

GALLOWAY CATTLE SOCIETY OF NEW ZEALAND (INC.)



# GALLOWAY GAZETTE

2010 - ISSUE #3

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Photo's... Above; Maryann Miller's White Galloways await the end of the Southern snow storm. Below middle; Alex Woolley's Weatherby White Amelia born 8/10/10 (there were 38 quakes the day she was born).

Bottom; Jill Hopping's Okiwa Honey, Ashlyn Butter-scotch, Geal Bann Calltuin, Ashlyn Ursula.

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## EDITORS EDGE— BRIDGET LOWRY

Hello and a Merry Christmas to all. I have been rather lazy

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this year with my Christmas shopping, as I do not like been in crowds, so my friend and I have decided to try to do as much shopping on line as we can. So in between web pages I have put together the last Gazette for 2010. During my cyber travels I have come across some really neat web sites for cow merchandise, try some of these, many allow you to design your own stuff from a downloaded photo of your own, [www.zazzle.co.nz](http://www.zazzle.co.nz), [www.giftguru.co.nz](http://www.giftguru.co.nz), [http://www.aldermere.org/store/farm\\_store.html](http://www.aldermere.org/store/farm_store.html) and many more just google cow gifts and its amazing what you will find.

Time flies at this time of year and as I look out the window and see the little heifer calves from last year, now out there playing not so little games with the bull....All ready I look forward to seeing what the next crop of calves will be like....question is..did I get the mixture right?

I have had a few concerns with the typing up of this issue as I had very little sent into me for publication, but at the last minute a few breeders came through and saved the day, many thanks. Please if you have anything that you may like to have printed, send it on for consideration. If you wish to have your profile done then anyone that is a financial member is entitled to be featured, it does not matter how many cows you have, we would love to see other members featured and how and why they choose to have Galloways and also to see pictures of other peoples animals, we all have to agree, it's not easy to drive past a paddock of Galloways without slowing down for a better look.



*Closing Date for Galloway Gazette*  
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**28th Feb 2011**

## 2011 AGM & CONFERENCE

This is being hosted by the Northern North Island Breeders Group and will take place over the weekend of Friday 8 to Sunday 10 April 2011.

It is intended delegates register at a hotel close to Auckland Airport on either Friday or Saturday morning. Friday will be an optional day's trip to Waiheke, including an island herd tour of Belted Galloways.

On the Saturday it's a bus ride to North Auckland, for two herd tours involving White, Standard and Belted Galloways, lunch in a large private garden, then a drink at the historic Puhoi pub and a visit to the local antique shop.

The AGM, dinner and Virtual Show will all be in Warkworth where we will stay on the Saturday night.

On the Sunday it's more herd tours of Whites and Belties in Warkworth and Wellsford, plus a trip to the Kauri Museum at Matakoho and then back to Auckland Airport.

The Northern Breeders Group has a small team working on this event, and we look forward to seeing lots of members join them in the "winterless north" next April.

## GALLOWAY MERCHANDISE FOR SALE

Sleeveless Vest with Society Logo. Sizes S-3XL	\$42.00
Belted Galloway Stickers	\$ 0.50
Belted Galloway Fridge Magnet	\$ 5.00
Belted Galloway Gift Cards	\$ 2.50
Pen with Society Logo	\$ 2.00
Breeders Manual (Free to New Breeder Members)	\$10.00
A5 Note Pads with Galloway Soc. Logo	\$ 5.00
Calving & Mating Notebook	\$ 4.00
Extra copies of Galloway Gazette	Free

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## BREEDER PROFILE—JOHN & RUTH BERRIDGE - 09 426 1421

### ALCULTHA WHITE GALLOWAYS & GLENFINNAN STANDARD GALLOWAYS



Alclutha Galloways started in 2007 when we decided to specialise rather than continue to fatten white face steers and run ewes on their 47 hectare property in Dairy Flat just north of Auckland. After seeing Galloways at the Mystery Creek Field Days, and then at Barry McAlley's and Lindy Richard's properties, we choose them.

Neither of us come from a farming background, but had friends on a large farm in Te Awamutu where they and their 2 children used to stay and help out. That got us interested, and shortly after John retired from his first career in the NZ Navy

ways. The older animals had been part of the Colvend herd.

Today we have the two separate studs - Alclutha White Galloways, with 21 breeding cows and 2 bulls, and Glenfinnan Standard Galloways with 17 breeding cows, and 2 bulls. Alclutha was the name of John's grandfather's house; he came from Dumbarton around 1900. Glenfinnan was a stop-over during a recent trip to Scotland and where there is a lovely loch with a statue commemorating Bonnie Prince Charlie overlooking it. There is also a dramatic railway viaduct there that featured in a Harry Potter movie.



he and Ruth moved to the country to a 5 hectare lifestyle block. We had a few sheep and calves and liked it all so much they moved up in size to their present property 8 years ago. John is still working and has held various positions in human resources and in management. Presently he is General Manager of the Apprenticeship Training Trust. Ruth runs the farm and undertakes all those "rural goddess" duties.

Having seen and been attracted to Standards in Scotland and aware how few there were here we decided to acquire some. The intent was to develop a herd of Standards and boost overall numbers. That proved easier said than done; so whilst continuing to look at ways to do this, we bought some white Galloways to get started. Their first Whites came from Lorraine Clifford's Lifestyle stud in Levin.

In early 2008 they had the opportunity to purchase a number of Standards from Tim Bird-sall's and Linda Peat's Tullamore Gallo-

The development of our website in early 2009, [www.alcluthagalloways.co.nz](http://www.alcluthagalloways.co.nz), has proved very useful for marketing. Interest in the Whites is still much higher than for the Standards, but that seems to be changing as more people become aware of the Standards. Yearling white bulls are sold to dairy farmers as well as lifestyle block owners along with yearling heifers. Some Standard weaners have been sold as well as some 2 year old in calf heifers.

Alclutha Galloways is part of the fledgling Northern Breeders Group that is now getting some traction; we intend showing some of their newer arrivals; in particular 2 young Standard bulls Angus of Glenfinnan and Bacchus of Glenfinnan.....once we have mastered halter training ourselves!! We also intend to further develop the studs and diversify with new bloodlines from NZ and overseas.

*Above; Standard cows grazing.  
Middle; White and Standard Heifers  
Below; Lifestyle Beau*



## SCOTTSDALE SHOW - TASMANIA, AUSTRALIA. NOV. 2010 - ROB HALL

It was with great pleasure that I accepted the invitation to judge at the Belted Feature Show at the Scottsdale A&P Show, Tasmania in November 2010. Judging a small but quality line up of Galloways, Dexters, Pinzgauer and Interbreeds at the Christchurch A&P Show on the Wednesday and Thursday was a good warm up to judging Angus, Murray Greys, Galloways and Interbreeds at the Scottsdale A&P Show on the Friday and Saturday of the same week. The 6 days (including a couple of days for travel and herd visits) were full and busy and the experience was excellent.

