

GALLOWAY CATTLE SOCIETY OF NEW ZEALAND (INC.)

# 2022 Galloway Gazette



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# President's Welcome

A warm hello to all of our members and wishing everyone a happy holiday season and all the best for the New Year 2023!

In this issue we cover some great updates from our Vice President and Registrar, world Galloway Congress 2023 details, Riggitt Breeding and a christmas recipe- just to name a few! A big thank you to everyone who submitted content for this issue- we love receiving articles and photos from our members. It will be interesting who wins the World Galloway Champion 2022 competition!! Make sure to check out the new Galloway 2023 calendars on the merchandise page, and for all orders please email [info@gcsnz.co.nz](mailto:info@gcsnz.co.nz)



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Beef NZ [www.beef.org.nz](http://www.beef.org.nz)

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# Galloway Gazette Christmas Message from Abergeldie farm Hawke's Bay

Gus & Anita Smith Vice President Galloway Society

Hello everyone,

I hope you are all experiencing some nice weather and plenty of grass after the long but maybe not so cold but very wet winter. I have just read through my last year Christmas message where Hawke's Bay had a very dry winter described as a green drought, the ease we had getting around the farm with it being so dry, mud even in gateways was non existent.

This winter has been the opposite on the plus side all dams that we had cleaned out in the summer of 2020 are now full for the first time, but getting around has been hard with one farmer reporting he used a helicopter 3 times to retrieve his quad bike. I got my quad and buggy stuck on two separate occasions but luckily was able with a long rope from a dry patch use the winch to retrieve both.

We went into the winter with lots of feed for our Galloways and most of the time left them to it as they picked their way around the boggy bits to get feed, we found disturbing them made them take shot cuts through boggy places making for some stressful moments but Galloways have been good traversing rough terrain made it through without any casualties.



I had a stint in hospital just before lambing started so Anita took on role of lambing Manager she drove the buggy down the road to lambing area but then walked through the sheep, they got very used to her and hardly moved as she checked for any cast ewes and mismothered lambs must have worked well as we had the least number of pet lambs requiring bottle feeding ever.

We also have Dorper sheep which are very hardy much like galloways and very seldom need assistance giving birth, but because they do have multiple lambs by doing a lambing beat helps with mismothering of the multiples.

I was up and about when calving started which went very smoothly no assistance needed, however one cow had twins a lovely perfectly marked white and one almost Riggitt, the mother wanted nothing to do with it, loved the white one but walked off from the "heavily marked one" so after 24 hours bought the orphan calf home and bottle fed him, he was not happy even bunting anyone that got in the pen with him so for about a week fed from other side of fence, he has since made friends with our very old pet ewe and her lamb which we are supplementary feeding. The ewe called Gracie is 12 years old and this is her 19th lamb, retirement is not in her vocabulary.





In the photo is Gracie, Sammy the calf and Florence the lamb you will see some empty Crystalyx tubs we use for feeding grain etc. Crystalx have contributed to our Gazette with advertising, it is a product I have used with great success at pre calving especially the older cows, zero metabolic problems since using it.

I will get Jamie Taplin to write an article for our winter newsletter on the science behind what goes into the Crystalyx molasses blocks, (ie in time for calving next year).

In closing I want to thank our President Tracy Wood and all councillors for work they have done this last year, getting Breedmate up and running has been much bigger task than expected and has taken a lot of determination to see it through, special thanks to our new registrar John Berridge with I.T. Assistance from Nicholas Archibald, the cost saving of the new system will make it all worth while and as John is reporting the information that Breedmate can offer members is remarkable.

Merry Christmas and all the best for the New Year 2023.



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# From the Desk of the Registrar

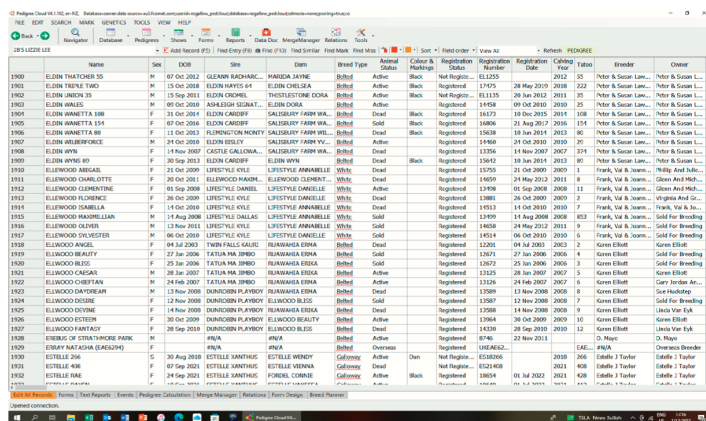
John Berridge - Registrar, Galloway Cattle Society of New Zealand

Those of you who have been members for some years will recognise my name; I was a Breeder Member of the Society from 2007 to 2012 and also on Council for a time. Over that period I had the Alclutha White and Glenfinnan Standard herds; some of you may have visited them during the 2011 Auckland AGM and Herd Tour. My professional background was in human resource management and development and started with a 27 year career in the Royal New Zealand Navy. After that I held a series of senior management roles in the commercial sector, followed by 8 years owning my own business writing CVs and giving interview skills training. I am now fully retired but pleased to be able to assist the Society in taking on this role ..... and having some further contact with Galloways!

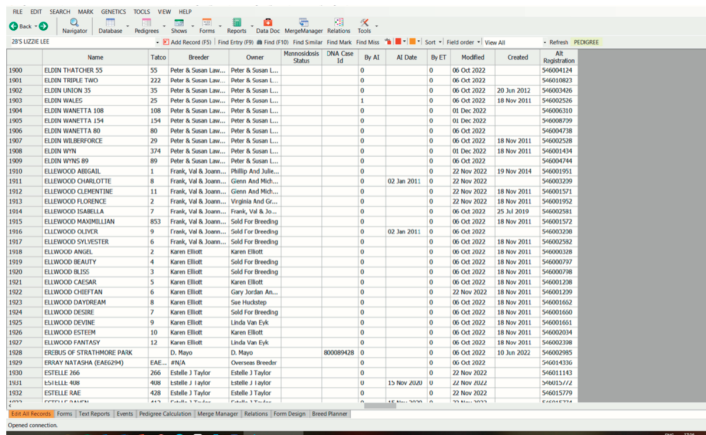
My appointment in August came at the same time as the Society was making the change away for PBB and ABRI to Breedmate; that changeover is now well underway albeit there have been challenges in transferring some data. The Society has had to recognise it now has to maintain its own database and achieve the cost savings that lead to that decision.

