



# AYRSHIRE AUSTRALIA LTD

## FEDERAL NEWSLETTER

### FEBRUARY 2010

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### **Letter from the Federal President, Mr Greg Edmonds**

To All Ayrshire Breeders and Friends.

I hope this newsletter finds you all going great, your cows milking well and that you have been enjoying some good farming weather. Fortunately for a few of you the milk prices have been very good and for others not so good, but it looks like there is a bit of light at the end of the tunnel with the Victorian companies increasing their payouts – even if it is still not enough at least it is in the right direction. Congratulations to you all on your efforts the past 6 months. There have been Royal Shows, Herd competitions, calf days and International Dairy Week which have all been very successful for the Ayrshire breed with numbers and quality of cattle outstanding. Reports and results are in the newsletter.

#### **International Dairy Week**

This has definitely turned out to be the major showpiece for the Ayrshire breed in Australia, with over 70 cattle being shown, by more than 20 exhibitors, from all over Australia. Congratulations to all the award winners but also to all the breeders who made the effort to exhibit their cattle and make it such an outstanding exhibition of the Ayrshire breed. The numbers and especially the quality of the cattle in each class were terrific and it was a pleasure to watch the judging throughout the whole show. Unfortunately the Ayrshire breed didn't have a sale during IDW this year but we are hoping that a sale of elite cattle can be included at future IDW breed sales.

On Sunday night before the judging we again held a breed bar-b-que where the All Australian Photographic Competition Awards and National Production Challenge awards were presented. This again was very popular with over 80 Ayrshire people attending including breeders from New Zealand. Victorian Branch President, Mike Perry, his wife Rhonda and their willing children as helpers did a wonderful job again organising, supplying and cooking for the evening. Thank you to them for their efforts. The Victorian, NSW & South Australian branches again sponsored this event making it a free evening for all.

#### **A.A.B.A. Amalgamation Talks**

Talks with the AABA regarding amalgamation are still continuing with positive developments. A meeting was held during the Adelaide Show with AABA President Peter Arundell, Scott Braendler, Ray Zerner & myself attending and a further meeting was held at IDW with Peter Arundell, Lynne McCartney, Ray Zerner & myself. The outcome of the past meeting is that this group are developing and formulating a proposal to form a new Australian Ayrshire organisation. Once completed all Ayrshire members in Australia will then be given the opportunity to vote on this proposal. Hopefully if all goes well this may happen sometime in 2010.

#### **All Australian Photographic Competition and National Production Challenge Awards**

Entries for the 2009 competition were up on past years. Results of both competitions are elsewhere in this newsletter but I must make mention of the success of Max & Jenny Hyland's cattle. "Rockvale" cows were awarded 1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup> & 3<sup>rd</sup> prize in the 2yr, 3yr and 4-9yr classes. It was an outstanding result for the "Rockvale" Stud with several of the entries also making the All Time Australian Production List.

The All Australian Photo competition had some very strong classes full of quality cattle for our 3 overseas judges. Congratulations to all the winners on their success. See reports for all the winners.

## E-Mail Address

I am still trying to get all your e-mail addresses. If you have an e-mail address and haven't forwarded it to me yet could you please send it to - [geelunga@adam.com.au](mailto:geelunga@adam.com.au). Please also let me know if you would like the newsletter e-mailed to you.

Hope to catch up with you all in the near future  
Greg Edmonds

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## NEW LINE OF AYRSHIRE MERCHANDISE.

At the 2009 NSW Branch Calf Show a new line of Ayrshire Merchandise was released in an effort to promote the Ayrshire Breed and to generate another source of income for the breed. With this in mind the merchandise is targeted for a national interest, sporting either the Ayrshire Australia logo, and/or stud logos & names or combinations thereof.



The merchandise was released as prizes for the Champion and Reserve Champion awards at the Calf Show. Rugby knit jerseys, polar fleece jumpers, vests, and hats (similar to above) were among the items for viewing on the day. It was well received with orders received on the spot. The stud prefixes are obviously interchangeable with any of the available logos or you can have your own designed. It is hoped to be able to expand the range of merchandise as interest dictates. (Please note colours have varied slightly only in the photos, not on the garments.)

Please feel free to contact Michael & Janine Eagles from Paschendaele Ayrshires on (Ph/Fx 02 6344 8418 or email [meagles@westserv.net.au](mailto:meagles@westserv.net.au)) regarding any questions about the merchandise. We hope you find the merchandise appealing and that there may be an item for you to purchase. We thank you for your support of our wonderful breed.

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## INTERNATIONAL DAIRY WEEK – January 2010

Judge: Mr Selwyn Donald, New Zealand

The Ayrshire show again this year at IDW was a prominent display from some of the breeds well known exhibitors. With entries reaching 77 head, the standard of animals brought before the judge on the day were of outstanding quality. For the second time in 3 years “**Midway Park Kates Orange**” owned and bred by the **McCartney Family** from Tatura, Victoria was named **Senior Champion Cow and Supreme Champion Ayrshire Exhibit**. Congratulations to all. (See over for a full list of results).

The up & coming younger breed enthusiasts strongly represented the Ayrshires with our Youth Challenge team producing an outstanding result to finish **3<sup>rd</sup>** in the **All Breeds Youth Challenge**. With a score of **98/100** for the parading component and high scores for the clipping and judging sections of the competition, it looks as though the future of the breed could be in very capable hands.



The Ayrshire Youth Challenge team comprised of from top row (L-R) **Ben Hentschke (SA)**, **Stuart Lockhart (NSW)**, **Alex Hentschke (SA)**, **Dale McMillan (NSW)**, **Emma Luddington (NSW)**, and front row (L-R) **Ashley Mayo (NSW)**, **Katie Cullen (NSW)**, **Cassie McDonald (NSW)**, **Sam Hentschke (SA)** and **Sarah Luddington (NSW)**. Congratulations to everybody involved in a job well done!!!

Not only did our youth challenge team perform well on the team front but we had some outstanding individual youth results as well. We had a number of entries in the **National All Breeds Youth Show** with great success. Young Sarah Luddington in only her third outing led Paschendaele Genesis to fourth place in a class of 15, putting a huge smile on her face. While more seasoned campaigners Dale McMillan and Ashley Mayo finished 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> respectively in their classes leading Regal Park Special Solaire and Regal Park Laramie. **Special Solaire and Dale went on to win the Reserve Junior All Breeds Champion award (pictured below).**



More championships were to follow with **Melissa Chittick** and **Ashley Mayo** (pictured below) being named **Senior and Junior Champion Handlers** for the Youth Showmanship Classes. Well done to everyone that competed on the day. We are very proud of the way our Ayrshire youth are representing our breed.