Beginning at Christchurch, presented before me were quality animals, of which I would like to make mention of the Standard Galloway heifer that took out the Supreme Champion of the breed. This very forward heifer had a tremendous coat, strong eye with exceptional muscling ability. A heifer that I believe is one of the best Standard Galloway's I have seen to date in New Zealand. I had no problem in placing this heifer in Interbreeds classes along other strong breed representatives.

After leaving home, where we had experienced a hard spring and feed was short, it was a joy for my sister Margaret and I to arrive in Tasmania to be greeted by a very lush landscape where stock and farmers alike were overwhelmed by the abundance of feed. The hospitality given to me by the Tasmanian folk over the time spend in their patch very heart warming. It reminded me of home in a good year. A much needed refreshing break.

Judging was busy with about 120 cattle presented to me to judge on the first day and 60 young herdspersons under 25yrs showing up to be judged on the second day. No mean feat with up to 27 entries in one class alone.

There were 40 Galloway cattle exhibited, Belted and Dun Standards, both from Tasmania and those who travel up to 24 hours (including 12 hours on a boat) from the Mainland (Tasmanian's call it Australia!).

The Standard Galloways were exceptional. Each one I wanted to take home - particularly a 12 month old Dun Bull that went on to win Supreme Bull of the show against older quality bulls from Angus and Murray Greys breeds. This young bull, pictured on page 5, was a very well muscled bull for his age who was structurally very correct with a tremendous temperament. The other Inter Breed judges also commented on his depth and his ability to move. This bull was followed by other quality Galloway males and females that also showed depth, good muscling and correctness in feet and legs. Also of special mention was a heifer calf that was at foot to a 6yr cow. This calf was a star, showing all the qualities of the perfect Galloway animal at 5 months of age - a strong breeding future ahead of this sweetie.

The Belted Galloway Feature Show was well supported with quality animals through out the classes. There were no senior bulls, but the senior cows were outstanding. The winning cow (picture on page 5) showed strength throughout, strong

feminine head, good muscling, moved well - but the clincher for me was the calf she was rearing behind her. Again, another heifer calf that I wanted to pack in my suitcase and bring home! This didn't take away from the other cows and calves that were behind this cow, which I would gladly see in my herd back here at home.

The younger bulls that were presented were on the whole of good quality but were over shadowed by the tremendous line up females presented.

On the second day being presented with 60 young handlers made me sweat. The standard, like with the cattle was outstanding. What impressed me most was the support from schools and breeders alike. Breeders would lend or lease heifers and steers to schools months in advance who brought teams of kids out to prepare and parade these cattle in their own names. It is a subject on its own in the school curriculum. Also very impressive was how these worked together over the two days to show their cattle.

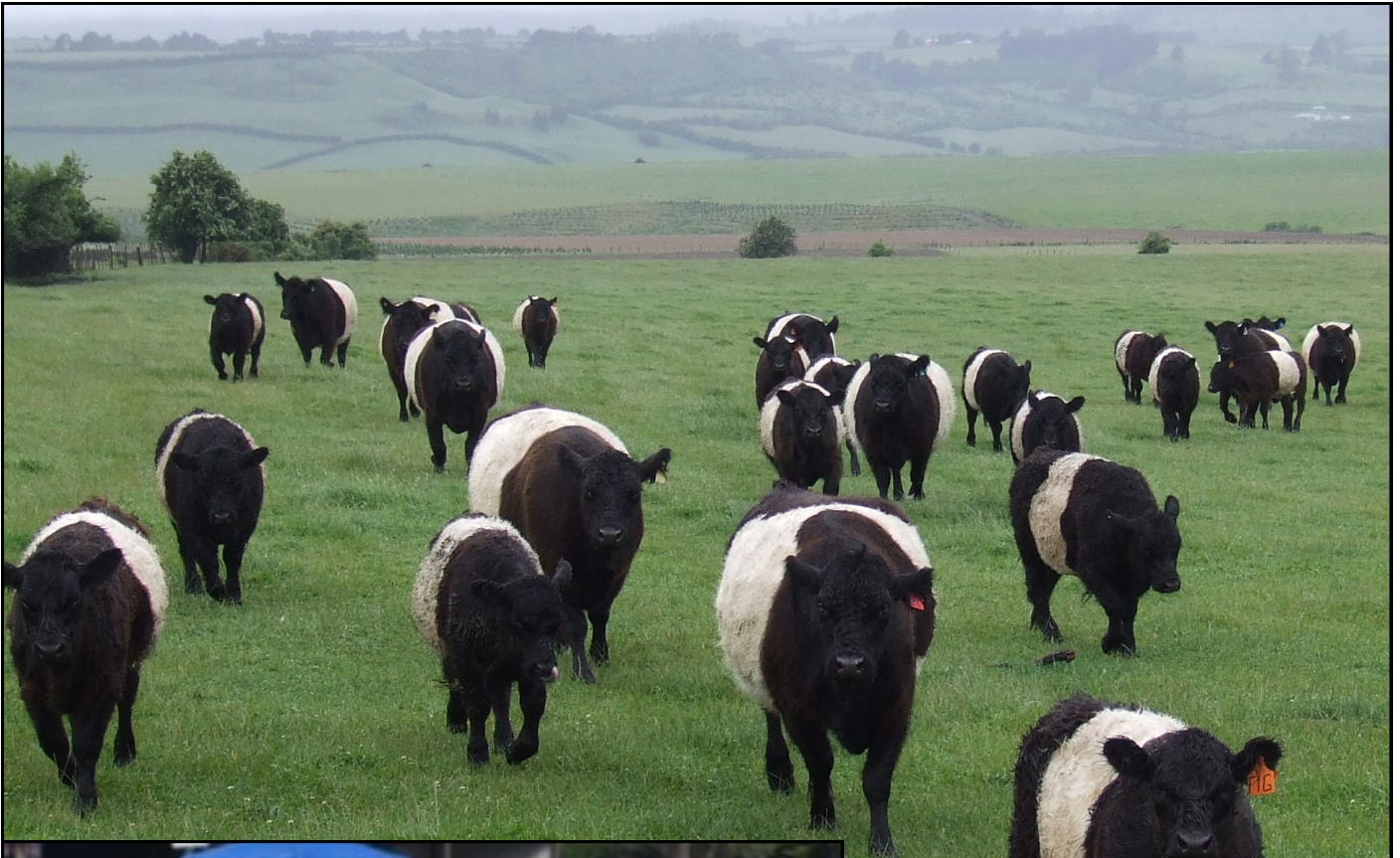
The adventure of Tasmania didn't stop there! The chief Marshall of the Show was an Angus Breeder. Trevor Hall (no relation) offered to take me around his farm and view his 150 cow Angus herd. Very impressive - our only down fall was we ran out of daylight to see things. Through the evening, the more I saw and the more we talked, I could see that Trevor and I had more in common than just a surname - having similar breeding philosophies and values in life. A very enjoyable evening that ended up being dropped off at the pub where the Galloway breeders welcomed me in.

