exhibitor: R K & J R GORDON/J H & C J GARDINER

4th: AVONLEA STANLEYCUP CAROL, INSTYLE HOLSTEINS, VIC 5th: SMALLRIDGE SHADOW RAINBOW, JADE & SCOTT SIEBEN, VIC 6th: MARIO PARK ATWOOD MIDAS-ET, MURRAY POLSON, NSW

JUDGES' COMMENTS

Six magnificent cows, one and all, with the top cow in full bloom. She uses her extra length of frame and spring and openness of rib with her near faultless udder to place of over our super dairy cow in second. The cow in second is higher and wider of her rear attachment and cleaner of her head and neck than the well-balanced cow in third.

5-YEAR-OLD



1st: WARRAMONT DIAMONDBACK FONDUE-ET Sire: MR D APPLE DIAMONDBACK-RDC-DPF-BLF-CVF-BYF Dam: WARRAMONT SAVARD FLOWER-ET-RED Breeder: D J & T A FIEBIG, SA Exhibitor: N & M WILKIE/SIMON WILKIE, VIC

4-YEAR-OLD



1st: GLOMAR HOTLINE SARAH 6200 Sire: PEAK HOTLINE-ET-DPF-BLF-CVF-BYF Dam: GLOMAR GOLDWYN SARAH 4601-ET-CNF-DPF-BLF Breeder: R JOHNSTON, VIC Exhibitor: R JOHNSTON, VIC



2nd: TOMARGO RECLUSE BRAD JACKIO

Sire: REGANCREST-GV S BRADNICK-ET-DPF-BLF-CVF-BYF Dam: CALOULA RIDGE ALEXANDER JACKIE 1784786 RHA-I

Breeder: S D & E G CHESWORTH, NSW Exhibitor: S D & E G CHESWORTH T/A CHESWORTH DAIRY PARTNERSHIP, NSW



3rd: AVONLEA RIVAL RUTH

Sire: ECLIPSE ATWOODS ARCHRIVAL-IMP-ET Dam: AVONLEA GOLDWYN RUTH-ET Breeder: J H & C J GARDINER, VIC

Exhibitor: R K & J R GORDON, VIC

4th: AVONLEA-YF DOORMAN CONNIE-ET; R K & J R GORDON, VIC **5th:** CLYDEVALE SOLOMON SUNSET; CLYDEVALE HOLSTEINS PTY LTD ATF DEE FAMILY TRUST, VIC

6th: MURRIBROOK REGINALD VICTORY-ET; R K & J R GORDON/J H & C J GARDINER, VIC

JUDGES' COMMENTS

Quality all the way through this class of 5-year-olds with very little separating them all. Our cow in first has a little more spring and openness of rib and height and width of rear udder that the cow in second. Our cow in second is longer of her frame with more width of chest and depth of rib than the beautiful uddered cow in third.



2nd: BENLARGO ELIJAH DING

Sire: COOMBOONA ATWOOD ELIJAH-IMP-ET Dam: BENLARGO BOLTON DING 2-ET-MFF-CNF-DPF-XIF-BLF Breeder: BENLARGO HOLSTEINS, SA Exhibitor: BENLARGO HOLSTEINS, SA

3rd: GORBRO SOLOMON LIVIA

Sire: WALNUTLAWN SOLOMON-ET-RDF-DPF-BLF-CVF-BYF Dam: GORBRO WINDHAMMMER LIVIA-CNF-DPF-BLF Breeder: R K & J R GORDON, VIC Exhibitor: R K & J R GORDON, VIC

4th: KAARMONA MOGUL SHAUNA 3-IMP-ET; B & J GAVENLOCK/ MURRAY POLSON

5th: CHERRYLOCK CHASSITYS INNOCENCE-IMP-ET; B & J GAVENLOCK, VIC

6th: AROONA BEEMER DESIREE 3435-ET; ELOORA PASTORAL CO, VIC

JUDGES' COMMENTS

Two outstanding young cows on top in our 4-year-olds with a beautifully balanced dairy cow on top. She is cleaner of her bone, higher of her rear udder and deeper of her rib than a very similar cow in second place. The cow in second is wider of her chest, deeper of her rib with a more correct set of rear leg that the cow in third.

3-YEAR-OLD



1st: QUALITY RIDGE 1STGRADE WILLA Sire: FARNEAR-TBR BH 1ST GRADE-ET-DPF-BLF-CVF-BYF Dam: QUALITY RIDGE BLAKE WILLA Breeder: QUALITY RIDGE, VIC Exhibitor: E,A & R ATTENBOROUGH/NATHAN HART/QUALITY RIDGE, VIC

2-YEAR-OLD – IN MILK (OVER 30 MONTHS)



1 st: AVONLEA CRUSHABULL ROSINA-ET Sire: OH-RIVER-SYC CRUSHABULL-ET-RDF-PF-DPF-BLF-CVF-BYF Dam: COOMBOONA STEADY ROSINA Breeder: J H & C J GARDINER, VIC Exhibitor: R K & J R GORDON, VIC



2nd: INSTYLE DOC AMY

Sire: WOODCREST KING DOC-RDF-PF-DPF-BLF-CVF-BYF Dam: INSTYLE LAUTHORITY AMY-ET Breeder: R J THOMAS, VIC Exhibitor: INSTYLE HOLSTEINS, VIC



2nd: AVONLEA TATOO DIXIE

Sire: DUCKETT CRUSH TATOO-ET Dam: ROCKWELLA FARM UARINI DIXIE Breeder: J H & C J GARDINER, VIC Exhibitor: J H & C J GARDINER, VIC



3rd: ROWLANDS PARK CHIEF BALERTWINE-ET

Sire: STANTONS CHIEF-ET-DPF-BLF-CVF-BYF Dam: GORBRO ATWOOD

BALERTWINE-ET Breeder: R L & T L WISHART, VIC Exhibitor: R L & T L WISHART, VIC

4th: STRONGBARK CANDIES UNIX; LINSAND FARMS PTY LTD/JIM STRONG

5th: AVONLEA STANLEYCUP MISSY; J H & C J GARDINER, VIC **6th:** CLYDEVALE SOLOMON FOXY-ET; CLYDEVALE HOLSTEINS PTY LTD ATF DEE FAMILY TRUST, VIC

JUDGES' COMMENTS

A wonderful group of 3-year-old cows with three amazing young cows on top. In a very close placing, we felt the very stylish young cow on top had the advantage of being longer and cleaner through the head and neck with a more correct set to her leg than our capacious dairy cow in second who is deeper and more open of her rib than the well-balanced dairy cow in third.



3rd: CP CAPITAL CINNAMON

Sire: STANTONS CAPITAL GAIN-ET-BLF-CVF-BYF Dam: CP SIRWOOD CONNIE 2059293 Breeder: CINNAMIN PARTNERS, NSW Exhibitor: INSTYLE HOLSTEINS/ T K & L M NORTHFIELD

4th: AVONLEA VALIDATION RITZY; J H & C J GARDINER, VIC **5th:** BRINDABELLA DOORMAN CHERRIO; JADE & SCOTT SIEBEN, VIC **6th:** MARIO PARK KING D ALEECE-ET; MURRAY POLSON, NSW

JUDGES' COMMENTS

Four quality young dairy cows on top in the class with a very stylish young cow comfortably on top. She is deeper of her fore rib a little cleaner through the head and neck with a decided advantage through the mammary system being higher and wider of the rear attachment with an outstanding fore attachment. Second over third being longer of her body and cleaner of her thigh than the wellbalanced young cow in third.

2-YEAR-OLD - IN MILK (30 MONTHS & UNDER)



1st: AVONLEA KINGDOC APRIL Sire: WOODCREST KING DOC-RDF-PF-DPF-BLF-CVF-BYF

Sire: WOODCREST KING DOC-RDF-PF-DPF-BLF-CVF-BYF Dam: AVONLEA GOLDWYN APRIL 2ND-ET Breeder: J H & C J GARDINER, VIC Exhibitor: J H & C J GARDINER, VIC

SENIOR YEARLING DRY (OVER 15 MONTHS)



1st: WINDY VALE WARRIOR ROSE Sire: MR BLONDIN WARRIOR-RED-ET-RDC-PF-DPF-BLF-CVF-BYF Dam: BLUECHIP BLACK ROSE-ET Breeder: C J & K A ROYANS, SA Exhibitor: DECLAN L PATTEN, VIC



2nd: MURRIBROOK SIDEKICK CYBELE

Sire: WALNUTLAWN SIDEKICK-ET-RDF-CNF-DPF-BLF-CVF-BYF Dam: MURRIBROOK WINDHAMMER CYBELE-ET Breeder: SAMURAH PTY LTD TA MURRIBROOK HOLSTEINS, NSW Exhibitor: R K & J R GORDON, VIC



2nd: LIGHTNING RIDGE CMD THUNDER NICO-TWIN

Sire: BLONDIN THUNDER STORM-ET-DPF-BLF-CVF-BYF Dam: PARINGA DAMION NICO-FT

Breeder: DECLAN L PATTEN, VIC Exhibitor: MAL R NIKORA, VIC



3rd: GORBRO TATOO OF SHIMMER

Sire: DUCKETT CRUSH TATOO-

Dam: GORBRO DOORMEZ SHIMMER-ET Breeder: R K & J R GORDON, VIC Exhibitor: R K & J R GORDON, VIC



3rd: MELINGER TATTOO HEIDI

Sire: DUCKETT CRUSH TATOO-FT

Dam: WINDY VIEW BRADNICK HEIDI Breeder: B & Y MCVILLY, VIC Exhibitor: MELINGER PARTNERS, VIC

4th: AVONLEA DOORMAN PRINCESS; J H & C J GARDINER, VIC **5th:** ELMAR CHIEF MAIDA 4329; ELMAR HOLSTEINS, VIC **6th:** WESTMUIR CHIEF FROSTBITE; MAL NIKORA/COREY COUCH/KELLY BLEIJENDAAL, VIC

JUDGES' COMMENTS

Nice group of Junior 2-year-olds. We felt the well-balanced young cow on top has the advantage of being deeper and more open of her rib with more width of chest than the dairy cow in second who is cleaner of her bone and through the thigh than the powerful cow in third. **4th:** AROONA ARTIST MAIDA 3797; ELOORA PASTORAL CO, VIC **5th:** MARIO PARK CRUSHABULL FANNY; MURRAY POLSON/CAMERON YARNOLD, NSW

6th: MARIO PARK SOLOMON ALLICIA-ET; MURRAY POLSON, NSW

JUDGES' COMMENTS

Very strong group of Senior Yearlings with a large variance of age but we feel we have found a clear winner in the heifer on top. The beautifully balanced heifer has a clear advantage being deeper and more open of her rib than the stylish diary heifer in second who uses her cleanness throughout to place over the correct heifer in third.

