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President's Message

As Primary Producers we all appreciate when Mother Nature has a tantrum we are just passengers along for the ride. The devastation of, and changes to, the Southern Marlborough and Northern Canterbury landscape after this weeks' Kaikoura earthquake is just incredible. Cape Campbell is now reportedly 2 metres further North than when last surveyed, Mount Fyffe is higher than it was, and the high tide mark along the Kaikoura Coast is 60 metres further out to sea than the week previous. My thoughts are with effected residents who are just trying to get some sense of normality back into their daily routines. I only hope the bureaucrats don't stand in their way and some old fashioned Kiwi improvisation is allowed to come to the fore with some innovative solutions to massive challenges. Already we have seen Work Safe close a roading site after an unsuccessful competitor complained about the oppositions work practises clearing a massive slip blocking an isolated farming community's only access route. Who are the losers in this argument?

Thanks to all the members who have promoted the South Devon Breed at the various A & P Shows and events around the country this year.

Congratulations to the Wason Family for their

success at the Canterbury A&P Show winning the Wyllie Salver Trophy for Best Junior Animal in Show with Snowview Checkmate 11.

I would also like to take this opportunity to thank my Board and the PBB Office for their hard work throughout the year. In particular I would like to single out James Donaldson for his tireless dedication as the Society's Treasurer, as I have said previously, it is largely due to James that the Society is in a sound financial position. However after 7 years he has decided to relinquish his hold on the purse strings and step down in March. This provides an exciting opportunity for somebody at the 2017 AGM.

The AGM is to be held in Dunedin during March 2017 in conjunction with a short tour which I would encourage you all to attend and enjoy a few days of Southern Hospitality.

Finally I would like to wish each of you a Merry Christmas, a Happy New Year and a safe Festive Season.

"If you are going through hell keep going."
Winston Churchill

Kind regards,
RICHARD VAN ASCH President

CHRISTCHURCH A&P SHOW

9TH . 11TH NOVEMBER 2016



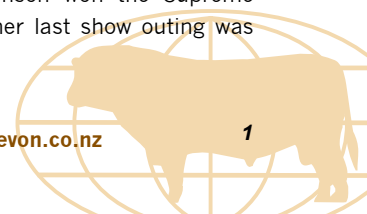
What an amazing, full on week. The South Devons were well represented by 5 attending breeders, with 12 females and 9 Bulls. Our Breed judge was Canterbury local, John Jebson. Originally Peter Foss had been asked and had accepted, but due to unforeseen circumstances Peter was unavailable.

Monday most of us arrived, late in the afternoon. Cattle are bedded down and fed, and left for the night, allowing Tuesday as wash day, Soap suds and laughter.

Wednesday, Show day. What began as a cool

wet morning, thankfully cleared just as the breed classes began.

The South Devon had the second highest entry numbers after the Angus. The beef interbreeds results, truly made the South Devon Breed stand out. Congratulations to Dene and Steph Wason with their yearling bull, Snowview Checkmate 11. A wonderful example to the South Devon, not only in stature but also his laid back, well behaved manner. Brian Thomson won the Supreme South Devon cow (her last show outing was as a calf).



Thursday saw the All Breed classes take on a whole different view. Different Judge, different placings. Due to the extremely high numbers of entries in each class, we found ourselves walking in and either being sent to the right or left (out the gate). Very new concept to most of us, but this process made the classes a hundred times easier and faster. Those sent back in the shed joked it was who got "chucked" out first, became the giggle for the day. But we must mention that not all of us failed to remain in the ring for a great period of the time, quite a few made it to the top 12 and some receiving top 5 placings.

With great spirits that night we all made our way to the Monteith's Bar for Dinner, South Devon steak being on the menu (good enough to satisfy a Hereford Breeder.)

Reflecting on the week in Christchurch, we are already planning next year's teams of South Devons.

We look forward to 2017 and another week of like-minded friends all exhibiting their love and passion.



