

GALLOWAY CATTLE SOCIETY OF NEW ZEALAND (INC.)



# GALLOWAY GAZETTE

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*Right; Jackson Lowry with Pinzridge White Soda and Sutton and Bridget Lowry, with Pinzridge Sophie, Southland Show Below; Stuart Allan & Nicola Wilkins, Glencairn River Farms herd. Below; Jill Hopping and Ashlyn Park Butterscotch, Frankton A&P. Below Right; Sutton Lowry's Glenkenich Dark Speight*



## EDITORS EDGE—BRIDGET LOWRY

Well, the first gazette for 2012, how quickly three years have gone.

I would like to thank all that have helped me in the past 3 years, and for the photos sent as well as wonderful stories. I enjoy receiving your letters and emails, especially photos, the more the merrier, and with out your input there is no gazette. If you have any ideas or suggestions please do send these on to me.

Show season has now finished here in Southland. It was great to have other breeders that visited any of the shows, pop over and say hello. You may note that the show photos are very few, this is due to our photographer, Maryann Miller now owning her own luggage and gift shop in Invercargill. Her time is now taken up serving the public, good luck with your new venture.

I hope you enjoy this issue, quite a few members have sent me interesting articles full of facts and ideas for all stages of farming, Happy reading. Take care Bridget.

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## GALLOWAY WORLD CONGRESS - CANADA

**3rd October to 7th October 2012.**

Following a very successful World Galloway conference hosted by the Danish Galloway society in 2010 this bi-annual event moves to Canada next year.

Further information is available on web site  
[www.beltedgalloways.co.uk/world-galloway-conference](http://www.beltedgalloways.co.uk/world-galloway-conference)

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# 2012 AGM & CONFERENCE

23rd-24th-25th March 2012

Nelson and surrounding areas

Enquires - Janice Beare 03 522 4035

Hi members

I have **changed email address**. Please amend the contact email you have for me in your address books. To contact the Galloway Society Registrar please email [gallowaycattlenz@gmail.com](mailto:gallowaycattlenz@gmail.com)  
Any questions on your Calf Entry Forms please get in touch.  
Thanks Carole Miller

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Galloway Cattle Society of NZ [www.nzgalloway.co.nz](http://www.nzgalloway.co.nz)

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Carole & Warren Millar	<a href="http://www.gallowaycattle.co.nz">www.gallowaycattle.co.nz</a>
Christine Reed	<a href="http://www.dorpersheepnz.co.nz">www.dorpersheepnz.co.nz</a>

### Overseas Breed Societies

Australian Galloway Assn.	<a href="http://www.galloway.asn.au">www.galloway.asn.au</a>
Australian Belted Galloway Assn.	<a href="http://www.beltedgalloway.org.au">www.beltedgalloway.org.au</a>
Belted Galloway Society Inc.	<a href="http://www.beltie.org">www.beltie.org</a>
Canadian Galloway Association	<a href="http://www.galloway.ca">www.galloway.ca</a>
UK Galloway Cattle Society	<a href="http://www.gallowaycattlesociety.co.uk">www.gallowaycattlesociety.co.uk</a>

The Belted Galloway Cattle Society  
[www.beltedgalloways.co.uk](http://www.beltedgalloways.co.uk)

### General sites:

New Zealand Rare Breeds	<a href="http://www.rarebreeds.co.nz">www.rarebreeds.co.nz</a>
Beef NZ	<a href="http://www.beef.org.nz">www.beef.org.nz</a>
Control BVD	<a href="http://www.controlbvd.org.nz">www.controlbvd.org.nz</a>
Lifestyle Block	<a href="http://www.lifestyleblock.co.nz">www.lifestyleblock.co.nz</a>
Rural Web Design	<a href="http://www.ruralwebs.co.nz">www.ruralwebs.co.nz</a>
Stockyard	<a href="http://www.stockyard.com">www.stockyard.com</a>
The Royal Agri. Soc. of NZ	<a href="http://www.ras.org.nz">www.ras.org.nz</a>
The Beef Site	<a href="http://www.thebeefsite.com">www.thebeefsite.com</a>

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**Joined** - 2007

## BREEDER PROFILE –STUART ALLAN & NICOLA WILKINS GLENCAIRN RIVER FARMS 03 5268806

We have a small farm of 90 acres on the banks of the Motueka River, 12 kms from Motueka, where we run around 45 head of cattle, a couple of dozen sheep and grow a small block of asparagus. I also work offshore to help pay for the lifestyle!

Our first property was a small 2 acre block which was soon over run with horses and we set about looking for more space. Having more space would allow me to buy and breed belted Galloway's, which I had first noticed back in 2004. I'm sure I must have seen them back in Scotland where I grew up but then I never thought I'd be living on a farm. After first noticing the black Belties I then came



looking for any information on red Belties in NZ to no avail, I could only find studs in Australia! Then while visiting Carole and Warrens stud I mentioned to her that I couldn't find any red breeders in New Zealand and did she know of any. The only breeder on record who was trying to breed reds was Peter Fahey.

I contacted Peter when we arrived home, who told me he had been trying to establish a red herd for over 7 years. He hadn't had much luck in 2009 with his only red calf dying the night it was born in a storm! Initially he mentioned he may be interested in selling but later decided he was going to persevere, as he was keen to see results of his years of trying.

across Wilkamdai Stud website and saw pictures of red Belties and thought I must have some of these!