SENIOR YEARLING DRY (UNDER 15 MONTHS)



1st: MARIO PARK CHIEF ALICIA-ET Sire: STANTONS CHIEF-ET-DPF-BLF-CVF-BYF Dam: MARIO PARK SID ALICIA Breeder: MURRAY POLSON, NSW Exhibitor: CAMERON YARNOLD, NSW

ALL-AUSTRALIAN HOLSTEIN YOUTH CALF



1st: QUALITY RIDGE SIDEKICK JANE Sire: WALNUTLAWN SIDEKICK-ET-RDF-CNF-DPF-BLF-CVF-BYF Dam: QUALITY RIDGE ATTITUDE JANE-ET-RED Breeder: QUALITY RIDGE, VIC Exhibitor: QUALITY RIDGE, VIC Handler: Cooper Fisher



2nd: CHERRYLOCK CHIEF PAULINE

Sire: STANTONS CHIEF-ET-DPF-BLF-CVF-BYF Dam: EAGLE RIDGE DREAMS PAULINE-TWIN-CNF-DPF-BLF Breeder: B & J GAVENLOCK, VIC Exhibitor: B & J GAVENLOCK, VIC



3rd: ELMAR MIRAND FARLEX 4688-RED-PO

Sire: COOMBOONA ZIPIT MIRAND-IMP-ET-BRC-PP Dam: ELMAR MCCUTCHEN FARLEX Breeder: ELMAR HOLSTEINS, VIC Exhibitor: WELLCOORA HOLSTEINS, VIC

4th: AVONLEA LAMBDA SPOT; J H & C J GARDINER, VIC **5th:** KATANDRA PARK MIRAND BLYTHE-PO; D M & L M FRY, WA **6th:** TOMARGO RECLUSE SIDEKICK DEE; S D & E G CHESWORTH T/A CHESWORTH DAIRY PARTNERSHIP, NSW

JUDGES' COMMENTS

Four wonderful Heifers to start this class but we felt we again had a clear winner. She is longer of her head and neck and with more depth and spring of rib than our heifer in second, in a very close placing the stylish heifer in second uses her extra length of frame to place over the soft dairy red heifer in third.



2nd: ELMAR MIRAND FARLEX 4688-RED-PO

Sire: COOMBOONA ZIPIT MIRAND-IMP-ET-BRC-PP Dam: ELMAR MCCUTCHEN FARLEX Breeder: ELMAR HOLSTEINS, VIC Exhibitor: WELLCOORA HOLSTEINS, VIC Handler: Abbie Hanks

3rd: CAMELLIA GROVE CHIEF BUTTER

Sire: STANTONS CHIEF-ET-DPF-BLF-CVF-BYF Dam: LONG LANES BC AFTERSHOCK BUTTER 2-ET Breeder: P J & C A CASTLES, VIC Exhibitor: P J & C A CASTLES, VIC

Handler: Amarli McKenna

4th: GORBRO ARROW1ST PEACHES; R K & J R GORDON, VIC; Abbie Hanks

5th: BELRUE CHIEF ROSA; BELRUE FARMS, VIC; Aisha Railton **6th:** AVALON UNSTOPABULL MANDY-RED; SS & CL MODRA; Kendall Modra

JUDGES' COMMENTS

Good group of calves with two outstanding heifers on top. You really have to admire our winning heifer for her over all style, balance and dairyness. She uses her extra openness and depth of rib to place over the very clean soft red heifer in second. She uses her extra cleanness of bone and overall dairyness to easily place over the heifer in third.

Aussies footloose at World Dairy Expo

t is the crown jewel of the international show circuit and quite possibly the only show that has a livestream to reveal the colour of the ring 'shavings' each year; which, by the way, were black this year.

In its 55th year, the World Dairy Expo (WDE), in Madison, Wisconsin, featured a recordbreaking 2,663 entries, presented by 1,871 exhibitors across the seven dairy breeds.

It wasn't all about the action on the prestigious coloured shavings. Just shy of 55,000 attendees across the week were also treated to the world's largest dairyfocused trade show, which featured 672 companies from 24 countries.

Holstein Australia proudly joined forces with other key Australian dairy industry partners to form 'Team Australia' at the trade show – but we will come back to this new venture a little later.

The Australian contingent joined nearly 1,400 international visitors from 86 countries – which illustrates the reach of WDE.

Like so many of us unable to attend the in person, more than 37,000 people streamed 70,000 hours of judging footage through ExpoTV.

In total, it took 19 individual judges 96 hours in the ring to arrive at the overall Supreme Champion.

Dancing to supreme champion

The 2022 WDE Holstein Show was overseen by esteemed judge and breeder Pierre Boulet, of Ferme Pierre Boulet in Quebec, Canada.

His previous appointments include the Red and White Show at WDE, the Jersey and Holstein Shows at the Royal Agricultural Winter Fair and our own International Dairy Week Holstein Show in 2016.

He awarded Champion Holstein Cow to Oakfield Solom Footloose EX-96, owned by Duckett Holsteins, Vierra Dairy and Tim and Sharyn Abbott, over the Reserve Champion entry of R & F Livestock, Kevin Doeberiener, Lindsay Bowen and Bill



Reigning Supreme: WDE Champion Cow Oakfield Solom Footloose.

Schilling in Blondin Unstopabu Maple-Red.

"She is a special cow – quality udder, bone quality, dairyness, square rump and a hard top," Pierre said in awarding Footloose his Champion Holstein.

"She is over the red cow, just taking nothing away from the red cow because she is a special cow too, with three calves and a hard top like that," he said.

When it came to the 'Parade of Champions' and the awarding of the overall Supreme Champion, Footloose once again put her best foot forward, ahead of the Jersey Champion Cow, Rivendale VIP Eloise VG89.

2022 WORLD DAIRY EXPO

Madison, Wisconsin – 2-7 October 2022 Supreme Champion – Oakfield Solom Footloose

Senior Champion Cow: Oakfield Solom Footloose; Reserve: Oak-Ridge K Gchip Turbo Intermediate Champion: Blondin Unstopabu Maple-RED (R & F Livestock, K. Doeberiener, L. Bowen, W. Schilling); Reserve: MS Crushabull Carolina-ET (Jim Butler)

Junior Champion Heifer: Kingsway Alligator A Twix (Velthuis Farms Ltd); **Reserve:** Ms Thunderstorm Eternity-ET (La Femme Fatale Syndicate)

Premier Breeder: Oakfield Corner's Dairy, New York

Premier Exhibitor: Jim Butler, Illinois

Frosty connections

You may have heard the name Footloose associated with the WDE before, as she was 2021 Reserve Champion Cow behind Erbacres Snapple Shakira EX-97-2E.

That's not her only connection to the World Dairy Expo.

Her dam, Duckett –SA Braxtn Frisco-ET EX94 was a solid regional-level show winner and her grand-dam, Harvue Roy Frosty EX-97-2E, is a two-time WDE Supreme Champion, winning n back-toback titles in 2009 and 2010.

Tim and Sharyn Abbott own 'Footloose' in a joint venture with Vierra Dairy and close friends Michael and Julie Duckett of Duckett Holsteins, having purchased her at the 2021 Duckett Summer Sale for \$355,000.

Tim reflected on the significance of this maternal line achievement at the Expo.

"I'm a pretty big historian of the business and I can't tell you lineage that close that has ever worn the crown ... as closely as those two cows," he said.

"I really believe Footloose is like Frosty. When she comes into the ring she just commands attention. She loves to be shown. She loves the limelight."

Seeing red

Blondin Unstopabu Maple-Red took out the Senior 3-year-old class and Intermediate Champion before going on to being awarded Reserve Champion Holstein Cow.

"This cow is 3rd calf, balanced with an udder like that, with really good legs like that; is unbelievable," said Judge Boulet.

Maple improved on her performance as a Senior 2-year-old in the Red and White Show at last year's WDE, where she won her class and was named as Honourable Mention Intermediate Champion.

Reserve Intermediate Champion Ms Crushabull Carolina-ET, owned by Jim Butler, was also an exceptional young cow in the eyes of the judge.

"Again, the reserve, a great, great udder. The quality of that udder, the dairyness and bone quality is great in that cow," he said.

The Junior Champion Heifer was Kingsway Alligator Twix, owned by Velthuis Farms Ltd, with Reserve Junior Champion going to Ms Thunderstorm Eternity-ET, exhibited by the La Femme Fatal Syndicate.

As Pierre placed Twix as his Junior Champion he reflected, "With many, many nice heifers in the ring...you have an older heifer like that with quality like that, you don't have much choice than to select her."

What the doc ordered

As well as owning the Supreme Champion Cow, Tim and Sharyn Abbott are also part owners of potentially the most talked about cow in the world this year; S-S-I Doc Have Not 8784-ET EX-94.

She sold for a world record price of US\$1,925,000 in June. The justification for such an investment has seen many eyes on Doc and her owners.

Joining the Abbotts in ownership of Doc were AOT Holsteins, King Ransom Farms and Duckett Holsteins.

This year, in her first outing at World Dairy Expo – she placed 3rd in the highly competitive 4-year-old Class, behind the Reserve Senior Champion, Oak-Ridge K Gchip Turbo.

While the focus on Doc has been primarily around what she brings to the table from a genomics perspective, Tim believes that her potential to develop into a top cow in and out of the ring, sets her apart from the rest.



Holstein Australia CEO Rohan Butler with Deanne & Steve Hore of Elmar Holsteins, Victoria.



WDE Intermediate Champions: MS Crushabull Carolina (left) and Blondin Unstoppabull Maple-Red, with owners

"Her presence in the ring put some new energy into what is going on with Doc," Tim Abbott told 'Around the Barn'. "We believe Doc can absolutely change the breed."

Boots and all

Believe it or not, it was the boots of the Supreme Champion handler that caused a stir ringside.

David Dyment has been on the halter of the World Dairy Expo Supreme Champion an incredible five times over the years. That in itself is an amazing feat.

But it is his actual feet that have been the talk of the town this year; when it was revealed that he has worn the same pair of boots each time he has guided each cow to Supreme Champion.