SOUTH DEVON BREED CLASSES

COW, WITH HER OWN CALF(S) AT FOOT (3 YEARS AND OVER)

1st B J ThomsonLoch Lomond Teds Nessie
2nd R A & D A Van Asch.....Burtergill Zions Delm 1026

HEIFER (2 YEARS) - WITH OR WITHOUT HER OWN CALF AT FOOT.

1st R A & D A Van Asch..... Burtergill Zion's Florence 1443

PERFORMANCE PLUS CLASS - COW OR HEIFER TWO YEARS AND OVER WITH CALF AT FOOT.

1st R A & D A Van Asch.....Burtergill Zions Delm 1026
2nd= B J ThomsonLoch Lomond Teds Nessie
2nd= R A & D A Van Asch..... Burtergill Zion's Florence 1443

CHAMPION SENIOR FEMALE

B J Thomson, Loch Lomond Teds Nessie

RESERVE CHAMPION SENIOR FEMALE

R A & D A Van Asch, Burtergill..... Zion's Florence 1443

HEIFER SENIOR YEARLING

1st R A & D A Van Asch.....Aschwood Black Velvet 505
2nd S & J Eden.....Java Marvel Natalia -ET
3rd R A & D A Van Asch.....Burtergill Zodiacs Misty 1533

HEIFER JUNIOR YEARLING

1st M D & J D Wason..... Snowview Amelia 6
2nd R A & D A Van Asch..... Burtergill Regs Sage 1533
3rd M D & J D Wason.....Snowview Jessie 6

PERFORMANCE PLUS CLASS - YEARLING HEIFER

1st R A & D A Van Asch.....Aschwood Black Velvet 505
2nd R A & D A Van Asch..... Burtergill Regs Sage 1533
3rd R A & D A Van Asch..... Burtergill Zodiacs Misty 1531

CHAMPION YEARLING FEMALE

M D & J D Wason Snowview Amelia 6

RESERVE CHAMPION YEARLING FEMALE

R A & D A Van Asch.....Aschwood Black Velvet 505

BULL SENIOR YEARLING

1st M D & J D Wason..... Snowview Checkmate I
2nd B J ThomsonLoch Lomond Fox 8
3rd B J ThomsonLoch Lomond K Syd 5

BULL JUNIOR YEARLING

1st M D & J D Wason.....Snowview Checkmate II
2nd Fraser & Sandra McKenzie Wainuka Samson 1538

3rd R A & D A Van Asch..... Burtergill Horace

PERFORMANCE PLUS CLASS - YEARLING BULL.

1st M D & J D Wason.....Snowview Checkmate II
2nd M D & J D Wason.....Snowview Checkmate I
3rd= B J ThomsonLoch Lomond K Syd 5
3rd= Fraser & Sandra McKenzie Wainuka Samson 1538

CHAMPION YEARLING BULL

M D & J D WasonSnowview Checkmate II

RESERVE CHAMPION YEARLING BULL

M D & J D WasonSnowview Checkmate I

TWO YEARLINGS, ANY SEX. BRED BY EXHIBITOR, TO BE JUDGED AS A PAIR.

1st M D & J D Wason.....Snowview
2nd R A & D A Van Asch..... Burtergill Scout 1537
3rd S & J Eden.....Java Marvel Pickles - ET

TWO ANIMALS BY ONE SIRE OR ONE DAM

1st M D & J D Wason..... Snowview Checkmate I
2nd R A & D A Van Asch..... Burtergill Scout 1537,
3rd S & J Eden.....Java Marvel Pickles - ET

GRAND CHAMPION YEARLING

M D & J D WasonSnowview Checkmate II

GRAND CHAMPION SENIOR

B J Thomson, Loch Lomond Teds Nessie

SUPREME SOUTH DEVON

B J Thomson, Loch Lomond Teds Nessie

ALL BREEDS CLASSES

Judge William Beddell - United Kingdom

YEARLING BULL (34 ENTRIES)