In December 2007 I purchased the first Belties from Janice Beare and Garry Jordan in Feb 2009. Being impatient we bought 2 in calf cows rather than buying heifers and then having to wait to run them with the bull and wait for calving. Having never owned breeding cattle before we were a bit nervous of any possible problems with 1<sup>st</sup> time mums! These girls were quickly followed by another 2, in calf, from Andrew Pearce in Christchurch, then in December Jenifer Klein got in touch to see if we were interested in buying her last two girls as she was going to stop breeding. We bought these also which brought our number to 9 including the 3 calves on the ground.

During this time I have been

I then decided that if I were going to get any red Belties I would have to import them myself! If that happened then there would be two herds in the country and we could maybe work together.



I started looking at studs in Australia who bred red Belties. I wanted full size animals rather than miniatures as at the end of the day they must have a meat value and not just be paddock decorations.

After some enquiries I ended up talking to Robert Maddern of Budawang stud who I believe was the 1<sup>st</sup> breeder to produce red Belties starting in 1984 and selling the first red cattle in 1999. He has managed to trace his original stocks ancestors back to the Scottish Herd book. We talked over the phone and Internet and in May 2010 we made the trip to Mt Alfred in Victoria to visit his stud. We spent 3 days in Mt Alfred looking at a variety of animals, some which had been brought in from the desert out west. We were at odds whether to bring in pregnant cows or heifers. We were limited on numbers by the size of the shipping crates, they would hold 3 pregnant cows or 6 yearlings! We opted for the latter, and decided on 5 heifers and an unrelated yearling bull.

This combination would give us a good start and increase the odds of getting red calves on the ground rather than bringing in 6 girls and running them with a black bull. If that had been the case we would have a 50:50 chance of getting black Beltie with the red gene, then another 50:50 chance of getting red if the red gene was put over a red cow! Not very good odds!

I had also talked to Robert Wroe who had a Highland stud and had imported cattle from Australia in 2009. He explained the process and put me in touch with Total Livestock Genetics and Transport World Freight. Ruth Coman at TLG was a great help and explained the import export process and an approximate cost. TWF were happy to handle the importation paperwork and forwarding from Auckland. This allowed me to get an idea of what the costs would be and time involved. There really wasn't much I could do personally except pay the bills!

The period when the cattle were in quarantine was a bit nerve racking as I now owned them and if they failed quarantine they'd be stuck in Australia! As it happened there was only one small problem with one of the girls being pregnant!

The Ozzies finally arrived on farm on the 29<sup>th</sup> September

2010, they were all in good condition and although they were keen to get out into the paddock. They have since settled in as part of the family.

At the end of August 2010 I heard the terrible news of Peter Fahey's death and passed on my condolences to his wife Maureen. She knew I had been interested in the herd and offered to sell their Belties. Of course being the only other reds in the country I had to buy them! I was afraid I could only afford 4 cows and a bull after bringing the last lot over the ditch but eventually we managed to get them on a truck and down to Motueka also.

Two of Peters cows have calved this season, although unfortunately they were bull calves. They are now running with the bulls again and we will wait with fingers crossed for next years drop.

The cattle we brought in from Australia are registered with the Australian Galloway Association and we hopefully will be registered with the Galloway Association here once they have been inspected by the committee in March next year during the farm tours of the AGM.

I know Lynda van Eyk has another red heifer on the ground and I believe Maureen may still have 2 young bulls. We would be keen to know of anyone else who has red Belties and once the new herd book is up and running it will be interesting to follow the lines back to see who may be red gene carriers.

Along with our Belties we have 6 shorthorn cows that we run with the Beltie bull. The shorthorns throw good-sized calves, which grow well and have been popular with other lifestylers.

The two bulls that were born that 1<sup>st</sup> year were sold to Adam McCall. We will also have stock for sale this year having been run with the red bull. We aim to concentrate on breeding the reds although we will need to avoid inbreeding with such a small gene pool and will have to start DNA testing to see who is carrying the red gene.

We unfortunately do not have the time to show our cattle but strive to breed well built animals with good feet and rump.

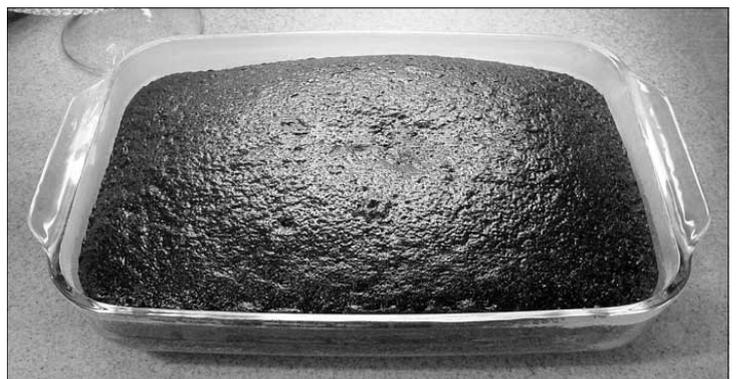
## RECIPES

### FEILDAY'S CHOCOLATE CAKE

2 Cups Sugar	3 Cups Flour
4 Tablespoons Cocoa	2 Teaspoons Baking Soda
2 Teaspoons Baking Powder	1/2 Teaspoon Salt
1/4 lb Butter	2 Tablespoons Malt Vinegar
2 Teaspoons Vanilla	2 Cups Warm Water