The same boots led the great Tri-Day Ashlyn EX-96 to the Championship in 2001, along with Hillcroft Leader Melanie EX-96-3E in 2004.

Incredibly, the last two times he had been successful with a Supreme Champion in his winning boots, was with the granddam of Footloose; Harvue Roy Frosty EX-97-2E.

And now, some 12 years later, he has led Oakfield Solom Footloose EX-96 to the win, with those same, weathered but clearly very reliable old boots.

While there was plenty of focus on what was happening in the IDW ring– there was a special Australian presence taking place outside of it.

Thanks to funding from the National Herd Improvement Association (NHIA), a booth was created for the first time at World Dairy Expo to promote Australian dairy genetics to the world. Joining forces to showcase Aussie genetics were Holstein Australia, Jersey Australia, Genetics Australia, Central Sires Cooperative and Agri-Gene.

Holstein Australia CEO, Rohan Butler, said it was valuable to have an Australian presence ringside at such a well-attended industry event.

"It was exciting to see so many people from many parts of the world back out and about and meeting with each other after two years of lockdown," Rohan said.

"World Dairy Expo provided a great

opportunity to meet not only with U.S breeders and key contacts, but also contacts from all over the world."

Jersey Australia General Manager, Glen Barrett, said the mission would build high levels of consumer awareness and interest in Australian genetics.

"We had a regular stream of people visiting the stand and consumer awareness in our products was high... There was interest from across the globe," Glen said.

'It's a global marketplace and World Dairy Expo is an opportunity to bring key players together. It's a bucket list event for breeders to get to at least once in their lives."

Genetics Australia export manager Rob Derksen said the World Dairy Expo was a meeting place for the industry.

"It's the place to meet and connect with other people and we all made valuable contact," Rob said.

"You don't measure it in actual sales; it's more about promotion going forward." HJ

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Penny makes the most of WDE trip

any people simply won't get to experience in person the wonder of World Dairy Expo.

It is so hard to get the time off and to fund such a trip – so it's very special when the opportunity arises to attend.

WDE was always on Penny Welch's wish list, but she thought she'd never get there. Penny was able to attend WDE for the first time this year, thanks to a Power of Women in Dairying World Dairy Expo scholarship.

"It's a dream come true. It would have been very hard for me to get there on my own, so to win this scholarship and get a chance to represent women in dairying is amazing," Penny said.

"It is a real honour to have won this scholarship as a woman in dairying. We have always been here, but maybe not given the opportunities we could have been given throughout the years." Penny has worked in various roles with Total Livestock Genetics – particularly on the export side of the business so WDE was a great opportunity connect with potential clients and contacts relevant to her day-to-day role.

"I was very lucky to be able to attend not only the show and the trade exhibits, but five completely different farms across one of the World Wide Sires bus tour days, as well as two private farm tours." said Penny.

Penny had dreamt of seeing Harvue Roy Frosty EX-97-2E in the flesh and was devastated when she passed before it was possible.

"My highlight was watching Footloose win the Holstein Show and Supreme Champion...being led by the same handler as Frosty was so special. It felt like coming full circle to see Footloose take to the ring."

Penny said the 'Team Australia' booth



Sassy Cow Creamery was one of several farms Penny Welch visited while at WDE.



Penny Welch with her Power of Women in Dairying scholarship.

created a home away from home and a great opportunity to network with other Australians attending the Expo.

"It was my centre of the show really. I knew I could catch up with other Australians, meet new people and it was a place to be safe if necessary."

Penny noted that the compliments paid to the Australian dairy industry were pretty consistent.

"It made me more proud to be Australian. And I felt our cows stacked up pretty well to the calibre that was shown."

"There were daughters of Australian bulls entering the ring and I don't think you can get a better compliment than that."

No doubt we hope to see an even greater Australian presence at next year's Expo.

The World Dairy Expo 'Dynasty in Dairy' returns to Madison in 2023, 1-6 October.
Young cattle enthusiasts back together at Manning

For several generations, youth camps have played a special role in connecting and developing young people in the dairy industry. They are a place to hone new skills, make life-long friendships and learn from those they look up to.

COVID-19's impact was felt far and wide and the youth camp as we knew it ceased to exist. The challenges of restarting them did not deter Manning Sub-Branch President and youth advocate Karen Polson, who worked tirelessly to create an opportunity for young people to come together once again.

Karen's determination and hard work paid off, with the 2022 Manning All Breeds Youth Camp held in Wingham, New South Wales, in early October.

Connections

The camp provided the long-awaited connection with fellow cow enthusiasts and one of the first chances to get back into a show ring for many of the young participants. Of the 38 attendees, nearly half were from either a beef breeding background or were new to working with cows.

While understandably tentative on the first day of camp, it was amazing to see the transformation in confidence, handling skills and enthusiasm by the final day.

Karen Polson, pictured, said the camp was based around agriculture and farming. "Some (participants) are from beef properties, but this whole week is all about hands-on learning opportunities in the agriculture industry," she said. "The whole idea of the camp is for the kids to meet socially, form lifelong friendships, and at the end of the day, just as long as it



has been fun, that's the main thing."

The participants, aged from nine to 25, boasted some seasoned handlers, such as Chelsea and Katelyn Atkins (Kenmar Holsteins) who have shown extensively at International Dairy Week (IDW) and Sydney Royal and 2018 IDW Junior Showmanship winner Ruby Polson (Mario Park NSW).

The beauty of the Manning All Breeds Youth Camp was that it welcomed young people who had minimal experience working with cows and provided them with a solid grounding of the basic skills to care for, prepare and present a cow on show day.

Judging sessions with young industry leaders, Kieran Coburn and Cameron Yarnold (Arrallik), provided each participant with personal feedback on their handling during practice sessions throughout the week.

This positive reinforcement continued right through to the final day of camp, with Manning All Breeds Youth Camp Show judge Owen Daley (Promenade NSW) taking the time to speak with each participant to provide them with encouragement and tips.

Participants were allocated to one of six teams, who worked together throughout the week, utilising each other's experience and expertise.

The teams scored points throughout the week for their participation in mentor sessions, teamwork and simple tasks like the cleanliness of their stalls.

Every team did a wonderful job – but it was a case of 'teamwork makes the dream work' for team 'Moos' who took out the team challenge.

They were followed closely by 'Crazy Cows' in second, with 'Cool Cows' in third and 'Heifers', 'Purified Genetics' and team 'Legends' rounding out the teams.

It wasn't all work and no play for the participants, who were treated to a trivia night, disco and games morning, which became quite competitive!

Career paths

Mentors played a key role in the delivery of the youth camp, providing an insight into a number of areas of interest that directly tie into working with cows and the agricultural industry.

April Browne, Lead – Learning and Development Partners at Dairy Australia, helped educate participants about key facts and statistics about the dairy industry, and also provided an insight to the variety dairy career paths.

April said that looking from the outside in, it could appear that the industry is simply about putting cups on cows and working long, hard hours.

"There are very fixed and stereotyped perceptions of career opportunities in the industry. Certainly, I would have never predicated as a young person that I would be a dairy farmer and work in agricultural





Above, left to right: Bella Coombes; Danielle Northfield ; Lily-Rae Rosten; April Browne (Dairy Australia); Jessica Worth; and Ruby Polson.

education. It was only as my career progressed and evolved that I was able to be exposed to these opportunities and access them," she said.

"The earlier we can educate people about these opportunities, the better, so that they don't have to wait to stumble across them later in life, or potentially never!"

April reflected on how an All Breeds Youth Camp played a significant role in her own introduction to dairying.

"I attended the All Breeds Youth Camp in Victoria, way back in 2004. Through the camp, I made friends for life and this was really beneficial for me coming from being involved with a small breed in Brown Swiss, where there weren't many youth," April said.

"Opportunities to help young people connect across the different breeds is



really critical for a sustainable, united industry."

Also reflecting on the impact of a Youth Camp was fellow mentor Amanda Glossop, Holstein Australia's Marketing and Communication Coordinator.

"I attended an All Breeds Youth Camp in Rochester back in 2000 and it was one of the single best experiences I had as a teenager who was obsessed with Holstein cows," she said.

"The camp played a big role in re-affirming my desire to have a career in dairying. So much so, that I completed my Certificate 3 in Agriculture (Dairy), which back then was the best qualification on offer prior to heading to university.

"I can attest to just how the industry can provide opportunities in so many ways. I ended up pursuing a completely different career in sport management when the drought hit hard in the mid-2000s and honestly thought my chance of a future





working with Holstein cows was gone.

"Coming full circle some 20 years later and being able to utilise my skills in a role that did not even exist when I was younger, shows just how much the industry continues to evolve and how we really need to continue to educate people of all ages that there is ample opportunity out there to be involved in this unique industry."

When asked what her key messages to young people looking to become involved in dairying, would be, April said: "First and foremost, it is really important for young people to think about what they enjoy and what is important to them when looking at a future in agriculture.

"There are so many opportunities that it can be overwhelming, but always come back to what matters most to you as an individual.

"I'd also encourage young people to be open to opportunities across the industry and not box themselves in to what they currently know. I have had roles that I could never have imagined and only discovered along the way as I became more exposed to the different aspects of agriculture."

April's vision for the future is an industry with a sustainable pipeline of capable young people pursuing a career that is diverse and invigorating.

Future of youth camps

The traditional youth camp has been very much showmanship focused. Moving forward, organisers speak about the need to focus on careers in the industry along with the development of skill sets outside the show ring.

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2022 SA Dairy Youth Camp

In April 2022 a condensed South Australia Dairy Youth camp was held, with 18 of 21 participants being from a non-dairying background.

South Australian Youth Camp organiser Mandy Pacitti said it gave kids an understanding of the dairy industry and what's involved to be a part of it.

"Hopefully they can work out if they want to be in the industry, ways of getting in and working their way through and starting to get exposed to dairying," Mandy said.



"The majority, probably 60% of them, end up being involved or aligned to the dairy industry, whether it be an agronomist, nutritionist, veterinarian or AI technician – all these sorts of things." she said.

Participants at the South Australian camp were also exposed to a range of mentors and topics, including how to read herd test data and pedigrees, cattle photography, judging and microphone skills and even cheese making.

A variety of mentors were also involved in the Manning All Breeds Youth Camp, which included Jefo's Andrea Henry teaching



about animal nutrition and conformation and Josh Hack from Ag Farming Systems, who explained how drones are used in agriculture and monitoring pasture.

