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Thank You Waikato



**Beth & Paul McVerry's Riggits
Cherrybank Dunstan**



**Morning of our tour at Linda van Eyk's ...
another Linwood baby is born**



**Lunchtime with Faye & Peter's RyeBred
herd and garden art at Otorohanga**



**Down in the Waihohono Road valley
Rob checks out Ron & Claire's pedigrees**



**Graeme & Marie's Grange girls
at their Whatawhata home**



**Magnificent Tatua Ma stock, views and
morning tea at Sue Kernohan's**

For An Awesome Tour Weekend!



Welcome to the first issue for 2013
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Phew! First issue out! What big shoes to have filled. Firstly, thank you Bridget for your sterling work, enthusiasm and passion in producing the Galloway Gazette for the past few years.

With Pete and I only having been members for a short time, we have always looked forward to receiving our issue of the Gazette ... to look at the great photos and some fantastic stories and info. Not for one moment did I ever think I would be compiling this work of art! But many good things came about over a glass of wine at our recent 2013 Herd Tour organising meeting and

I am now honoured to be in the 'Editor's Seat'. Thank you Graeme ... I think!

This issue will capture our recent gathering and will be a well deserved celebration of a fantastic Herd Tour 2013 in our beautiful Waikato!

Lots of fun, photos and great competitions were enjoyed over this weekend.

Welcome to new members Ed & Sue Scott, Nelson with their Moutere Grove White Galloway stud, J & J Reekers, Hamilton with their Bakker Belted stud and Lyn

Wilkinson, Geraldine.

Just to finish, we are currently revising our merchandise items and at present are researching a great line up of products. If you have any suggestions or contacts, please let me know and I will follow up on these. Hope to have the new range ready by Christmas.

Do take advantage of purchasing a quality hand painted Galloway weather vane from Brian at Sandcast Weathervanes Limited Auckland - you certainly wont be disappointed. So welcome, grab a cuppa and enjoy your read.

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John & Ruth Berridge	www.alcluthagalloways.co.nz
Bob & Karen Curry	www.suncreststud.co.nz
Rob Hall	www.lilliesleaf.co.nz
Bridget Lowry	www.pinzridge.co.nz
Carole Millar	www.gallowaycattle.co.nz
Christine Reed	www.dorpersheepnz.co.nz

Overseas Breed Societies

Australian Galloway Assn.	www.galloway.asn.au
Australian Belted Galloway Assn.	www.beltedgalloway.org.au
Belted Galloway Society Inc.	www.beltie.org
Canadian Galloway Assn	www.galloway.ca
UK Galloway Society	www.gallowaycattlesociety.co.uk
The Belted Galloway Cattle Society	www.beltedgalloways.co.uk

General Sites:

New Zealand Rare Breeds	www.rarebreeds.co.nz
Beef NZ	www.beef.org.nz
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Lifestyle Block	www.lifestyleblock.co.nz
Rural Web Design	www.ruralwebs.co.nz
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PRESIDENTS PEN

Fellow breeders - Thank you for your support at the recent AGM election, electing me back onto council. I will try and do the best I can to serve you in this position. My door is always open and you can contact me at anytime with any enquiries or concerns you may have.

We as breeders and enthusiasts of Galloway cattle have the privilege of having this unique breed of cattle in our back yard to touch and feel at our leisure and pleasure.

Galloway cattle are the only cattle breed that can promote 3 different types, that being Standards, Belteds and Whites and within those 3 different types, of having the normally Black parts of our beasts exchanged for the Dun and Red colour as well. This effectively gives us $3 \times 3 = 9$ different breeding types that all run under the one Galloway Cattle Society in NZ, an advantage that we possess over other breeders of Galloway cattle in other countries around the world.

We as a society also possess access to an animal that caters for the different lifestyles of New Zealanders involved in a rural NZ – that ranging from small block holder breeders who want a taste of the back bone and founding industry of New Zealand to those of us who's primary income is derived from farming livestock.

