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Katandra Park Jerseys
Proudly introduces our latest star...

Katandra Park Latola April, VG 88 @ 2yrs
- Grand Champion Jersey & All-Breed Supreme Best Udder, Brunswick Show 2013
- Grand Champion Jersey, Basselton Show 2013
- Last Herd Test: 3yrs - 355L, 1.12kgF, 1.5kgF, SCC 45
- 2yrs - 335L 67.1L, 241kgF 3% 31kgF 4.6%, PI 118
- Eagerly awaiting to see the classifier again!
- Dam: EX-90 Golden (2 x 9000L, Lactations) from the Damaris Cow Family

And some exciting youngsters...

Katandra Park Renegade Blacky
Sire: BW Renegade
- 1st Heifer Born-2013 & Junior Champion Basselton Show, 2013
- Dams: VG Governor x EX-90 Action x EX-90 Bomber
  x ‘Blacky Rose of Briarcliffs’, EX-96

Katandra Park Vanahlem Damaris
Sire: Paanoo Abe Vanahlem
- 1st Heifer born-2013 & Junior Champion Brunswick Show, 2013
- Dams: VG Comerica x EX-90 Augustus x
  VG-88 Max Astound x Select Damaris, EX-92

Special thanks to Shanae Perkins, Tasmania, for your efforts in preparing this year’s show team, they looked amazing!

Wishing all fellow breeders a Merry Christmas & Happy & Safe New Year!

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The South Gippsland Jersey Breeders Club held their On Farm Challenge in late October, with the successful presentation night being held at the Leongatha RSL. With 20 Jersey breeders wanting the top prize, Bushlea Farms in Koonwarra came out on top. With nearly 200 Jersey cows judged over 3 days by Nathan Chilcott from Tasmania, said “he couldn’t believe how many well uddered animals there were in the South Gippsland region”.

The winners on the night were:

**Cow Born in 2011:**
- Wallacedale Eclipes Marie

**PT Cow Born in 2011:**
- Ranleigh 3912

**Cow Born in 2010:**
- Bushlea Reagan Maybelle

**Cow Born in 2009:**
- Inverell Butterwinks 415

**Cow Born in 2008:**
- Tarralyn Lovely 31

**Cow Born Before 2008:**
- Bushlea Nathan Belle 2

**In Milk Mother & Daughter or 2 Daughters From 1 Cow:**
- Allan Family

**Genetic Recovery Cow:**
- Langdale Iatola Ebony

**Best Pen Of 5 Animals By One Exhibitor:**
- K & P, W & L Kuhne

**Best Vessel:**
- Wallacedale Vals Ellous

**Type & Production cow born in 2010:**
- Bushlea Reagan Fernleaf

**Type & Production cow born in 2009:**
- Gelbeado Park Navara Bonita

**Type & Production cow born in 2008:**
- Gelbeado Park Country Fowler

**Type & Production cow born before 2008:**
- Bushlea Nathan Fernleaf

**Champion Cow:**
- Bushlea Nathan Belle 2

**Reserve Champion Cow:**
- Tarralyn Lovely 31

**Most Successful Exhibitor:**
- K & P, W & L Kuhne

Presidents message

The club would firstly like to congratulate all those who entered and to those of you who won, a big congratulations to you all.

It’s a big few days with our judge Mr Nathan Chilcott traveling some 600kms in three days.

On behalf of the SGJBC I would really like to thank our sponsors, without their ongoing support we would not be able to pull off such a great calendar highlight event! So THANK YOU ALL SO MUCH

On behalf of everyone from the SGJBC we would like to wish you all a Merry Christmas.

Aaron Thomas, SGJBC President
On-Farm vital tool

Australia’s biggest annual dairy livestock competition was the pick-me-up everyone needed after a challenging year many dairy producers would rather forget.

Semex’s Jim Conroy put the industry into perspective as he reviewed the positive impact the On-Farm continues to offer on a collectively national level.

“It is a great compliment to our On-Farm Competition that participation Australia wide has been as good as ever,” Jim said.

“Because this has undoubtedly been the toughest 18 months of my 44 years in the AI [artificial insemination] and dairy industry.”

Jersey Australia initiated the competition to acknowledge quality, functional dairy cows – who used to be the unsung heroes of Australia’s dairy industry. It now includes a special marketing application because cows that may not have enjoyed a profile before have a chance to shine and/or be discovered in the farmer-friendly format.