The Manning All Breeds Youth Camp will return in September 2024, while the South Australian Dairy Youth Camp is pencilled in for the April 2024 school holidays.

We look forward to seeing the continued evolution of youth camps throughout the country and hope they can continue to connect, educate and inspire the next generation in dairy.

2022 Manning All Breeds Youth Camp

Judge: Owen Daley, NSW

Class 1 – Parader – 11 Years & Under: 1. Lachlan Teese; 2. Jackson Latham; 3. Layne Martin; 4. Joesph Neilson; 5. Bella Coombes.
Class 2 – Parader – 12 Years: 1. Danielle Northfield; 2. Matthew Coombes; 3. Lilly-Rae Rosten; 4. Aiden Debreceny; 5. Maykayla Young.
Class 3 – Parader – 13-14 Years: 1. Chelsea Atkins; 2. Ruby Polson; 3. Emily Symons; 4. Katelyn Northfield; 5. Lexi Yarrington.

Class 4 – Parader – 15-16 years: 1. Arabella Randle; 2. Anne-Lee Northfield; 3. Tess Hoadley; 4. Charlee-May Woods; 5. Hannah Benyon. Class 5 – Parader – 17 Years & Over: 1. Bibiannah Peattie; 2. Katelyn Atkins; 3 Jessica Kernahan; 4. Gabrielle Stadhams; 5. Jessica Worth. Champion Parader: Chelsea Atkins; Reserve: Ruby Polson; Honourable Mention: Arabella Randle.

Class 7 – Heifer born April-June 2022: 1. Oxley Vale Lambda Fussy – Handler: Ruby Polson; 2. Yarona Park Zane Frieda – Handler: Tess Hoadley; 3. Strathmara Mirand Dolly – Handler:- Joseph Neilson; 4. Igalala Casino Queens 2 – Handler: Lachlan Teese; 5. Boondabeth April – Handler: Jess Worth.

Class 8 – Heifer born January-March 2022: 1. Yarona Park Elisium Stacey – Handler: Lexi Yarrington; 2. Dustyvale First Prize Angeline – Handler: Layne Martin; 3. Ingalala Valentino Jean – Handler: Matthew Coombes; 4. Ingalalga Classic Maple – Handler: Layla Yarrington; 5. Innesview Annie 156th – Handler: Emily Symons.

Class 9 – Heifer born October – December 2021: 1. Ghinni Creek True Love – Handler: Sarah Symons; 2. Inaglala Casino Queen – Katelyn Northfield; 3. Panorama Evelyn 666 – Handler: Lilly-Rae Rosten; 4. Ingalala Casino Goldie –Handler: Hannah Benyon; 5. Ghinni Creek Paisley –Handler: Sierra Martin.

Junior Champion Heifer: Oxley Vale Lambda Fussy – Handler: Ruby Polson; Reserve: Yarona Park Elsium Stacey – Handler: Lexi Yarrington; Honourable Mention: Yarona Park Zane Frieda – Handler: Tess Hoadley Class 10 – Heifer born July-September 2021: 1. Rivendell Oscar Tiny – Handler: Chelsea Atkins; 2. Mario Park Mirand Alicia – Handler: Bibiannah Peattie; 3. Ghinni Creek Ava – Handler: Arabella Randle; 4. Dustyvale Foster Robyn – Handler: Keely Mundine; 5. Marloo Penny Dunn – Handler: Charlee-May Woods.

Class 11 – Heifer born January-April 2021: 1. Silverlie Colton Apple Melys – Handler: Katelyn Atkins; 2. Dragonriver Supreme Lucy – Handler: Aiden Debreceny; 3. Inneview Sunbeam 123rd – Handler: Chase Rosten; 4. Arralik Webcam Silkie – Handler – Jessica Kernahan.

Senior Champion Heifer: Silverlie Colton Apple Melys – Handler: Katelyn Atkins; **Reserve:** Rivendell Oscar Tiny – Handler: Chelsea Atkins; Honourable Mention: Mario Park Mirand Alicia – Handler: Bibiannah Peattie.

Supreme Champion Heifer: Oxley Vale Lambda Fussy – Handler: Ruby Polson

Encouragement Awards (sponsored by Palinga AB)

Junior - 9-14 Years: Aiden Debeceny

Senior - 15 Year & Over: James Archinal

Bruce Beaumont Encouragement Award: Jessica Kernahan and Rylee Yarrington



Inspired connections for young breeders

The European Young Breeders' School (EYBS) was created in 1999 to help young breeders learn more about their cows and optimise their selection and preparation for shows. It is a once-in-alifetime opportunity, an event that brings together the cream of the crop of young fitters, judges and show men and women from around the world.

Australia was granted its first team entry into the prestigious event in 2019, when EYBS started to widen its scope. In its first year the team of Sam Hall, Zoe Hayes, Brady Hore, Ricky Nelson and Julia Paulger represented Australian dairy.

Like many events, EYBS then faced a two year hiatus due to the COVID pandemic.

This year EYBS returned as Young Breeders' School (YBS) and celebrated its 20th Anniversary. Australia was ably represented by Courtney Afford (SA), Andrew Gray (SA), Nathan Hart (Vic), Georgia Sieben (Vic) and Kaitlyn Wishart (Vic).

Down to business

The five-day event, held in Battice, Belgium, was run by the Association Wallonne de l'Elevage in conjunction with the Agricultural Fair of Battice, featuring 123 participants from 17 nationalities.

Interestingly, 61% of participants in 2022, were female.

During the first three days of YBS the focus

was on theory-based classes on topics including classification and marketing. Each team was tasked with setting up a stand to represent their nation.

Team members were provided a heifer to care for throughout the competition, culminating in showing her at the Agricultural Fair on day five. Participants were guided through the key steps to care and prepare a heifer for competition by a panel of eight mentors.

Canadian Agricultural Hall of Fame member Marc Comtois, of Comestar Holsteins, also ran two participant sessions focusing on judging and marketing, plus two separate sessions for external guests, which attracted more than 120 local breeders.

Aussies excel

On the final day Canadian judge Martial Lemire assessed each participant in the showmanship classes.

Australia's Kaitlyn Wishart, despite sporting a fractured hand, rose to the top of her showmanship class and placed 20th overall in the individual rankings; an outstanding achievement.

Despite her individual success, Kaitlyn said the new connections and friendships where the highlight of her YBS experience. "Being selected to represent Australia at the Young Breeders School is an honour," Kaitlyn said.

"It was an incredible learning and networking experience and has helped me develop my knowledge when it comes to the showing, preparation and management of dairy cattle."

Fellow Australian team member Courtney Afford, who placed 27th in the individual rankings, reiterated the value of international connections.

"YBS was a great experience, not only to broaden our fitting and showmanship knowledge, but also to network with many like-minded people from around the world," Courtney said.

"It was a long week, crammed with workshops and great experiences that will last a lifetime."

Holstein Australia CEO Rohan Butler said Australia's YBS program was designed to help emerging dairy leaders develop leadership skills.

"It also presents a unique opportunity to start building international relationships early in one's career," Rohan said.

This opportunity has come full circle for Georgia Sieben, who travelled to the World Dairy Expo in Wisconsin, United States in October and met up with some fellow YBS participants.

Justin Johnston (Glomar Holsteins) is a key

driver behind Australia's participation in the Young Breeders' School.

When the opportunity first arose for Australia to participate in 2019 Justin sourced sponsorship and generated interest.

"YBS is the international reference point for training and show preparation, with many countries entering teams year-onyear," Justin said.

"It has been a great learning experience for our team members and a real opportunity to showcase the talent of Australian dairy youth on the world stage."

Justin was especially blown away by the level of teamwork and support provided by each team member during the 2022 YBS trip.

"They have all been a credit to Australia and have made friendships for life in the process." he said.

On tour

The team spent the week before YBS travelling around the Netherlands on an educational tour. This included visits to tourist attractions such as the Alkmaar Cheese Festival and the Windmills at Kinderdijk and a visit to K.I SAMEN, the largest privately-owned Al station in the Netherlands.

The team stayed with a host family in Battice, who provided a base throughout the YBS week.

"Our host family were great – we cannot thank them enough for the laughs throughout our time staying with them," Courtney said.



Team work sure did make the dream work for 'Team Australie' at the Young Breeders School.

The Australian team members' entire trip was primarily funded by an incredible group of program partners and sponsors.

Courtney Afford acknowledged the key role of the sponsors in delivering this experience, "Thanks to the sponsors who have helped make this trip possible and experience more enriching. We are incredibly grateful for the opportunity your generosity has provided us."

Holstein Australia was joined by Jersey Australia and the Melbourne Royal as program partners for the Young Breeders' School.

Other sponsors included Bega Cheese, CopRice, the Gardiner Dairy Foundation, Genetics Australia, Ridley Stockfeeds, St Genetics Australia, WFI and the Yarra Corporation.

See you in 2023

Focus will soon move to the recruitment of the 2023 Australian team, with plans to join our New Zealand counterparts who are entering a team for the first time next year.

Young dairy enthusiasts are encouraged to keep an eye on the Australian Dairy Youth Facebook page for further information regarding applications for the 2023 Young Breeder's School – Australian team.

The 2023 Young Breeder's School has been locked in for 30 August – 3 September. HJ



Nathan Hart guides his heifer around the ring.



Kaitlyn Wishart won her Showmanship Class at the 2022 Young Breeder's School.

Cooper's IDW debut a huge success

BY AMANDA GLOSSOP

Holstein Australia Communication Coordinator

Cooper Fisher is a quiet, confident youngster, who lights up when he talks about showing and his achievements in the ring.

In 2022, at the ripe old age of nine, Cooper made his long-awaited International Dairy Week (IDW) debut; a moment he had been waiting for since well before COVID-19 locked down the world.

He wasn't unfamiliar with the show ring; his parents, Jayke and Bec Fisher, have been actively showing under their Quality Ridge prefix for more than a decade. But Cooper had primarily been on the sidelines or accompanied while in the ring at smaller shows around his local area.

It was IDW that called out to him, so much so that despite his young age, he would sit and watch handlers and how they parade and position their cows to help him learn how to do it himself.

While he says both parents have actively taught him about cows and given tips on performing in the show ring, he attributes the specifics he has learnt to his Mum, Bec.

"Mum taught me to watch the judge and whenever the judge is looking at my heifer to position her feet properly," Cooper said.