No other breed of cattle in NZ can claim the same diversity and uniqueness as our Galloway Cattle Society. I stand proud to say I am a Galloway breeder and that Galloway beef is best, be it on the small farmed blocks around our metropolitan centers or on the larger commercially farmed blocks of rural NZ, we have a breed that can meet most lifestyles, colour preferences and to add to this we have a product that even though it looks good and dare I

say it 'cute' in the paddock, tastes good on our dinner plate and continues to look good when used as a floor covering.

Over the last seven years that I have been on council, the society has undergone numerous changes to help meet the growing demands of its membership. Some of these changes have caused conflicts and some problems have been encountered as we have tried to "Up Grade" the Society. Thank you for your continued patience as we continue to work together to improve things for our society.

Promotion of our breed has continued around the country in the show ring over recent months. Thank you to breeders who have taken the time to go to A&P Shows and field days to put animals out there in front of the public. Our Galloway cattle are getting ribbons and mentions from judges when footing it against other breeds such as Angus, Hereford, Simmentals etc in the show ring. We as a breed are proving that we do have an animal that is commercially viable and has qualities that can benefit our NZ beef industry. Underneath that cuteness, we have a product that is starting to get recognised as a superior product. I have people asking me for Galloway meat – there are huge opportunities for us as a breed – our society are becoming more aware of what we eat – as Galloway breeders we are sitting on a product that can make even a vegetarians' mouth water. I have had an ex President of the Hereford Society of NZ pull me aside and admitted that he has put a Galloway heifer in his freezer and to add to that, it has been the best beef he has ever tasted! Last week I had a Angus breeder sidle up to me and discretely ask – how can I get some Galloway animals!!! We have a product that other breed stud breeders are asking about – this speaks volumes to me.

We have some very active breeder groups around the country. These are a great place to meet, share and challenge each other. I would encourage the membership to get involved and catch the Galloway bug that most of us here already have. It's infectious! I first hand know that the encouragement and knowledge I have learnt from meeting other likeminded people has been so valuable to me – and I relish the chance to meet other breeders and talk cattle. My dear wife Lynne can testify to my obsession with talking cattle, and how I can spend hours on the phone and waste time in the paddock, discussing Galloway cattle. I encourage you to do the same and get together, discuss and dream about this breed of cattle we have come to love.

I am excited about what we as a breed have achieved over the past years. These achievements have not happened over night, and not without their difficulties, not to mention the hard work that has gone on before over the years since the NZ society was formed in 1947. We are indebted to these founding members and people who have gone before us setting the scene so that we can have the privilege and enjoyment of owning Galloway cattle. Our fore breeders had the passion and foresight to bring us where we are today – may we in turn add a little to our breed and look to the future and pave the way for those that will follow.



Rob Hall

President

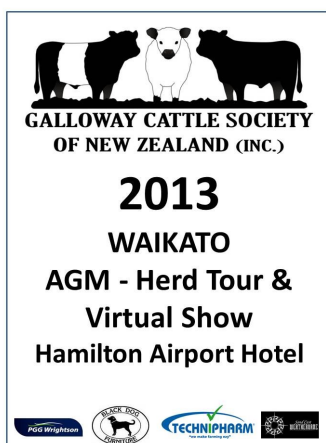
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Thank You Waikato!

If you were one of the lucky ones who joined us for our recent AGM, Herd Tour & Virtual Show here in the Waikato - wow! says it all. Outstanding herds were viewed, great food—even a haggis was served! and a really good catch up with fellow members.

The Waikato committee did an awesome job headed by Councillor Graeme Turner and wife Marie. Loads of thoughts and suggestions matured over many social committee gatherings over the past few months and everything was 'perfect' for our 3 day weekend.