After the show, I was hosted by Rodney Summers and his partner Lou whom I had had little to do with over the previous couple of days of judging - I didn't even realise the winning cow was his until grand parade time when I ask the handler the cows breeding and she pointed me to Rodney Summers. Rodney and Lou were exceptional hosts, who also had their house and paddocks full of Australians (mainlanders) who were exhibiting at the show. The hospitality was outstanding. The quality of stock we saw that evening and the next day were amazing - at Rodney's and other Angus breeders properties we visited.

Highlights over the 6 days I was away from home are hard to summarise. I saw my first wild Kangaroos, and Wombats. Even getting dropped off at the airport by a man in his pyjamas was a sight that I'm sure not seen often. The hospitality of the Tasmanians was exceptional and the folk we met will be friends for life. The experience was "2nd to none" to which I am very thankful for the opportunity.







Above; Cows & calves at Rodney Summer's 'Marananga' Belted Galloway Stud, Launceston, Tasmania.  
 Left; Scottsdale A&P Show Grand Champion Bull 'Minto Galloways Kai' exhibited by Chris Hart & Greg Sturat,  
 Bottom: Scottsdale A&P Show Galloway Family Supreme Champion 'Marananga Anne' with calf at foot exhibited by Rodney Summers



## FROM COUNCIL

**ABRI, Proposal Update** - PBBNZ made an industry application to Beef + Lamb NZ in June of this year to cover the capital cost of transferring the NZ beef herd from BREEDPLAN ILR1 (DOS Software) to BREEDPLAN ILR2 (Windows Software). Therefore the PBBNZ had delayed creating the Galloway database until 2011 when the new software is up and running.

**National Field-Days** - With the excessive cost for the Society to be present at the 2010 National Field-Days, the Society had not been present. However Northern Breeders have indicated their desire to have a presence at the National Field-days 2011. Council have agreed to help with a maximum cost to the Society of \$1000. Council will support other breeders groups at recognised field-days to promote the Galloway breed around the country.

**RAS Update** - A remit has been passed that there will be no more multiple breeds accepted. Royal show next year to be held in the Waikato.

**Scurs Update** - Still 50 scurs returns outstanding. No transfers or progeny returns will be processed from breeders with outstanding scurs returns until inspection completed.

Council require that breeders carry out an annual inspection of their registered animals due to the ranging age of when scurs

appear. The progeny return form has been amended, when you are signing your form you are declaring you have carried out the check and no scurs have been found.

**Breeders with Multiple Breeds** - There had been applications for breeders who had multiply Galloway breeds to use the same Herd Name for each breed. There is no written Rules or Regs, only stipulation is that it is no more than 12 letters including spaces and be unique to that breeder. The decision lies with the breeder if they wish to use same Herd Name or not for multiple breeds.

**Removal of Standard Galloway from White Galloway Breeding** - There had been little feedback from breeders on the proposal of removing the ability to use Standard Galloway from White Galloway breeding. Status quo remains.

**Stud Advertising** - Breeders may advertise business card size adverts in Galloway Gazette. \$50.00 Colour, \$25 Black and white, per issue - business card size. Contact Bridget Lowry 03 207 6747 or Jill Hopping 07 8684799. Payment is to be made before advert is printed.

**Skins** - Tanning Company in Napier are the only company in the Nth Island that we know of that are Tanning hides. Classic Sheepskins, 22 Thames St, Pandora, Napier 0800 170 171 (Dave)

## 2011 NZ GALLOWAY SOCIETY AGM & CONFERENCE NORTHERN NORTH ISLAND APRIL 8TH - 10TH 2011

### PRESIDENTS REPORT - INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCE

The 2010 World Galloway Conference was held at Braedstrup in central Danmark this year. Along with myself and Robert & Karen Curry, there were representatives from most of the Galloway breeding countries in the world.

Activities commenced with a welcome & official opening, then followed reports from each of the Galloway organisations represented. The general theme through the reports was that most were experiencing increasing memberships & registrations. At the meeting of the governing Council John McIlwraith from Canada was elected President & George Menke from Germany, the Vice President. The procedure is that a representative from the next host country is elected President, & the Vice President from the next.

The following day we set off in a bus to visit breeders farms & other places of interest including in the afternoon the Mols Institute which pioneered the use of Galloways to graze conservation areas.

That evening we enjoyed the official Dinner.

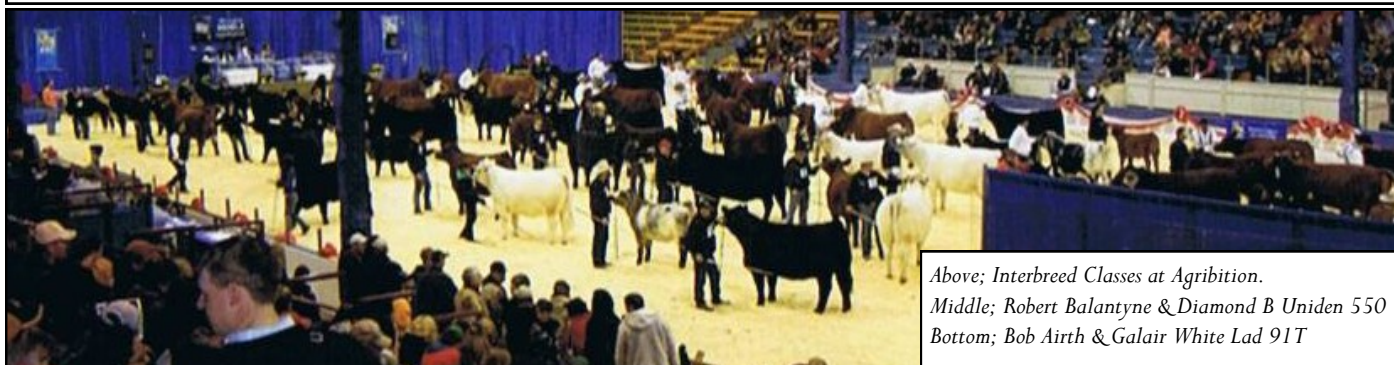
Over the next three days we visited more farms & conservation areas, a historic inn, a bull test station & a restored village. We crossed to an off-shore island to visit a herd of Galloways busy conserving the natural flora & fauna & came across a Scottish piper playing his bagpipes in the village square much to the delight of the many "scotties" on the tour.

In Danmark, Galloways have been very successful in meeting the strict requirements for grazing conservation areas & this coupled with their ability to graze outside in winter makes them a popular beef breed & their owners well subsidised for their efforts.

We must thank the Danish breeders for stepping in at short notice to host this event, their hospitality & friendship was wonderful & no doubt many who attended will be organising their affairs so they can attend the 2012 Conference in Ontario, Canada.



## AGRIBITION - CANADA Nov. 21-26 2010 - BARRY MCALLEY



*Above; Interbreed Classes at Agribition.  
Middle; Robert Balantyne & Diamond B Uniden 550  
Bottom; Bob Airth & Galair White Lad 91T*

After 22 hours it was good to finally arrive in Regina, Saskatchewan for Agribition 2010 - the second largest Beef cattle show on the planet.