Breedmate is now up and running; it is cloud based and as Registrar I am the sole person able to edit the data. That is the first big change - I now have to do all the data entry involved in ADL and Calf Entry forms, Transfers, DNA results and Mannisodosis Test results as well as printing of Registration Certificates and dealing with member's individual enquiries. No more ABRI and PBB involvements ..... or costs!

The following screenshots are of the main table on Breedmate.



As you can see it now includes DNA and Mannisodosis test outcomes as well as AI and ET information. Please note not all columns are shown and/or are narrow to fit onto the page.



Riggit cattle will be added into Breedmate once the Council completes its review of these animals. Photos will also be included.

A Registration Certificate for any animal can be generated in Breedmate just by clicking on the selected animal's name.

The current 3 generation printed pedigree will be replaced with an expanded certificate.



The template for this is now being customised by the inclusion of the Society's logo and name as well as a number of additional features such as up to 3 photos (when these are provided by breeders and saved in Breedmate) and the Date Printed. Those of you who have had me process recent Transfers will, once the new Certificate is available, be sent these. New ADL and Calf Entry forms are also having to be developed - for 2023 these will be generated using Breedmate.

Out of interest - there are 8,600 animals recorded in Breedmate. Of these 7,362 are "Registered" and 1,228 are "Not Registered"; there are some gaps in this field that need to be checked. There are 5,210 Belteds, 2,691 Whites and 680 Galloways; there are some that do not have a "Breed Type" listed. In terms of "Animal Status" 2,373 are Dead, 4,160 are Active, 1,793 are Inactive and 950 are Sold. It is likely that many "Active" animals are in fact either Sold or Dead" - the fate of younger females and males of any age is rarely advised whereas older females are reported on in each year's ADLs. All older animals however will remain listed in Breedmate given they are the Sires and Dams of animals that are presently alive - that way the Certificate can include details of all previous generations!

In due course you as members will also have access to Breedmate data - the present Animal and Member Enquiry functions on the Society's website is based on ABRI data. That has not been updated since May this year. At some stage in the near future the present website functions will swop to Breedmate data and show the same "live" information that I use. That means you will see details of all the animals you have bred, their present owners, their Registration status & date, whether they are Active or Inactive, as well as DNA and so on.

You can also tell when your Transfers and other changes of information on individual animals have taken place as and when I process these. There is a lot of missing or out of date information on many animals. In that regard I found it disappointing that only 49 of the 68 Breeder Members who were sent a 2022 ADL in June this year responded. Some of the bigger herds are owned by a number of these other 19 breeders; the status of these animals had not been reported on - so Breedmate does not contain up to date information on the 242 animals listed on those outstanding ADLs.

While ADLs provide details of mature females who have died, been culled or sold to non-members in any one year, the fate of younger females and male animals is often never known. While animals sold to another Breeder are recorded by way of a Transfer form, the sale of many registered and unregistered animals to non-members is never advised. While they remain listed in Breedmate (and might be shown as "Sold" if the Registrar is ever advised) - effectively these animals have "disappeared" from the Herd Book!

I hope the above has been helpful to you all. Once you are able to check Breedmate information on your animals then I would be pleased to get your emails on any updates that you are able to provide. That will all help the Society maintain an up to date and accurate picture of the size and shape of the Galloway breed in New Zealand.

Kind regards  
John Berridge





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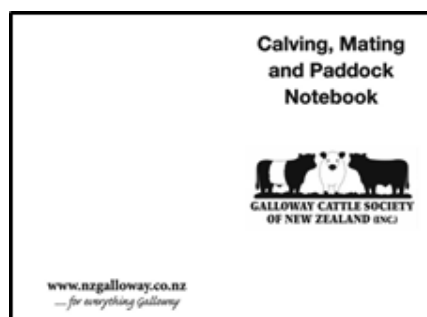
## A5 Pads with Society Logo

\$5.00 + Postage



## Calving Book

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## Porcelain Tea / Coffee Mug

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# Meat Appreciation Day

On the 7th May the Galloway Society held a meat appreciation afternoon hosted by Shane Tindall who owns Hinterland Homekill Meats.

Shane, along with his partner Kelly hosted us at their property in Rotorangi near Cambridge, where Shane has his own butchery on site. Shane is a qualified butcher and took us through a demonstration of cutting up part of a Galloway-Cross cattle beast and showing us how the different cuts of meat are prepared. He also explained the different cuts of meat and where they are found on the animal.

Following the demonstration we had a walk around their property to see their White Galloway animals and afterwards we enjoyed a potluck BBQ dinner, with Shane providing some delicious meat for us to try. We had sixteen members in attendance and a great afternoon was had by all, with everyone learning lots and having a new appreciation for butchers!





# World Galloway Congress 2023

***On behalf of the International Galloway Society The Swiss Galloway Society and Bern Welcome The 2023 World Galloway Conference organizing Committee Invites you to attend the World Galloway Conference, taking place in Bern, Switzerland from September 16th - September 21st '23***

Dear Galloway breeders from all over the world,

As agreed upon in Scotland 2016, the World Galloway Conference will take place in Bern, Switzerland from Saturday September 16th to Thursday, September 21 st 2023.

The venue is the Hotel National in downtown historic Bern, a few steps from the central railway station. Bern Welcome is our Partner for hotel reservations, online registrations, payments, questions and answers. We shall start online registration by Bern Welcome (Hotels, Conference registration, post Conference excursions) soon.

- Switzerland is a beautiful but rather small and expensive country, therefore:
- We have a hosting capacity of 300 visitors. So first come, first served!
- The organizing committee is trying hard to keep the expenses as low as possible.
- The Conference fees will be 650 CHF per Person.
- Conference Languages: English and German
- Registration deadline is February 28

Travel expenses to Switzerland and Bern have to be organized and paid by the participants themselves. From your very first overnight stay at a tourist accommodation in the city of Bern,

you will receive a Bern Ticket for your entire stay, which lets you travel for free on public transport in zones 100/101 operated by the LIBERO Association.

Welcome desk Sept. 16, 2022 from 3.00 p.m. to 5.00 p.m. at Hotel National (Hirschengraben 24, 3011 Bern), by Bern Welcome and the organizing committee.

The individually selected hotels are mostly nearby Hotel National and the departing buses to the daily excursions. Welcome drinks and program orientation, as well as the final evening will take place on Sept. 21, 2022. in Hotel National in Bern. The costs are included in the registration fee.





## Preliminary Programme:

### **Saturday Sept. 16th 2023:**

Conference Check in: Welcome desk Bern  
Welcome at Hotel National Bern 3.00 p.m. to  
5.00 p.m. Welcome drinks and exact  
Program Orientation, introduction of our  
conference staff.