Our committee, Graeme & Marie, Linda van Eyk, Faye Ashmore & Peter Mans, Claire Harty & Ron Smith and Peter & Bridget Cameron, decided that everything for this weekend had to be Galloway related and the attention to detail is always important with any function. In particular the contents of our goodie bags - Marie, thank you for your artistic flare in making these beautiful shortbread belted and white Galloway cows for every goodie bag! And of course the 'black & white' jellybeans didn't go a miss!



Based at the Hamilton Airport Motel and Conference Centre the first bus tour kicked off at 1pm on the Friday, first stop at Black Dog Furniture at Matangi. Andy MacDonald and wife Suzie welcomed the group to their rustic styled furniture making factory located at the historical Matangi Dairy Factory complex. A noted feature with his furniture is the use of cattle hides gracing bar stools, dining room chairs and foot stools. Andy kindly presented our group with a foot stool for our Saturday night auction, covered in a belted calf skin kindly donated by Pirongia Belted breeder Linda van Eyk. Just goes to show that any sized animal skin is worth gold to someone else. Thank you Andy.

Afternoon tea was a short visit to the Lilly Pad Café and Garden Art Centre before venturing out to our first herd at Beth & Paul McVerry's farm on the Karapiro Road to view one of the only herds of Riggitt cattle in New Zealand.



Thought to be only 10-12 purebred animals throughout NZ. Members of the group were fascinated to see this rare colour pattern in the flesh. (Please refer to Breeder Profile in issue 3 of 2012 Galloway Gazette)

Upon leaving here a superb drinks and BBQ dinner were enjoyed back at the Conference Centre.

Saturday morning the bus tour continued with more stud herds to view in the northern King Country area starting with Linda van Eyk's Linwood Belted Galloways, Ormsby Road, Pirongia. You can't miss this 50 acre property, not only for her 20 plus stunning belties in the front paddock but her traffic stopping large corrugated sign on the road-side.



After recently finishing her set of Technifarm cattle yards, this was the perfect spot to host morning tea and 'Guess the Weight' cattle competition. A bull, cow and heifer were electronically weighed earlier and this tested the members abilities to gauge weight by eye, amongst different age groups of animals, with winners to be announced later that evening at the dinner. (Results on Page 6)

Next stop was Faye Ashmore and Peter Mans RyeBred White Galloway herd on Rangiatea Road, Otorohanga. With their beautiful grounds and garden art to admire, members enjoyed lunch whilst viewing their cattle at the gardens edge.



Faye and Peter's herd started in 2004 with 4 crossbred calves and has now grown to 20 plus cattle consisting of commercial and pedigree stock.

From here we moved on to the home of Aspendale White Galloways and Bonnydale Belted Galloways at Claire Harty and Ron Smiths 80ha property, Waihohono Road, Waitomo. Getting a 50 seater coach down this narrow metal road was a highlight within itself. Members enjoyed a paddock afternoon tea in the valley admiring their whites and belted cattle but also Ron's pedigree Shorthorn herd.



After the AGM, the formal part of the weekend kicked off with the dinner preceded by an entree of Haggis that was formally piped in and set before us with a traditional 'addressing the haggis' ceremony by Ross and Gaylen Eade, including a toasting with a dram of whisky!



Definitely an experience for we women who may not be used to a shot of whisky prior to our entrée! Nevertheless, a wonderful experience.

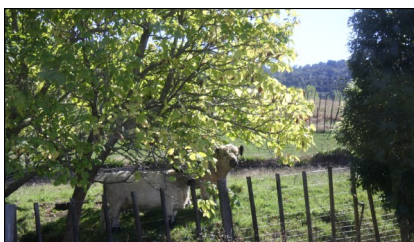
Following the dinner the annual virtual show was held with 51 entries over 8 classes. This entailed members submitting 3 photos of their pedigree animals, front, side and back on, for class judging. Renowned show judge and Charolais breeder Henry Clothier did a sterling job with judging each class and the Supreme Show Champion was won by Bridget Lowry from Southland with champion female Pinzridge Gadget. *(Photo of Supreme Champion on Page 6)*