Bec said they drummed into him about keeping eye contact with the judge and knowing where they are at all times in the ring.

That attention to detail shines through when Cooper is in the ring, displaying composure and concentration beyond his years in what can be quite a mentally and physically exhausting task.

When Cooper proudly made his IDW debut this January, the expectations on results were not high. It was all about finally being a part of the big show.

"Going into the ring for the first time felt good, but I was a little bit nervous," he said.

Cooper's main companion in the ring on his first time leading at IDW was a gorgeous black heifer named Quality Ridge Sidekick Jane.

When she placed first in her age group class under All Breeds National Youth



Cooper Fisher with his IDW show ring prizes

Show Judge Jade Sieben, the whole family were understandably, pretty excited.

Then came Cooper's first big line-up for the decision of who would be the Junior Champion Heifer in the Junior Leader category.

After the usual anticipation and wait, Cooper and Jane were awarded the Junior Championship.

This is a pretty fair way to kick off your first International Dairy Week on the halter. But Cooper wasn't done yet.

He returned to the ring for the National Holstein Show later in the week, this time

"Watch as much as you can and learn from the people who are really good at showing." – Cooper Fisher handling an outstanding young heifer named Quality Ridge Radio Plum.

To kick start the day, Cooper led Plum to first place in the All-Australian Heifer – Graham Simpson Memorial Award class, which in itself is a special honour.

Returning to the ring for Plum's age group class, she placed second to the eventual Junior Champion heifer.

But Holstein Judge, Murray Sowter, liked what he saw in Plum and also placed her as his Honourable Mention Junior Champion Heifer.

Cooper was blown away by his achievement at his first International Dairy Week.

"I am really proud. It was over two years of waiting for me to get to IDW and it was worth it," he said achievement.

Cooper is actively involved in the entire process of preparing cows for shows,

including halter-breaking, feeding and watering, clipping and washing the cows.

"When we are getting ready for a show, I go out and practise leading with my heifers every day after school,"

His commitment to the farm doesn't end there; he is a great helper in rounding up the cows, feeding the calves and hosing down the dairy yard.

Outside of working with his beloved cows, Cooper is an avid Hawks fan in the AFL and plays for his local team. In summer he enjoys cricket and this year gets to play with his Dad Jayke as his coach.

But preparing for shows appears to always be at the back of Cooper's mind, which is little wonder given the role these beautiful animals have played in bringing his family together in the first place.

Cow connection

It was a Western District All Breeds Youth camp many moons ago where Jayke and Bec first met and as they say ... the rest is history!

Their connection through cows has only grown over the years. They bought their own farm in the Ky Valley in Victoria a couple of years ago and now comfortably milk 160 head on 60 hectares.

Their love of cows has grown, just like their family has, with five children: Cooper, Max, Harry, Ava and newborn Lewy.

Cooper's siblings clearly look up to him – with brother Max following in his footsteps, joining him in the ring at the Victorian Winter Fair and Harry also entering the ring at Shepparton Show this year.

Even sister Ava could be seen on the end of the halter for the fancy dress class at International Dairy Week.

Cooper has been busy since he made his outstanding IDW debut, taking out 2022 Shepparton All Breeds Youth Show Champion Heifer – Handler Under 13 years with Bechlah Park Picasso Sandmaid.

He also placed 2nd in the Junior Handler Under 12 years section, still just 9 years old.

At the Holstein Highlights Dinner in Ballarat in September Cooper was presented with 2022 Semex/Holstein Australia – All-Australian Calf Class first place entry for his IDW debut heifer, Quality Ridge Sidekick Jane.

Asked what advice he has for other young



Back on the farm, Cooper pitches in with the chores in the dairy.

people who want to get involved with showing or learning about cows, he said: "Watch as much as you can and learn from the people who are really good at showing."

And, of course, "always watch the judge"!

Cooper and family are preparing a small but strong string of heifers and in-milk cows to attend the 2023 International Dairy Week.

IDW about more than the win

Bec got a bit emotional when asked how it feels to see Cooper so involved in showing and being a part of a special show like International Dairy Week.

"Seeing Cooper in the ring at IDW and the

smile on his face puts everything back into perspective. This is why we do what we do. To create these special opportunities for our kids," she said.

"IDW is the place that brings us together. No matter how hard things are on-farm, what challenges we are facing as an industry, we can rely on Dairy Week to provide that friendship, comradery and support.

"While it isn't a traditional 'holiday', it is a week we can get off farm and share our passion and love for cows with other people who feel the same." she said.

Keep an eye out for the humble, but very talented young Cooper Fisher at 2023 International Dairy Week 14-19 January.**HJ**

Youth Show stars shine bright



Young dairy enthusiasts in many parts of Australia were kept busy in the Spring school holidays preparing their heifers to enter in the 2022 STg Australia Dairy Youth Expo. This was the third year of the competition with more than 145 entries from all major dairy regions.

A new initiative for 2022 was the Lucky Entry Prize of a fully imported Holstein Heifer STGEN Excalibur Create Your Future-IMP ET donated as a result of the STg Australia breeding program. Every entry received a ticket in the draw with the lucky winner being Harry Dodd, Starcrest Holsteins, Gippsland.

Harry and his sister Violet were ecstatic when the winner was announced during the online presentation. Danielle Dodd, Harry and Violet's mum, said Christmas came early for her kids this year. "They are so excited and are already working through the options of what to mate the heifer to," Danielle said.

Lisa McKay, Linsand Holsteins, Irrewillippe, said she was overawed by the number of entries, the process, the time, the effort



Abbie Hanks, Jancourt East with Supreme Champion Heifer, Elmar Mirand Farlex – RED PO.

and enthusiasm that went into all the classes.

"It was very exciting to delve through the classes," Lisa said.

The Supreme Champion heifer was awarded to Abbie Hanks from Jancourt

East in Western Victoria's Red and White Holstein entry Elmar Mirand Farlex.

Reserve Champion went to the Jersey Champion Sweet Chips and Gravy exhibited by Alexis Allen, Bega NSW. "The Supreme Champion heifer was



Simon Tognola STg Australia, Martin Glennen STg Australia, Lisa McKay Judge, Paul Douglas STg Australia at the conclusion of results presentation.



Violet Dodd and Harry Dodd, Jindivick, with two of their exhibits. Violet was awarded the Holstein Judges Choice and Harry Dodd won the Lucky Door Prize Holstein Heifer.

a standout being the Red and White Holstein." Lisa said. "She's a heifer with a lot of style, width, balance and openness. The exhibitor should also be commended on the standard of footage. It was a really good video to watch and showed all the attributes of the heifer. I give her the advantage when comparing her to my Reserve Supreme Champion the Jersey. I found her to have a little more width and prefer the way she blended through her neck and shoulder but they are two lovely heifers to take out the Supreme and Reserve Champions of the competition. Congratulations to the exhibitors."

Peter Semmens, STg Australia General Manager, congratulated participants who submitted entries to the STg Australia Youth Show 2022.

"Despite some very trying times with the climate, the number of entries continued to grow. The effort put in by the youth in presenting their heifers is to be commended and classes were all very well supported," Peter said.

He thanked the sponsors who included Holstein Australia, other breed associations and The Cattle Shop.

"Thanks also to Lisa McKay for a great job judging and her comments on the classes. And to Fiona Hanks and the STg Australia staff for your hard work to make this event a success," Peter said.

"Finally, congratulations to all the ribbon and class winners – well done everyone. "Here at STg Australia we are so pleased to be supporting Youth activities and hope that the Holstein heifer Lucky Entry Prize brings Harry Dodd of HL much joy and success.

"We look forward to the 2023 STg Youth Expo.

JUDGES CHOICE	Name of Animal	Exhibited by
Holstein	Starcrest Jagger Adeen	Violet Dodd
Red Holstein	Lindon Unstoppable Kite - Red	Tyler Gordon
Jersey	Cedar Vale Oliver Countess	Luke Whatman
Guernsey	Meadow View Deeno verity	Rylan Russell
Brown Swiss	Mayberry Dynamite Nancy	Ellie Whatman
Illawarra	Lyndith Ruth 1	Lachy Teese
Ayrshire	Glenbel Player Aara	Chelsea Schutz
BREED CHAMPIONS		
Holstein	Starcrest Arrow Marybliss	Violet Dood
Red Holstein	Elmar Mirand Farlex Red PO	Abbie Hanks
Jersey	Sweet Chips n Gravy	Alexis Allen
Guernsey	Werombi Vale Rebas Jamboree	Amy Hayter
Brown Swiss	Dusty Road King Ada 12871	Lead Dickson
Illawarra	Amor Tribulation Scarlet 2	Tayla Reynolds
Ayrshire	Werombi Vale Bethany Disco	Amy Hayter
OVERALL CHAMPION	Elmar Mirand Farlex - Red PO	Abbie Hanks
RESERVE CHAMPION	Sweet Chips n Gravy	Alexis Allen

Queensland

Champion leads from the front

Putting an early stamp on the Queensland competition, the 5-yearold Eclipse Jordy Lotto VG87 maintained her lead throughout the On Farm Challenge State Final, to be crowned Champion Cow by judge Damen Phillips of Sunny View Illawarras Toowoomba. In his first time judging a Holstein OFC, Damen praised the exhibitors for their hospitality and their efforts in presenting their cows at such a high level.

"As a lover of dairy cattle, it was a real honour to be given the opportunity to travel around the state and see other operations, meet new people and learn new things," he said.

Lotto set the standard on the first day of judging, with Damen admitting he spent the rest of his time looking for another cow "to knock her off".

"Of all the cows that were presented, she was the most correct," Damen said, praising Lotto for her stylish frame and impressive rear udder. "I marked her very high in every area on the score sheet - she really was a very hard cow to fault." Exhibited by Adrian, Sheryl and Waylon Baron (Ardylbar Holsteins), Lotto is an 11th generation VG or EX from the renowned Lucky family of Glomar Holsteins. In 2021, she was the catalogue cover girl for Master Breeder Richard Hull's Eclipse Holsteins 2nd Stage Dispersal. Lotto topped the sale at an impressive \$27,000, moving from chilly coastal south-west Victoria to Queensland's sunny Darling Downs. With her 3rd dam being the 2012 International Dairy Week Intermediate Champion, Eclipse Shottle Lotto-ET EX-90-1E 4* 2xEP 1xM 1xF 1xP, Adrian was excited by Lotto's potential, both as a show cow and brood cow. Unaware of her husband's intentions when he bought the high-priced cow, Sheryl admits Lotto has transitioned well to the new environment and is milking well for them at Ardylbar. "Lotto is turning into a really nice cow," Sheryl said. "She has a really nice temperament and is a really nice cow to work with."