Combine (sift) all of the above ingredients together in large bowl.  
Put the above 4 ingredients in a small bowl and stir until butter is melted. Add liquid to the dry ingredients and mix well. Bake in a large dish (22cmx32cm), roasting dish or flat glass casserole dish if needed. Spray it with cooking spray. Bake at 180°C for 20-30 minutes

Sit cake for 5 minutes and then turn onto a wire rack  
Ice with chocolate icing when cold. *Susan Lawson.*



## WEANING CALVES

Weaning and Weaning Management are the most effective tools to manipulate factors in beef cattle management. These factors include the breeding efficiency and fertility of the cow herd, feed utilization and animal behaviour, future carcase merits and future breeding efficiency of weaner heifers.

The important aspects of herd fertility— calving percentage, calving pattern and calving span are strongly affected by cow condition. The better the condition of your cow at calving, the better her milk supply and the sooner she will come into season after calving. The weaning of calves instantly reduces the stresses on the cow.

Weaning allows the cow to transfer nutrition, previously going into milk production, to her own normal body functions. Calves are generally weaned between 6 to 8 months of age. The actual age depends on several factors; feed availability, cows can continue lactation without losing condition in good growing weather but early weaning should be considered in drier seasons.

Weaning calves at 6-7 months from the younger breeding cows and the lighter condition and the late calving cows allows them to improve condition enabling to calve in better condition and show oestrus earlier.

Generally the longer calves remain on the cow, without drawing from her body condition, the better.

Calves wean satisfactorily as long as they receive the 3 basics, good quality feed, hay can be made available and or calf pellets, as well as fresh clean water and shelter from sun and cold winds and rain.

Remove sick or weaker calves, especially any scouring, and treat them immediately. Death is very quick in dehydrated calves, fluid replacement is crucial.

There are several different ways to wean your calves. The method chosen will depend on your facilities, time available, training needs of weaners and possible markets. Calves must never be returned to the cow herd until lactation has ceased, this will generally take up to 6 weeks, it is recommend to keep the weaners separated allowing them to be fed correctly.

**Yard Weaning** requires more labour and will be more expensive than other methods, however it has some benefits. The calves become accustomed to the yards and been handled and worked within the yards. Introduction to hand feeding. This process will take up to 10 to 14 days and those animals



that do not settle down are able to be marked for future culling. Temperamental animals are not suitable for any farming situations, and therefore culling out the temperamental ones insures that those lines do not continue in your herd. Calves should be fed good quality hay and or silage and have ample clean water. Yard weaning also increases their immune system—like sending a child to kindergarten, they are exposed to different diseases and build up an immunity early on.

**Abrupt separation** is a common weaning practice. The calves are drafted from the cows and moved as far apart as possible. The cows and calves are difficult to move to their respective paddocks and both take longer to settle down. It is more stressful than other methods for both the cow and calf. The more determined animals often break through the fences to get back to each other, risking injury, or, alternatively, walk the fences with both the cow and calf losing valuable energy stores.

**Gradual separation**, both cows and calves are put into adjoining paddocks on either side of a secure fence. The cows will move to water and graze away from the fence line at extended periods while the calves will group together on the other side of the fence. After 4-5 days the cows will be moved to a more distant part of the paddock. A few older calves in the mob may settle the calves and teach them the run of the paddock.

**Easy wean nose rings** are another method of weaning for breeders unable to apply the other methods previously mentioned due to limited yard infrastructure and paddock availability. The calf is unable to suckle from the teat with the nose ring clipped to the front of its mouth. The cow is uncomfortable with the calves persistent attempts to suck, with the rings spikes causing her to walk away from the calf. As a result the lactation ceases and some could suggest that the calf does not suffer separation stress. It is recommended that the nose ring is left in the calves nose for a minimum of 4-6 weeks to ensure lactation has ceased.



**Other weaning considerations** are the boosters for the 5-in-1 for breeding heifers to cover Leptospirosis. Parasite control is absolutely essential for weaners, a well planned parasite programme is important to weaners as they are very susceptible to worms.

There are many different easy to use pour-on drenches available on the market. Weigh weaners to treat accurately. The drench program should be coordinated with the development of a clean safe weaning paddock; the purpose of a clean safe paddock is to reduce the number of worms on the pasture.

If you are unsure which treatment would be best suited to you and your farming practices then consult your local vet for advice.

## CASTERATION OF MALE CALVES

Generally speaking the younger castration is performed the less stress is imposed. Research has shown that younger animals recover more quickly and resume suckling earlier than those left to a later age.

Castration and dehorning legislation in the Animals Protection Act 1960 was saved in the Animal Welfare Act 1999. Section 201 of the latter Act makes it an offence for any person to castrate, any bovine animal, sheep, goat or pig, over the age of 9 months, unless performed under veterinary supervision.