Our guest Auctioneer Cam Heggie from PGG Wrightson was treated to a magnificent collection of Galloway related products up for grabs including a belted Galloway bull weathervane donated by Sandcast Weathervanes Ltd, a belted Galloway hide donated by Grange Galloway Stud, set of 4 Waikato Tour etched wine glasses donated by RyeBred White Galloway Stud, our wonderful handmade stool from Black Dog Furniture and a beautifully handcrafted one off patchwork quilt, featuring all colour patterns of Galloway cattle made by Rae Mutch, Templeview, Hamilton which sold for \$600. A truly magnificent piece of art. (Photos on page 6) Musical entertainment was provided by 'Rachel, Michael & Glen' and the comradery and conversation lasted into the wee small hours of the morning ... someone had to finish the rum!

Bright and early Sunday morning Jason from LeisureTime Bus Company arrived for our final day of our tour



visiting two major studs north west of Hamilton. Our the first herd stop of the day was at Grange Belted Galloway & Grange Polar White Galloway studs, situated at Graeme and Marie Turners 4ha property in Whatawhata. Marie's love is with the whites with Graeme's devotion is with his belties.



Our second major herd of interest was to Sue Kernohan's Crawford Road property to view Tutua Ma stud of 150 plus belted Galloway cattle. In their hay day, the Kernohan's had a herd of Angus cattle on the hills and bush land, and due to many black cattle getting 'lost' in the neighbours and never returning, they purchased a belted bull and never had that problem again! That was 45 years ago. To see this collection of cattle spread over the hill bordering her garden is truly a magnificent sight.



Thank you for the sumptuous morning tea and that sponge cake Sue! (Please see recipe on page 13)

Lunch was an inspiring visit to Jono and Sarah Walkers property in Te Puroa Road Ngarawahia – home of Soggy Bottom Holdings. Their gourmet meat products are well known to all who frequent the Farmers Markets in Hamilton, Cambridge and South Auckland. Members were treated to a sausage making demonstration and then we were treated to taste testing the product at our BBQ lunch.



We had a fabulous weekend. Thank you again to everyone who attended the Waikato Herd Tour. To all our committee members and sponsors—a very big thank you again. Next years herd tour and AGM will be in Otago/Southland. Can't wait.

Competition Winners



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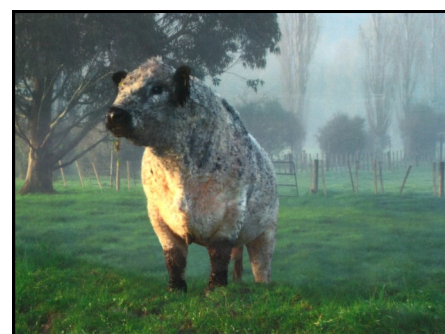
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AGM - Herd Tour &

Virtual Show

Hamilton Airport Hotel



Our 'Calendar Shot' Competition was an outstanding display of fantastic photos submitted by members. Winner by public vote was "Glen Kuri" My pots of gold at the end of the rainbow. Runner-up Bob & Karen Curry's stunning shot of this handsome Suncrest chap. Can't wait for next years competition!



Guess the Cattle Weight Competition

certainly tested the members 'eye-ometer' guess-timations of 3 different aged Linwood Belted Galloway stock .

Actuals Weights: (electronically weighed)

Tag 429 bull 768kgs Tag 245 cow 616kgs

Tag 53 heifer 401kgs Total Combined Weight 1785kgs

Winners of each section were:

Bull - Angela McNaughton - 8kgs out

Cow - Janet Louise Haywood - 7kgs out

Heifer - 4 way tie - all were 1kg off the actual weight

Bob Curry, Bryndlee, Stoney Crest & Barry McAlley

Total Weight - Garry McNaughton - 5kgs out

Well done to you all.