### **Sunday Sept. 17th 2023:**

Excursion by bus, visiting Hof Baregg, a Dun Galloway farm, and Hofgut Farnsburg, demonstrating new concepts of ecological farming - both close to Basel.

### **Monday Sept. 18th 2023:**

Galloways in the alpine environment: Excursion by train and bus to Valais (Goms) to see a black Galloway Farm. On the way you will visit an alpine hydroelectric power plant at Grimsel Pass and experience one of the world's longest railway tunnels.

### **Tuesday Sept. 19th 2023:**

Excursion by bus to visit two belted Galloway farms in eastern Switzerland. On the way, you will see the exciting and famous Rhine Falls at Schaffhausen.

### **Wednesday Sept. 20th 2023:**

Excursion by bus to wonderful Gruyère in western Switzerland. You visit the historic town and castle of Gruyere, the Cailler Chocolate factory and the production site of the fantastic Gruyère cheese.

### **Thursday Sept 21st 2023:**

City Sightseeing in Bern organized by Bern welcome, Quiz of Switzerland, World Galloway assembly at Hotel National, Farewell Dinner at Hotel National.

### **Friday Sept. 22nd 2023:**

End of Conference and start of the post conference activities. We will work on, and publish a list of options, where the participants can register individually (visit Galloway farms in small groups, wine tasting, excursions to places like Lucerne and the Jungfrau and many others).



# UK Galloway Cattle Society Report 2022

As we said goodbye to 2021, all signs pointed to for a more normal year in 2022. After the pandemic of the last two years, we were all looking forward to sales and shows and able to plan and attend events which we had missed in 2020 & 2021. Our Spring Sales were held on their traditional dates and did not disappoint at Castle Douglas Sale centre, there were 3 animals over 10,000gns and 12 heifers over 5000gns and at Carlisle sale centre, new male and female record prices was set. This just proves Galloways are very much wanted and people are prepared to pay for them. Please see reports and photos on our website.

As we moved into spring, the weather was unsettled, with an unusually sunny March and a wetter May. The summer shows started and I am delighted to report all the small local shows had a great response from the general public and have reported increased attendance, although not as many animal exhibits as in years before the pandemic. We can't say that about the number and quality of Galloways on show, this has been one of the best exhibits on Galloways seen on the summer show circuit.

We would sincerely like to thank all our exhibitors who have taken the time and expense to show their Galloways at both local and national shows. I think everyone will agree it was great to be out and about, meeting with friends, family and customers. The highlight of the summer are the national shows - Royal Highland Show and Great Yorkshire Show, due to the pandemic, the number of general public were restricted each day and this lead to some disappointed people who were unable to source admission tickets, we hope this will be resolved in 2023.



Once again we had a great show of Galloways forward, particularly the females and if you want to see the best in the country, please consider attending the Royal Highland Show which is held in the third week in June.

Congratulations to Jim, Selina Ross and son Doug, Romesbeoch, who won the championship at the Royal Highland Show with Beauty 2431 of Romesbeoch and John and Ann Finlay and son Iain, Blackcraig who received the championship at the Great Yorkshire show with Blackcraig Dora May U450 at ten year old cow. Full reports can be found on our website. All summer we have been blessed with warm, dry weather, in the heart of Galloway we have been lucky, rain has come at all the right times, other parts of the UK have not been so fortunate. England particularly the South East, had hot spells each month, and the summer will be remembered for a new UK record of 40.3 °C at Coningsby (Lincolnshire) on 19th July. The weather was settled for much of the time, with little rain in many areas during most of July and early August. Sunshine was above average with rainfall 50% less than average.

Many farmers in the South have been feeding winter crops since July and will be worried if they will have enough rations to see the winter out, let's hope for an early spring in 2023.





As we enter the Autumn, it's not just the weather that is causing concern, which has been warm and wet, we now have our third Prime Minister since September and the cost of living crisis is making a major impact in all our lives. For farmers, it the 3 "F"s - Fuel, Fertiliser (up 152%) and Feed (wheat up 52%) that is impacting on our bottom line, which in turn makes food more expensive for the British public.

In the UK, we are experiencing industrial strikes and the threat of electrical blackouts as inflation hits double figures 10.1% - the highest it has been since 1982.

Our Galloway Beef project is still ongoing and Aldi (fourth biggest supermarket in the UK) has once again chosen Galloway Beef for their Christmas beef promotion, a range of roasts are on sale for the Christmas celebrations under their specially selected range, for more details please check our Galloway Beef web page [www.gallowaybeef.co.uk](http://www.gallowaybeef.co.uk)

We look forward to catching up with you all at the Galloway World Congress and if you get the chance to visit the UK in 2023, we would be delighted to help organise your tour.

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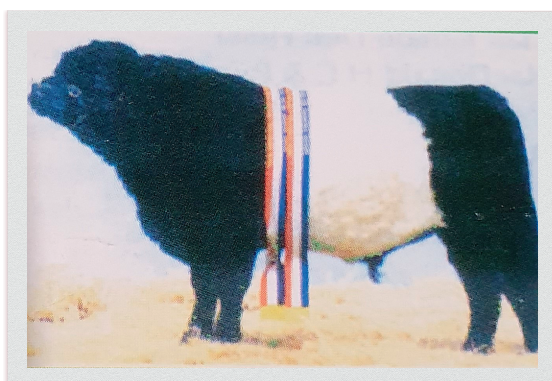
Strathmore Park Victor straws are considered low. The other four have acceptable test results, however GCSNZ cannot guarantee conception rates.

The straws from these 4 bulls are for sale at \$40 per straw plus gst.  
Strathmore Park, GCSNZ are open to offers for anyone who would like to try them.



Midfern Stuart

PEDIGREE OF MIDFERN STUART HB 12192			
Sex: Male D.O.B: 10/04/1990			
Parents	Grandparents	Great Grandparents	Great Great Grandparents
Summerlea Ben B62	Summerlea Mark	Boreland Olympic UK 418	Mochrum Souter Johnny UK 403
	Tatua Ma Idaho HB 637	Strathmore Park Marion HB 581	Boreland Opel UK 1984
Midfern Naomi B303	Glencarnie Neville GC C88	Strathmore Park Jaguar HB 356	Burnside Remarkable UK 317 IMP
	Midfern Leonie HB 2941	Tatua Ma Erin HB 456	Strathmore Park Janet HB 460
		MT Wayo Edwin	Kowhai Mark HB 174
		Gabriel Retta	Strathmore Park Gwendoline HB 395
		Clanchattan Guys Kabo HB 400	Tui Glen Eric HB 261
		Clanchattan Guys Kabo HB 400	Brachum Joy HB 271
		Tatua Ma Frosty	Clanchattan Guy HB 335
			Clanchattan Daisy HB 367
			Burnside Remarkable UK 317 IMP
			Brachum Irene HB 256