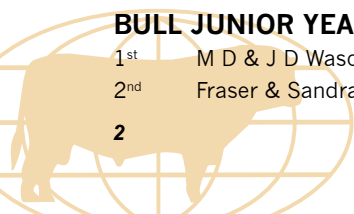
4th M D & J D Wason..... Snowview Checkmate I
IN TOP 12
B J Thomson.....Loch Lomond Fox 8
R A & D A Van Asch Burtergill Horace

COW 3 YEARS AND OVER, WITH OWN CALF AT FOOT (20 ENTRIES)

5th B J ThomsonLoch Lomond Teds Nessie

HEIFER 2 YEARS WITH OR WITHOUT CALF AT FOOT

6th R A & D A Van Asch..... Burtergill Zion's Florence 1443



YEARLING HEIFER (46 ENTRIES)

8th M D & J D Wason.....Snowview Jessie 6
IN TOP 12
S & J Eden.....Java Marvel Natalia -ET

YEARLING PAIR

5th R A & D A Van Asch
Burtergill Horace, Burtergill Regs Sage 1533
6th R A & D A Van Asch
Ashwood Black Sambo 501, Ashwood Black Velvet 505



Brian Thomson with Supreme South Devon Loch Lomond
Teds Nessie and Loch Lomond Syds Nessie (front)

INTERBREED

JUNIOR FEMALE

4th M D & J D Wason..... Snowview Amelia 6

JUNIOR BULL

1st M D & J D Wason.....Snowview Checkmate II

JUNIOR BEEF ANIMAL IN SHOW, WINNER OF THE WYLLIE SALVER.

M D & J D WasonSnowview Checkmate II

INTERBREED CLASS, ONE MALE ONE FEMALE.

1st M D & J D Wason
Snowview Checkmate II, Snowview Amelia 6.



Dene Wason with Grand Champion Yearling
Snowview Checkmate II

2016 SHOW RESULTS: HAWKE'S BAY ROYAL A&P SHOW, WAIRARAPA A&P SHOW, MANAWATU A&P SHOW

HAWKE'S BAY ROYAL A&P SHOW (HASTINGS)

20-21 October 2016 Judge: Charlie Lee

Combined classes for Angus, Belgian Blue, Dexter, Charolais
and South Devon.

YEARLING HEIFER (4 BREEDS/6 ENTRIES)

1st Wainuka Salvia 1531 P & L Robertson
4th Woodah R. Pansy 15/015 B J Thomson

CHAMPION JUNIOR FEMALE

Wainuka Salvia 1531

INTERBREED CLASSES

(Included 5 breeds above plus Hereford, Simmental and
Gelbvieh). Entries are Champions of their Breed in each class.

**Judges: Michael Bayly, Patrick Crawshaw,
Stuart Robbie, Charlie Lee**

YEARLING HEIFER (6 BREEDS)

3rd Wainuka Salvia 1531 P & L Robertson

BEEF ALL BREEDS

Judge: John Murray

Associate Judge: Emma Pollitt

ALL BREED YEARLING HEIFER

(6 BREEDS/12 ENTRIES)

3rd Woodah R Pansy 15/015 B J Thomson

WAIRARAPA A&P SHOW

29 October 2016 Judge: David Blackwood

All Breed classes included Charolais, Gelbvieh, Red Poll,
Highland and South Devon.

YEARLING HEIFER

1st Wainuka Salvia 1531(also CHAMPION JUNIOR FEMALE)
2nd Woodah R.Pansy 15/015
(also RESERVE CHAMPION JUNIOR FEMALE)

YEARLING PAIRS

1st South Devon Heifers (as above)

MANAWATU A&P SHOW

5 November 2016 Judge: Ben Burgess

All Breed classes included Charolais, Dexter, Hereford, Lowline,
Limousin and South Devon.