**INTERNATIONAL DAIRY WEEK – January 2010**

**Judge: Mr Selwyn Donald, New Zealand**

Results on the day were as follows:

Class	1 <sup>st</sup> Place Exhibited By	2 <sup>nd</sup> Place Exhibited By	3 <sup>rd</sup> Place Exhibited By
<b>Heifer born on or after 1/7/09:</b>	Mayfield Farms Solet V Smart & P Timbs	Liddel Poker Caramel Stuart & Bec Cole	Paschendaele Genesis Eagles Partnership
<b>Heifer born 1/1/09—30/6/09:</b>	Liddel Journalist Glacier Cat Stuart & Bec Cole	Jaden Modems Addi GA & LJ Klatt	Billabong Poker Charm Billabong Holsteins
<b>Heifer born 1/7/08-31/12/08:</b>	Regal Park Special Solaire V Smart & P Timbs	Torgannah Joyous Rose Teitz, Hentschke & Schutz	Enterprise Modem Rose MJ & LR Hentschke
<b>Heifer dry born 1/1/08-30/6/08:</b>	Paschendaele Renaissance Eagles Partnership	Invergowrie Jill RW & LL McCartney	Eden Holme Hector Bangle Klatt & Crowden
<b>Heifer dry born 1/7/07-31/12/07:</b>	Enterprise Iceman Gaiety MJ & LR Hentschke	Roland Lodge Corny Canobie Partnership	Paschendaele Wyoming Eagles Partnership
	<b>JUNIOR CHAMPION</b> Paschendaele Renaissance	<b>RESERVE. JUN CHAMP:</b> Regal Park Special Solaire	<b>HON. MENTION:</b> Mayfield Farms Solet
<b>Heifer, 2 yrs in milk</b>	Boldview Trident Lyndy Boldview Farms	Enterprise Wilton Rose 2 MJ & LR Hentschke	Midway Park Pixie RW & LL McCartney
<b>Heifer, 2 1/2 yrs in milk:</b>	Cher-Bar TZ Incarnate Cheryl Liebich	Pasch. Bonnie Brae Blossom Eagles Partnership	Rockvale Pardner Viola MI & JR Hyland
<b>Cow, 3 yrs in milk:</b>	Blackwood Grove BBN Satin 2- H & C Bawden	Midway Park Bonnie Lorrie RW & LL McCartney	Jaden Wiltons Moira GA & LJ Klatt
	<b>INTERMEDIATE CHAMP:</b> Cher-Bar TZ Incarnate	<b>RES. INTERM. CHAMP:</b> Pasch. Bonnie Brae Blossom	<b>HON. MENTION:</b> Boldview Trident Lyndy
<b>Cow 4yrs in milk:</b>	Geelunga Journa Starsica Geelunga Ayrshires	Paschendaele Trident Rose Eagles Partnership	Rockvale Conn Bangle MI & JR Hyland
<b>Cow 5yrs in milk:</b>	Midway Park Lucky Spirit RW & LL McCartney	Rockvale Remake Cameo MI & JR Hyland	- -
<b>Cow 6yrs &amp; over in milk:</b>	Midway Park Kates Orange RW & LL McCartney	Enterprise Pardners Gaiety MJ & LR Hentschke	Boldview Autumn Rubine Boldview Farms
<b>Senior Udder:</b> Midway Park Kates Orange	<b>SENIOR CHAMPION</b> Midway Park Kates Orange	<b>RES. SENIOR. CHAMP:</b> Geelunga Journo Starsica	<b>HON. MENTION:</b> Paschendaele Trident Rose
	<b>SUPREME CHAMPION</b> <b>AYRSHIRE EXHIBIT</b> Midway Park Kates Orange	<b>Premier Exhibitor</b> MJ & LR Hentschke	<b>Premier Breeder</b> MJ & LR Hentschke



**IDW Junior Champion Heifer**

*“Paschendaele Renaissance”*

Eagles Partnership –

Gooloogong, New South Wales

**IDW Intermediate Champion Heifer**  
*“Cher-Bar TZ Incarnate”*  
 Cheryl Liebich –  
 Jervois, South Australia



**IDW Senior Champion Cow**  
**Best Udder of Show**  
**Supreme Champion Ayrshire Exhibit**  
*“Midway Park Kates Orange”*  
 RW & LL McCartney –  
 Tatura, Victoria

## 2009 ALL AUSTRALIAN PHOTOGRAPHIC COMPETITION RESULTS

This year saw the awards spread more evenly around the states, showing a renewed interest in the competition by all. Congratulations to all entries.

<b>Class</b>	<b>All Australian</b>	<b>Reserve All Australian</b>	<b>Honorable Mention</b>
<b>Heifer under 2yrs dry</b>	Shadyglen Hectors Ivene Stuart Lockhart	Elmshade Sakics Desire Colin Fahey	Auchenroad Canadian Sukey S & B Wadley
<b>Heifer under 3yrs</b>	Paschendaele Bonnie Brae Blossom Eagles Partnership	Overdale Golden Sheree Stuart Lockhart	Paschendaele Trident Rose Eagles Partnership
<b>Cow 3-5 years</b>	Regal Park Vicki’s Surprise V. Smart & P. Timbs	Werombi Icey Ivene Stuart Lockhart	Paschendaele Stella Tee Too Eagles Partnership
<b>Cow 5yrs &amp; over</b>	Geelunga Tri Star Geelunga Ayrshires	Eden Holme Retake Bangle Eden Holme Ayrshires & Blue Chip Genetics	Werombi Trident Grace R & M Hayter & Sons
<b>Group of three cows</b>	Eagles Partnership		
<b>Youth Competition</b>	Ashley Mayo Mayfield Farms Solair	Jessica Eagles Paschendaele Hayley Potter	Amy Hayter Werombi Kellogg Twinker
<b>Farm Scene</b>	“Geelunga Ayrshires” Greg Edmonds	“Mayfield Farms” V. Smart & P. Timbs	“Werombi Vale Ayrshires” Brett & Melinda Hayter

## ALL AUSTRALIAN PHOTO COMPETITION - POPULAR VOTE

Once again the public voting in the Photo Competition was very popular. There were some very large and hard classes this year with the “Popular Votes” varying from the Official judges in some classes.

Places in the Judging competition and closest to the Official judges were

1 <sup>st</sup>	Trevor Gorschs	42pts
2 <sup>nd</sup>	Melinda Hayter	49pts
3 <sup>rd</sup>	Ashleigh Mayo	50pts

### **Results of “Popular Vote”**

Class 1 Mayfield Farms Solair  
Hillcrest Poker Kamay  
Liddell Pardner Rose

A very different result with these heifers finishing 6<sup>th</sup>, 5<sup>th</sup> & 4<sup>th</sup> in the All Australian placings

Class 2 Paschendaele Bonnie Brae Blossom  
Overdale Golden Sheree  
Paschendaele Trident Rose

The same placing as the All Australian

Class 3 Geelonga Admiral Tracey  
Regal Park Vicks Surprise  
Werombi Icey Ivone

Once again a surprise at the front of this class with “Admiral Tracey” jumping the All Australian & Res All Australian coming from 4<sup>th</sup> in the All Australian placing.

Class 4 Geelonga Tri Star  
Werombi Trident Grace  
Paschendaele Janine 3

Everyone agreed with the winner of this class who was also All Australian while “Trident Grace” moved up to be 2<sup>nd</sup> and Janine 3 going from 4<sup>th</sup> in the All Australian

Class 6 Mayfield Farms Solair  
Werombi Kellogg Twinkle  
Paschendaele Hayley Potter

The popular vote changed 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> from the All Australian result

Class 7 Geelonga  
Mayfield Farms  
Werombi

Again the same result as the All Australian result

## 2009 ALL AUSTRALIAN COW OF THE YEAR

### **“Paschendaele Kates Blossom”**

28496 points

Eagles Partnership – Gooloogong, NSW

Unfortunately due to an accident after calving to start her 7<sup>th</sup> lactation, “Blossom” had to be euthanased. Winning this award is a wonderful tribute for a wonderful cow.