With outside air temperatures around -30c (yes minus 30) & deep snow it was good to have all activities indoors. There were 1600 head of cattle over 12 breeds along with sheep & horses. There were acres of exhibition stalls ranging from farm machinery to bedroom furniture.

The next day Champions from the various breeds competed for male & female champions of the show.

Other items of interest were the loss of the Simmentals white & red coats. Here they are either overall black or red & all with an Angus conformation & the Speckled Parks now either looking like Belgium Blues or White Galloways - the differences between the various breeds of cattle is now very blurred.



In general the beef industry is in decline at present with cattle numbers down 3.1 million. Live exports are restricted due to recent cases of BSE & this has put a stop to a lucrative trade for Galloway breeders.

It will also put a dampener on the upcoming dispersal of the Diamond B Galloway herd in December. Current owners Robert & Sharon Ballantyne have decided to retire & put their world famous herd on the market. It is to be hoped that enough animals are purchased & will be shown at Agribition in the future as there is a minimum numbers of entries required for the Galloway breed to be exhibited at this prestigious show.

Breeders had come from Scotland, Nth. Ireland, Australia & NZ while the judges were from Austria. We were all able to represent our countries at a magnificent International Dinner & during the course of the show were hosted at the International lounge which overlooked the main show arena.

There were 35 Black Galloway exhibits from 4 herds ranging from Saskatchewan to Ontario. They would be in Regina for a week plus 4 days on a truck for the animals from Ontario.

Finally on the Friday came the turn for the Galloways to be judged. Beautifully prepared animals were paraded in the ring & we were impressed by the high overall standard. Most of the first places were taken by Diamond B exhibits & they went on to take the Champion male with Diamond B Uniden 55U & Champion female with Diamond B Betsy 99W.

After celebrations in the cattle stalls all present returned to the hotel for dinner.

On the way home I was able to call in at Bob Airths Walking A ranch at De Winton near Calgary. This is the home of the Galair Whites, the source of the Whites in NZ. It was good to see another White bull who may become available to NZ breeders.



## REGISTRARS REPORT - CAROLE MILLAR

### Progeny Return and Registration Application

**Scurs Declaration** – Council have asked that breeders carry out an annual inspection of their registered animals due to the ranging age of when scurs appear. The progeny return form has been amended, when you are signing your form you are declaring you have carried out the check and nothing has been found. Please use the enclosed form for your 2010 returns.

When completing your Progeny Return & Registration Application form please remember the animal's name is to have **no more** than 12 characters **including spaces** (excluding stud name).

**REMEMBER WHEN REGISTERING THAT IT IS A TOTAL OF \$11 PER ANIMAL MADE UP OF \$1 FOR PROGENY RETURN AND \$10 REGISTRATION FEE.**

Any stock registered that are sired by **Peppercorn Zula** have a sire permit fee of an extra \$30 per calf giving a total fee of \$41 for each registration.

AI & ET service certificates, where necessary are to be included with the Progeny Return and Registration Application form.

White Galloway breeders – please note on the form any black calves as these are registered in the Appendix.

Any animals being born prior to 2010 will now incur a late registration fee of \$24.

AHB tags – these tag numbers **must** be recorded on the Pro-

eny Return form (refer by-law 4). I am receiving some forms where no tag numbers have been provided and spending time chasing these up. As a breeder you are required to keep complete and proper records of your stud activities.

Please notify any stock deaths/culls, this will be required for the electronic system when it is up and running.

**Brass Tags** – The brass tags will be sent out with your Registration Certificates. If you are having problems inserting these tags then please contact your nearest member on Council for assistance, a list of these names are in the Gazette. If you require replacement brass tags please contact me.

**Alpha Mannosidosis** – From 2008 all Belted Galloway progeny must be tested alpha Mannosidosis negative, or be from alpha Mannosidosis negative sire and dam, to be eligible for registration. (see Gazette Issue 2, 2008 also by-law 20) .

Correct paperwork must accompany your registration application (Galloway Society alpha Mannosidosis Test Form and copy of Genomnz test results). Incorrect paperwork will result in it being sent back to the breeder for completion.

**Annual Subscriptions** are now due for 2011. Please let us know if any of your details have changed since your last return.

If you require extra copies of any of the forms please let me know and I can email copies to you or go online and download from the website.

## IMPORTANT INFORMATION FOR ALL CATTLE BREEDERS NATIONAL ANIMAL IDENTIFICATION AND TRACING (NAIT)

Public submissions can now be made on the NAIT (National Animal Identification and Tracing) Bill, which was given its first reading in Parliament by Minister David Carter in mid December 2010.

If the Bill is passed, NAIT will come into effect for the beef industry in October 2011 and will require all stock on farms to be tagged with an electronic tag.

NAIT (National Animal Identification and Tracing) is an animal identification and tracing system that will link people, property and animals. NAIT Ltd is the industry-owned company that will implement the system.

NAIT will provide New Zealand livestock owners, processors and government with timely and quality information on the current location, movement history and other related attributes associated with livestock.

The NAIT system will 'Go Live' on 1 November 2011. NAIT-approved RFID (Radio Frequency Identification Device) tags are available now, and will be mandatory when both the legislation is in place and the system is operating effectively.

With its ability to trace infected animals and properties quickly and accurately, NAIT will improve New Zealand's

ability to respond and contain the damage from biosecurity risks and food scares. This will help give assurance to trading partners that it is okay to resume trade after an event.

*"NAIT is about safeguarding the New Zealand brand and farmers' income by protecting market access for New Zealand animal products through enhancing regulatory and consumer confidence in New Zealand's ability to manage biosecurity and food safety". (As agreed by the NAIT Technical Advisory Group, 28 January 2009).*

Please read the enclosed pamphlet which outlines what your requirements will be. Note that NAIT legislation is still to be passed into NZ law, and there are possibly going to be changes to what requirements they are predicting to be put in place on November 1st 2012. You as a Galloway breeder need to be aware of the law, and even though the status quo still applies in regard to tagging with primary and secondary tags, you should consider the future changes outlined above when you are permanently tagging this seasons new stock to be tagged.

Also note this has nothing to do with the brass tags supplied by the Society which are allocated once you have registered stock with the society - this will continue as usual.

A good website to check out - [www.nait.org.nz](http://www.nait.org.nz)



## PROMOTION OF GALLOWAY BREEDS AND STUDS

Galloways, (Standards, Belteds and Whites) have a lot to crow about. Carcass competition successes, increased press exposure, greater restaurant exposure and an expanding Farmer's Market and hopefully butcher shop availability of branded Galloway beef gives us the right to tell the world out there that we have a quality product that is different.

We know it is different from the non breed association research that has been undertaken overseas that found Galloway beef to be the most flavoursome and juiciest beef in the USA (unfortunately Galloway was second in tenderness of all the US beef breeds) and the Canadian research that found Galloway beef was healthier than "commercially available" beef even when lot feed. Then there is the other Canadian ongoing trial that shows Galloway is more feed efficient than most beef breeds or composites.