In March, Lotto was named champion cow

Due to delays caused by rain and flooding conditions across large parts of New South Wales and northern Victoria, the State Final On Farm Challenge results for these regions could not be finalised when the *Holstein Journal* went to print. The presentation dates and venues for these regions will be announced online, with the results posted on social media soon after. A full report on the NSW and Victorian Champions with be released at a later date.



Queensland State Final OFC Champion – Eclipse Jordy Lotto VG87, exhibited by Adrian, Sheryl & Waylon Barron, Ardylbar Holsteins, Cambooya, Queensland.

at their local Toowomba Show. Sheryl was thrilled by the result, further appreciating Lotto's placid temperament. "She leads on the halter really well and was such an easy cow to take to a show," she said. Despite being very stale on her lactation for the OFC judging, the Barrons were keen to see how Lotto stacked up when competing against the best in their state. Like many Queensland breeders, their geographical isolation makes it difficult to show their cows. The OFC gave Lotto the opportunity to compete against 'the best' – and she didn't disappoint.

Her closest challenger arrived on the final day of judging in the entry of the Northfield family, Kaloola Unix Rae VG88. Damen was impressed by Rae's long, angular frame, but said she didn't have the height and width at the top of her rear udder to match Lotto.

"When I saw the other 5-year-old, I knew she was the one I had to give real consideration to," Damen admitted. "She came close to winning – but her rear udder didn't quite 'pop' like the other cow." Lotto was dried off immediately after the OFC judging and is due to calve in January to the leading show bull Walnutlawn Solomon. Sheryl says Lotto is a cow that continues to develop with each lactation and is excited by her potential in the future.

"She's still only young," Sheryl said, "I think after her next calf she will have matured more, and she'll look really good."

	Queensland				
Judge: Damen Phillips, Sunny View Illawarras, Queensland Champion: Eclipse Jordy Lotto, A & S Barron, Ardylbar Holsteins					
Class	First	Second			
2-year-old	Adadale Tatoo Champagne, Paulger Partnership, Adadale Holsteins, Kenilworth	Clarkdale Chief Janine, Clark Partnership, Clarkdale Holsteins, Tatham			
3-year-old	Ardylbar Atwood Johnny Rose, A & S Barron, Ardylbar Holsteins, Cambooya	Majuba Impression 19016, Argyle Farming, Majuba Holsteins, Southbrook			
4-year-old	Kaloola Awesome Christmas, T.K. & L.M. Northfield, Kaloola Holsteins, Tatham	Tredegar Park Impression Andie, D. Roderick & Partners, Tredegar Park Holsteins, Harrisvale			
5-year-old	Eclipse Jordy Lotto, A & S Barron, Ardylbar Holsteins, Cambooya	Kaloola Unix Rae, T.K. & L.M. Northfield, Kaloola Holsteins, Tatham			
Mature 6+	Ardylbar Atwood Gracie, A & S Barron, Ardylbar Holsteins, Cambooya	Instyle Diamond Shimmer 2, Clark Partnership, Clarkdale Holsteins, Caniaba			

Western Australia

A standout cow of her generation

Carenda Mainevent Vanda EX-90-2E 2xM 1xF 1xP has continued her onfarm reign in Western Australia, winning the mature class and being named WA's On Farm Challenge Champion for 2022. Vanda is a 7th generation VG or EX from the mighty 'V' family of Carenda Holsteins, bred by two-time Master Breeders Ray and Donna Kitchen of Boyanup in south-west WA. Fresh on her 4th lactation, Vanda has maintained her form from 2019 when she won the 4-year-old OFC for WA, and again in 2021 when she was the National Champion 5-year-old in the Virtual Holstein Spectacular.

In 2022, Vanda beat another strong field, with NSW judge Cameron Yarnold (Arrallik Holsteins) praising Vanda for her balance, length of frame, and exceptional mammary system.

"My Champion is so clean and flat of her bone, and has such a beautiful udder," he said. "She's so well balanced – everywhere you break her down on the scoresheet, she ticks the boxes."

Cameron said Vanda was a great example of "a modern Holstein cow", describing his champion as not overly tall, very correct in her frame, and having a propensity to produce a lot of milk, showing tremendous width and texture throughout.

"She had a phenomenal amount of milk on her – and yet the more milk she had the more her ligament cut through. She is the kind of cow every dairyman wants to milk."

Cameron said picking his champion was not an easy decision, admitting the Ravenhill family's entry, the 2nd placed mature cow Moonaralla Halogen 6444, was also a strong contender.

"My top two mature cows were some of the best older cows I've seen in the country for quite some time," he said. Though Cameron admitted when he first saw Vanda, and her tremendous dairy capacity and wide rear udder, it was difficult to hold back his excitement. According to Ray, Vanda is "the standout cow of her generation" at Carenda, praising her ability to combine superior conformation, exceptional production and leading breeding values.



Western Australia OFC Champion 2022 – Carenda Mainevent Vanda EX-90-2E, bred by Ray & Donna Kitchen, Carenda Holsteins, Boyanup WA.

"Vanda has performed so well in all aspects of breeding – conformation, production and reproduction," Ray said.

On her previous lactation, Vanda produced a record of 12,510 litres and 875 kg milk solids in 305 days with a PI 114. Her superior conformation is also reflected in her genomic breeding values, featuring +103 overall type, +109 for mammary and +112 daughter fertility, with a BPI+378. As a brood cow, Vanda already has four progeny above BPI +400, including her daughter Carenda Perseus Venus VG85 BPI +453, now fresh on her 3rd lactation after completing an impressive record exceeding 11,000 litres as a 3-year-old.

At Genetics Australia, Vanda's sons Carenda Sondalo (SONDALO) and Carenda Tirano-P (TIRANO) continue to be popular among breeders thanks to their desirable health traits and pleasing blend of type and production – attributes Ray says are consistent with his 'V' family and his breeding philosophy at Carenda.

"I think you can certainly breed for milk solids and the health traits that contribute to high index cows without losing track of what a good cow should look like," he said. "It's about keeping things in perspective – not trying to breed for everything all at once."

As for his winning champion, Ray was humbled by the continued success of his 'V' family, noting the strength of the OFC competition in WA.

"Just to win a class in a competition like this is pretty incredible," Ray admitted, "but particularly Vanda, when she was up against so many really good local cows." HJ

	Western Au	ıstralia
Judge: Car	neron Yarnold, Arrallik Holsteins, NSW	
Champion	Carenda Mainevent Vanda, exhibited by R	&D Kitchen, Carenda Holsteins, Boyanup
Class	First	Second
2-year-old	Moonaralla Tatoo 8459; KW & BL Ravenhill,	Treeton Licorice Melody; G & L Jenkins & Son,
3-year-old	Moonaralla Holsteins, Narrikup Carenda Jeronimo Vista; R&D Kitchen,	Treeton Holsteins, Cowaramup Katandra Park Doorman Rae; DM & LM Fry,
4-year-old	Carenda Holsteins, Boyanup Treeton Banderas Pansy; G&L Jenkins &	Katandra Park Holstein, Brunswick Junction Hayes Tex 8064; Hayes farm (non-registered)
5-year-old	Son, Treeton Holsteins, Cowaramup Logue 1706; WACCA Harvey Agricultural College, Logue Holsteins, Harvey	Bluechip Daisys Diamond; G&PA Angi, Angelis Holsteins, Yarloop
Mature 6+	Carenda Mainevent Vanda; R&D Kitchen, Carenda Holsteins, Boyanup	Moonaralla Halogen 6444; KW & BL Ravenhill, Moonaralla Holsteins, Narrikup

South Australia

Champion reaches her potential

Tasmanian judge Marcus Young selected the 9-year-old entry of Brett Fiebig, Warrabell Glauco Leesa VG87, as his South Australian On Farm Challenge for 2022.

Marcus praised the consistent quality of the entries he saw at every farm.

"It was a shame so many outstanding cows missed out on a top five placing," he said, "but the top cows were ridiculously good!"

Finding his Champion in the matriarch class, Marcus gave Leesa the advantage for the overall correctness and width to her frame and her exceptional udder attachments.

"She was a wonderful cow – everything about her blended beautifully," Marcus said, admitting he found it difficult to take his eyes off the impressive width and bloom of his Champion's vessel.

"I'm not sure even Brett knows how good she is!"

In gaining her title, Leesa beat out some strong competition, including the winning OFC 5-year-old and reigning Adelaide Royal Champion, Robsvue Avalanche Penny EX-90-1E, exhibited by Rob and Bec Walmsley, Robsvue Holsteins, Myponga.

Leesa herself has never been to a show, with Brett saying his commitments to his farm and to his family, including his partner Stephanie and their young daughter Lily, rarely allow him the time needed for preparing a show team.

He was therefore very appreciative to Marcus and the OFC for allowing Leesa to compete against the best in the region as a matriarch cow.

"It is not easy getting cows to this age," Brett said. "It takes a lot of work and it's great to get some recognition for older cows like Leesa."

Describing her as "just a herd cow", Brett says Leesa was not a cow he had previously thought much about, but had developed with each lactation.

She descends from the renowned Lucky family of Glomar Holsteins from a branch that has performed consistently well for the Fiebigs.



South Australia OFC Champion – Warrabell Glauco Leesa VG87, bred by Brett Fiebig, Warrabell Holsteins, Strathalbyn SA.

Her progeny to-date includes a spring born Maverick Crush daughter and a milking 5-year-old daughter Warrabell Franklin Leesa VG88 with a top lactation of 10,426 litres and 730 kg milk solids with a PI 113.

Family member Warrabell Blade Lucky-TW EX-91-3E 2xM 1xF 1xP LIFE 1 was the 2021 SA OFC matriarch winner and National Virtual Holstein Spectacular Champion. Her Excellent twin sister Warrabell Blade Leesa-TW EX-92-3E STP(Silvr) 3* 3xM LIFE 4 was a 100,000 litre lifetime cow at Brett's parents, David and Trudy Fiebig's Master Breeder herd. While another sister, and Glauco Leesa's dam, Warrabell Bolton Leesa VG89 LIFE1, was sold as a young cow to Master Breeders John and Cherie Gardiner, Avonlea Holsteins.