## 2009 NATIONAL PRODUCTION CHALLENGE

Section	1 <sup>st</sup> Place	2 <sup>nd</sup> Place	3 <sup>rd</sup> Place
<b>Section A: Herd Average Highest Total Butterfat + Protein</b>	MI & JR Hyland 189 head – 479kgs	Boldview Farms 158 head – 449 kgs	Eagles Partnership 81 head – 445kgs
<b>Section B: Team of 10 Cows Highest Total Butterfat and Protein</b>	MI & JR Hyland 6956kgs	Boldview Farms 6064kgs	Eagles Partnership 5708 kgs
<b>Section C: Cow 2yrs Highest Total Butterfat + Protein</b>	Rockvale Conn Bangle 636 kgs MI & JR Hyland	Rockvale Pardner Tiffany 601 kgs MI & JR Hyland	Rockvale Pardner Lorna – 598 kgs MI & JR Hyland
<b>Section D: Cow 3yrs Highest Total Butterfat + Protein</b>	Rockvale Remark Emileta - 652 kgs MI & JR Hyland	Rockvale Laser Avie – 622 kgs MI & JR Hyland	Rockvale Lone Emileta 544 kgs MI & JR Hyland
<b>Section E: Cow 4 – 9 yrs Highest Total Butterfat + Protein</b>	Rockvale Speckles Lorna 781 kgs MI & JR Hyland	Rockvale Link’s Gold 2nd – 754 kgs MI & JR Hyland	Rockvale Jack’s Vicki – 738 kgs MI & JR Hyland
<b>Section F: Cow 10 yrs &amp; over Highest Total Butterfat + Protein</b>	Paschendaele Kates Blossom – 690 kgs Eagles Partnership	Boldview Heligos Paella 619 kgs Boldview Farms	Boldview Trident Alana 568 kgs Boldview Farms

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### BREED FOCUS – Winners in Profile

This is a new feature in our newsletter aimed at gaining exposure for our cows that not only perform well at home on the farm, but who have achieved outstanding results away from the shed. Also we are going to feature one of our members to get to know more about the families who love to breed Ayrshire cows. So let’s start by taking a look at the winners of the 2010 International Dairy Week Championships and a family who took out the coveted title of Premier Breeder & Exhibitor this year.

**Junior Heifer Profile:** “*Paschendaele Renaissance*” – Eagles Partnership, Gooloogong, NSW

Born 28/1/08 by Raybrook Reme from Paschendaele Daisy’s Delight, Renaissance is the product of putting a red Holstein bull over some of the plainer cows in their herd with mixed results; “Rene” will keep them guessing. Although she is not eligible for all shows she has competed at the NSW Branch Calf Show, International Dairy Week, Forbes Show and the NSW On Farm Herds Competition.

Renaissance’s first major award was when she won the Junior Champion award at the 25<sup>th</sup> Anniversary NSW Calf Show, 2008 under Judge Robert Dolman. It was here that her ding dong battle began with the Mayfield Farms heifer, Solair who was named Reserve Junior Heifer that day. This battle was to continue at International Dairy Week in 2009, when in a reversal of the calf show placing’s Renaissance was 2009 IDW Reserve Junior Champion. The pair did not meet at Camden or Sydney Royal, but came together again in the NSW On Farm Herds Competition. Renaissance was in outstanding form for the competition and was named Junior Champion Heifer, with Solair reserve. Everyone was very much looking forward to their next meeting, where due to the fact that “Rene” was held back to grow out more, her owners were hoping she could go one better as a Juvenile at IDW 2010.

In September 2009 Renaissance competed at the Forbes All Breed Dairy Show, judged by Mr David Mayo who awarded her not only her class win, but the Junior Championship, led by Emma Luddington of Hurlstone Agricultural High School. The Eagles family’s plans then came to fruition at IDW this year when Rene went one better than her Reserve placing last year by being named the 2010 IDW Junior Ayrshire Champion.

“Renaissance is an exciting prospect and we can’t wait to see when see calves if she can have an udder to match her great frame.

**Intermediate Heifer Profile:** “Cher- Bar TZ Incarnate” – Cheryl Liebich, Jervois, South Australia

Born 08/05/07 by the Boldview bred bull Boldview Trizita (a Kates Trident son) from Cher-Bar MP Incarnate EX. Her dam Cher-Bar MP Incarnate has had an illustrious show career in her own right winning the Reserve Intermediate Championship in 2007 at Adelaide Royal and going on to win back to back championships in 2008 & 2009 as Senior Champion Cow.

So with much to prove & not to be outdone by her dam “Cher-Bar TZ Incarnate” was crowned the 2010 Intermediate Ayrshire Champion under judge Selwyn Donald, New Zealand. “TZ Incarnate” placed 1<sup>st</sup> in the 2 1/2 yrs in milk, not only winning the class but also named “Best Udder of Class”, before going on to win the championship. This victory was one of many in her career and there is no doubt there will be many more in the future. Her show ring achievements include an outing at Adelaide Royal in the 18 months heifer class where she placed 2<sup>nd</sup> in 2008. 2009 seemed to be a defining year for “Incarnate” being named Honorable Mention Intermediate champion at Adelaide Royal, winning the 2 1/2 yrs in milk and Reserve Intermediate Champion at Murray Bridge and being named Junior Champion at Strathalbyn Ayrshire Feature Show after winning the 2 1/2 yrs in milk. She went on to place 3<sup>rd</sup> in the Ayrshire Best Udder and All Breeds Junior Champion Heifer.

Not only successful in the show ring, Cher-Bar TZ Incarnate earns her keep with production figures of 2967L, 3.2% 95kgs P, 4.1% 121kgs BF at 28mths milking 125 days.

No doubt we will see more of “Incarnate” in the future. Her home with the Cher-Bar herd is also where the Boldview Ayrshire herd call home at Boldview Farms owned by LE & SW Braendler, Jervois, Sth Aust.

**Senior Cow Profile:** “Midway Park Kates Orange” EX2E 90 – RW & LL McCartney, Tatura, Victoria

Born 01/06/01 by the world renowned bull Ardrossan EV Kates Trident from Ardgowen Teddys Orange, “Midway Park Kates Orange”, this year joined a select number of Ayrshire cows to win not only one but two Senior Champion Cow titles at International Dairy Week under judge Mr Selwyn Donald from New Zealand. He spoke highly not only of Kate but of the quality overall saying “This class is great for the breed,” (the aged cow class) “To see a group of Ayrshire cows of this age with their udders still well above their hocks even though some of them are over nine year old is a credit to your breeders. But my class winner is clear here. She has tremendous style, balance, and so much refinement, including a tremendous mammary system.” He went on to say “She also has an abundance of height and width in her rear udder and easy locomotion. She’s the complete package and she wins quite easily.” (quote source: Crazy Cow)

While excelling this year at IDW winning 1<sup>st</sup> in the 6yrs & over in milk class and best udder of class, Senior Champion Cow, Champion Udder and Supreme Ayrshire Exhibit, “Kate” has had a successful show career throughout her life winning awards such as Champion Ayrshire Cow and Best Vessel All Breeds at Tatura Show, 1<sup>st</sup> 6yrs & over in milk and Best Udder of class, Senior Champion Cow, and Supreme Ayrshire Exhibit IDW 2008. Not only valuable for her show ring success, she earns her place in the Midway Park herd with production figures of 6610L 3.3% 216kgs P, 4.1% 274kgs BF 305 d at 75mths of age.