Are you telling people about this? Are you talking to your local media about this incredibly versatile cattle beast. Are you telling the media about your own stud's achievements when they occur? Are you telling your local cattle or stock agent of the ease of calving of Galloway cattle (US Govt. research found Galloways had the least calving problems of any US available breed) as well as their great feed efficiency and ability to turn "ordinary" grass into top quality beef without any or much supplementation? Are you giving your local butcher the opportunity to sample Galloway beef? Are you telling your neighbours about how Galloways have proved themselves in the way they have survived the drought, flood, snow and how well they continue to produce beef in harsh conditions given half a chance? A lot of you are not. Why

not? We have great breeds with more research proving that Galloways have some exceptional attributes than most breeds can only dream of but we do need to get that message out there to the broader beef community and you can help. How can you help?

*Submit Articles* - You can submit articles regarding Galloway attributes and your own achievements to your local and broader coverage media. Often local papers are only too happy to get local copy. If you have an achievement and don't know how to promote it, contact one of the Council people and we'll see if we can promote it. Articles can always be submitted for the Gazette however the Gazette is not the best place for articles that are primarily advertising to people outside the Galloway community.

*Talk to people* - When you're out and about tell people about your cattle and their benefits. Encourage them to try Galloway beef. Talk to friends and neighbours.

*Be seen* - Attend local farm discussion groups - even if you are a small block holder - you still have livestock you are farming. Exhibit at shows and Field Days - it's amazing how many discussions about the benefits of having Galloways begin when you are out and about with your cattle and sometimes it leads to a sale.

Promotion of our Galloway Breeds and Studs starts with you. Be proud of what you are breeding. In New Zealand we tend not to crow about what we have and how well we are doing - it's hard - but if we want our breed to be taken seriously....we have to get serious and push ourselves forward.



### GALLOWAY CATTLE SOCIETY OF NEW ZEALAND (INC.)



#### AB Bank For Sale

Bought last year brand new and used to store straws for 2 months and now not needed, 6 canisters, no goblets, Bought from Genetic Enterprises LTD, Docket says...AI Tank YDS 10. Holds 10 litres of Liquid Nitrogen.  
Contact: Bridget Lowry Phone 03 207 6747 Email: southies@woosh.co.nz



### Halland Downs

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### Lilliesleaf Angus, Belted Galloways, Dun Galloways & Southdowns

Contact: Rob Hall  
Waikaka, Southland  
03 207 3706 or 027 2010 440  
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**Stock Occasionally for sale  
Visitors Welcome**






## SHOWS, FIELD DAYS & REGIONAL REPORTS

### **Northern North Island Breeders Group**

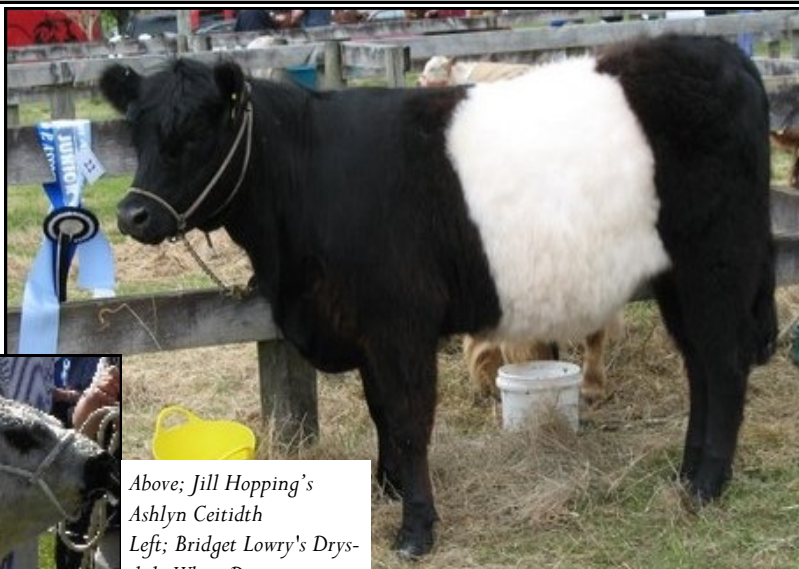
(Northland, Auckland, Coromandel)

The Northern Breeders Group has a small team working on the 2011 AGM & Conference (refer to page 2), and we look forward to seeing lots of members join them in the "winterless north" next April.

### **Clevedon A&P Show**

Yearling Heifer; 1, Jill Hopping, Ashlyn Ceitidh

Reserve Junior Champion; Jill Hopping, Ashlyn Ceitidh



Above; Jill Hopping's  
Ashlyn Ceitidh  
Left; Bridget Lowry's Drys-  
dale White Dynamite  
Below; Warren & Carole  
Millar's Fordell Pearla



### **Central South Island Breeders Group— Carole Millar**

(Canterbury / West Coast)

Canterbury around the Christchurch area is still having the odd shake after the big Quake and we are up to well over 3000 aftershocks. Who knows how long they will go on for although they are becoming



8<sup>th</sup> –12<sup>th</sup> No-  
vember saw  
Christchurch  
have a fantastic  
week of very  
hot sunny days  
for Cup and  
Show week with  
Canterbury A &  
P Show on the  
10<sup>th</sup>, 11<sup>th</sup> and  
12<sup>th</sup> November.  
There were  
lower stock  
numbers than  
the previous few  
years; probably  
due to not being



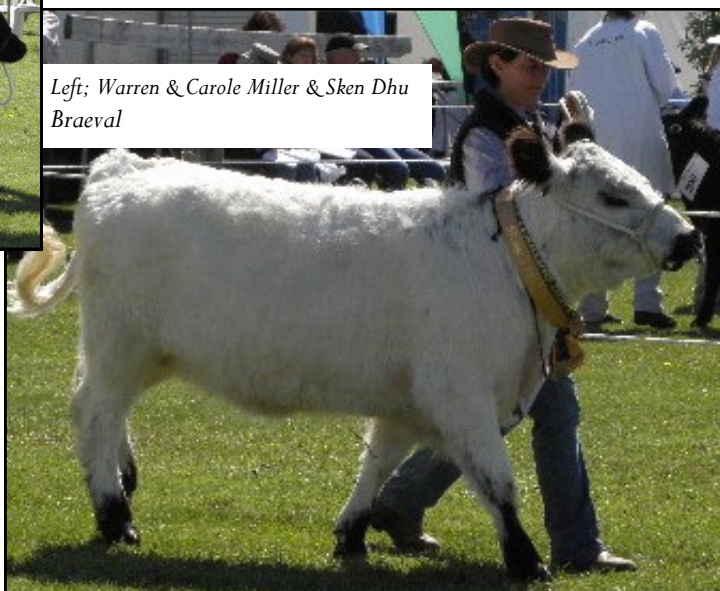
a Royal Show and I thought there were a lot less people coming through the sheds. This could have been down to the weather being so good and keeping the crowds outdoors.

Left; Warren & Carole Miller & Sken Dhu  
Braeval

less severe through time but every now and then there is a decent shake just to keep us on our toes.