“I believe that the standing this competition is held in adds credibility to my often quoted statement ‘that the breeding industry is alive and well’,” Jim said. “And it continues to offer our producers another form of income.

“Because unfortunately the milk industry has remained in a state of despair until recently, when farm gate prices recovered to levels closer to what needs to be maintained long term.”

Jim pulled no punches on what needs to happen going forward. His thoughts will, no doubt, draw a “hear, hear” from almost every producer.

“My comments are the reality of our industry, and unfortunately many at the coal face of the manufacturers and agri-politics levels might not want to hear that. But they all need to realise that without profitable producers, none of us at service levels have any future.”

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She went on to score EX90 and is a former Champion in the South East Queensland On-Farm five-year-old class. The 10-year-old is still in Hillcrest’s herd.

Kevin said the victory was exciting.

“It’s real good,” Kevin said. “I thought she looked good and she just came together on the day. I looked at her at 11am and the judging was due at 2pm and I thought she wouldn’t make enough milk. But she has beautiful balance, clean

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The Griffens Governor daughter is the maternal sister to the EX94-point Icy Eve, one of Australia’s most dominant Jerseys right now. They are both out of a 91-point Flower Power. Icy Eve was also International Dairy Week’s 2013 winning five-year-old and Honourable Mention Champion Jersey.

“That two-year-old was another entry that was on the money on the day,” Tom said. “She had tremendous height and width of rear udder and while she was quite a mature two-year-old, her size,
scale and openness made her hard to get around.”

Todd said the young cow had recently won the NSW Futurity at the NSW State Show at Camden and she was entered for IDW 2014 as a senior two-year-old. She calved in July and she was milking 26 litres on her last test in December with a 4.1% protein and a 5.2% fat.

The Champion three-year-old was Cedar Vale Blackstone Poppy, sired by Lencrest Blackstone, and owned by Ken and Margaret Atkins, of Johns River in NSW.

“When I walked in to the farm I had no idea that this young cow had done well the year before,” Tom said.

“She had so much length and openness of frame. I walked away remembering that a tremendous barrel she had. She probably didn’t have as much depth in her body as some of the cows in the class but when you got behind her, the way her ribs peeled off...

“She was in full bloom in her rear udder and that gave her an edge over the Reserve Champion, who was another tremendously framed individual.”

The five-year-old (and mature) cow class, where the matriarchs are rewarded, went to Jim and Bev Hewitt from near Lismore, NSW. Fairbrae Berretta Satisfaction was no stranger to the competition. She was last year’s inaugural Great Australian Champion and the Grand Champion Jersey from the 2012 and 2013 Dairy Spectacular at Lismore.

This year she had to settle for being the second highest pointed cow in the competition. She beat this year’s Grand Champion Jersey from the Brisbane Royal Show, Bushlea Badger S Beauty 2nd, owned by Steve and Jenny McCarthy, of Ascot Park Jerseys at Budgee, Queensland.

Satisfaction is part of a 240-cow herd milked through a 12 a-side swingover herringbone dairy by her breeders, who are both now aged 75. They employ two part-time and a fulltime employee and while Bev has stepped away from the day-to-day action at the dairy she still does the books. Jim is still active on-farm.

Tom Pearce was impressed with Satisfaction.

“She was a mature cow that been in the competition many times before,” Tom said. “When I broke her down she was such a complete cow and there was not much you’d change.

“She had an advantage in height and width of rear udder on the cow who was Reserve. She also had an advantage in her correctness of rump. She has such a tremendous topline and she is such a hard-rumped cow – a great herd cow. She was quite a find, I guess.”