An interesting fact about Kates Orange is that she is what is known as a polled Ayrshire, as was her dam and her grand dam. She also has a 2 full sisters in the Midway Park herd that are both also polled. One of which “Midway Park Tri Orange” has also been successful in the show ring, placing 1<sup>st</sup> 2 1/2 yrs in milk IDW 2003, named Best Udder of class and went on to win Reserve Intermediate Heifer. Her family has been strong right through with her dam Ardgowen Teddys Orange VG 87 reaching the status of Elite Merit 1\* Brood Cow and also placing at IDW 1998 in the 4yrs in milk class. At 58mths her production record stood at 6626L 3.4% 276kgs P and 4.5% 301kgs BF at 305days.

“MIDWAY PARK KATES ORANGE” – 2010 IDW SUPREME CHAMPION



**Member Profile:** *The Hentschke Family of “Enterprise Ayrshires”*

“Enterprise” has always been one of the smallest Ayrshire Studs in the country but has always been at the forefront of breeding, production and show ring performances that belie the numbers of animals involved in the stud. The stud was founded in 1983 with the purchase of a heifer from Roland Park at a National Ayrshire conference in Sth Australia. The cattle of the Enterprise herd have always run with other people’s herds but mostly in a joint Jersey / Ayrshire herd with Phil Hentschke. Due to the fact the family at large had a successful Jersey stud, Mike Hentschke decided that he would not compete with the family rather take on a new challenge. The Ayrshire stud was founded as Mike felt the confirmation and udders of the Ayrshire cows appealed to him and well as the nature of the many Ayrshire breeders already involved in the breed.

Currently there are only 18 animals in the stud but for the second time in 5 years the stud was named Premier Breeder and Exhibitor at IDW and was runner-up by a single point in 2009. Five intermediate and one senior champion at IDW have come from the Enterprise herd including 3 daughters of the cow Walmar Bonnie Gaiety. This combines with a long record of broad ribbons at Adelaide Royal with at least 8 individual Champion cows. Although the stud have registered less than 100 cows over 27 years; (they have never been a large herd) but they have managed to maintain a high standard of animal and they have all been functional and productive members of their host farms.

The herd has established families from the purchase of Parkvale Star Royale and Walmar Bonnie Gaiety. Both were purchased as calves purely on the strength of the cow families in the pedigree. It may be old fashioned but cow families take many generations to create and are positively promoted within the herd.

The herd resides at Invergordon in Victoria where they are managed by Phil Hentschke and Warren Schutz. They are milked as party of a 125 cow herd with Homelands Jerseys. If you were a cow there would not be many better places to be in this country.

When it comes to IDW the family is all part of the scene with sons Ben, Alex and Sam being responsible for the preparation of the cattle and Claire and her partner Adrian helping with the animals in the ring.

IDW is the Hentschke Family’s chance to work together with their animals and they take great pride from being able to form such a team from their small herd of animals.

For Mike who is an established judge he has taken on many judging appointments throughout various states in Australia. Some of his judging highlights include being at Sydney during the Conference shows for the Jerseys and also the Holsteins. He also remembers the All Breeds section at Shepparton with 19 head in the best udder class.

With great determination, admiration and respect for the Ayrshire cow and its breeders Mike’s advice to all is: “Remember we are breeding cows and the family traits they exhibit are the results of many generations of genetics so ensure you only add the best for the next generation. In a pedigree the bottom line is unique, the top line sells at \$’s a dose.”

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**AABA FANFARE SALE**

The AABA **2010 Ayrshire Fanfare Sale**, is to be held **10<sup>TH</sup> May 2010**,  
at **Glenormiston College, Noorat, Victoria.**

The Fanfare Sale is Australia's only Annual Multi Vendor Ayrshire Sale,  
and the longest running of any breed sale.

Anyone wanting to enter into the sale or require any information is to contact

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## TASMANIAN BRANCH NEWS

Results from the 19<sup>th</sup> Annual Tasmanian Ayrshire Calf Day held at Burnie Showground 31<sup>st</sup> January 2010

<b>Class</b>	<b>Entry</b>	<b>Exhibitor</b>
Class 1 Heifer Born March-May	Coraville Super Erica	T and B Johns
Class 2 Heifer Born July	Burnlea Pearl	B Margetts
Class 3 Heifer Born August	Burnlea Kristel	B. Margetts
Class 4 Heifer Born September	Coraville Bambi	Johns Family
Class 5 Heifer Born October	Coraville Jill	Johns Family
Class 6 Pair Heifers Any Age		Johns Family
Class 7 Bull Born May-July	Craigville ECM Keith	Johns Family
Class 8 Bull Born Aug-Sep	Gordella BBN Knight	K and K Haberle
<b>CHAMPION HEIFER</b> Coraville Jill		<b>CHAMPION BULL</b> Craigville ECM Keith
Class: Handlers	1st Owlyn Ablett	2nd Campbell Luck
<b>Beth Fielding Memorial Trophy Most Successful Exhibitor</b>		<b>The Johns Family</b>

Pictured below is the 19<sup>th</sup> Annual Calf Show  
Champion Heifer "Coraville Jill" with Samantha Johns on the halter.



## NSW BRANCH NEWS

### 2009 On Farm Herds Competition

What a competition 2009 proved to be with 15 individual exhibitors, including new exhibitors the Doohan Family from Finley, Todd Biffin from Camden and Tanya & Nathan Jamal from Nimmitabel. Entries reached 100 individuals, 6 sire's progeny teams and 6 teams of ten head. Thank you to everyone who continues to support the competition whether it is with entries or just with interest in the results. Without your support this competition would have long ago folded.