After the region having a very wet winter and plugging around in the mud for what seemed like forever the weather has turned warmer and you can hear the grass growing.

There was no Small Farm Field Days this year. The organizers are planning to hold the event in 2011 and make it bigger and better than before.





Our cattle struggled with the heat standing out in the show ring with no shade and even in the pens out of the direct sun their sides were heaving and there were a few sunburned exhibitors by the end of the week.

There were a few enquiries about stock for sale and we referred them to the Society website For Sale page. Anyone thinking about buying for the first time were made aware of the crossbreds out there and if they were unsure about what they were buying to look at the Society website for Council contacts who could point them in the right direction.

There have been a lot of Beltie bulls sold or leased to dairy farmers this season and some repeat business. Finally the local farmers are seeing the benefits of using Belties over the heifers and the instantly marked crossbred calves are very easy for them to on sell. There is also the added benefit to the farmer of being able to use the same bull for a couple of seasons or more.

#### **Christchurch A&P Nov 2010 - Judge Rob Hall**

*Cow 3years and over*; 1, W F & C A Miller, Skean Dhu Braeval.

2, Bridget Lowry—Lifestyle Eden

*Champion Senior Female*; W F & C A Miller, Skean Dhu Braeval

*Reserve Senior Female*; Bridget Lowry, Lifestyle Eden

*Heifer Junior Yearling*; W F & C A Millar, Fordell Perla 13815

2. Bridget Lowry, Weatherby White Star 3. W F & C A

Miller, Skean Dhu Barfad

*Champion Heifer*; W F & C A Miller, Fordell Perla

*Reserve Heifer*; Bridget Lowry, Weatherby White Star

*Bull Junior Yearling Bull*; 1 Bridget Lowry, Pinzridge Eclipse, 2

Bridget Lowry, Drysdale White Dynamite.

*PGG Wrightson Ltd Champion Galloway Yearling Bull* : B Lowry

Pinzridge Eclipse

*Reserve Champion Galloway Yearling Bull*: B Lowry, Drysdale

White Dynamite.

*Supreme Champion Galloway. Graeme Williams Thistlestone Memorial Trophy administered by the Southern Galloway Breeders Society.*

: W F & C A Millar - Fordell Pearl

*Two Yearlings, any sex, bred by exhibitor, judged as a pair.*

1 B Lowry, Pinzridge Stud

*Group, Bull and two Females, any age.* : 1 B Lowry Pinzridge Stud

*Two animals by one sire or one dam* : 1 B Lowry Pinzridge Stud.

#### **Southern South Island Breeders Group—Neil McKerchar** (Otago, Southland, Fiordland)

Since our last gazette, the Southern Breeders Group have been quite active, having had two meetings allowing us to combine herd tours with breeders close by.

Our first took place in Alexandra at Gary and Angels McNaughton's on the 24th July. Here we saw a very nice line up of quality White Galloways whilst enjoying the McNaughton's hospitality. We discussed ways as to which we could promote the Galloways further and the specialised marketing of the beef, show judges list and the scur issue.

A feature article on the Galloway bred was published in the Otago-Southland farmer in October. This was mainly promotion for the Galloway Bull sales within the dairy herds, creat-

ing a lot of positive feedback. Our bull sales have been very strong and positive in the South with, I believe a near total clearance, and at very competitive prices. One client phoned especially to tell me he had had his best calving ever from his beef heifers using a Galloway bull—good news for the breed, even better if he tells other farmers.

Our second meeting took place on the 30th October beginning in the afternoon and well into the evening. Firstly we met at Craig and Maryann Millers, Moonshine White Galloway Stud at Kennington just east of Invercargill. Maryann presented us with a very nice line-up of quality cattle. Next to Otatara, to view Darren Jacks Drysdale White Galloways - again a line up of quality cows.

Having seen Bridget Lowry's and Angela & Gary McNaughton's White Galloways on previous field days, along with Maryann's and Darren's herds on this tour, as a Beltie Breeder even I am very impressed with the high standard of whites. They have a very select group of cattle amongst them.

Our next visit were to Harrison Belted Galloways, Otatara, then on to Jenny and Graeme Coles, Banffshire Beltie Stud, Wallacetown, there we enjoyed an abundance of cream and jam pickets, cake and a table spread fit for royalty that was very much appreciated by all. Will full tummies we set off to Jill and Shannon Maxwell's Rosemay stud, Lochiel, once the lead vehicle stopped arguing with his Navman and redirected us in the correct direction. Here we viewed Jill's Beltie herd which had been amongst storm of the worst of the Southern storm, but it was very clear to see that they had treated the bad weather with the least of concern, as too had the other four herds we had visited.

Our meeting was followed by another well catered meal (thankyou Jill for your hospitality)

Early February 2011 will see the Gore A&P show having a feature Galloway show, we hope to be able to use this as a breed promotion, we would also like to invite all New Zealand Galloway Breeders or non breeders to come down for that weekend we hope to have at least 25+ Galloways entered

November was a very busy month for Rob Hall, with his invitation to judge at Christchurch where he judged Galloway, Dexter and Pinzgauer on the Wednesday, Interbreeds on the Thursday morning and his afternoon spent sitting on a plane flying to Tasmania, where he also judged some truly excellent Galloways.

Our season has been very mixed in the deep south going from one extreme to another weather wise and feed wise. I have been amazed at the resilience of the Galloways especially the new born calves during our "Artic Blast" during spring not forgetting to mention the mothering instincts of the cows. We in the Southern Breeders Group would like to wish each and everyone of you a enjoyable and save festive season. And an open invitation to join us for the Gore A&P Show.

#### **South Otago A&P Show Nov '10 - Judge Sharron Patterson.** *Traditional Classes, Angus, Hereford, South Devon, Galloway etc.* *Cow 3years and over*; 1 B Lowry, Lifestyle Eden



*Yearling Heifer; 1 B Lowry, Pinzridge Sophie  
Champion Senior All Breeds; B Lowry, Lifestyle Eden  
Supreme Galloway; B Lowry, Lifestyle Eden  
Meat and Wool Cup; 1 B Lowry, Lifestyle Eden*

**Wyndham A&P Show** Dec '10 - Judge: Ray Waghorn  
*Supreme Champion; .B Lowry, Lifestyle Eden.  
Champion Female; B Lowry, Lifestyle Eden  
Reserve Champion Female; B Lowry, Pinzridge Sophie  
Cow, 3 years and over with calf at foot; 1, B Lowry, Lifestyle  
Eden. 2, Halland Downs, Traverin Bethany  
Heifer, 1 year; 1, B Lowry Pinzridge Sophie. 2, Halland  
Downs, Lilliesleaf Babe 625. 3, Halland Downs, Lilliesleaf  
Rose 599.  
Pair of Heifers; 1, Halland Downs*



*Top; Jill Maxwell's Rosemay herd  
Above; Some of the Southern Breeders Group  
Below left; Harrisons Belted Galloways.  
Below right; Maryann Miller's Moonshine Whites  
Below middle left; Bridget & Sutton Lowry with  
Lifestyle Eden at South Otago A&P Show  
Below middle right: Jill Maxwell's Rosemay calf  
Bottom; Darren Jack's Drysdale white herd.*





## WELCOME NEW BREEDERS

I would like to welcome all new breeders and non breeders to the Galloway Cattle Society of New Zealand, and we hope that you find this gazette helpful, keep it handy as all councilors contact details are in the front and they are very happy to help with any queries you may have.