**Elastrator rings** these are best applied using a special applicator. The ring is applied above the testies, it is best applied as close to the testies, as this results in better blood-vessel construction, and more of the scrotum is left. As the testies become larger, the rings become more difficult to apply and may not always cut off the blood supply. The ring cuts off the

blood supply, and eventually the testies wither and fall off, the process taking place over several weeks.

**Surgical removal (knife)** should only be carried out by a experienced operator. This method is quick and effective, with a minimum level of stress to the calf. Ensure that sterilization procedures are undertaken and application of antibacterial spray or power is applied to the wound as soon as castration is complete.

Return the calves to their mothers as quickly as possible, moving them into a clean paddock and monitor regularly that there are no complications. Some swelling will occur initially, but this generally subsides within a week to 10 days.

Do not leave calves in the yards for an extended period of time after castration, this can lead to increased risk of infection. A long acting penicillin is recommended should infection occur.

## GALLOWAY REMINDER FACTS



The first Galloway pedigrees were recorded in the Polled Herd Book of Great Britain published around 1843;

Galloway and Aberdeen Angus shared the Polled Herd Book until 1867;

Galloways are long living, very resistant to disease, easy to manage and create strong hybrid vigor due to the purity of the breed;

Galloways have a unique double coat of hair. With just a one inch thicker coat, a cow needs between 20% and 25% less digestible feed intake to maintain body weight when it's cold;

The Galloway cow is noted for ease of caving, is a protective mother, and has an abundant supply of milk. Galloway females are an ideal cross-breeding foundation with strong hybrid vigor;

Galloways were used to develop the Polled Hereford breed in the UK;

Galloway beef is low in total fat and in saturated fat. This means that it is less likely than beef from other breeds to contribute to the body's production of harmful cholesterol;

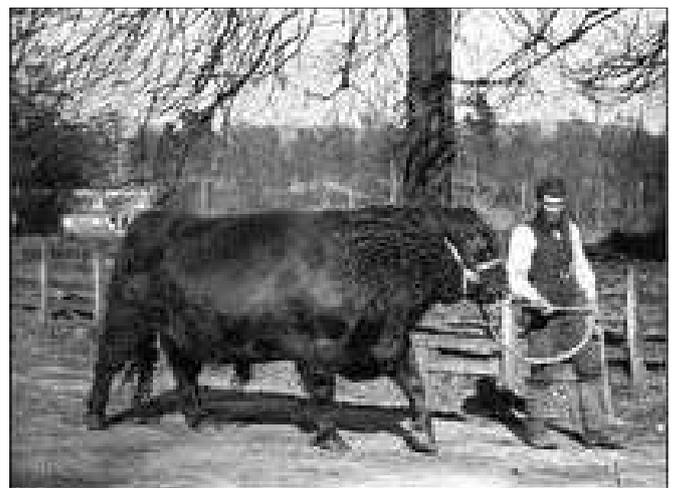
Galloway beef is high in beneficial Omega 3 and Omega 6 fatty acids. It is more beneficial than pork, and as good as chicken and salmon;

Galloway breeds have been proven to be superior feed converters. In tests at Olds Agricultural College, Olds, Alberta, over a 10 year period Galloways were shown to use the least feed per kilogram of weight gain. These high feed conversion rates make all Galloway breeds profitable year after year.

Because of the Galloway double hair coat, carcasses do not have the extra layer of back fat common to many other breeds.

Galloways dress out at 60% to 62% of live weight; and studies conducted by Mols Laboratory of Denmark have demonstrated that of all breeds tested, the Galloway breeds consume more varieties of flora than any of the others breeds on test. This ability to digest the less desirable species of flora means

**Galloways will thrive in less than ideal conditions.**



## SHOWS, FIELD DAYS & REGIONAL REPORTS



### *Southern Waimumu Feilday's* 15-16-17 February 2012

This year yet again the Southern Breeders Group rallied together and represented the New Zealand Galloway Society with great force. Over the 3 day period many members promoted the Galloway to both dairy farmers, many of which were out to buy more bulls, and the lifestyler's whom may or may not already own Galloways.

Feilday organisers were extremely over whelmed by the gate numbers, which reached the 30,000's. At times we felt that we had spoken to more than half of them. Most enquires that were made, were asking of available bulls for next season for the dairy industry, which is a very positive sign.

This years assigned site for the Galloway Cattle was described to us as rather swampy could it get really wet, should it rain. We found this a great advantage as no other exhibitor's wished to use that area, therefore our 5x10 plot expanded to well over that, and therefore allowed us to bring in 3 separate cow and calf pairs for viewing.

Rob Hall from Halland Downs brought in his Belted Galloway 4 year old cow Lilliesleaf Amici and her Bull calf Lilliesleaf Arrow, both of which have been to shows. In the pen next to this pair Rob Hall also had a Dun Standard Cow, with whom has never been to a show or been out in public before, Her heifer calf Lilliesleaf Bubbles had been shown once. Although this must sounds as a great risk, Rob had chosen her for her level headedness and sound nature. We made a point of mentioning to those that stopped at the site, that this cow had never been out before, therefore squashing rumours of the "crazy" Galloway.

Across from Robs cows and calves, Bridget Lowry had bought in her 4 year well shown cow, Eden and her calf Polly. Eden had represented the society in 2010 at the previous feilday so she fell straight into character, sitting herself down hard up



against the pen sides so that all could give her a good scratch, which was a hit with the younger visitors.