Bridget Lowry winner of the Supreme Champion Award with Pinzridge Gadget presented by judge, Henry Clothier

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Linda van Eyk & Rae Mutch
Andy, Black Dog Furniture



Graeme & Marie Turner
Brian, Sandcast Weathervanes



RyeBred White
Galloways



Roger
Brownlee



A huge
'Thank You'
to Cam Heggie
from
PGG Wrightson
as our guest auctioneer



Thank you so much to our major sponsors for such an amazing array of items to auction

Galloway Weekend 2013 ~ A new delegate's perspective

As first time participants in the New Zealand Galloway Society AGM and field visits we arrived wanting to share our pride in our belted Galloway herd with other like-minded breeders. To then find a wonderful group of people willing to share their years of experience with us beginners was a bonus. We felt the programme put together by the Waikato team was first class, with a wide range of activities. Whether your personal preferences are white, belted or standard Galloway's the weekend exposed us to all of these. And, while we are not convinced about the justification for a separate sub-class for them, an opportunity was there for us all to look at some lovely riggits. As mentioned above, the willingness of fellow breeders to share with us was a true bonus. Every field visit, from those riggits through to Jono with his sausage making demonstration, was excellent and we learnt a great deal that will help us in our journey with our wonderful Galloway cattle. At present they are in glowing condition as, despite the drought, they are all feasting on grape skins and stems from our 2013 vintage at Murdoch James Estate. As all breeders will know there are great calving photo opportunities when cow and calf are happy with their lot. This is Summer with her new calf.



Young Bull at Murdoch James Estate

The conference dinner was also a terrific evening, from the haggis through to the auctions – even if Roger got a bit excited and paid a premium for his bidding. All for a good cause anyway!! Even the formal AGM, which generated a few fireworks and heated debate at times, could not take the gloss off a great weekend. We will certainly be back in 2014. Meantime, it is our hope that those folk who were in the minority, but non-the-less extremely vocal, can take the opportunity to reflect on the issues and align their efforts with the Council in moving forward. In a charitable organisation such as ours, we do not need the damaging campaigns that were obvious to us as new-comers. It is true we do not know all the facts, but we do have to say there has to be a better way to deal with difficult issues than that in evidence at the AGM.

Looking at this lovely calf, I cannot believe how white those belts are on new born calves. I only wish my shirts gleamed so clean!

We have returned home determined to learn more about the breeding and history of our current herd, and to follow through with a commitment to improving the bloodline. We already have some splendid cattle as the attached photographs show, so we start from a great platform. And, for those cows that maybe do not meet our goals in that respect, no problem. They will still enjoy a great life at the vineyard as part of our commercial herd.



Castle Fidel @ Murdoch James

In closing, we could not resist a photo of Castle Fidel, our wonderful bull and next year will certainly submit to both the photo competition and the virtual show. For those society members anywhere near Martinborough in the interim, please do give us a call. Come taste our wines, check out our 'belties', or stay the weekend in our cottage and enjoy both!

Jill & Roger Fraser, Longrun Stud, Martinborough

As breeders of stud/purebred beef cattle, the animals we farm are typically high value so we need to make sure that our valuable cattle are fully protected from diseases that can have serious effects on their health.

Below are what I would consider to be the core or essential vaccinations for stud/purebred beef cattle, and should form the backbone of your animal health programme.

Leptospirosis

Leptospirosis or Lepto, as it is often referred to, is an interesting disease that is caused by the *Leptospira* family of bacteria. What makes it interesting is that there are a number of different species of *Leptospira* that are 'host-adapted' to a particular animal species (the maintenance host) and this animal lives with the infection showing no ill effects. However if another animal species (accidental host) comes into contact with a species of *Leptospira* to which it is not the maintenance host then clinical disease is seen. For example *Leptospira Pomona* (the pig adapted lepto species) causes no clinical signs of disease but if cattle are infected with *Leptospira Pomona* it can cause severe disease in calves such as fever, anaemia, jaundice often leading to death and also abortion of pregnancies in adult cows. Leptospirosis is also of great importance as a 'zoonotic' disease, meaning it is a disease/infection of animals that can pass this infections onto humans. *Leptospirosis Harjovovis*, the cattle host-adapted species, while causing little issue in cattle, can cause life-threatening disease in humans when they contact the bacteria usually through urine from an infected animal. Therefore any vaccination programme for Lepto is based around both protecting cattle against clinical disease and preventing cattle from becoming infected with their host-adapted *Leptospirosis harjovovis* and passing this on to humans. Vaccines for Lepto in New Zealand contain protection against *Leptospirosis harjovovis*, *Leptospirosis Pomona* and in some vaccines *Leptospirosis copenhageni* (the rat host-adapted species). Calves should be vaccinated with a sensitizer dose followed by a