Belmont Park Lord Heatherfield

PEDIGREE OF BELMONT PARK LORD HEATHFIELD AUST 265			
Sex: Male D.O.B: 08/05/1986 Breeder: Hume MacDonald			
Parents	Grandparents	Great Grandparents	Great Great Grandparents
Summerlea Master AUST 192 AI	Firth King Henry UK 509 AI IMP AUST 635	Whittinghame Broadsword UK 2199 AI	Burnside Highlight UK 1917
	Summerlea Imp 2nd AUST 1510	Lullenden Kite UK 1444 IMP AUST	Whittinghame Viola UK 8396
Belmont Park Quaint AUST 1824	Strathmore Park Quartz NZ 453 IMP AUST 184	Tatua Ma Cody NZ 314 IMP AUST	Lullenden Tobias UK 1355
	Hikawai Quaint NZ 500 IMP AUST 783	Tatua Ma Imp NZ 630 IMP AUST 1195	Lullenden Kate UK 346
		Boreland Olympic UK 418 IMP AUST 937	Tui Glen Eric HB 261
		Boreland Paraleaf UK 623 IMP NZ IMP AUST	Brachum Irene HB 256
		Hikawai Less NZ 297 IMP AUST	Strathmore Park Jaguar HB 356
		Hikawai Dido NZ 160 IMP AUST	Tatua Ma Berry HB 390
			Mochrum Souter Johnny UK 403
			Boreland Opel UK 1984
			Burnside Paramount UK HB 265
			Boreland Muriel 2nd UK 2688
			Abdell of Burnside NZ 127 IMP AUST
			Hikawai Godiva HB 241
			Kowhai Monahan NZ 79 IMP AUST
			Mt Linton Busty 2nd NZ 79 IMP AUST





Erebus of Strathmore Park

PEDIGREE OF STRATHMORE PARK VICTOR HB 622			
Sex: Male D.o.B: 13/09/1984 Breeder: Strathmore Park			
Parents	Grandparents	Great Grandparents	Great Great Grandparents
Boreland Olympic UK 418	Sire Mochrum Souter Johnny UK 403	Sire Lullenden Tam O'Shanter UK211	Lullenden Ambuscade UK2133
	Dam Boreland Opel UK 1984	Sire Mochrum Gail UK 472	Roberton Iris UK 8658
Boreland Paramist UK 624	Sire Boreland Paramount UK 265	Sire Lullenden Thomas The Rhymer UK 209	Burnside Mars UK 15
	Sire Boreland Orchid UK 1982	Sire Boreland Water Music 5th 1272 UK	Mochrum Rosebud 9876
		Sire Burnside Lothario UK 2267	Mossend Titus UK 2025
		Sire Whittinghame Warfare UK 8284	Lullenden Tomsina UK 10508
		Sire Lullenden Thomas The Rhymer UK 209	Burnside Orthodox UK 103
		Sire Boreland Clara 3rd UK 1276	Glenzier Water Music UK 7724
			Whittinghame The Brave UK 1945
			Burnside Meal UK 9632
			Mark Malcolm UK 1347
			Knockbrex Wraith UK 7224
			Mossend Titus UK 2025
			Lullenden Tomsina UK 10508
			Burnside Orthodox UK 103
			Boreland Clara UK 9776

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PEDIGREE OF PROCK RIDGE NERO CAN IMP E 12434 AUST			
Sex: Male D.o.B: 1985 Breeder: Prock Ridge Farm			
Parents	Grandparents	Great Grandparents	Great Great Grandparents
Mar-Pine Huron CAN HB 2251	Sire Gailwen Mark Substance 10th CAN 1003	Sire Mark Substance UK 777	Burnside Olympic UK 101
	Dam Mar-Pine Petunia CAN 300B	Sire Mark Wendy 5th UK 594	Mark Mona 12th UK 9492
Green Arpents Northerner CAN HB 3742	Sire Tallwood Dunbar of Mochram CAN 734B	Sire Keecrest Baron USA 207B	Whittinghame Walter Scott UK 2105
	Sire Green Arpents Joy CAN 564B	Sire Mar-Pine Primrose CAN 217B	Mark Wendy UK/USA 116/23
		Sire Rolling Range Tennyson CAN 305B	Anoka Mossend Golden Boy CAN 116B
		Sire Homestead Eugenie 2nd CAN 675B	Summitcrest Carol 2nd USA 93B
		Sire Rolling Range Longfellow CAN 200B	Anoka Emperor CAN 115B
		Sire Green Arpents Geneva CAN 477B	Rolling Range Larkspur CAN 103B
			Rolling Range Byron 2nd CAN 118B
			Green Arpents 11X CAN 79B
			Summitcrest Puriton 11 USA 301
			Summitcrest Eugenie 2nd USA 374
			Sleepy Creek Mackay USA 287
			Aldermere Ocala USA 122B
			Rolling Range Longfellow CAN 200B
			Green Arpents Dunbarton CAN 271B

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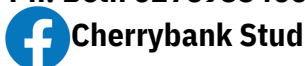
PEDIGREE OF STRATHMORE PARK EREBUS (HB746)			
Sex: Male D.o.B: 26/09/1989			
Parents	Grandparents	Great Grandparents	Great Great Grandparents
Strathmore Park Arthur (HB640)	Sire Boreland Olympic UK 418	Sire Mochrum Souter Johnny UK 403	Lullenden Tam O'Shanter UK211
	Dam Strathmore Park Parasill HB 809	Sire Boreland Opel UK 1984	Mochrum Gail 472
Strathmore Park Orchid (HB625)	Sire Boreland Olympic UK 418	Sire Ingelwood Nero UK HB 835	Lullenden Thomas The Rhymer UK 209
	Dam Strathmore Park Beryl HB 250	Sire Boreland Paramist UK 624	Boreland Water Music 5th 1272 UK
		Sire Mochrum Souter Johnny UK 403	Boreland Nero 271
		Sire Boreland Opel UK 1984	Salebia Faith 2082
		Sire Craighlea Zephyr HB86	Boreland Paramount UK 265
		Sire Kowhai Lady HB 120	Boreland Orchid UK 1982
			Lullenden Tam O'Shanter UK211
			Mochrum Gail 472
			Lullenden Thomas The Rhymer UK 209
			Boreland Water Music 5th 1272 UK
			Mount Linton 18th HB 32
			Craiglea Zara 1st HB 34
			Boreland Centurian HB 33 IMP UK
			Kowhai Kitty HB 18





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# Breeding Riggitt Galloways

Gus Smith - Vice President, Galloway Cattle Society of New Zealand

Earlier this year I was invited to participate in a webinar organised by Shane Smeathers of Australian Galloway Association on breeding Riggitt Galloways. There is only 1 Riggitt Galloway female currently registered in Australia and with many Australian Galloway breeders keen to add this rare colour pattern into their herds, Shane organised successful Riggitt Galloway breeder Beth McVerry from NZ to run the webinar.