Results:

TWO YEAR OLD
1st Shirlinn Governor Eve
Wilson family, Tamworth (NSW)
2nd Rivendell Jadestorm Tammi
Sta & Hayley Menzies, Numbaa (NSW)

THREE YEAR OLD
1st Cedar Vale Blackstone Poppy
Ken & Margaret Atkins, Johns River (NSW)
2nd Orana BBC Ilagay
Dr. John Quin (Menangle, NSW)

FOUR YEAR OLD
1st Hillcrest Sultan Daffodil
Kevin & Sharron Smith,
Borallan via Ipswich (QLD)
2nd Shirlinn Grand Mary 2
Wilson Family,Tamworth (NSW)

FIVE YEAR OLD + (MATURE)
1st Fairbrae Berretta Satisfaction
Jim & Bev Hewitt, Bentley via Lismore (NSW)
2nd Bushlea Badger S. Beauty 2nd
Steve & Jenny McCarthy, Budgee (QLD)
2013 Semex /Jersey Australia

2013 GREAT NORTHERN CHALLENGE FINALISTS

- Darling Downs Jersey Cattle Club, Qld -
  2yr old: Ascot Park Elton Wanda-S & J McCarthy
  3yr old: Ardylbar Ringmaster Patsy A & W Barron
  4yr old: Ascot Park Fidelis Lora-S & J McCarthy
  5yr+: Bushlea Badger S. Beauty 2-S & J McCarthy

- Sunshine Coast Jersey Cattle Club, Qld -
  2yr old: Yadavale Moonshot Sylvia-D & J Grebett
  3yr old: Glen Echo Moonshot Tossa-C & C Parker
  4yr old: Sunrise Darlings Resurection 2-L Grebett
  5yr+: Yadavale Sambo Darcy- D & J Grebett

- South East Jersey Cattle Club (Beaudesert), Qld -
  2yr old: Yadavale CJ Springbrook-K & S Smith
  3yr old: Nobbyview Troubles GraceNobbyview Pship
  4yr old: Hillcrest Sultan Daffodil- K & S Smith
  5yr+: NobbyviewVirgils Pam -Nobbyview Partnership

- Bega Valley Jersey Cattle Club, NSW -
  2yr old: Glencraig Vittion Meredith-S. C. Salway
  3yr old: Glencraig Intgold Isla - S. C. Salway
  4yr old: 4yr old- Glencraig Senior May-S. Salway
  5yr+: Misty Glen Biestars Colleen -Salway/Ringland Pship

- Cumberland & Districts Jersey Cattle Club, NSW -
  2yr old: Rivenell Jastestorm Tammi - Stu & Hayley Menzies
  3yr old: Orana B.B.C. Ilagay - Dr. J. Quin
  4yr old: Tara Virgil Lassie - Paul & Vicki Timbs
  5yr+: Jamber Jade Lady - Robert Wilson

- Hunter Valley Jersey Cattle Club, NSW -
  2yr old: Shirllinn Governor Eve - Wilson Family
  3yr old: Sunnycrest Gannon Shaniah - M & M Hassett
  4yr old: Shirllinn Grand Mary 2-Wilson Family
  5yr+: Cedar Vale Futurity Daydream -Wilson Family

- Manning District Jersey Cattle Club, NSW -
  2yr old: Tarcoola Sultan Jocelyn - Coombes Family
  3yr old: Cedar Vale Blackstone Poppy - Ken & Margaret Atkins
  4yr old: Tarcoola Blackstone Eileen - Coombes Family
  5yr+: Ingalala Astound Romance -J & K Sykes

- Beautizone Jersey Cattle Club, (Dorrigo) NSW -
  2yr old: Valleyrose Action Yultide-Scott & Renee Connell
  3yr old: Moomph Clinton Delvarina-Wayne & Robyn Burley
  4yr old: Valleyrose Solo Polly-Scott & Renee Connell
  5yr+: Llowena Saratoga Carly- Scott & Renee Connell

- Far North Coast Jersey Cattle Club, NSW -
  2yr old: Fairbrae T Bone Satisfaction 2- J & Bev. Hewett
  3yr old: Kenarie Replica - Pat McDonald
  4yr old: Fairbrae Sambo Janet - Jim & Bev Hewett
  5yr+: Fairbrae Berretta Satisfaction -Jim & Bev Hewett

- Central Gippsland Jersey Breeders Club -
  2yr old: Wallacedale Eclipses Marie - C,M,L & M Wallace
  3yr old: Kingsville Pam 46 - R & K Anderson
  4yr old: Kingsville Action Bette 43 - P & R Brady
  5yr+: Wallacedale BWC Melanie - C,M,L & M Wallace

- Colac & Districts Jersey Breeders Club -
  2yr old: Venoma Midget 4173 J & N Parker
  3yr old: Wanstead Sassa Dinah R & J Heath
  4yr old: Cairnbrae Thone Benita A & J Carson
  5yr+: Warrain Rhumona Dream R & A Heath