This year our thanks must go to Stuart & Tricia McCraw from Victoria who took on the challenge of judging the competition. With a vast part of the state to cover from Finley in the south, the Central West, Camden and the South Coast then as far north as Lismore, they did an outstanding job. They commented on the overall quality of entries and were very impressed with the enthusiasm of the younger generations coming through into the breed. Well done to everyone. The major results are as follows:

<b><u>Junior Champion Heifer:</u></b>	Paschendaele Renaissance –	Eagles Partnership
<b>Reserve Junior Champion:</b>	Mayfield Farms Solair –	Vicki Smart & Paul Timbs
<b>Honourable Mention:</b>	Riverland JC Pachine –	Peter & Suzanne Graham
<b><u>Intermediate Champion Heifer:</u></b>	Overdale Golden Sheree –	Stuart Lockhart
<b>Reserve Intermediate Champ:</b>	Paschendaele Trident Rose –	Eagles Partnership
<b>Honourable Mention:</b>	Paschendaele Bonnie Brae Blossom –	Eagles Partnership
<b><u>Senior Champion Cow:</u></b>	Woodburn Park Remarkable –	MC & AC Biffin
<b>Reserve Senior Champion:</b>	Regal Park Shower –	David & Sharon Mayo
<b>Honourable Mention Cow:</b>	Overdale Carla Zerene –	Rodney & Jenny Crawford
<b><u>Sires Progeny:</u></b>	Ardrossan EV Kates Trident – 491.5pts	Eagles Partnership
<b><u>Team of 10 Head:</u></b>	Eagles Partnership –	828 points
<b>Bull any age:</b>	Tryalyon Satins Ryley	Hurlstone Ag High School

### 2009 26<sup>th</sup> ANNUAL NSW CALF SHOW

**Judge: Mr Patrick Buckley, Camden, NSW**

<b>Junior Champion Heifer -</b>	Woodburn Park Trifle	MC & AC Biffin
<b><u>Reserve Junior Champion</u> –</b>	Mayfield Farms Sensation	Vicki Smart & Paul Timbs
<b><i>Honourable Mention Junior</i> –</b>	Werombi Polkie Silk	Brett & Melinda Hayter
<b>Senior Champion Heifer –</b>	Regal Park Summer	David & Sharon Mayo
<b><u>Reserve Senior Champion</u> –</b>	Mayfield Farms Roxette	Vicki Smart & Paul Timbs
<b><i>Honourable Mention Senior</i> –</b>	Werombi SLC Girl	Brett & Melinda Hayter
<b>Tiny Tots Paraders Under 6 yrs</b>	1 <sup>st</sup> -Jessica Eagles, 2 <sup>nd</sup> – Mitchell Smart, 3 <sup>rd</sup> – Laura Sharpe	
<b>Junior Paraders 6 -14 yrs</b>	1 <sup>st</sup> -Ashley Mayo, 2 <sup>nd</sup> – Xenni Newham Kel, 3 <sup>rd</sup> – Amy Hayter	
<b>Senior Paraders 15 yrs &amp; over</b>	1 <sup>st</sup> -Katie Cullen, 2 <sup>nd</sup> – Melissa Bendessey, 3 <sup>rd</sup> – Tim Bendessey	
<b>Junior Judging under 14 yrs</b>	1 <sup>st</sup> -Sarah Luddington, 2 <sup>nd</sup> – Jay Kajale, 3 <sup>rd</sup> – Amy Hayter	
<b>Senior Judging over 14 yrs</b>	1 <sup>st</sup> -Jess Leroy, 2 <sup>nd</sup> – Emma Luddington, 3 <sup>rd</sup> – Bree Spence	

## QUEENSLAND BRANCH NEWS

### Toowoomba Show 2009

**Judge: Mr Ken Robinson, Wagga Wagga, NSW**

Mr Ken Robinson, “Overdale”, Wagga Wagga, NSW presided as judge in the Ayrshire section with approximately 30 head exhibited.

The 2009 **Champion cow** was **Pineville Oriana’s Witch**, (s. Pineville Witchatas Willy), show by the **Nambour High School**. The judge stated that she stood out for her overall modern style and refinement, being tall and upstanding.

**Reserve Champion Cow** who won the age cow class and best vessel was **Raleigh Queen Alamanda** (s. Auchenflower Noel) exhibited by Richard Wheeldon.

The Junior classes on the day were very strong and exhibited quality throughout.

**Junior Champion** was **Raleigh L.E.Rio** (s. Rio Festival) shown by RL & OJ Wheeldon. **Reserve Junior** went to **Nambour Rural Golden Amigo** (s. Cuthill Towers Autumn Gold) exhibited by Nambour High School.

**Juvenile Champion** was **Raleigh Queen Allison** (s. Geelunga Moonraker) shown by RL & OJ Wheeldon who also exhibited **Reserve Juvenile Raleigh Maybuck** (s. Vissadale Skybuck).

The ‘**Raleigh Stud**’ of the Wheeldon Family was also successful in winning the ‘On Ground’ production awards with a Guernsey cow and **Raleigh Brown Locket** who gave the most milk in 24hrs.

The Judge gave a special mention to the staff and students from the Nambour High School for their concerted efforts in supporting a strong show team at the show.

### AAL Queensland 2009 Herds Competition

The Queensland Branch of AAL held a Herds Competition in Aug/Sep 2009 after the Royal National Association Show (Ekka), and it was very well supported by members with entries from 16 exhibitors. Thank you to all who participated.

Our judge for this year’s competition was Bevin Smith from Witta in the Sunshine Coast hinterland. Bevin did a thoroughly professional job and will be a hard act to follow in future years. Not only did he take photos of all entries to allow better comparison between animals that he looked at over the course of a number of weeks, he even put together a marvellous presentation depicting the results and pictures of the entries. And of course, there were the many km’s he travelled all over south-east Queensland to visit the properties of the exhibitors. Thankyou Bevin for the effort you put into our 2009 herds competition.

The competition comprised of 12 different classes, with 9 age classes, and “Best Udder”, “Pen of 3 cows”, and “Bull of any age”. Overall, there were 92 entries from 16 different exhibitors. Trophies were awarded for Champion Cow, Champion Heifer, Exhibitor with a large team with overall highest average score, and Exhibitor with a small team (3-5 animals) with overall highest average score.

Kevin Smith from Ipswich (Hillcrest Stud) was the standout exhibitor, taking 3 of the 4 trophies. Yes, a very similar name to the judge, but no relation – it was all above board! The following is a summary of the results.

<b>Champion Cow:</b>	Hillcrest Tri Camille – K Smith	<b>Champion Heifer:</b>	Hillcrest Conn Willybear - K Smith
<b>Highest Average Score large team</b>	K Smith – 87.8, R Zerner – 85.1, K Brook – 85.1, R Wheeldon – 84.1, S Sillitow – 83.6, R & S Jones – 83.4, Nambour High School – 83.4,		
<b>Highest Average Score small team</b>	S & B Wadley - 86.6, S & E Ludwig - 86.4, G Antcliff – 85.2, P Edwards – 84.6, J Rook – 84.4, K Hickey – 84.3, A Schneider – 83.3, L Maguire (2 head) – 86, L & M Schneider (2 head) 83.6		

## Victoria Branch News

### 2009 Gippsland Ayrshire Cattle Club 17<sup>th</sup> Annual Herds Competition

The Gippsland Ayrshire Cattle Club recently held its 17<sup>th</sup> Annual Herds Competition on 7<sup>th</sup> December 2009. This competition is not unlike the on farm challenge of other breed organisations. The judge this year was Mrs Patricia McCraw from Poowong. Tricia is a past member of the club and with Stuart (a life member of the club) they operated the very successful Glen Afton Ayrshire Stud at Yannathan. Stuart accompanied Tricia for the judging and enjoyed looking at the cows without the stress of making the decisions.

26 cows entered the type Section involving visits to seven farms. About 126 Ayrshires were visited during relaxed travelling with a friendly social atmosphere. Registered, grade and appendix Ayrshires were all able to enter. The awards were presented that evening at the Darnum Pub where dinner was enjoyed by all. A presentation was made to Tricia for her efforts in judging the competition. This was also the Clubs Christmas Dinner and due to events in the non-Ayrshire lives of the committee it also featured the AGM and a general meeting.