The 3 days also gave us the opportunity to educate people especially the younger ones on approaching cattle, amazing how many reached into the pens to scratch the cattle on the head to be told, by a shake of the head, the cattle wanted space, and yet they would persist in reaching back in the bars. Many teenagers found themselves having their heads rubbed, their reaction... Well I won't print that, but lets just say the breeder was told by a offender to go away, "exactly what the cow was trying to tell you!!" Hopefully, even if we got it in one persons head, we may of saved an injury later on.

In total the 3 days were an huge success, and as too was the baking supplied by Susan Lawson, thank you Susan, best chocolate cake, even if my 5 year old had 3/4 of it. Also to everyone that came along to help out. Is it really helping as we were all there to promote the breed and sell our own animals we have available or to pass on buyers to those that could help?

Not only did we promote and educate people about the Galloways as a beef breed, (many people are still in the 'pretty in the paddock' frame of mind.) Many dairy farmers came to talk with us about how they've found galloways as a bull with the dairy heifers, this also allowed others to over hear the comments. Well done. Here's looking forward to 2014 Feilday's.



### **Southern/Otago Region**

This is to be my last region report due to my standing down as Chairperson of the Southern/Otago Breeders. I would like to thank all those that have supported me in my two years as Chairperson and wish my successor all the best.

I would also like to thank the Southern breeders that supported the Gore A&P show, both as exhibitors or as support people, especially to Sylvia Anderson for the help and organization of my own team of cows that weekend, well done, we made a great partnership, as too did all those that arrived at the Feilday's Galloway site.

I am very proud to be associated with such an enthusiastic group of like minded people and look forward to future events associated with the Galloways.

Neil McKerchar.

### **Winton A&P**

*Judge Rob Hall, January 2012*

*Galloway Senior cow; 1 Bridget Lowry, Lifestyle Eden*

*Galloway 2yr cow; 1 Bridget Lowry, Pinzridge Sophie*

*Galloway 1yr Heifer; 1 John Taylor, Taylordale Gabriella: 2 Bridget Lowry, Pinzridge Little Bridge: 3 John Taylor, Taylordale Glenda.*

*Galloway Heifer calf; 1 Bridget Lowry, Pinzridge White Soda: 2 Bridget Lowry, Pinzridge White Polly .*

*Galloway 1year Bull; 1 Bridget Lowry, Pinzridge Endeavour*

*Galloway Bull Calf; 1 Sutton Lowry, Glenkenich Dark Speight.*

*Galloway Champion Female; Bridget Lowry, Pinzridge Sophie*

*Galloway Reserve Female; John Taylor, Taylordale Gabriella*

*Galloway Champion Male; Sutton Lowry, Glenkenich Dark Speight.*

*Galloway Reserve Male; Bridget Lowry, Pinzridge Endeavour.*

*Supreme Galloway; Pinzridge Sophie, Bridget Lowry*

### **All Breeds**

*Judge Bruce Alexander*

*Senior Cow; 3 Bridget Lowry, Lifestyle Eden*

*1 year bull; 3 Bridget Lowry, Pinzridge Endeavour.*

*Group of Three animals; 1 Bridget Lowry, Pinzridge Stud.*

*Two Calves one sire; 4th Bridget Lowry, Belverdeer Buster.*

### **Otago-Tairei A&P Show**

#### **Royal Event**

*Judge Bruce Robertson, January 29th 2012*

#### **Small Breeds**

*3year and over Cow; 1 Halland Downs, Lilliesleaf Amici 445, 2 Bridget Lowry, Lifestyle Eden.*

*2year old cow; 1 Bridget Lowry, Pinzridge Sophie*

*1year Heifer; 3 Halland Downs, Lilliesleaf Baylee 682*

*Heifer Calf; 2 Bridget Lowry, Pinzridge White Soda*

*Bull 3years and over; 3 Bonacord Farms, Lilliesleaf Forest 582*

*1 year Bull; 1 Bridget Lowry, Pinzridge Endeavour*

*Bull calf; 4 Sutton Lowry, Glenkenich Dark Speight*

*Beef Small Breeds Champion Female; Halland Downs, Lilliesleaf Amici 445.*

*Supreme Galloway; Lilliesleaf Amici 445, Halland Downs*



*Top above; Sutton Lowry and Pinzridge Endeavour, Winton Show Above; Winton Show, John Taylor and Taylordale Gabriella, and Bridget Lowry's, Pinzridge Little Bridge, 1year heifer Class*

**Gore A&P Show**

Judge Sharron Paterson, February 2012.

**Small Breeds**

*Senior Cow*; 1 Bridget Lowry, Lifestyle Eden. 2 Halland Downs, Lilliesleaf Amici 445.

*Heifer 2 years*; 1 Bridget Lowry, Pinzridge Sophie, 2 Halland Downs, Lilliesleaf Babe 625, 3 Neil McKerchar, Flemington Paree 27.

*Heifer 1 year*; 2 Neil McKerchar, Flemington Red, 4 John Taylor, Taylordale Gillian.