booster dose 4-6 weeks later, starting from around 3 months of age (this will depend on the type of vaccine used). To maintain strong immunity all cattle on a property should receive an annual booster dose of Lepto vaccine. Any previously unvaccinated cattle and cattle with an unknown vaccination history need a sensitizer and subsequent booster to get them in line with the rest of the herd.

Bovine Viral Diarrhoea (BVD)

BVD virus is a very complicated disease caused by virus that has serious effects on reproductive performance in adult cattle and on the immune system of young growing animals. In pregnant cows the disease can cause early abortions of pregnancy, still born calves, abnormal/malformed calves at birth and the birth of live calves persistently infected with the BVD virus referred to as 'PI calves'. In young calves the virus affects the animal's immune system which can cause them to be more prone to other bacterial infections such as pneumonia and scours, and subsequent decreases in growth rates. The virus can also cause affect semen production in bulls which can lead to sub-fertility in the mating period. Controlling BVD in a pedigree beef herd should involve testing and eradication of any persistently infected (PI) or 'carrier' animals and the prevention of infection with a structured vaccination programme. Calves should be vaccinated with a sensitizer dose followed by a booster dose 4 weeks later, before they are 6 months old. Vaccination at this time will help prevent the sickness and weight gain reduction that can happen when calves come into contact with the BVD virus. Any breeding females should receive a yearly booster around a month before the start of

mating to protect cows from the reproductive effects of the virus. All breeding bulls should also receive a BVD vaccination booster before each mating season.

Clostridial Diseases

Clostridial diseases are a group of diseases cause by the *Clostridium* family of bacteria and are often characterised by sudden death in cattle. The bacteria can survive as highly resistant spores in the soil for many years, and most of the *Clostridium* species are 'saprophytes' meaning they live in soil and water and play a big role in decomposing animal and plant material. The diseases caused by *Clostridium* species include Blackleg, Malignant Oedema, Bacillary haemoglobinuria and Enterotoxaemia. The clostridial diseases are not contagious from animal to animal, cattle will pick up the bacteria from the environment and disease will occur when some predisposing factor triggers the disease. For example Blackleg, caused by *Clostridium chauvoei*, is usually triggered by deep muscle bruising allowing bacterial spores to multiply, leading to blood poisoning and rapid death. Because the clostridial diseases are such rapid killers of cattle, often affecting the biggest and fastest growing animals a vaccination programme is very very important. Clostridial vaccines are probably better known as the '5 in 1 vaccines' and are relatively cheap and offer strong immunity from disease. In recent years there have been newer vaccines such as '6 in 1' and '10 in 1' become available that contain different strains of *Clostridium* species. Calves should be vaccinated with a sensitizer dose followed by a booster dose 4 weeks later, before they are 6 months old and as early

as possible depending on the type of vaccine used. In high risk situations, such as when Blackleg disease has been seen on a property, animals should be given a further booster 12 months later but in most situations appropriate calf vaccinations should provide good life-long immunity.

Hopefully this helps explain why and how we vaccinate to protect our animals. There are a number of other diseases that we may vac-

inate against in certain situations, so if you have any further questions please talk with your vet.