If you have anything that you would like to have put in the gazette then please forward this on to Bridget Lowry, her details are also in the front, we are always looking for new stories etc to publish.

### Belted Breeders

Carolyn Dawson.....Foxton  
Maggie Downs.....Paeroa ( Junior member)

### White Breeders

John Flood and Mellisa Hawkes....Helensville  
Brenton Emmett.....Kaikohe  
Andrew and Kathy Ball.....Morrinsville  
Rose Elle.....Dannevirke  
Anita and Gus Smith.....Waipukarau  
Malcolm Clausen.....Feilding



## RECIPES

### Wine-and-Herb Marinated Galloway Rib Eye Roast

The marinade makes this Galloway roast tender and flavourful. Combine a dry red wine, lemon juice, olive oil, and seasonings and allow the roast to marinate in it for up to 24 hours before cooking. The meat is then slow roasted to create a tender and impressive cut of Galloway beef. Enjoy this marinated Galloway rib eye roast at your next special occasion.

- 1 4-pound Galloway beef rib eye roast
- 3/4 cup dry red wine
- 1/4 cup lemon juice
- 2 tablespoons olive oil or cooking oil
- 1 tablespoon coarsely ground black pepper
- 1 tablespoon snipped fresh rosemary or 1 teaspoon dried rosemary, crushed
- 1 tablespoon snipped fresh marjoram or 1 teaspoon dried marjoram, crushed
- 1 tablespoon Worcestershire sauce
- 1 tablespoon Dijon-style mustard
- 1/4 teaspoon garlic salt

1. Place roast in a plastic bag set in a deep bowl. For marinade, in a mixing bowl combine wine, lemon juice, olive oil or cooking oil, pepper, rosemary, marjoram, Worcestershire sauce, mustard, and garlic salt. Pour marinade over roast. Seal bag. Marinate in the refrigerator for 6 to 24 hours, turning bag occasionally.
2. Remove roast from bag, reserving marinade. Place roast, fat side up, on a rack in a shallow roasting pan. Insert a meat thermometer. Roast in a 350 degree F oven for 1-1/4 to 2-1/4 hours for medium (160 degrees F) or 1-1/2 to 2-1/2 hours for well-done (170 degrees F), brushing with marinade occasionally. (Do not brush with marinade during the last 5 minutes of roasting.) Cover with foil and let stand 15 minutes before carving.

### Mulled Galloway Wine

- \*1 bottle (750 ml) dry red wine, such as Merlot
- \*1 cup water
- \*1/4 cup sugar, or to taste
- \*3 whole cloves
- \*1/4 teaspoon ground nutmeg
- \*1/8 teaspoon ground cardamom
- \*Pinch of ground allspice
- \*2 strips fresh orange peel
- \*2 strips fresh lemon peel.

Combine wine, water, sugar, cloves, nutmeg, cardamom, allspice, orange and lemon peel in a large saucepan. Bring to a simmer over low heat. Simmer for 20 minutes.

### Galloway Toffee Pop Truffles

- Crush 2 pkts of toffee pops up in the kitchen whizz
- mix 250g pottle of cream cheese with your hands
- Roll into balls and chill
- Melt 1 pkt chocolate melts and wee bit of kremelta
- Dip balls into choc and chill again
- Enjoy!!!

### Rosemay Belted Galloway's Fruit Cake

- 1 kg mixed dried fruit or sultanas
- 2-2 1/2 cups orange fruit juice
- 2-2 1/2 cups self raising flour
- Soak the fruit in the juice for 24 to 48 hours and then stir in the flour
- Bake at 150 degrees for an hour or more.



## BREEDERS STORIES - WHERE HAVE ALL THE GOOD MEN GONE?

One Saturday morning, not too long ago, I found myself on a rural road in Ellesmere, miles from a garage with a very flat tyre. Not the worst thing that's happened in Canterbury lately but when you're on the way to a clinic open day and its pouring with rain, it's not good either. The faces of the passing drivers said it all as they sped by, warm and dry and thanking their lucky stars it wasn't them.

It was apparent that I needed to take some positive assertive action and being a sensible woman, I proceeded to read the instruction manual in the glove box. At this point I would have to say the person who decided that the ideal implement to jack up a large car is what amounts to a small, collapsible coat hanger needs to seriously reconsider his or her vocational choice.



However, buoyed on with new found knowledge and Holden's assurance of effortless success, I proceeded as per the instructions. A long and painful 20 minutes later I was bleeding freely from grazed knuckles and the car was still firmly on the ground. It was becoming apparent that the author of the manual was a deranged and sadistic practical joker and I would need a miracle to get to the clinic at all .... and suddenly, there he was ..... a tall dark stranger smiling down from his vehicle and offering to help. As this paragon of virtue left the comfort of his vehicle and climbed down into the driving rain,

it struck me that he looked rather familiar ... could it be ... yes, it was none other than Dean Graham from Glamis Belted Galloway stud.

As I proceeded on my way shortly after, I reflected that it was no real surprise that the person who stopped for a stranger, got soaking wet and dirty AND mastered the horribly impractical Holden jack with such style was in fact a Galloway man....ladies, we have a lot to be grateful for!

Thank you to Alex Woolley for sharing this story with us, and of course to Dean, for been a great and true Kiwi Bloke.



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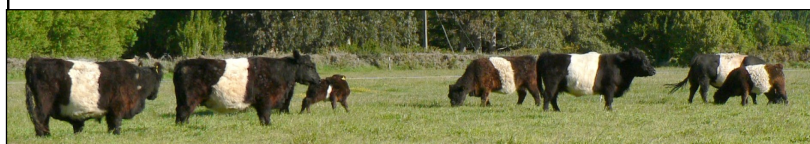
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## LIVESTOCK & SEMEN FOR SALE

### White Galloway Females (listed 20/12/10)

- Homestead White Unicorn, DOB 16/09/07, HB# 13192
- Homestead White Ultimate, DOB 5/09/07, HB# 13191  
with appendix bull calf at foot

Appendix Yearling heifers:

- Moonshine P.Boy Nekata, HB#14148a, DOB 23/08/09
- Moonshine Devon Ginie, HB# 14149a, DOB 1/09/09
- Moonshine Devon Edell, HB# 14151a, DOB 31/10/09

Contact: Maryann Miller Phone: 03 230 4799

Email: [moonshinedairies@woosh.co.nz](mailto:moonshinedairies@woosh.co.nz)

### Belted Galloway Cow (listed 20/12/10)

5 yr old cow "Kellmarre Angel"

Contact: Jan & Warren Stevenson Phone: 03 310 2114

Email: [wstevenson@paradise.net.nz](mailto:wstevenson@paradise.net.nz)

### Belted Galloway Herd (listed 20/12/10)

Currently running with 4yr old bull

- 5x Mixed aged Cows
- 2x 2yr heifers

Young Stock

- x2 1yr heifers
- x2 heifer calves
- 1x 1yr bull not related to any of the above

Contact: Karen Britten Phone: 07 378 5181

Email: [ibritten@clear.net.nz](mailto:ibritten@clear.net.nz)

### Belted Galloway Herd (listed 20/11/10)

1x 6yr cow

1x 1yr heifer

1x 2yr bull

Both females not related to the bull. All great temperaments and markings. Photo's available. Genealogy available.