- Northern Districts Jersey Breeders Club -
  2yr old: Broadlin Illusion 2817 L & L Broad
  3yr old: Jugiong Leonie 6223 - Nicholson Family
  4yr old: Jugiong Marriana 6013 GR2 - Nicholson Family
  5yr+: Sandlewood Karen 2 GR2 - G Broad

- Murray Valley Jersey Breeders Club -
  2yr old: Mi Hope Harley G & M Crane
  3yr old: Isycoed 2714 CR & ME Bredeton
  4yr old: Isycoed Charos Navaras Girl
  5yr+: Jugiong Daydream Glen Gordon/Jugiong Syn

- Southern Riverina Jersey Breeders Club -
  2yr old: Brunchill Bowtie Bette - Boyd Family
  3yr old: Invergelly Vavoom Glam 27 - G & J Flemming
  4yr old: Miami Gannon Girle - M & P Flemming
  5yr+: Brunchill Thunder Rose - Boyd Family

- North East Jersey Breeders Club -
  2yr old: Milandan Icons Twinckle 2177 - T & B Edwards
  3yr old: Darryn Vale Jims Satin 3961 Darryn Hourigan
  4yr old: Milandan Parades Belle 2051 T & B Edwards
  5yr+: Darryn Vale Sultans Vanilla - Darryn Hourigan

- Jersey Australia (TAS) -
  2yr old: Minstonette Flowerpower Illumination J & K Sykes
  3yr old: Merseybank Lucky Nadia & G & A Heazlewood
  4yr old: Minstonette Spiritual Iris 4 & K Sykes
  5yr+: Meresybank Eltons Claire G & A Heazlewood

- Western Districts Jersey Breeders Club -
  2yr old: Murray Brook 3660 - P & L Leenhan
  3yr old: Leder Park Prim 56 - Smethurst Family
  4yr old: Leder Park Sabina 18 - Smethurst Family
  5yr+: Riverside Country Lollypop - C & K Couch

- South Gippsland Jersey Breeders Club -
  2yr old: Glenjuristan Finch Moscript Family
  3yr old: Bushlea Reagan Maybelle K P W & L Kuhne
  4yr old: Inverell Butterwinks 415 C & J Dowel
  5yr+: Bushlea Nathan Belle 2 K PW & L Kuhne

- Jersey Australia (SA) -
  2yr old: Carcoola Maisie May 4-JA & EV Kernich
  3yr old: Fleurieu Blackstone Salty- J Steinborn
  4yr old: Ashaney Bart Silverbabe - AP & AM Koch
  5yr+: Stewarddale Saber 2807 Poppy - J Haebich & N Nagel

- Goulburn Murray Jersey Breeders Club -
  2yr old: Loxleigh Elton Buttercup Akers Family
  3yr old: Pinnacle Park Perry Silvermine D Smith
  4yr old: Loxleigh Badger Iris 4 Akers Family
  5yr+: Loxleigh Futurity Iris Akers Family

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Member Profile

JIREH JERSEYS

- Chris and Pam McKenzie
- 3 children - 2 girls 1 boy

History

- 419 acres
- Milk 240 jersey cows
- Chris’ father Alex and mum Pat settled the farm in 1962 after moving from Cann River in Gippsland.
- Chris left the farm for 11 years and returned in 1985 and is still in partnership with his parents.

Goals

- To breed cows that I am satisfied with and others respect

Achievements

- Breaking the strangle hold that Hosteins had and winning the interbreed and Jersey Championship at Melbourne Royal plus other numerous championships.

Bulls in use:

- INSPIRE, CELEBRITY, SUNNY, IRWIN, VALENTINO, LEGAL, PROMISE, BW VENARABLE

Football Team - Richmond

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4 Ian Richards
5 Trevor Saunders
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Sire: Galaxies Celebrity

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• 1st 2 yrs in milk Shepparton National
• 1st 2 yrs in milk & Junior Champion Kyabram
Sire: Astound
From the famed Brunetta Jade family

JUGIONG DAYDREAM 5744 EX93
• Champion mature
• Champion Cow Great Southern Challenge 2013
• Champion Cow Murray Valley
• Overall Mature Cow of the Year (Shepparton National)
• Supreme Champion Dairy Cow & Best Udder
• Melbourne Royal 2013
Sire: Jugiong Dream Augustus
Owned and managed by Glen Gordon, Gorbro Holsteins.