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Show Results

Winton A&P Show. ~ Judge Julia Eden. Bull Calf born since 1 June—1st PD & SC Lawson, Eldin Hamner Cow, 3 years or over, with calf at foot or visibly in calf 1st PD & SC Lawson, 2nd JR Taylor. Taylordale Columbia Heifer, 2 years—1st JR Taylor, Taylordale Glenda Heifer, 1 year—1st Bridget Lowry, Pinzridge Polly, 2nd Bridget Lowry, Pinzridge Soda Heifer Calf born since 1 June—1st JR Taylor, Taylordale Ibezza 2nd JR Taylor, Taylordale Isabella Champion Male: PD & SC Lawson, Eldin Hamner Champion Female: JR Taylor, Taylordale Glenna Reserve Champion Female: PD & SC Lawson **Supreme Champion Galloway:** JR Taylor, Taylordale Glennda **All Breeds** Heifer, 2 years 1st JR Taylor, Taylordale Glenda Two Yearlings, 2nd Bridget Lowry, Pinzridge Stud

Gore A&P Show, Judge Jill Hopping, associate Judge Adam McCall. Beef Small All Breeds Senior Male Champion: Bridget Lowry; Pinzridge Endeavour Beef Small All Breeds Junior Male Champion: John Taylor; Lilliesleaf Arrow 780, Beef Small All Breeds Senior Female Champion: Bridget Lowry; Lifestyle Chelsea Beef Small All Breeds Female Junior Champion: Bridget Lowry; Pinzridge Soda **NZ Galloway Rosette for Supreme Champion:** Bridget Lowry. Pinzridge Endeavour Cow, three years or over with all at foot: 1 Bridget Lowry, Lifestyle Chelsea, 3 Halland Downs; Lilliesleaf Amici 445, Heifer, two years: 2 John Taylor, Taylordale Glenda 3 Neil McKerchar; Flemington Red Heifer, one year: 1 Bridget Lowry, Pinzridge Soda, 4 Bridget Lowry, Pinzridge Polly.

Heifer calf born since 1st June: 2 Halland Downs Lilliesleaf April 935, 3 Neil McKerchar, 4 John Taylor, Taylordale Impress. Galloway Heifer calf born since 1st June; 1 Halland Downs Lilliesleaf April 935, 2 Neil McKerchar. 3 John Taylor, Taylordale Impress Bull calf born since 1st June: 2 Halland Downs, 3 Neil McKerchar; 4 Sutton Lowry, Glenkenich Dark Magic. Bull, one year: 1 John Taylor, Lilliesleaf Arrow 780. Bull, two years and over: 1 Bridget Lowry; Pinzridge Endeavour Breeders Group of three animals: 1 Bridget Lowry; Pair of Yearlings, male and-or female: 2 Bridget Lowry, 3 Halland Downs; Pair of Calves, male and-or female: 1 Halland Downs, 2 Neil McKerchar, 3 John Taylor.

Tairei A&P Show, Judge John Taylor Senior Cow, 1 Halland Downs; Lilliesleaf Amici 445. 1 year heifer; 1 Bridget Lowry, Pinzridge Soda Heifer calf, 2 Halland Downs Lilliesleaf April 935 **Supreme Galloway,** Halland Downs Lilliesleaf Amici 445.



Waiting for Grand Parade, Tairei Show. Alan Gregory with Rob Halls Lilliesleaf Amici 445.

West Otago Senior Male; 3 Bridget Lowry Pinzridge Endeavour **Supreme Galloway,** Halland Downs Lilliesleaf Amici 445.



Wanaka Grand Parade, Jackson Lowry leads Pinzridge Endeavour, mum Bridget follows.

North Otago 150th Senior Cow; 1 Halland Downs Lilliesleaf Amici 445; 2 Bridget Lowry, Lifestyle Chelsea 1 Year Heifer, 1 Bridget Lowry, Pinzridge Soda Heifer calf, 1 Halland Downs Lilliesleaf April 935. Senior Male, Bridget Lowry, Pinzridge Endeavour Champion Female, Lilliesleaf Amici 445. Reserve Pinzridge Soda. Champion male. Pinzridge Endeavour. **Supreme Galloway,** Halland Downs Lilliesleaf Amici 445.