*Heifer Calf*; 1 Bridget Lowry, Pinzridge White Soda, 2 Halland Downs, Lilliesleaf Bubbles 839, 3 Halland Downs, Lilliesleaf Libbi 785.

*Galloway Heifer calf*; 1 Bridget Lowry, Pinzridge White Soda, 2 Halland Downs, Lilliesleaf Bubbles 839, 3 Halland Downs, Lilliesleaf Libbi 785

*Yearling Bull*; 1 Bridget Lowry, Pinzridge Endeavour.

*Bull Calf*; 1 Sutton Lowry, Glenkenich Dark Speight, 2 Neil McKerchar, Flemington Monty, 4 Halland Downs, Lilliesleaf Arrow 780

*Breeders Group Of Three*; 1 Bridget Lowry, Pinzridge Stud, White Galloway. 2 Neil McKerchar, Flemington Stud, Belted Galloway. 3 Halland Downs, Lilliesleaf Stud, Belted Galloway. 4 John Taylor, Taylordale Stud, Belted Galloway.

*Pair of Calves One Dam or Sire*, 1 Bridget Lowry, Drysdale White Dynamite

*Senior Champion Female*; Bridget Lowry, Pinzridge Sophie.

*Reserve Senior Champion Female*; Bridget Lowry, Lifestyle Eden

*Reserve Junior Champion Female*; Neil McKerchar, Flemington Red.

*Champion Male*; Bridget Lowry, Pinzridge Endeavour

*Reserve Champion Male*; Sutton Lowry, Glenkenich Dark Speight

*Supreme Galloway*; Pinzridge Sophie, Bridget Lowry.

**King Country/South Waikato District Report**

Having moved this new district, when some time allowed, I made appointments and visited Galloway breeders in the area. I was soon joined up with new keen Galloway friends, on our discovery tours to visit breeders and their vastly different farms and lifestyles. Thanks to the generous hospitality of Faye Ashmore and Peter Mans, we had our first local member get together, BBQ.

Thanks also to Bridget and Peter Cameron for the chance to sample their Galloway meat, that was a finalist in last years Steak of Origin competition. The most tender meat I have

*Bridget and Peter Cameron's Steak of Origin entry, he was weaned but then decided he was bigger than the fence and made his way back to mum.*

ever had. We look forward to more visits and more get-together's to come.

Linda van Eyk

**Southland A&P Show**

Judge Frazer Fletcher, March 3rd 2012

**All Breeds**

*Senior Cow*; 1 Bridget Lowry, Lifestyle Chelsea.

*Heifer 2 years*; 1 Bridget Lowry, Pinzridge Sophie

*Heifer Calf*; 2 Bridget Lowry, Pinzridge White Soda.

*Bull 1 Year*; 1 Peter & Susan Lawson, Eldin Cardiff.

*2 Senior Animals*; 1 Bridget Lowry, Pinzridge Stud

*Progeny from one dam or sire*; 1 Bridget Lowry, Drysdale White Dynamite.

*Meat and Wool Cup*; Bridget Lowry, Pinzridge Sophie

*Supreme Beef Animal*; Bridget Lowry, Pinzridge Sophie.

**Upper Clutha—Wanaka**

March 10th

*Heifer 2yrs*; Bridget Lowry, Pinzridge Sophie 2.

*Heifer Calf*; Bridget Lowry, Pinzridge White Soda 1

*Bull Calf*; Halland Downs, Lilliesleaf Arrow 780 1. Sutton Lowry, Glenkenich Dark Speight 3

*Supreme Galloway*; Pinzridge Sophie, Bridget Lowry

**Northern District****Franklin A&P Show**

*Yearling Heifer*; Jill Hopping, 1 Ashlyn Park Butterscotch

At the Franklin A & P Show on 18 February they had 'Other Breed - British' classes but a magnificent Shorthorn (and big) took the Judge's eye.

It was great to see Jill Hopping there with her Dun belted heifer and her other Belted heifer however, after lunch the Galloways were in the All Breeds Section and during the judging of the Heifer Calf, a member of the public sidled up to Tracy Wood and asked, "why is yours smaller than the rest"! A brief explanation ensued pointing out that the Galloways are



a traditional beef breed unlike the other entries who were primarily Exotic breeds.

The image really says it all.

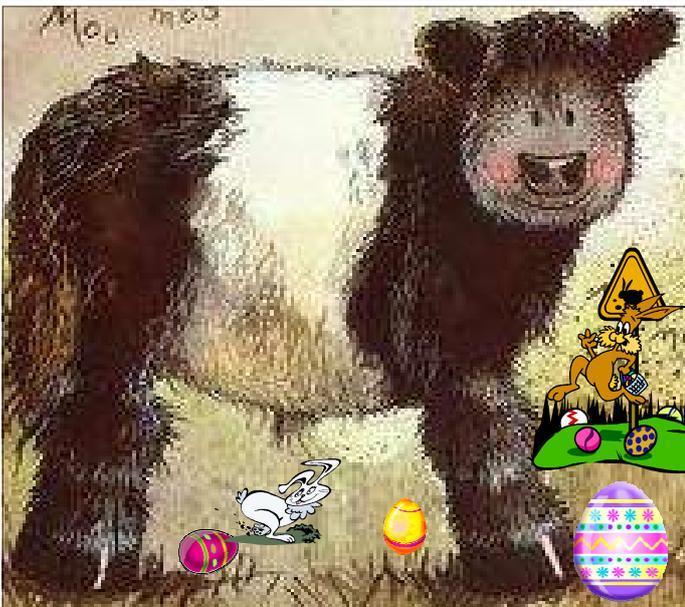
At the Helensville A & P Show on 25 February as there was no British breed section, the Galloways were up against Salers and Belgium Blues. Suffice to say we need our own Breed classes in the North Island.