If you're coming to Tatura for IDW, take the time to call at Jugiong, we are only 20 minutes away and look forward to showing you around.
For the first time there was another chapter at stake in the story of the Jersey Australia Great Southern Challenge.

This year’s Grand Champion in a competition that included more than 1200 animals now goes forward to be judged for the Great Australian Champion – competing against the overall winner from the Great Northern Challenge. The result will be announced at Jersey Australia’s annual meeting at Tamworth on May 21.

And this year’s highest pointed Great Southern individual under judge Trevor Saunders was Jugiong Daydream 5744 EX93. The recently crowned Melbourne Supreme Champion Dairy Cow came to the competition with her own special story, which included a new face at the top of the breed’s leader board.

Recently scored EX93 Daydream is a Jugiong Dream Augustus daughter and the fourth-calved, six-year-old is owned in partnership by Jugiong Jerseys (Girgarre, Victoria) and Glen Gordon, of Gorbro Holsteins (Cohuna, northern Victoria).

She is the sole Jersey living in Gorbro’s 740-cow Holstein herd that averages around 9000 litres in a TMR regime. Notably, at the recent Semex South-Eastern Australia Holstein On-Farm state final (which included 1372 entries) Gorbro won one state Champion, two Reserves and an Honourable Mention.

The result amplifies the significance of Glen’s decision as a die-hard Holstein breeder when he decided to make Jugiong an offer to share Daydream’s journey with them.

“When I bought into the partnership on Daydream I was working at the Northern Lights sale,” Glen said. “She [Daydream] was an 88-point heifer from a home-bred bull out of an 82-point dam.

“With my limited knowledge of Jerseys, I guess I looked at her for what she was and not her pedigree. I loved her clean shoulder with her uphill run and beautiful udder. It has just taken a while to get her filled out, but it has all paid off now”

Jugiong’s Patrick Nicholson said this year’s results with Daydream had been satisfying.

Judge Trevor Saunders was also blown away by Daydream.

“She is probably one of the best cows I’ve ever seen in my life,” he said. “I can remember Phil Malcolm (Waibuna Holsteins) making a comment when he saw Duncan Belle that she made the hair on the back of his neck stand up.

“Well, this cow had the same impact on me. She was just a smashing cow and I knew as soon as I saw her that she was either a winner or that it would take an exceptional individual to beat her. In the end she was a clear winner on the day.”

Trevor said the Southern Challenge was again a mighty contest in a competition that spans 11 regions from Tasmania, South Australia, Victoria and
Two-year-old - Loxleigh Elton Buttercup

Three-year-old - Jugiong Leonie 6223

the southern Riverina. And he had a clear agenda – to reward the kind of cows that fitted the Australian landscape.

“It was a great experience for me,” he said. “I was looking for a certain type of cow with plenty of capacity and power and strength with dairy bone. I wanted that combination and I found it.”

Trevor said his winners were comfortable Champions and “outstanding examples of the breed at its best.”

“They were all powerful cows with good udders, good feet and legs and the sort of cows the Australian industry can produce. And everyone knows I’m a big fan of Australian cow families and the future of the Australian industry.”

While he acknowledged that many successful animals today have a North American breeding baseline, he said that it had been blended successfully for Australian conditions.

“These cows can go out and eat a lot of grass and produce a lot of milk. You could see that it had been a hard winter for some of the entries, particularly in Gippsland and Tasmania. But they were still competitive because the cows are owned by great operators.”

Jugiong won the three-year-old class with Jugiong Leonie 6223, while Loxleigh Jerseys, who are always in the hunt with Jugiong Leonie 6223, while Loxleigh