There are two main sections in the competition, production and type. Production entries are restricted to 305 day lactations and are broken into four age groups. Production class winners are listed below:

Class	1 <sup>st</sup>	2 <sup>nd</sup>	3 <sup>rd</sup>
Junior Cow, calved between 24 & 30 months	Araluen Park Special K Greta 430kg fat + protein J. Mathews	Peggy Kildare 411kg fat + protein K & T May	Karrabell Trident Joanne 299kg fat + protein D & V Penfold
Intermediate Cow, calved between 30-59 months	Maree 568 kg fat + protein K & T May	Encore Pardner Lopez 518kg fat + protein Burgmann Family	Midway Park Kates Penny 487kg fat + protein J Mathews
Senior Cow, calved between 60 & 95 months	Kalinda Stardust 2 <sup>nd</sup> 577kg fat + protein J Mathews	Baby Face 526kg fat + protein K & T May	Roland Park Lopez 476kg fat + protein
Veteran Cow, calved at 96 months or over	Enterprise Trident Daisy 600kg fat + protein Burgmann Family	Jill 437kg fat + protein K & T May	Roland Lodge Why Tricks 350 kg fat + protein R & S Summerfield
Herd Average	Encore Ayrshires 6 cows, 468kg fat + protein Burgmann Family	Spearshire Ayrshires 20 cows, 410kg fat + protein K & T May	Karrabell Ayrshires 62 cows, 250kg fat + protein D & V Penfold

There is a further class in the type section for an Ayrshire cross cow. This encourages commercial breeders to enter and acknowledge good type without a pedigree. The results for the type section are below:

Class	1 <sup>st</sup>	2 <sup>nd</sup>	3 <sup>rd</sup>
Junior Cow, 2 yrs old calved under 30months	Spearshire Peggy K & T May	Bluegum Park Pardner Star J Mathews	Encore Hector Delta Burgmann Family
Intermediate Cow, 3 or 4 years old	Encore Pardner Didjago Burgmann Family	Snik L Giraffe D & V Penfold	Glen Stewart Panamas Lot M Perry & R Skews
Senior Cow: 5, 6 or 7 years old	Spearshire Clara K & T May	Glen Stewart Carlotta M Perry & R Skews	Kalinda Stardust 2 <sup>nd</sup> J Mathews
Veteran Cow, 8 years or over	Karrabell Jules Jelly D & V Penfold	Roland Lodge Why Tricks R & S Summerfield	Glen Stewart Super Whizee M Perry & R Skews
Crossbred Cow, any age, any colour, must have Ayrshire sire	Araluen Park Special K Greta Sire: Special K J. Mathews	Spearshire Duchess Sire: Valendale Blaze K & T May	Tornado's Minnie Sire: Roland Lodge Tornado M Perry & R Skews
Herd	Spearshire Ayrshires 20 cows K & T May	Bluegum Park Ayrshires 14 cows J Matthews	Glen Stewart Ayrshires 30 cows M Perry & R Skews
Champion Cow & Winner of the Les Hogarth Trophy:	Spearshire Clara: Congratulations to Ken & Tahne. This is a great cow who brought delight to the judge.		
Reserve Champ. Cow:	Encore Pardner Didjago – Burgmann Family		

## 2009 Gippsland Ayrshire Cattle Club Calf Photographic Competition

This year most of the Gippsland Ayrshire Cattle Club were not able to prepare calves to attend the Central Gippsland Jersey Breeders Group calf day in March at Logan Park, so a calf photographic competition was held instead. The Judge was Mr Clayton Bawden of Labertouche. He was delighted to accept our invitation and was especially pleased that the club had chosen a younger person. Entries were a little disappointing in numbers but still showed commitment and enthusiasm from the members. Sponsorship from local businesses was sought this year with most pleasing and generous results. The winners are listed below.

Class	1 <sup>st</sup>	2 <sup>nd</sup>	3 <sup>rd</sup>
Heifer born July 2008 sponsored by: Cameron Genetics	Bluegum Park Bloke Ski J Mathews	Silvia D & V Penfold	Lovely Josette D & V Penfold
Heifer born September 2008 sponsored by: Daviesway	Bluegum Park Poker Dust J Mathews	Shayla K & T May	
Progeny Test Heifer sponsored by Yarragon Grain & Produce	Bluegum Park Bloke Ski J Mathews		
Crossbred Heifer sponsored by: Daviesway	Chal Gina D & V Penfold	Chal Frayne D & V Penfold	Chal Willona D & V Penfold
Ayrshire Bull sponsored by Yarragon Grain & Produce	Xander D & V Penfold		
Champion Calf sponsored by Livestock Improvement & Farm Depot.	Bluegum Park Bloke Ski J Mathews		

## Western District Ayrshire Cattle Club

The Club recently held an on farm herd challenge on 21<sup>st</sup> & 22<sup>nd</sup> October, 2009. Mr Greg Edmonds from South Australia was the judge. Results were as follows:

Class	1 <sup>st</sup>	2 <sup>nd</sup>	3 <sup>rd</sup>
2 year old, sponsored by HICO	Keith, Wendy & Scott Wilson Sire: Bonnie Brae Nolan	Jim, Glenda & Oliver Carson Sire: Labrie Wilton	Paul Hodgson Sire: Carracoorte bull
3 year old, sponsored by Semex	Jim, Glenda & Oliver Carson Labrie Wilton	Matthew Kerr Sire: Boldview Bonnet Rebel	Doug & Marg Kerr Sire: Aus Willy
4 & 5 year old, sponsored by Agri Gene & Cobden A.B.	Joe Dare Sire: Geelunga Moonraker	Les & Julie Gass Sire: Ardrossan EV Kates Trident	Paul & Fiona Castle Sire: Ferdon Great Knight
6 year old & over, sponsored by Agri Gene	Joe Dare Sire: Carracoorte Rebel Dandy	Les & Julie Gass Sire: Ardrossan EV Kates Trident	David & Jennifer Croft Sire: Plum Bottom Trident's Lot
Group by the 1 sire, sponsored by World Wide Sires	Jim, Glenda & Oliver Carson Sire: Labrie Wilton	Keith, Wendy & Scott Wilson Sire: Kelcrest Louange	H Mention: Les & Julie Gass – Trident D & J Croft – Warrenlee Pat
Champion Cow, sponsored by Heytesbury Stockfeeds	Joe Dare Sire: Geelunga Moonraker	Reserve Champion Cow, sponsored by BOS Trading	Joe Dare Sire: Carracoorte Rebel Dandy

The club would like to thank Greg & Tracey for coming over, everyone enjoyed the two days, with us enjoying great weather. A great presentation evening was had by all, with over 40 attending. A special thanks to the companies who sponsored the event.