Contact: Karen Henderson

Phone: 07 304 9333 or 021 030 1401

Email: [aliandkaren@gmail.com](mailto:aliandkaren@gmail.com)

### White Galloway Bull (listed 20/11/10)

4yr old bull, Zeker Ridge

Contact: Gary Haakma Phone: 07 552 0006

Email: [zeker@wave.co.nz](mailto:zeker@wave.co.nz)

### Belted Galloway Females and Bulls (listed 8/09/10)

Cows, Heifers (1yr & 2yrs), all friendly and good natured  
Yearling Bulls - Registered & unregistered.

Contact: Jillian Rooney

Phone: 03 522 4966 or 027 249 5411

Email: [jrr@slingshot.co.nz](mailto:jrr@slingshot.co.nz)

### Belted Galloway Herd (listed 24/08/10)

Complete herd reluctantly for sale due to ill health.

5x pregnant mixed aged cows

1x senior bull

4x heifers

2x rising 2yr bulls

2x 2010 born calves

Contact: Martin & Adele Moore-Corry

Phone: 03 6126344 or 021 02230776

Email: [kokako.farm@farmside.co.nz](mailto:kokako.farm@farmside.co.nz)

### Belted Galloway Semen - Australian (listed 20/11/10)

"Clanfingon Limelight" - \$50 per straw

Sire: Warialda Bam Bam

Dam: Clanfingon Gretchen

Limelight was Junior, Grand and Supreme Exhibit at 2003

Royal Adelaide Show. Senior, Grand and Supreme Exhibit at

2003 Launceston Belted Galloway Feature Show. Senior,

Grand and Supreme Exhibit at 2004 Royal Adelaide

"Clanfingon Nixen" - \$50 per straw

Sire: Mochrum Kingfisher UK2879

Dam: Clanfingon Kathryn

Nixen was Junior and Grand Champion Bull at 2005 Royal

Adelaide Show. Also Senior and Grand Champion at 2006

Bendigo National Beef Expo.

Contact: Judith McKinnon

Email: [mckinnonjudith@gmail.com](mailto:mckinnonjudith@gmail.com)

### Dun Belted Galloway Semen (listed 22/08/10)

Semen is available from a proven bull - Okiwa Frank.

Progeny left are very thick and meaty.

Contact: Rob Hall

Phone: 03 207 3706 or 027 2010 440

Email: [hallanddowns@xtra.co.nz](mailto:hallanddowns@xtra.co.nz)

### White Galloway Semen (listed 7/08/10)

Belverdeer Buster HB# 13218

Contact: Bridget Lowry Phone: 03 207 6747

Email: [southies@woosh.co.nz](mailto:southies@woosh.co.nz)

### Belted Galloway Semen from UK

Southfield Double-O-Seven (UKHB: 3907)

Sire: Boreland James Bond

Dam: Dirigo Double Pipa

Double-O-Seven was shown as a Junior in 2007 winning Jun-

ior Champion at both the Royal Highland and Royal Shows.

He has excellent conformation along with a very kind temper-  
ament. His first calves born in 2008 are showing tremen-  
dous promise.

Price per straw \$55+GST.

Contact Carole and Warren Millar

Phone: (03)3291800 or 021 02388500

Email: [millars@scorch.co.nz](mailto:millars@scorch.co.nz)

### White Galloway Semen

Ngutunui White Clem	HB# 11147	\$30 straw
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Galair White Lad 67Z(Imp)	HB# 11102	\$30 straw
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Galair White Lad 73A(Imp)	HB# 11114	\$30 straw
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Ngutunui White Tristan	HB# 11118	\$12 straw
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Contact: Lorraine & Mike Clifford Phone: 06 3683 171

Email: [lmclifford@xtra.co.nz](mailto:lmclifford@xtra.co.nz)

## BREEDERS STORIES

### ALL SHOOK UP – CAROLE MILLER, PHOTOS DEAN GRAHAM

Coming from the Northern Hemisphere an earthquake is something I had never experienced before and something I don't wish to repeat in a hurry.

Our Border Terrier Skye wanted to go out at 3.30am and she was determined she wasn't coming back inside, did she know something we didn't?

An hour later we were woken to a sound hard to describe but perhaps a bit like a freight train coming full speed through the house wall. We were thrown from our beds and the house rocked and rolled for what seemed like forever. I didn't know what it was until Warren shouted Earthquake and I somehow managed to make my way under the dining table. There the dog and me sat while things fell down around us and everything was moving. Once the shaking had subsided I headed for outside grabbing the puppy on the way who didn't seem phased by any of it.

Warren left me in the yard and went to check the stock and the neighbours, he came back to report the neighbours were huddled in their car and all the cattle were lying down, at the time we didn't think that strange, later we heard of cows coming in to be milked all lying down when the quake hit. Another neighbour reported seeing all his sheds moving like they were riding waves.

Our only means of communication was the car radio and my cell phone. By mid-day my phone started receiving text messages from the UK as the news began to filter to all corners of the globe. The coverage seen was of central Christchurch and I'm sure everyone back home thought we would be living in a tent. I did sleep in the car the night after the quake, the house was still shaking and rolling with each aftershock and sitting in the car it felt like driving over a bumpy track. I felt every single aftershock that night. There was a bit of cleaning up to do inside and the pantry was a sea of broken glass and the contents mixed together with smashed eggs. The contents of the other cupboards were over the floor and a few beef competition trophies now sit at an angle on their plinths or have a wee



dent here and there.

The power went out immediately and that left us with no water. Draining enough water from the pipes into a pot I got the BBQ fired up, it takes a long long time to heat water on a BBQ and eventually we had a luke warm cup of coffee.

My emergency box that contains enough essentials for 3 days was sitting inside with nothing in it. You always say "I must get some supplies into that box, you never know when we might need it".

The stock troughs ran dry with no power to pump water from the well and we had to rig up a petrol pump into the creek and attach it to the pipe feeding the troughs to refill them.

A very slow job but we managed.

The Quake had no effect on the cattle and life for them carried on as normal eating, chewing, sleeping and feeding calves. The dogs were a different story and some Prozac would have been useful.

We were very lucky being only 12km from the fault line that ripped through Highfield and Telegraph Roads, our old weatherboard house has fared pretty well. Telegraph Road is no longer straight and Highfield Road has an incline.

There are no shakes on the horizon, our early warning system is fast asleep under the table...



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