There was a good turn out of interested breeders from throughout Australia, NZ and the world including those from the UK.

Breeders in UK especially were interested in discussing and sharing their experience in breeding Riggitt Galloway and had experimented with using Riggitt semen over all colours including Belted to find best way to achieve the desired Riggitt colour pattern.

The general consensus was that the UK are no longer allowing Belted Galloway to be used in Riggitt breeding Programs and Beth confirmed that in NZ using Belted Galloway is not allowed and she encouraged any trying for Riggitt Galloway to start with White or Appendix White Galloway

Shane Smeathers of Romani Galloway Australia, has entered into a joint embryo program with Beth McVerry of Cherrybank Stud NZ. The first of these embryo transplants are due to recipient cows in early 2023. This along with semen from 2 exceptional Riggitt Galloway bulls "Cherrybank Dunstun" and "Clifton Red Pride" being available in Australia will hopefully see more Riggitt Galloway on the ground in Australia soon.

Many questions were asked of Beth McVerry and it became very apparent that Beth has a lot of knowledge with breeding up Riggitts from white Galloways. All of which she is happy to share.

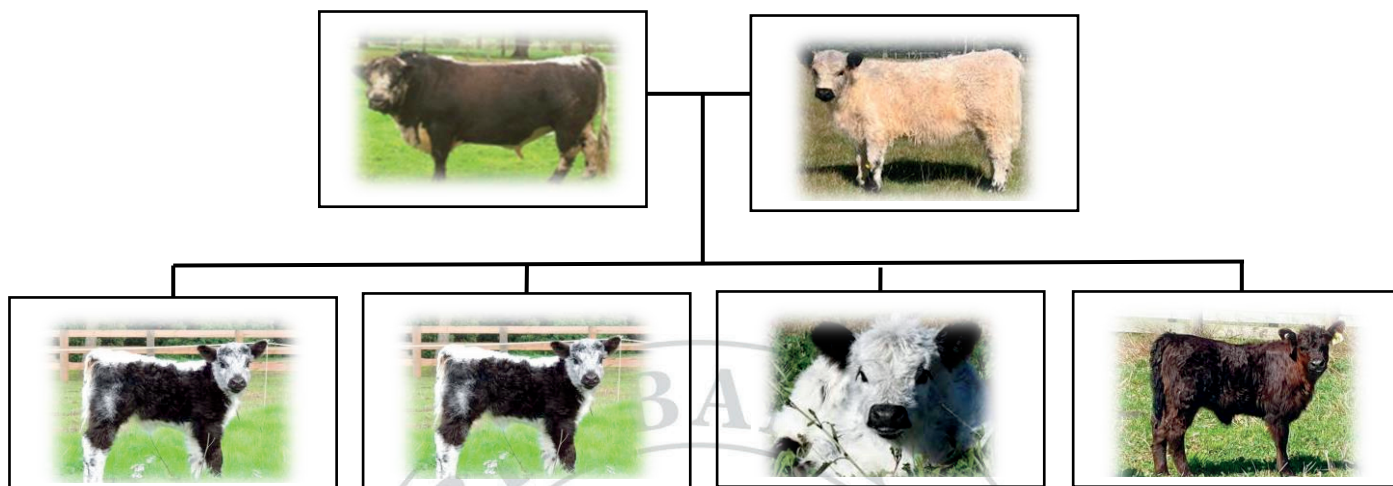
I was very impressed and surprised that Galloway breeders from as far away as USA and Europe were asking someone in little New Zealand advice on breeding the perfect Riggitt.