## South Australian Branch News

### Adelaide Royal Show Results

Judge: Mr David Mayo, Gerringong, NSW

Class No	1st	2nd	3rd
1 Heifer, born from 1 January of the current year.	Geelonga Raker Thyme G W Edmonds	Leeway Fabio Passion W J & L R Duncan	Boldview Hector Bride Billabong Holsteins Pty Ltd
2 Heifer, yearling.	Boldview Modem Pati N P & J Rothe	Geelonga Tri Hilda G W Edmonds	Boldview Tempest Jetta L J Guy
3 Heifer, 18 months old.	Cher-Bay Magnetick Sindy C Liebich	Geelonga Ripken Twisty G W Edmonds	Jaden Conns Tallulah G A & L J Klatt
4 Cow or Heifer, 2 years old, dry.	Geelonga Sakic Candee G W Edmonds	Boldview Trident Lindy Boldview Farms	Geelonga Starad Lucys Way Lucy Edmonds
<b><u>JUVENILE CHAMPION</u></b>	<b><i>Boldview Modem Pati</i></b> N P & J Rothe	<b><u>RESERVE JUVENILE CHAMPION</u></b>	<b><i>Geelonga Tri Hilda</i></b> G W Edmonds
5 Cow, over 2 years and under 3 years old, dry.	Cher-Bar TZ Incarnate C Liebich	Boldview TZ Brylee Boldview Farms	Geelonga Pardner Sharon G W Edmonds
7 Cow, 2½ year old, in milk.	Tasman Lodge Heshe G P & K A Crowden	Boldview Rebel Super-Tea Boldview Farms	Leeway Fabio Emily W J & L R Duncan
8 Cow, 3 year old, in milk	Cher-Bar Brendan Legend C Liebich	Jaden Wiltons Moira G A & L J Klatt	Boldview Bridie Rip Boldview Farms
<b><u>INTERMEDIATE CHAMPION</u></b>	<b><i>Cher-Bar Brendan Legend</i></b> C Liebich	<b><u>RESERVE INTERMED. CHAMPION</u></b>	<b><i>Tasman Lodge Heshe</i></b> G P & K A Crowden
9 Cow, 5 years old and over, dry	Geelonga Tri Star G W Edmonds	Boldview Remarkable Ramone Boldview Farms	
10 Cow, over 3 years and under 5 years old, dry	Geelonga Admiral Tracey W J & L R Duncan	Geelonga Journo Starsica G W Edmonds	
11 Cow, 4 years old, in milk	Boldview Trident Choice 2 <sup>nd</sup> Boldview Farms	Boldview Raider Ramona Boldview Farms	Tasman Lodge HA Ambel G P & K A Crowden
12 Cow, 5 years old, in milk.	Cher-Bar MP Incarnate C Liebich	Tasman Park Macy Rose M R Crowden	Boldview Trid-N-True Boldview Farms
13 Cow, 6 years old, in milk.	Boldview Parndara Boldview Farms	Geelonga Harmony Thea G W Edmonds	
14 Cow, over 6 years old, in milk.	Roland Lodge American Trixie G A & L J Klatt	Boldview Autumn Rubine Boldview Farms	Overdale Tri Cutie Bear G P & K A Crowden
<b><u>SENIOR CHAMPION</u></b>	<b><i>Cher-Bar MP Incarnate</i></b> C Liebich	<b><u>RESERVE SENIOR CHAMPION</u></b>	<b><i>Roland Lodge American Trixie</i></b> G A & L J Klatt
15 Cow, with Best Udder.	C Liebich	C Liebich	G A & L J Klatt
16 Group of Three Females	Boldview Farms	C Liebich	G W Edmonds
17 Sire's Progeny Group Senior	Boldview Farms	Boldview Farms	G W Edmonds
18 Sire's Progeny Group Junior	Boldview Farms	W J & L R Duncan	
19 Pair of Cows	Boldview Farms	Boldview Farms	G W Edmonds
20 Progeny of Dam.	C Liebich	G P & K A Crowden	G W Edmonds
21 Type and Production.	Boldview Parndara Boldview Farms	Cher-Bar MP Incarnate C Liebich	Boldview Trid-N-True Boldview Farms
22 Breeders' Junior Group.	G W Edmonds	Boldview Farms	
<b><u>MOST SUCCESSFUL AYRSHIRE EXHIBITOR</u></b>	<b>Boldview Farms</b>		

### IN BRIEF

The Victorian Branch would like to congratulate Lloyd & Lynda Burgmann on their recent marriage. It was a fantastic day celebrated with 150 guests, best wishes to them both.

Also from Victoria, young member Joseph Dare should be congratulated on being drafted by the Carlton Football Club into the AFL.

## Obituaries

Unfortunately as the years go by we lose more of our wonderful breed stalwarts. In 2009 we lost Mrs Eunice Scott, Mr & Mrs Eric & Sylvia Eagles, Mr William (Bill) McIntosh, Mr Jim Henderson, and Mr Leo Flanagan. Although they may be gone from us now, we will never forget their wonderful passion, dedication and commitment to the Ayrshire breed. We will remember them with great pride and honour for the legacy they leave for so many of us.

### **Mrs Eunice Ida Scott** – *“Auchen Eden” & “Auchen Flower” Ayrshires*

It was with great sadness to here of the passing of Eunice Scott, the grand matriarch of the Ayrshire breed in Australia. Eunice passed away only days after attending the Brisbane Royal Show Ayrshire judging, an event that she has been attending all of her life.

Eunice was born in Brisbane on 11<sup>th</sup> February 1925 to dairying parents who had commenced breeding Ayrshire cattle in 1922. At the age of 3 she owned her first calf “Polly”, exhibiting her own calves at Primary School and Calf Days. She was destined to become successful in breeding, showing, judging and promoting Ayrshire cattle throughout Australia.

Eunice dedicated her whole life to Ayrshire Cattle being involved with her father’s “Auchen Eden” stud until commencing the “Auchen Flower” stud with her husband John Edwards in 1958, eventually taking over both studs, and then in 1990 continuing in partnership with her son Scott until the dispersal in 1999. “Auchen Eden” & “Auchen Flower” cattle have always been prominent at district and RNA shows, winning Champions and production classes and were awarded merit of appreciation by the RNA for 75 years of exhibiting. “Auchen Eden Venus” in 1957 was the first cow of any breed to win Champion Cow and Champion Lactation production cow of all breeds on the same day.

In 1955 Eunice was the first female to judge dairy cattle at a show in Queensland and later became the first female judge of dairy cattle at a Royal Show in Australia when she judged Adelaide in 1980 and then Sydney in 1991. She judged at numerous shows throughout Australia and in 1992 had the privilege to be the first Australian to judge Ayrshire’s in Canada at the Brandon Rotational Fair, Manitoba. Another first came when Eunice was elected President of the Queensland Ayrshire Society and became a federal delegate being active in negotiations when the Federal Body moved to the Kiama Registration Centre. She was also appointed as a Australian Delegate on the World Federation and attended world conferences in New Zealand 1981 & Canada in 1996. She had travelled all over the world visiting herds and promoting Ayrshire’s in UK, Canada & USA. For her outstanding contribution to the Ayrshire breed, Eunice in the year 2000 was awarded a Life Membership of Ayrshire Australia. Eunice Scott devoted her life to her beloved Ayrshire breed and she will be greatly missed by all Ayrshire enthusiasts throughout Australia.





## **Mr & Mrs Eric & Sylvia Eagles** – *“Paschendaele Ayrshires”*

Many people throughout the Ayrshire community were saddened to hear of the passing of Eric Eagles from Paschendaele Ayrshires on New Year's Eve, 2008. Not some seven months later we were also mourning the loss of his lovely wife, Sylvia ending a wonderful chapter in Ayrshire history.