YEARLING HEIFER

3rd Wainuka Salvia 1531 P & L Robertson

HEIFER CALF

1st Ben Vista Harriet 25 662 P & L Robertson

BULL 2 YEARS & OVER

1st Ben Vista Jeronimo 450 P & L Robertson

BULL CALF

2nd Ben Vista Leo 665..... P & L Robertson

MANAWATU A&P SHOW- continued
5 November 2016 Judge: Ben Burgess

RESERVE CHAMPION BULL

Ben Vista Jeronimo 450..... P & L Robertson

Both Salvia and Jeronimo were used in display pens near the Children's Farmyard interactive area. They were a great attraction with many people stopping to pat them and take photos.

Both Wainuka Salvia 1531 and Woodah R Pansy 15/015 were purchased at Beef Expo this year. It is pleasing for the new owners to have them both proving their worth in the show ring and are a credit to their breeders.



Woodah R Pansy 15015 –
All Breeds Reserve Champion Junior Female- Wairarapa Show



Wainuka Salvia 1531 -
Other Breeds Champion Junior Female- Hawke's Bay Show

2017 STEAK OF ORIGIN DATES

Beef + Lamb NZ have changed the dates and location for Steak of Origin in 2017:

Entry forms will be distributed..... Late March
 Entries close..... Friday 5th May
 Processing.....Monday 22nd May – Friday 9th June
 Semi Finalists Announced..... Wednesday 26th July
 Semi-final – Auckland Wednesday 2nd August
 Final – Auckland Thursday 10th August

The dates are subject to change.

Any enquiries should be directed to:

Megan Claxton at Beef + Lamb NZ Auckland on
0800 733 466 or Email: megan@beeflambnz.co.nz

2017 AGM & TOUR
DUNEDIN 14th-16th MARCH 2017
TUESDAY 14TH MARCH

Afternoon.....Board of Management Meeting.

Evening.....Emersons Brewery for Tasting & Dinner.

WEDNESDAY 15TH MARCH

Loch Lomond Cattle, Leafland Simmental, Forsyth Barr Stadium, Sports Hall of Fame, AGM, Dinner & Presentations.

THURSDAY 16TH MARCH

Mount Royal Cattle, Waimara Angus **Plus** other things of interest.

- **The tour will conclude at approximately 3.30-4.00pm for those driving back north and those wishing to make plans to fly north.**
- **The meal and bus costs will be billed to you by the Society.**
- **Accommodation is at the Victoria Hotel, 137 St Andrew Street, Dunedin. Members will pay for their accommodation on check out.**
- **The cost is \$135 GST inclusive per night and secure car parks for guests at \$10 per night.**

The AGM is to be held at the Victoria Hotel, which is in central Dunedin. We require members to register their interest in coming to the AGM so we can confirm numbers and rooms by 31st January 2017. We have pre-booked rooms and any not confirmed by that date will be let go.

All enquiries to **Brian Thomson**, Email: bjthomson@actrix.co.nz

2017 BEEF EXPO & FBNZ DATES



The 2017 Beef Expo dates have been set as below:

FUTURE BEEF NZ - Friday 12th to Sunday 14th May 2017.

OPEN DAYS AND SALES Monday 15th & Tuesday 16th May.

2017 SOUTH DEVON WORLD CONFERENCE

The Board of Management would like to put together a CD to be viewed at the World Conference in South Africa when the reports are being presented. The CD will represent New Zealand farming of South Devon members, farms and cattle. What we require from members are three or four photos of your cattle and the type of country you farm your cattle in and maybe a photo of you and your family. To complete the picture, please send your photos to Lindy at the office or a member of the Board of Management.

An auction will be held at the World Conference to raise funds to foster Youth Ambassadors, to assist with their travel costs. The last ambassador was from England to Australia and was a great success. Currently looking at an ambassador from USA to New Zealand in 2018.

If you have something uniquely Kiwi which you are prepared to donate for the auction, please contact Brian Thomson.

PBBNZ CHRISTMAS CLOSING HOURS



The PBB office will close at
12.00 noon on Friday 23rd December 2016

and reopen at **8.00am on Monday 9th January 2017.**

We wish you all a very Merry Christmas & a Happy New Year.