Brett said Glauco Leesa was typical of the Lucky family, recognised for their excellent temperament, great rear udders and slow maturing.

"It's often when they get to their fourth, or fifth and sixth lactation that they really start looking good," Brett said.

It may have taken a few lactations for Glauco Leesa to catch his attention, but Brett is thrilled by her achievement and excited by about her future potential in his herd.

South Australia					
Judge: Ma	arcus Young, Datumvale Holsteins, Tasmania				
Champion	1: Warrabell Glauco Leesa, exhibited by Brett F	Fiebig, Warrabell Holsteins, Strathalbyn			
Class	First	Second			
2-year-old	Warrabell High Octane Carmel, Brett	Robsvue Black Matsuko; R&R Walmsley,			
	Fiebig, Warrabell Holsteins, Strathalbyn	Robsvue Holsteins, Myponga			
3-year-old	Lightning Ridge CMD Doc Bamba-ET; R&R	Jervois History Quartz; CG & FD Mason, Jervois			
	Walmsley, Robsvue Holsteins, Myponga	Holsteins, Tailem Bend			
4-year-old	Empire Backdoor Pearl-ET; Andrew Pacitti,	Fantasia Jedi Graceful; Fantasia Pastoral Co P/L,			
	Empire Holsteins, Myponga	Fantasia Holsteins, Mount Gambier			
5-year-old	Robsvue Avalanche Penny; R&R Walmsley,	Coomboona Apples A Bambi-IMP-ET-RED; CJ			
	Robsvue Holsteins, Myponga	& KA Royans & R&R Walmsley, Myponga			
Mature 6+	Warrabell Glauco Leesa; Brett Fiebig,	Windy Vale Goldfish Ding; CJ & KA Royans,			
	Warrabell Holsteins, Strathalbyn	Windy Vale Holsteins, Myponga			

Tasmania

'Ripping' 3-year-old takes the crown

Despite having plenty of quality aged cows to choose from, Victoria's Brent Mitchell had no hesitation in naming the Millhouse family's 3-year-old entry, Southwick Unix Alaska VG85, as his Tasmanian On Farm Challenge Champion.

"She may only be a 3-year-old," Brent said, "but what a ripping 3-year-old!"

For Brent, Alaska was the clear stand-out of the competition, giving her the advantage for the height and width of her rear udder and her superior mobility.

"She is a beautifully balanced young cow with a cracking udder," Brent said, praising Alaska for her overall balance, length of frame and exceptional mammary system. "I think in about two more years, with a little more development and maturity – she'll be unstoppable."

Alaska is a member of the 'Eve' family at Southwick Holsteins, tracing back to the renowned Tasmanian breeder Ken Green of Kenroy Vale Holsteins.

Southwick Holsteins is managed by Olivia and Rachel Milhouse with their parents Murray and Leonie. Their small herd is housed at the Radford Bros robot dairy at Riana, west of Devonport in Tasmania's north.

The niche herd allows Olivia and her parents to indulge their passion for Holstein breeding. Olivia said their Eve family had played a predominant role since her dad bought the foundation cow, Kenroy Vale Jed Lisa 10th-ET VG85 at the Kenroy Vale Holsteins dispersal in 1997.

"The cow family breeds very consistently," she said. "They are moderate sized cows with balanced frames and really good udders."

Alaska's granddam, Southwick Alexanders Eve EX-91-1E was a successful show cow for Olivia, with numerous champions titles to her record. Her sire, Croteau Lesperron Unix, was recently named Premier Sire at the 2022 World Dairy Expo.

Alaska herself has already amassed an impressive show record, named Junior Champion at the Tasmanian State



Tasmanian OFC Champion 2022- Southwick Unix Alaska VG85, bred by Murray, Leonie, Olivia & Rachel Millhouse, Southwick Holsteins, Riana, Tasmania.

Youth Show in 2020, and Reserve Senior Champion in 2021. As a 2-year-old, Alaska placed first in her class in the Tasmanian OFC under South Australian judge Angela Tweddle.

Now on her second lactation, with a heifer calf by Stantons Chief, Alaska's continued development is exciting.

"She's producing over 40 litres per day on just a pasture diet with 7 kg of grain," Olivia said, admiring her champion cow's dairy quality and capacity to produce. "She has a beautiful udder. It is very high and wide in the rear attachment and really soft textured with nice venation."

Like many parts of Australia, 2022 has

been a difficult year in Tasmania with dairy farmers battling with extreme weather conditions. Yet the OFC continues to be well supported by the Tasmanian members – something Brent acknowledged in his comments.

"It is a credit to the breeders and exhibitors in presenting their cows the way they did in such trying conditions," Brent said.

For Olivia, the OFC is one of the highlights on the Holstein calendar and she was honoured to receive her first OFC Champion.

"I was hoping Alaska would do OK – but winning champion was a big surprise," she said.

	Tasmania			
Judge: Brent Mitchell, Mitch Holsteins, Victoria Champion: Southwick Unix Alaska, MJ & LG Millhouse, Southwick Holsteins, Riana				
Class	First	Second		
2-year-old	Datumvale Kingdoc Roxy, M Young, Datumvale Holsteins, Ridgley.	Datumvale Absolute Lynn, M Young, Datumvale Holsteins, Ridgley.		
3-year-old	Southwick Unix Alaska, MJ & LG Millhouse, Southwick Holsteins, Riana.	Datumvale Awesome Lynn, M Young, Datumvale Holsteins, Ridgley		
4-year-old	Dial View Octane Remi, Radford family, Dial View Holsteins, Riana.	Datumvale Byway Vonnie, M Young, Datumvale Holsteins, Ridgley		
5-year-old	Southwick Knowledge Rose, MJ & LG Millhouse, Southwick Holsteins, Riana.	Rustique Guthrie Jade, M & L Fisher, Ru Holsteins, Natone		
Mature 6+	Lightning Ridge Arch GJane 1-ET, K, T & J Walters, Cradle View Holsteins, Kindred	Krisamdon Ladino 9115, J Evans, Krisar Holsteins		

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EX-90-1E Brushy Mountain Guthrie Fiona

Central & Western NSW

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	nargo Braxton Juno	6 Lact.
	nargo Shottle Emma	6 Lact.
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	CHESWORTH	5 1+
	nargo Recluse Stanley Starbaby nargo Recluse Avalon Lass	5 Lact. 3 Lact.
	nargo Recluse Brad Wildflower	3 Lact. 4 Lact.
	nargo Recluse Bradnick Jean	4 Lact. 5 Lact.
	nargo Recluse Chief Starbaby	3 Lact.
	nargo Recluse Doorman Bronwyn	3 Lact.
	nargo Recluse Fev Wildflower	5 Lact.
	nargo Recluse Fever Beth	5 Lact.
	nargo Recluse Fever Sunray	4 Lact.
	nargo Recluse Gold Pagen	4 Lact.
	nargo Recluse Kenosha Paula	3 Lact.
	nargo Recluse Pharo Angelsheena	1L 2.3Y
VG86 Tor	nargo Recluse Pharos Belinda	1L 2.1Y
	ipse Moovin Princess	1L 2.3Y
VG85 Tor	nargo Recluse Kingdoc Lucia	1L 2.1Y
VG85 Tor	nargo Recluse Kingdoc Snowhite	1L 2.4Y
VG85 Tor	nargo Recluse Kingdoc Waratah	1L 2.7Y
VG85 Tor	nargo Recluse Pharo Lovely	1L 2.1Y
VG85 Tor	nargo Recluse Sidekick Matilda	1L 2.2Y
VG85 Tor	nargo Recluse St Chief Frantessie	1L 2.9Y
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EX-91-1E Cur	nberoona Salt Ariel	3 Lact.
EX-90-1E Cur	nberoona Windbrook Alisha	4 Lact.
VG86 Cur	nberoona Callen Toni	1L 2.2Y
VG85 Cur	mberoona Mirand Apricot 4166-PO	1L 2.4Y
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	wnlow Hill Glen Ashley	10 Lact.
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EX-90-1E Ga	vana Allen Jo-MFF-CNF-DPF-XIF-BLF	6 Lact.
SILVERME	RE HOLSTEINS	
EX-90-1E Silv	vermere Numerouno Sheena	5 Lact.
EX-90-2E Silv	vermere Impression Laurel	5 Lact.
VG85 Silv	vermere Hawt Mampurity	1L 2.5Y
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	R & A MARKS	
	tyle Super Bernita	7 Lact.
	nvarl Doc Bernita	1L 3.0Y
BA&SEN		~ .
EX-90-1E Cor	ral Hill Megamia	3 Lact.
MB&JG	MOORE	
EX-90-1E Bru	ıshy Mountain Debonair Silky-RED	3 Lact.