The White Galloway is White Astella heifer calf born on 8 July 2011. So, although she is close to the 1 June time-frame for showing cattle but the Salers (russet red) and the Belgium Blue (white) heifer calves are literally head and shoulders above her!



## JUNIOR BREEDERS PAGE

### Spot the differences



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### General Knowledge

Q: Approximately what is the gestation period for cows?  
283 days

A: Cows have how many teeth?  
8 incisors on bottom front, 6 molars on top and bottom on both sides, and a tough pad of skin instead of teeth on the top front.

Q: How many letters are you allowed to use to register your calves names?  
A: Maximum of 12 including spaces.

### Jokes

Q: What do you need when you count cows?  
A: A Cow-culater

Q: What do you get when you cross a cow with a iPod?  
A: Pop Moosic.

Q: What do you call a bull that tells jokes?  
A: Laugh-a-bull

## READERS STORIES

### CANBERRA SHOW, FEB. 2012.

*Barry McAlley*

I was pleased to be able to attend the Canberra show in February 2012, after my absence of a few years. It had its usual friendly atmosphere and the exhibitors from the three Galloway Society's over there, worked well together.

The Galloway classes were separated into Standard Galloways including Whites, Belted Galloways & Miniature Galloways & Belted Galloways. The Champions from each of these sections, along with the Champions from the other breeds (total of 21) met in Champion Male & Female competition. As this

year was a Scottish breeds feature show, those Champions were also judged together.

In the initial Galloway classes the standard was equal to previous years but with an overall impression of reduced frame size due the large numbers of miniatures being exhibited. This changed with the Galloway senior male classes where some exceptional animals were presented.

They were from the newly established Glenburn Station stud in Victoria which had obviously selected some of the best animals available in Australia.

## HAVE YOUR SAY

*In response to the Breeding of White Galloways using the Standard Galloway registered animals.*

Please note we have both a White (Alclutha) and a Standard (Glenfinnan) stud, but as many of you learnt when you visited us last April we keep the two studs quite separate i.e. we do **NOT** put Standard bulls over White cows. In saying that however we note the Standards that are in the ancestry trees of most if not all of our present white herd. Colvend Ben must have been a very busy lad back in the 90's!!!

So the purity of the present whites in NZ is therefore very questionable. What if any interventions might be seen as desirable in the future to slowly change this present situation is clearly part of a wider discussion on how best we could widen the present gene pool of "pure" whites here in NZ if indeed that was an agreed direction that the Society would want to look towards.

An analysis of our White herd shows the following: In the 4 years of 2008 to 2011 inclusive we have had 58 calves born. The first 4 and then 2 later ones were born to well marked white cows that we purchased in calf (to well marked bulls). Another was born to an Appendix Black we bought in calf (to a well marked white bull). The rest were born to one or other of our own two well marked bulls.

All the cows bar three were/are well marked whites. Two others were Appendix blacks - one was infertile and the other had well marked white calves. We have one dun marked cow and she has produced (in this order) a completely white calf, a dun marked calf and then a dun calf - all male.

Of those 58 calves; 38 were male and 20 female

Of the 58 calves 17 were black, 11 were under marked / unmarked (this number includes the 3 born to the Dunn marked cow) and the balance of 30 are well marked.

We wait with interest to see the range of opinions on the various points made in Bob and Karen Curry's original email. We don't see any evidence that Standard breeding is being compromised by breeders using Standards only to breed whites, but accept that this practice continues. We also note that demand for well marked and other whites is stronger than that

for Standards but that the interest in Standards is also slowly but steadily increasing – both for bulls and heifers .....and this seems to be from those who value them as Standards in themselves and not for breeding well marked whites. None of the Standard bulls we have sold have to date, as far as we can tell, been bought for that purpose.

Best regards and see you all in Nelson in March.

*John and Ruth Berridge.*

### TAG WARNING

I was thinking that our members might like to know that if you order ear tags with a '/' then this is what happens after two months:

*Note fading of print=*

So breeder's please only order tags like:



The reason is that as soon as a '/' is included then automatically the electronic reader converts everything to text and a different quality of printing occurs. A phone call direct from Allflex de-mystified why the ear tags had faded so badly! They promptly replaced them with the brand new version, minus the '/'!

*Tracy Wood*



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

## 2012 CANDIDATES INFORMATION

Members, I seek your support for re-election to the Council at the 2012 AGM.

My association with the Society goes back to the registration of my first Belted Galloway calves in 1977 and then being elected to the Council in 1978.

I was appointed Secretary/Treasurer in 1981 and held that position for many years. After seeing White Galloways in Canada for the first time in the early 1990's I imported semen and registered the first Whites in 1994.

I had previously added a Black (standard) herd to my operation to initiate the White breeding programme.