**The following charts has been produced by Beth to show the most probable outcome of breeding Riggitt.**



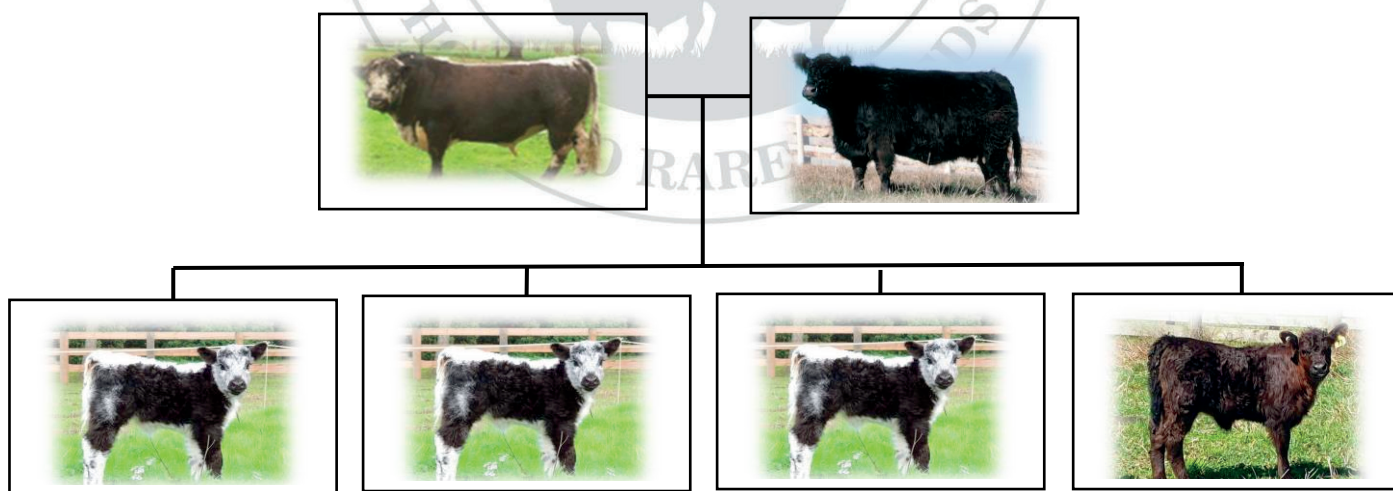
## Breeding for Riggitt colour pattern

### Riggitt X White Galloway



50% Riggitt marked 25% White Riggitt 25% Solid Riggitt

### Riggitt X Galloway or App white



75% Riggitt marked

25% Solid Riggitt

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Stud Breeder

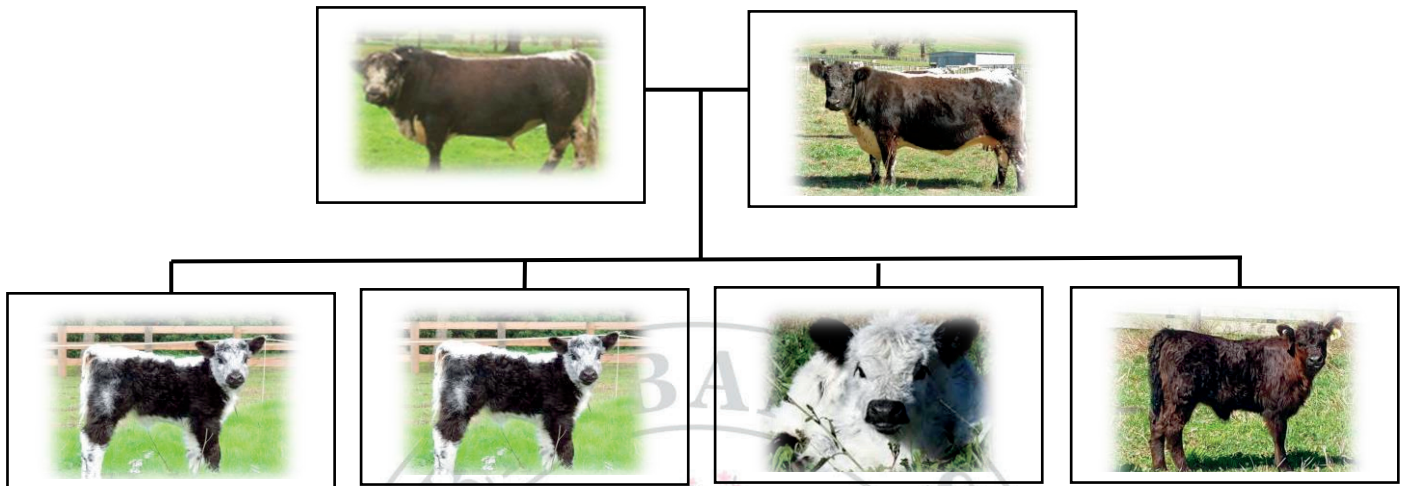
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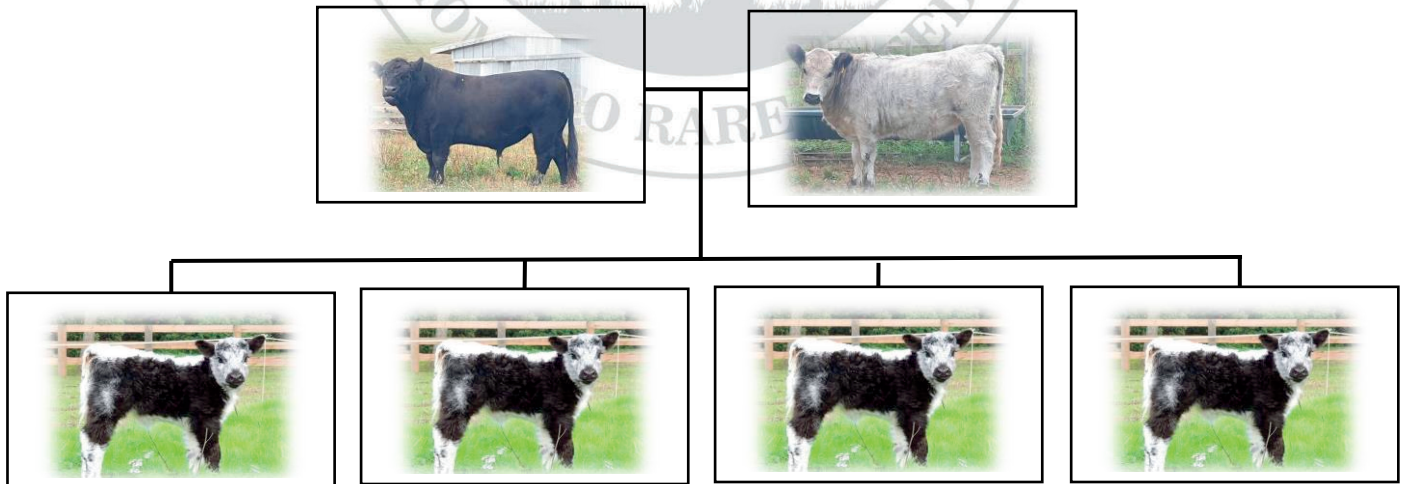
## Riggitt X Riggitt



**50% Riggitt marked 25% White Riggitt 25% Solid Riggitt**

## Solid Riggitt X White Riggitt

**( when white riggitt is from 2 Riggitt marked parents)**



**100% Riggitt marked calf**

*\*based off Cherrybank Studs breeding experience*

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# Graeme Clinton's Okiwa stud

Tracy Wood, President Galloway Society

In May 2022 I visited Graeme Clinton in Whanganui a month after Graeme had celebrated his 93rd birthday. It was a marvellous visit and Graeme kindly showed me his Okiwa stud photos from his archives. And in December Graeme informed me that he is currently writing his fourth book!

The reason why Graeme became involved with Galloways was due to their ability to, "to stand up on steep country better than any other cattle breed". His late grandfather purchased the Maxwell farm of 1,400 acres around 1896 when it was still in "standing bush". Graeme added another 600 acres to that farm. From the photos it is obvious just how steep that land was.



Maxwell Hill Country



Cows at the top of the Trigg paddock at Maxwell - photo taken May 1964

In the 1970's Graeme moved to their Kai Iwi farm that had originally been a rehabilitation farm after the WWII of 500 acres of flat to rolling pasture. Another 677 acres was later added.



Snow at Kai Iwi - photo taken 22 June 1989



Graeme has had a long association with the Society and he also judged.



Graeme judging Belted Galloway Bulls at the then Royal Agricultural Show in Christchurch November 2006





Belted Galloways parading at Rob Hall's field day held April 2007



7 month old weaner bulls by Bolebec Dun Concord - photo taken 6 May 2002

Looking through Graeme's archives it became readily apparent that he has taken a keen interest in genetic diversity in his belted galloways albeit black belted or dun belted. Many photos have been scanned to be later uploaded to the new electronic herdbook.

On at least two occasions Graeme undertook an embryo programme in the 1990's using the genetics from Strathmore Park Victor and then with John Jefferds from Maine, USA with a bull Prock Ridge Nero.



Four embryo heifers born September 1994 by Prock Ridge Nero Nos. 225, 226, 228 (narrow belt) and 229

Later genetics from the UK bull Bolebec Dun Concord were also imported. Then fast forward 30 years later Elizabeth Jefferds kindly donated belted galloway straws of five bulls to the Society (including Strathmore Park Victor and Prock Ridge Nero). Graeme also purchased bulls from a former long standing breeder Sue Kernohan from her stud Tatua Ma that means "white belt".