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VG85 Brushy Mountain America Midgie	1L 2.9
Far North Coast NSW	
T K & L M NORTHFIELD	
EX-91-1E Kaloola Dempsey M Beatrice	4 Lact
EX-90-1E Kaloola Demptrex Liz	3 Lac
EX-90-1E Kaloola lota Bunty	7 Lac
EX-90-1E Kaloola Windbrook Cinderella-IMP-I	
EX-90-4E Kaloola Fever Meg 2nd	7 Lac
EX-90-3E Kaloola Ernesto Beetroot-OC	6 Lac
VG86 Kaloola King Doc Rae	1L 2.10
VG85 Kaloola Artist Meggie	1L 2.8
VG85 Kaloola Tatoo Bunty	1L 3.3
VG85 Kaloola Tatoo G Liz	1L 3.2
Far South Coast, NSW	
A J ALLEN	
EX-90-1E Galba Aftershock Maple 1	6 Lac
VG85 Galba Kingdoc Janette-CNF-DPF-BL	F 1L 2.8
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EX-90-1E Tango Baringa Jillian WARWICK FARM ENTERPRISES	8 Lac
WARWICK FARM ENTERPRISES EX-90-2E Warwick Farm Aftershock Lillian-CN	
VG85 Warwick Farm Aftershock Lillian-CN	F-DPF-BLF 6 Lac 1L 3.1
VG85 Warwick Farm Lanuslide Laverne	IL 3.1
Hunter Valley, NSW	
K W & G L LAMBKIN	
EX-90-1E Brokevale Rman Roxstar	3 Lac
A RICHARDSON-HOUGH & M R RC	DOD
EX-90-1E Whitegold Crvtte Satin	3 Lac
EX-90-1E Whitegold Royal Glamour	6 Lac
VG85 Whitegold Callen Satin	
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VG85 Whitegold Diamondback Pandora	
VG85 Whitegold Diamondback Pandora	1L 2.7
VG85 Whitegold Diamondback Pandora VG85 Whitegold Doc Aubrey-TWIN A RICHARDSON-HOUGH & M R RC	1L 2.7 1L 2.9
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VG85 Whitegold Diamondback Pandora VG85 Whitegold Doc Aubrey-TWIN A RICHARDSON-HOUGH & M R RC MOXEY FARMS PTY LIMITED EX-90-1E Whitegold Cor Satin A S R SHEARER & SON EX-90-1E Wyoming Diamondback Blackie	1L 2.7 1L 2.9 DOD & 4 Lac 3 Lac
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C	HRIS	S BRENDAN BUTLER	
EX	-90-2E	Arrallik Allen Meg-ET	4 Lact.
т	1811		
		Eclipse Goldchip Cinderella 4-ET	6 Lact.
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EX	-91-3E	Budgeree Baltimor Tabby	9 Lact.
EX	-91-2E	Avonlea Windbrook Marcey-ET	5 Lact.
EX	-91-2E	Budgeree A T Pearl	5 Lact.
EX	-90-3E	Kenmar Lauthority Meg	7 Lact.
EX	-90-2E	Budgeree Loaded Butterkorn	5 Lact.
EX	-90-2E	Eclipse Atwood W Paradise-ET	5 Lact.
c	R&D	EMERTON	
EX	-90-1E	Regemo Noonoo Kribbin	5 Lact.
		Regemo Superpower Monique	3 Lact.
		(M FORBES	
		Barrington View Breakout Marie	6 Lact.
		Barrington View Dispatch Rhonda 6003	3 Lact.
EX	-90-1E	Barrington View Signature Fame	4 Lact.
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EX	-90-1E	Bowthorne Forbode Pirrama	8 Lact.
EX	-90-1E	Marloo Kody Sandra	5 Lact.
EX	-90-1E	Marloo Policy Samantha	6 Lact.
EX	-90-3E	Bowthorne Kirra Mulga	9 Lact.
EX	-90-3E	Golden Valley Shottle Trillpearl	7 Lact.
Ve	585	Marloo Powerful Rox-PO	1L 2.5Y
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		Springwood Park Goldboy Marissa	5 Lact.
		Springwood Park Impression Kriss	4 Lact.
	i85 i85	Springwood Park Ammo Pansy 2nd-ET-RED	1L 3.1Y 1L 3.4Y
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K	ILLAR	RA PARK	
EX	-91-3E	Killarra Park Aftershock Fussy	7 Lact.
EX	-90-1E	Killarra Park Aftershock Nona	3 Lact.
EX	-90-1E	Killarra Park Goldsun Loma	7 Lact.
Ve	85	Killarra Park Solomon Cressy	1L 3.2Y
R	IVERS	IDE PARK HOLSTEINS	
		Riverside Park Maxwell Missy-RED	4 Lact.
		Riverside Park Destry Cotton	6 Lact.
		Riverside Park Jordan Leola-IMP-ET	6 Lact.
		Riverside Park Windhammer Ember-IMP-ET	5 Lact.
		RON YARNOLD	
		Arrallik Atwood Candy 2-ET	6 Lact.
		Budgeree Dol Paula	8 Lact.
		Arrallik Bolton Meg-ET	7 Lact.
VG	i85	Arrallik Beemer Candy 3-ET	1L 2.7Y
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		Ettamogah Shottle Sharni	5 Lact.
		Ettamogah Lexicon Cora	5 Lact.
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EX	-90-1E	Kyeamba Masterpiece Karen	6 Lact.
EX	-90-2E	Kyeamba Tfmgoldsun Karen	4 Lact.
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		Rosewood Ice Meg	6 Lact.
		Rosewood Latrobe Hanna	10 Lact.

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New England & North-West NSW			
KL&N	I A ATKINS		
EX-93-2E	Budgeree Fever Faith	7 Lact.	
EX-90-1E	Blackn White Stanleycup Cadilac	7 Lact.	
	Kenmar Sid Rose	3 Lact.	
EX-90-1E	Kenmar Solman Melita	4 Lact.	
VG85	Kenmar Dealmaker Linda	1L 2.7Y	
Wl%l	L BROWN		
	Juleanwes Crush Luella	3 Lact.	
	Juleanwes Reginald Dita	5 Lact.	
	Juleanwes Slater Donk (MALE)	3.9Y	
	Cairnsdale Dorcy Princess	5 Lact.	
	Cairnsdale Meteor Nellie	6 Lact.	
	Juleanwes Defo Domino-TWIN	4 Lact.	
	Juleanwes Doorman Charity Juleanwes Doorman Jade	3 Lact.	
	Juleanwes Silvio Luella	3 Lact. 1L 2.2Y	
		IL Z.ZT	
	BES PARTNERSHIP		
	Advanced Kingboy Lulu 6-ET	5 Lact.	
VG85	Brombin Park Acer Gold	1L 2.3Y	
	J COOMBES		
	Coldara Planet Porscha	6 Lact.	
	Budgeree Crack Pearlie	6 Lact.	
	Coldara S Wall Saphie	7 Lact.	
EX-90-1E	Fraserlee Jordan Frosty 2nd-IMP-ET	4 Lact.	
WOOD	LAND PARK		
EX-90-1E	Woodland Park Frosty Manansia	3 Lact.	
South	n Coast & Tablelands, NSW		
BLACK	JACK HOLSTEINS		
EX-90-1E	Blackjack Index Shelly	6 Lact.	
BOSCA	WEN HOLSTEINS		
EX-91-1E	Boscawen Boston Meg 6269	6 Lact.	
VG86	Boscawen Meridan Ester 8632	1L 2.6Y	
VG86	Boscawen Mirand Olga 8525-PO	1L 2.9Y	
VG86	Boscawen Sugardaddy Kay 8689	1L 2.5Y	
VG85	Boscawen 1stgrade Wanda 8729	1L 2.4Y	
VG85	Boscawen Butze Maddy 8784	1L 2.2Y	
VG85	Boscawen Chief Laurel T 8539-TWIN	1L 2.9Y	
VG85	Boscawen Chief Queen 8659	1L 2.6Y	
VG85	Boscawen Goldbra Rose 8543	1L 2.9Y	
VG85	Boscawen Goldchip Glow 8658	1L 2.6Y	
VG85	Boscawen Kingdoc Bones 8553	1L 2.8Y	
VG85	Boscawen Sugardaddy Kay 8844	1L 2.1Y	
	IE COCHRANE	41.2.01/	
VG86 VG85	Eagle Park Crushabull Hezanna Strongbark Tatoo Tara	1L 3.0Y 1L 3.3Y	
	5	IL 3.31	
	OCHRANE	10 Lact.	
	Forest Meadow Tookai Bingo Murribrook Savior Veronica-ET	4 Lact.	
		. 2000	
	RRATTY P/L Murribrook Windhammer Dana	3 Lact.	
EX-90-TE VG85	Avonlea Denver Victory-ET	3 Lact. 1L 2.3Y	
VG85 VG85	Glenalbas Kingdoc Indiana-ET	1L 2.3 Y 1L 2.6Y	
VG85 VG85	Murribrook Sidekick Cassie-ET-CNF-DPF-BLF	1L 2.61 1L 2.7Y	
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	JRRAY & SONS	512-4	
EX-92-3E	JRRAY & SONS Rissmore Colt 45 Ciara-ET-RED Rissmore Solemn Atlantis	5 Lact. 3 Lact.	

EX-90-1E	Rissmore Atwood Rose-ET	5 Lact.
VG85	Rissmore Chuck Sally 10th	1L 2.10Y
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VG85	Wileys Ridge Unstopabull Cara-RED	1L 2.11Y
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Holstein Australia will endeavour to classify in the following regions:

December-January (possibly into February)

- West Gippsland
- East Gippsland
- South Australia
- Northern Victoria
- Riverina

Holly the Holstein needs help to brighten up her home!

Help Holly bring some much needed colour to the farm and enter to win an exclusive Holly the Holstein Prize pack!



Age Groups: 6 Years and Under and 7-12 Years

How to Enter: Bring your entry in person to the Holstein Australia booth at International Dairy Week (Sunday-Thursday)

or SMS a clear photo of your finished artwork to 0409 926 429 including your name and age and a parent's name.

Entries close: 11am on Thursday, 19 January 2023

Winners will be announced at 1pm on Thursday, 19 January 2023

THE LAST WORD

Holly the Holstein joins HA team

She is a cute little Holstein cow resulting from a lifelong friendship between author Russell Smith and Holstein Australia Master Breeder Colin Daley (Ourway Holsteins Qld).

As part of her debut into the world of children's books, she helped generate an incredible \$18,000 that was directly donated to the Mid Coast Dairy Advancement Group to support farmers affected by flooding in 2021.

This month Holly is being welcomed to the Holstein Australia herd as we relaunch this special book to celebrate the Holstein cow and dairy industry.

Author Russell Smith was inspired to create Holly the Holstein due to the passion he had seen exhibited by friend Col Daley.

He wanted to do something positive to help the dairy industry and to showcase the life of our dairy farmers and cows.

He believed that children needed an improved understanding of the dairy sector and its associated products, but when he tried to find a children's book that did this, he couldn't find one.

After publishing the book, he saw the opportunity to further support the industry by donating profits from Holly the Holstein sales when dairy farms were severely impacted by floods on the NSW Mid-North Coast.

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Young Albert Nicholson is a huge fan of Holly the Holstein. Photograph: Author Russell Smith

When considering the future of Holly, Russell wanted to provide the best opportunity for the book to have a continuing benefit for the industry.

As a result, Holstein Australia has taken ownership of this special black and white cow, with an updated version of Holly the Holstein coming out before Christmas.

This relaunched book, in addition to Holly's story, will include additional educational



content on the Holstein breed and a focus on Australian dairy youth development.

Holstein Australia is thrilled to confirm that profits from Holly the Holstein will be dedicated to the development of Australian dairy youth, supporting a number of youth-focused programs.

"We are excited to see what we can do in developing Holly the Holstein," Holstein Australia Marketing and Communications Coordinator, Amanda Glossop, said.

"It is a beautifully illustrated and written book that is perfect for young children to connect with."

Thanks to Russell Smith for entrusting Holstein Australia with the future of Holly. Holly the Holstein will be available online via the Holstein Australia website shortly and at the 2023 International Dairy Week.

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