MATURE COW
1st Jugiong Daydream 5744
G Gordon and Nicholson Family
(Jugiong Jerseys, Girgarre)
2nd Merseybank Elton Claire
G & A Heazlewood
(Merseybank Jerseys, Latrobe)
3rd Sandlewood Karen 2 – G Broad
(Broadway Jerseys, Lockington)
4th Bushlea Nathan Belle 2 - Kuhne family
(Bushlea Jerseys, Leongatha)
5th Loxleigh Futurity Iris – Akers family
(Loxleigh Jerseys, Tallygaroopna)
6th Stewartdale Saber 2807
J Haebich & N Nagel
(Golden Edge Jerseys, Yankalilla)
7th Riverside Country Lollipoppop
C & K Couch (Riverside Jerseys, Nirranda)
8th Darryn Vale Sultans Vanilla – D & E Hourigan
(Darryn Vale Jerseys, Milawa)
9th Brunchilli Thunder Rose - M & L Boyd
(Brunchilli Jerseys, Finley)
10th Warren Rhumona Dream
R & A Heath
(Wanstead Jerseys, Camperdown)
11th Wallacedale BWC Melanie – Wallace family
(Wallacedale Jerseys, Poowong Nth)

SUPREME CHAMPION
Jugiong Daydream 5744
G Gordon & Nicholson family

MOST SUCCESSFUL JERSEY CATTLE CLUB
Goulburn & Murray Jersey Breeders Club

RESULTS
State Over Judging - Great Southern Challenge
Judge: Trevor Saunders

TWO YEAR OLD
1st Loxleigh Elton Buttercup - Akers Family
(Loxleigh Jerseys, Tallygaroopna)
2nd Brunchilli Bowtie Belle – M & L Boyd
( Brunchilli Jerseys, Finley)
3rd Murray Brook 3 660 - P & L Lenehan
(Murray Brook Jerseys, Crossley)
4th Broadlin Illusion 2817 - L & L Broad,
Broadlin Jerseys, Lockington

FOUR YEAR OLD
1st Cairnbrae Tbone Benita - A & J Carson
(Cairnbrae Jerseys, Irrewillipe East)
In Australia, up until August 2013, a polled sires’ Bull Id. was identified by the suffix ‘P’ (for heterozygous polled) or ‘PP’ (for homozygous polled).

With the advent of genetic testing for polled status, ADHIS has begun to remove the ‘P or PP’ from all Bull Id’s in preference for a three letter genetic code.

The initial impact of this procedure is that the more recent polled sires (such as high profile Critic-P and new local genomic sire CSCBoorowa-P) no longer import into herd recording programs such as EasyDairy with any identification at all that they are indeed polled, as genetic codes are not currently attached to the import process.

It will also make it almost impossible to find polled sires that don’t appear in The Good Bulls Guide (eg. they don’t have a publishable proof) without first knowing the sires complete details, enabling a search to be done.

Fortunately international lists still identify polled sires and new sires are easily found by looking at a ranking list.

P for Problem
ADHIS admits a solution is yet some time away, but do have plans to address the problem.

The genetic codes now used by ADHIS were acquired from the World Holstein Friesian Federations’ listing of ‘Genetic Recessives and Carrier Codes’, and will be used in future as Peter Williams (ADHIS) explains-

“We have an option by way of our NASIS registrations, to record the tested status of both our Dairy and Beef bulls that are AI recorded and used here in Australia. We record this by way of a three (3) digit code where the first two digits are the trait being tested (PO = Polled) and the third digit the carrier status.

POS = Tested true Polled (Homozygous PP)
POC = Tested carrier of Polled (Heterozygous Pp)
POF = Tested free of Polled

We are just at the stage of requesting these carrier status codes from the individual Bull Owners / Marketers, and they update their bull’s carrier status for Polled and indeed a number of other genetic traits” he said.

However the current codes are listed on the WHFF website as ‘Polled (Current-Indirect Test)’, with an additional note that when a direct test becomes available (Future Codes for Polled) then a ‘direct test code will “trump” test code on animal record’. The new test will see the future code assignment alter to ‘PO0 = tested free of polled, PO1= tested carrier of polled (heterozygous Pp) and PO2 = tested true polled (homozygous PP), and appears to relate to the test recently developed in Germany giving 100% status accuracy.

It is unclear whether Australia will follow suite when this occurs. What once was a fairly simple task of feeling for horns at birth now seems destined to become a confused space.
Peter Williams adds ADHIS intends to use the genetic status codes in the following ways to address the loss of polled identification in herd recording programs:

- output the same data (codes) back-out to farm software programs via our DIF 105 Bull pedigree file. The individual farm software programs such as Mistro, Easy Dairy or Dairy Data will then have to recognise such and either look to display or sort bulls / select on this function. That will need to be a software function written with-in each of the individual software programs make this data available through our ADHIS DISPLAYABULL web page via POS PO POF so that it appears on the page and look to have a function that will allow you to select for it.