Belted Galloway Bull, Tatua Ma Boss bought from Sue Kernohan's Tatua Ma stud. Photo taken December 1999



Two year old Belted Galloway Bulls born 2000  
Photo taken February 2002







*Believed to be one of the first three in-calf heifers that Mr IR Donald of Martinborough imported in 1947 from Scotland*

# The History of The Mount Linton Herd

Researched by Jill Maxwell-Strang

In 1948 the Mount Linton Belted Galloway Herd was founded by Mr Noel McGregor of Mount Linton Station, at the base of the Takitimu Mountain ranges, Ohai, Southland.

This herd was established by the importation from Mr J F Sproat of Gatehouse, Castle Douglas, Scotland of five in-calf heifers. Four were:  
1. Boreland Unique;  
2. Boreland Una;  
3. Boreland Ursula;  
4. Boreland Utopia.  
And One young bull: 1. Boreland Aristocrat, (British HB No.1489B) H.B 2.

The fifth heifer: Knockbex Welcome, was from the herd of Mr J Douglas Brown of Robertson, Borgie.

The four Boreland heifers were in calf to Mark Norman 1445B and the fifth heifer to Seatwell Peter 1629B. Unfortunately an additional heifer had been purchased but died on the boat voyage to New Zealand.

In 1953 another three in-calf heifers from Mr J F Sproat were imported:  
1. Boreland Angela; 2. Boreland Bunt; and 3. Boreland Barbara.

From 1949 to 1957 Mt Linton Stud registered 15 bulls and 10 heifers into the GCSNZ Herd Book

In 1950 and 1954 Mt Linton Station sold 2 bulls, Mt Linton 5 H.B 9 and Mt Linton 18 H.B 32 to H Snodgrass, Te Awamutu, Craighlea Stud, Herd Number 3B.

In 1956 Mt Linton Station sold Boreland Una H.B 8 to A J Milne, Pleasant Point, Stonelea Stud, Herd Number 6B. He also purchased in 1957 a bull Mt Linton 26 H.B 49 and another two of the founding females, Boreland Ursula H.B 9 and Boreland Utopia H.B 10.

In 1957 the Station sold a number of females: Knockbrex Welcome H.B 11, went to M Matheson, Middlemarch, Wandle Stud, Herd Number 7B.

Mr L J H Wilton, Masterton, Hikawai Stud, Herd Number 4B, bought three of the founding cows, Boreland Angela HB 32, Boreland Bunty HB 35 and Boreland Barbara HB 36. He also bought three young cows, Mt Linton Unique HB 52, Mt Linton Angela HB 51 and Mt Linton Bunty HB 50 and two heifers, Mt Linton Unique 2nd HB 72 and Mt Linton Bunty 2nd HB 70 as well as two heifer calves, Mt Linton Barbara 2nd HB 71 and Mt Linton Barbara 3rd HB 73. After the sale of these cattle, no more Belted Galloways were registered to the Mount Linton Stud and in 1964 the herd was withdrawn from the NZ Herd Book.

The Mr Wilton's Hikawai Stud had the most success from these cattle till the early 1980's. Some of these cattle with Mount Linton bloodlines were sold to the Okiwa Stud of R & P Clinton, Mona Park Stud, Northland Stud of R Pettman, H Jenson & Son and six females went to GN Gabriel of Melbourne, Australia.

From these cattle, bloodlines have carried into the Stud books of Pukeroa, Dundrennan of BN McAlley, Karaka of R Cursons & G VerKerk, Roseleigh of R & K Wilson, PandaVista, Gleann Radharc of A Brown & D Caulfield, Kereru, Flemington of N McKerchar and Balcairn of R & N Wetherall. These cattle bloodlines have continued to some of the present day Belted Galloway Studs in Canterbury, Otago and Southland, Ranch Galloways of M Stokes, Galbrath of G & W Hellyer, Lilliesleaf of R & L Hall, Paradise Flat of A & G McCall and Rosemay of J Maxwell-Strang.



# An Interview With Karen Pacey On Bull And Cow Selection

Compiled by Tracy Wood

*Karen Pacey has three studs; Salers, Simmentals and Jerseys. She rears over 1,200 calves annually and milks 64 cows that are the third top producing Jersey herd in New Zealand. She does not supply as the milk is used for the calf rearing. Karen Pacey was the virtual show judge in 2022..*



Winner of the Meat and Wool Cup at the Royal Hawke's Bay Show at Hastings was Whiskey, a two-year-old salers bull, its owners Dave and Sheryl Pacey and Bruce Woolley, and in front: Karen Pacey, a virtual show judge.

## FERTILITY

Karen believes, "you only keep those cows who get in calf in their first cycle and a bull that has been [conceived] in the first /three weeks otherwise you can have shy breeders who breed that trait and I think that applies both to bulls and cows".

"If you have a 12 week spread in your calving then the youngest will be much smaller when they go to the bull and they are at a disadvantage from day one and that has a flow on effect. You want the weights of the heifers to be as similar as possible when they go to the bull. It seems to me those cows that get in calf every year and who get 'bang' in calf in the first round of their mating are the ones you want to be breeding from and their fertility is way up top". "If the cow is still producing a good calf and I have had cows 12, 13, 14 and 20 years of age that are still getting in calf in the first three weeks and their calf is way up in the top three. You would hope that you would have better cows coming through to replace her".

"Your [Galloway] breed is pretty much calving easy not big calves but you are still watching shoulders, you do not want square heavy shoulders".

"If you have a lot of rough pasture give your animals rock salt to help break it down. It is cheap too and it helps the gut to break down the roughage. Farm Source or PGG Wrightsons sell it".

"Sue Mackie a vet used to say that roughage and fertility go hand in hand but that is because in spring time which is the main time for mating and your grass can be loose and soft and there is not much dietary fibre in it. That saying applies more to dairy farmers who put a lot of nitrogen on at that time of year [spring] and the grass is 90% water. So give your animals more fibre/roughage silage or hay to bulk them up with more fibre.

When you see the seed heads on your grasses appear then you know the quality of the grass is becoming poorer and then there is more roughage. When you getting alot of rain you know that there is not a lot of goodness in it".

Mating in autumn there is more in roughage. For showing you want your calving from June onwards as for showing the classes are based on 1 June birth dates.





### **GROWTH RATES:**

Karen suggests that you really need to weigh your cattle even if it is only two or three times a year and keep a bull calf that in the top 10% of growth rates within the herd. "If you are weighing your calves then you know how much milk your cows are producing. The better producing cows will have a heavier calf".

"The first three months is really the cow's ability to produce and feed their calf. Some people say that an animal that thrives does not have the worms and you can see that from the weights. A wormy animal won't have the weight gains".