Eric & Sylvia's Ayrshire journey began as a newly married couple on small dairy in 1948 at Camden. Making best use of what lay before them; cows, eggs and vegetables were all used to provide income to buy the staples supporting a new young family. The Paschendaele Stud was founded in 1952 and continued at Camden for exactly 50 years, gradually improving its profile until it was one of the state's most successful studs. In 2001, Paschendaele relocated to the Central West, where Eric & Sylvia's eldest son John, and grandsons Michael & Steven took over the daily running of the stud. Eric & Sylvia still remained closely linked to the stud, frequently visiting where Eric would come down to the dairy to see what his “girls” were up to and laughing as he read the stud herd book, commenting on some of the strange names that were given to some of the calves.

The Paschendaele stud was not only successful in the show ring but in production and classification results within the breed. They supported many of the major shows around the state including Camden Show where in the early days they used to walk the animals to be exhibited the 15kms from home to the showground and back again. They also won major championship awards at Sydney Royal Easter Show, Hawkesbury, Blacktown, Picton and Campbelltown. Eric's grand old man, bull Paschendaele Flica's Monarch was one of their most successful animals between 1965 and 1970 attending 23 shows with a record of eighteen 1sts, four 2nds, one 3<sup>rd</sup> placing, never unplaced, winning 17 Senior Championships, 5 reserves and 1 Supreme Champion. Quite a record by any modern day standards.

Eric & Sylvia in later years were major contributors to the breed. Not only did they both hold various committee positions at Club and State level, they travelled and judged extensively throughout Australia and New Zealand. A long time Federal Councillor, Eric was awarded in 2000 along side Eunice Scott a Life Membership, an award both he and Sylvia were very proud of. Not only did the Ayrshire breed benefit from their lifetime contribution, commitment and dedication, they made many lifelong friendships and they will be greatly missed by all who loved and admired them.

## **Mr William (Bill) McIntosh** – *“Barrington Ayrshires”*

The late Bill McIntosh was a very well known and respected Ayrshire Breeder along with his wife Gwen, who have been very successful and have always promoted the Ayrshire Breed over many years.

On the 1st January 1964, Bill joined his father in Membership of the “Barrington Stud”, and then some years later Bill & Gwen registered their own stud name of “Dundee Partnership”. Bill first joined the NSW Committee in 1970 and was a NSW Delegate to Federal Council for at least 8 years; he was also on the National Judging Panel.

Bill & Gwen were always keen and successful show people, they won many prizes at country shows, also winning the much sought after “Most Successful” trophy for the NSW Northern Ayrshire Club on numerous occasions. They were very successful at the Sydney Royal, competing mostly at the Showground at Moore Park. Many of you would remember the great duals between the McIntosh's and the Late Mr Fred Smart for the Champion Bull award. Lots of wonderful friendships developed during that period and we are sure that like so many others, his wife Gwen will have very fond memories of those wonderful times.

Production was important to them; in fact they still hold records. One example is “Barrington Blue Bernice” who was 1998 Mature Cow with 11,165 litres milk, 3.2% protein with a total of 357 protein. Today, she is still one of the top 5 cows for Production and Protein Yield in the Breed. Another cow, “Barrington Daffy” holds the record for Junior 4 Protein Yield, and “Barrington Snowflake 2nd” holds the Senior 3 record for Milk and Protein. These are indeed wonderful achievements for the Barrington and Dundee studs.

Bill & Gwen attended World Conferences in numerous countries. I don't think they missed a conference for many years and last year attended the World Conference in Finland. Bill certainly was a great ambassador for the Ayrshire Breed in Australia and made lots of good friends all over the world as well as in Australia.

Most recently in April of 2009, Bill was awarded a Lifetime Membership to the New South Wales Branch of Ayrshire Australia acknowledging his dedication, commitment and contribution to the Ayrshire breed. The Branch strongly believe that these are but a few of the endearing qualities of the true breed enthusiast and in awarding this Lifetime Membership, they greatly appreciated the support Bill and his wife Gwen had given the Ayrshire breed over many years.

## **Jim Henderson** - "*Carracoorte Ayrshires*"

Born 6 April 1922, passed away on 20 June 2009 after a short period of illness aged 87 years. James Lindsay Cameron Henderson or Jim as he was known to all Ayrshire breeders throughout the world dedicated his whole life to the Ayrshire breed in Australia. In fact Jim had the unique honour of being President and Life Member of both Ayrshire Australia Ltd and the Australian Ayrshire Breeders Association.

Jim's well known "Carracoorte" stud was started when his father William purchased their first registered Ayrshire's in 1913. Since then "Carracoorte" Ayrshires have been successful both in production and type, setting production records and breeding many show champions including at Adelaide and Melbourne Royal Shows. His lifetime association with the Ayrshire breed opened many doors for him and his wife Joan throughout the dairy cattle world. He attended World Conference's in Sweden, Great Britain, Canada, The USA and Kenya as Australia's delegate.

His representation of the Ayrshire breed on various committees extended from 1950 to 2009. Jim was the ultimate showman both in the judging ring and out of it. His family became involved and fondly recalls the many trips to the Royal Melbourne Show to help their father prepare and present his team (where in 1953 showing recommenced after almost 30 years). Jim's ability to assess cattle, his integrity and standing within the dairy industry was recognized by many judging assignments at major Australian shows. He actively encouraged the involvement of younger breeders and also donated cattle to Doctor Barnardo's Boys home. The Henderson family's lifelong involvement with showing stock at the Warrnambool Show was recognized in 2007 with a plaque for 100 years of showing. Jim was extremely proud of this. He was a past President and Life Member of the Warrnambool Agricultural Society.

Jim's knowledge, experience and good humour will be missed by the many Ayrshire breeders who knew him. He is survived by his devoted wife Joan, his sons Geoffrey, Peter, Andrew, Rodger, daughter Prue and their families.

## **Leo Flanagan** – "*Blauvelt Ayrshires*"

Leo Thomas Flanagan, born 30th June, 1923, passed away suddenly on 27<sup>th</sup> June 2009 age 85yrs.

Leo grew up on the family farm at Coimadal. The untimely death of his father in 1936 left his mother with the family farm to run so Leo left school on his 14<sup>th</sup> birthday to work alongside his mother on the farm in order to educate his brothers and sister.

Leo loved farming and growing good crops. He was also an animal person and milked a large number of cows for many years. He loved horses, working with them all his life, supplying ponies to all the children in the district. He was Clerk of Course at the Bacchus Marsh races for many years.

Leo was known as a top Ayrshire breeder. He and his brother John commenced showing their "Blauvelt" Ayrshire cattle at Melbourne Royal in 1952. He was a tireless worker for the Bacchus Marsh Show Society and a very active member of the VASA Cattle Committee. He was awarded a Meritorious Service award in the early 90's.

Leo was also a very active and long standing member of the Australian Ayrshire Breeders Association Inc Committee. During the past few years Leo has been seen at most Ayrshire functions and shows throughout Victoria. Leo was buried on his 86th birthday on the 30th June, 2009. He will be very sadly missed by Ayrshire breeders throughout Australia.