- Look to include such in our SELECTABULL function so that like DISPLAYABULL - you have a function that will allow you to select for it.

For today however, Michelle Axford (ADHIS) gives the following advice on finding polled sires in the system - ‘For the moment, the easiest way for farmers to search for polled genes using ADHIS tools is to A) use the search function in the Good Bulls Guide Excel spreadsheets B) look up any bull using Displayabull and check if it has the appropriate code.’

**P** for Pedigree, Past and Present Preserved.

‘Where did the polled gene come from?’ is THE most asked question by farmers new to polled genetics. Pedigrees and herd books hold the answers, and provide the validation people seek. Poll dominated beef breeds often leave the false impression that dairy polled cattle are crossbred.

The true value of breed societies comes to light in a situation as outlined above. Through staunch record keeping by organisations such as Jersey Australia the accuracy of information held in a pedigree will be kept safe for generations to come and for as long as full stud names continue to contain a ‘P or PP’ indicating polled.

In 1952, *The Australian Jersey Herd Society* as it was then, introduced an amendment, rule 50a, which created a separate section for Poll only registrations, and ruled that a poll animal would have the bracketed letter [P] at the end of its name and a [H] if it had horns but was of poll descent. The Poll Section no longer operates, but the ‘P’ is still in use today.

Other examples include The American Herd Book of Polled Jersey Cattle which began around 1895-7 with 14 breeders. Registrations continued until 1927, when an amendment declared all animals should firstly be registered to the American Jersey Cattle Club. This enforced the ‘double standard’ ideal, but doubled the costs to breeders and relegated the organisation to mostly promotional work only, for its then 100 plus poll breeder members, as they themselves then took up AJCC membership instead.

New Zealand was home to The Polled Jersey Association, and it also amalgamated, into the New Zealand Jersey Cattle Breeders Association, in 1992.

Pedigrees and records kept by those and other organisations hold important information. If not for that, Dr Larry Specht (Pennsylvania University) would not have been able to trace the origins of the polled trait in registered Holsteins in the USA back to 1889. He was unable to go any further due to there being no conventional herd books in Holland until the 1870’s. (Ironic in today’s market, he also found some Polled Red Holstein progeny were culled as unwanted calves).

But others did not identify polled animals, and in Canada it wasn’t until 2005 that Holstein Canada passed a resolution that Polled Holsteins be clearly identified, “preferably with the letter ‘P’ following the name of the animal.” Thus little early Canadian polled history is available.

Part 2 of ‘P is for Polled. Or it was.’ will appear in the next edition of the Jersey Journal.

**Correction:** In the March/April issue of the Jersey Journal, it was incorrectly stated that only Male cattle have Scurs. This is incorrect, with females also able to show scurs, but this occurs much less often. DEPI’s Matthew Reynolds confirmed on a recent study visit to NZ numerous cows with scurs were viewed, and added while the trait has been thought to be sex related, it was not completely known how scur genetics were transmitted.

**Reminder**

Genetic Polled Status Tests using the process recently developed in Europe are now available through Total Livestock Genetics P/L, Camperdown, Vic. Australia (ph 55 93 2016)
Where did 2013 go? Each year just seems to fly by these days doesn’t it?

Big congratulations to the winners of the Great Southern Challenge winners! It really is a pleasure to catch up with everyone face to face and not just over the phone. It’s the rare opportunity for Cathy, Jenny and Diane to see you face to face, and I know they love meeting all of you each year.

Classification tours are almost completed and I appreciate your patience with getting your results. They will be all sent out to you before the end of January. Applications are now available online for Round 1, 2014.

Inside this issue you will find an application for the ‘Jersey Futurity’. Applications are open until April 30th 2014 for all 2013 born heifers. If you have any queries please feel free to contact me at the office.

Membership renewals will be sent out by the end of January so please look out for your renewal in the post. Don’t forget if you are a full or family member and pay your membership early, you automatically go into the draw to win $200 worth of Jersey Australia services or a half page advertisement in the Jersey Journal.

Once again I will be at the Jersey Australia stand at International Dairy Week so come and say hello.

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