"Every farm is different, know your own property do a few soil samples what it is low in and address that. We use a lot of multi mineral salt blocks and the yellow bins with magnesium for pre-calving".

"The hidden things; the fertility and the growth rates they are probably more important but you can not see them but if your cows are getting later and later in calf you are not moving forwards; you are going backwards. Get the bull tested if the cows are not getting in calf, he might be 'a dud'".

"Super sized teats on your cows will show in the weight gains for their calves. If the calf can not feed well on the cow's quarters then you know that cow is not good. Once you start taking weights you know which cows have the milk and are doing a good calf. And when it is black and white in front of you, you have the figures. [Weighing] gives you a tool and you are making an informed decision. For stud animals only keep the top 50% and the others should not be sold as stud animal otherwise you are doing your breed an injustice.



You have to be cut throat. It does not matter if it has been your pet or what you think is the neatest animal in the world; if she is not performing then she is not a [keeper in the stud]".

### **CONFORMATION:**

Karen is of the opinion that you look for:

- Good back line;
- Good legs;
- Good testicles, the pizzle;
- Standing on good feet;
- Good muscle;
- No under or over shot jaw;
- Good top line;
- Soundness to look at;
- With tracking we want the back leg to come forward to where the front hooves have come from;
- We want a distance between the legs;
- When they stand naturally we want to them to stand good or square;
- To avoid straight legs and sickle legs especially in bulls;

To watch out for being low in the pasterns "and your breed can be quite low in the pasterns and you can look at it as a breed fault but you can try to improve it by selecting a bull who is more on their feet". Karen states, "that it what I have learned. I want to improve". We can always do better and there is no perfect animal out there. If you ask me I can tell you every fault of my show team. Honesty with yourself is the best place to start.



# Christmas Fillet of Galloway Beef with Port and Nut Stuffing

Serves 8-10. Enjoy 😊



## Ingredients:

- 1 ½ kg Galloway Scotch fillet or eye fillet in one piece.

## Stuffing

- 1/3 cup coarsely chopped pecans
- 2 Tablespoons butter melted
- 2 Tablespoons Chopped Parsley
- 2 tablespoons liquid honey
- 1 Tablespoon grated orange peel
- ¼ cup port
- 1 egg, beaten
- Salt and freshly ground pepper
- About 2 cups fresh, white breadcrumbs.

## To Cook Beef

- 1 large Carrot, coarsely chopped
- 3 sticks celery, coarsely chopped
- 1 large onion, coarsely chopped
- 2 Tablespoons butter.

## Gravy

- 1 cup beef stock
- ½ cup port
- Salt and freshly ground pepper
- Watercress to garnish.

## Directions:

1. Trim the Galloway beef, removing all fat. Make a lengthwise cut to form a pocket for the stuffing. Cutting only ¾ of the way through.
2. Combine all the stuffing ingredients, adding enough breadcrumbs to make a stuffing that is moist but not wet.
3. Fill the pocket with stuffing and tie beef at 5cm intervals with kitchen string to keep stuffing in place.
4. Scatter carrots, celery and onion in the base of the roasting pan and dot with butter. Place Galloway beef on top of vegetables. Roast in a preheated oven (200C) for 50-60 minutes for medium rare beef. Turning beef half way through cooking. Remove Galloway beef to a platter and cover with foil. Rest for approx 15min.
5. Strain pan juices into a saucepan, pressing down on the vegetables to extract as much liquid as possible. Add beef stock and port to the saucepan and bring to the boil. Boil rapidly until liquid is reduced to thin gravy consistency. Season to taste with salt and pepper.
6. Remove strings from beef, Arrange beef on a heated platter and spoon a little gravy over the top. Garnish with watercress and cut beef into thick slices and serve with remaining gravy.



# UK Riggitt Cattle Society Report 2022

In the UK, Riggits continue to secure their place. Several new breeders have stepped up, bought animals and started new herds. Some are using Riggitt stock on solid and White Galloways, which is always good for genetic diversity. Inevitably, increased grain costs have seen cattle farmers look back to breeds better suited to forage conversion, and grass finishing. The RGCS have always maintained such characteristics should be a bedrock of the breed.

The only fly in that ointment is the widely circulated dis-information about the climate dangers of cattle burp methane, meaning some quarters are disingenuously suggesting faster finishing times for cattle would release less methane.

UK breeders are sympathetic toward NZ cattle keepers, given your Government's stated aims. Remember... 'Methane from ruminants is just part of a short, pre-existing natural cycle'. Stick to your guns!

**Summer Tour-** The RGCS enjoyed another fantastic summer beano in August, where we venture off to different parts of the UK for our summer meeting, and take in farm visits and excursions to local points of interest. This year saw us back in Scotland, viewing Angus, Belted and Black Galloway herds in sumptuous landscapes, as well as taking in the Wigtown show, where the Belted Society were holding their centennial celebrations.

**USA-** Further afield. In the USA, where there are scant few Riggits and the rules are set against their inclusion, a fantastic bull has cropped up. Borne of a mating between a solid red and a White, 'George' is working a herd of mixed Galloways in Wyoming. Somehow, he is apparently registered with the AGBA, although what happens next remains unclear. George himself seems unconcerned.

**White Riggits-** A development in the UK has been watching a genetic trait predicted by geneticist Harriet Bunning, in what we're labelling 'White Riggits'. These are beasts born of 2 Riggitt marked parents, but which are white with coloured 'points'. Whilst looking like White Galloways, and making perfectly good cattle in their own right, when mated to a solid colour Galloway, they will produce 100% Riggitt marked offspring. To date, members have only kept female White Riggits, but obviously, a bull set onto a herd of blacks could rapidly increase numbers of marked cattle.

**Belts-** Another genetic matter we've grappled with in the UK is inclusion of Belted Galloway blood. The balance sought considers how to avoid a genetic cul de sac, whilst aiming for better marked animals. Belted parentage in a Riggitt herd can give rise to more mismarks, while conversely keeping a healthier gene pool.

The current direction of travel is to discourage anything showing any vestigial signs of a belt, and ensure belted parentage is identified in pedigrees.

**Photo comp-** This year's photo competition – which was started in 2019 during lockdown- was judged by prominent Belt breeder Jennifer Taylor. The winner was this lovely photo of 'Lupi', from the Hatherland herd. See pic



Champion of the Virtual Show 2022 Hatherland Lupi  
DOB 20/09/2020, Owned by Mrs A Bunning

Festive greetings to our Kiwi friends. Keep raising those cattle!







A big win at the New Zealand Agricultural Show 2022 held at Christchurch.  
Congratulations to Marshall Stokes!



**"Ranch Galloway Beauty and  
calf Ranch Galloways Beast"**