During this time I had shown Belties and later Whites at shows in the northern North Island with some success in interbreed classes.

Parallel to this was the commencement of the Galloway Cat-

tle Society stall at the National Fieldays at Mystery Creek which I regard as our most effective means of promotion. Through the period I have been fortunate to be able to visit all the Galloway breeding countries in the world, viewing and discussing there breeding operations.

This extensive involvement with the Galloway breeds, here and overseas, gives me considerable historical and practical knowledge which I would love to continue to share with the membership of our Society.

I consider we must ensure that the Galloway breeds survive as commercial beef breeds within the NZ beef industry.

Similarly, If I am able to represent the Society at the Beef Council of the RAS, I will continue to advocate Galloways as the equal of all the beef breeds at that forum.

Thank you for your time. Barry McAlley.

## FOR SALE. FOR MORE INFORMATION AND PHOTOS, VISIT [WWW.NZGALLOWAY.CO.NZ](http://WWW.NZGALLOWAY.CO.NZ) STOCK FOR SALE

### White Galloway Cows, Calves, and Mixed Aged Bulls

Cows; 14120, 13150, 12778, 12487, 12533, 12100, 12101.  
All registered, well marked and declared scur free. Cows have been running with Bull, Belverdeer Endeavour 14138.  
Contact: Bridget Lowry  
Phone: 03 207 6747  
Email: southies@woosh.co.nz  
Website: www.pinzridge.co.nz

### White & Standard Galloway Weaner Bulls & Heifers

For full details go to [www.aluthagalloways.co.nz](http://www.aluthagalloways.co.nz)  
Contact: John & Ruth Berridge  
Phone: 09 426 1421  
Email: alcuthagalloways@xtra.co.nz

### White Galloway Heifers

3 lovely looking calves born last summer. Sired by Galaxy Hansell 13282.  
Contact: Bridget Cameron  
Phone: 07 827 9199  
Email: tuimorgan@ihug.co.nz

### White Galloway Cow

Ngutunui White Carol HB 57. DOB 29/09/2001  
Sire Ngutunui White Lockie, Dam Ngutunui White Gem 2nd  
Must sell due to relocation.  
Contact: Alan Pollard  
Phone: 021 576109

### White Galloway Cows and Cows with Calves at Foot

Currently all running with bull.  
Contact: Maryann Miller  
Phone: 03 230 4799  
Email: moonshinedairies@woosh.co.nz

### White Galloway Cows, Heifers and Bulls

Some cows running with calf at foot. Weaner heifers available from May 2012. For more details go to web site [www.suncreststud.co.nz](http://www.suncreststud.co.nz)  
Contact: Bob and Karen Curry  
Phone: 04 5268831  
Email: suncrest.mhs@xtra.co.nz

### Belted Galloway Herd

1x Bull Born November 2008  
3x Cows Born August 2004  
5x Cows Born August 2005  
3x Cows Born April 2009  
1x Heifer Born February 2010  
All cows currently running with the bull and some maybe in calf. All animals are BVD vaccinated, TB and Mannosidosis clear.  
Contact: Carl Fenton  
Phone 027 2446677

### White Galloway Females

Lifestyle Erika, HB 13140, DOB 14/02/07, Has had 2 calves, Crystal and one other in December 2011, now weaned.  
Pandarosa Ice Crystal HB 11123, DOB 29/08/09. Had a still born calf in December 2011. Neither are in calf at present.  
Contact: Julie Eason  
Email: eason13@slingshot.co.nz  
Phone:  
03 432116



## BREEDER PROFILE—CLAIRE HARTY & RON SMITH ASPENDALE & BONNYDALE, WHITE AND BELTED. 078736968



Our 80 Hectare farm is situated on the edge of the Waitomo District, 15 minutes South West of Otorohonga. The land comprises of flats, rolling and some steeper country.

Ron runs the farm and I have a Rural Delivery run, which takes me off farm more than I would like. We run Dairy Heifers, a small flock of Coopworth ewes and Ron's Pedigree Beef Shorthorn's and my small herd of Galloways.

In 2002 Ron purchased 3 crossbred Belted Galloway heifers for me and then a White Galloway bull from John Cleland. The bull was also used over carry over dairy cows and proved to be Homozygous, with every calf born been white. I am more interested in the Galloway as a beef animal, the crossing of colors wasn't important to me nor my commercial herd.

3 Purebred unregistered Belted females, cow and daughters were purchased in 2004, for which we used AB for a couple of years, Okiwa Wilson and Okiwa Frank and Midfern Wilson were used for this. My commercial herd now goes back to that lovely cow and daughter, which proved to be an excellent purchase.

2006 was the arrival of my first registered cows, 3 in-calf cows

from Susan Kernohan, these cows went on to produce 2 dun belted heifers calves, so my numbers increased and I bought a Belted Bull from Jillian Rooney.

Black cows arrived in 2007 from Izards for my White bull, though I only have 2 now, and late last year a White Galloway bull was purchased from Tracey Wood to replace the older bull I'd currently used.

Dairy farmers up here are beginning to use belted bulls which is very promising. Ron has witnessed the Galloway sold in the sale yards are heavily discounted on the price per kilo live-weight, and that there is little interest in them, lets hope that this soon changes.



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