Southlands Champion Handlers
Champion - Samantha Hall
Reserve - Sutton Lowry

UPDATE ON WHITE GALLOWAY COLOUR INHERITANCE RESEARCH PROJECT



Firstly many thanks to the few White Galloway breeders who took the time to complete the colour pattern survey sheets.

The first of the completed NZ survey sheets were sent to Mechthild Bening in Germany in June 2012 and these comprised data from 3 breeders with colour pattern data on a total of 31 cows/heifers, 13 bulls and 69 of their progeny. This information is being used in the current research project.

At present we have a further consignment of completed survey sheets almost ready for sending and this will provide colour pattern data from another 2 breeders on a further 18 cows/heifers, 6 bulls and 47 of their progeny. This will bring the total number of NZ cattle in the database to 184.

Feedback from Mechthild and the Professors Brenig and Swalve of the Martin-Luther University in Halle-Wittenburg, Germany who are conducting the research project (see 'Inheritance of Colour in the Cattle Breed White Galloway' project outline – www.suncreststud.co.nz/news.html#august2010) have advised that they now have interim results from their research to date, and a paper led by Prof. Brenig has been accepted for publishing in a prestigious scientific journal. Mechthild has advised that until this paper is published they are not able to announce any of the results, but will immediately on publication, post their results on their web site www.whitegallowaystars.com. Unfortunately this site is in German only, so we will be seeking the English translation to circulate to all NZ White breeders.

Further there is a possibility (unconfirmed), that the Professors will present their results to the World Galloway Congress, which is to be held in Germany in September 2014.

In the meantime other White breeders are encouraged to provide colour pattern details of their stock, and those breeders who have already provided data are asked to furnish data on new progeny as they are born.

Data sheets are being collated by Karen Curry and should be sent to her at Suncrest Stud, 166 Mangaroa Hill Road, Mangaroa Valley, Upper Hutt 5018.

A copy of all the data sheets are being kept for our Society's records and will be a valuable database for possible NZ specific research on colour pattern inheritance.

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**Karen Curry
3 April 2013**

[Approved by the GCSNZ Breed Management Sub-Committee on 5 April 2013]



Item of Interest

If you were fortunate enough to be at our AGM & Herd Tour Waikato 2013 Auction on the Saturday evening, you would have noticed the belted Galloway hide donated by Graeme and Marie Turner. Classic Sheepskins in Napier were the tanners and mark my word, they produced a magnificent finish to the product. If you are thinking of getting one of your animal hides cured — for those of you with out the internet, with permission from Troy McParland, Classic Sheepskins, here are some tips below from their website.

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Send down all details with the hide:

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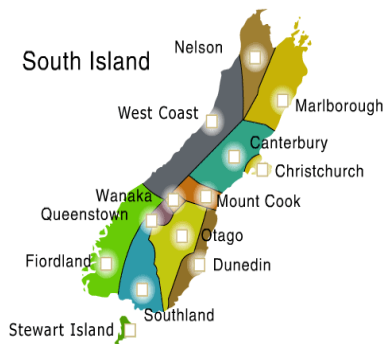
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After a good start to the year with an enjoyable summer season, it is encouraging to see a strong following of breeders with larger numbers of Belted and White Galloway herds in the south. There is also a growing number of Standard Galloways being bred by a group of enthusiastic breeders. There is a growing demand for these bulls to be used as sires over first calving beef heifers.

Lake Hayes, Winton, Taieri, Gore, Oamaru and Wanaka A&P Shows have been supported strongly by Southern Breeders with Galloways competing very well with other breeds.

SOUTHERN SOUTH ISLAND REGIONAL REPORT

At the recent West Otago A&P Beef Heifer Competition, Rob Hall won the Large Sized Herd (12+ heifers) section with his Belted Galloways. This is an all breeds competition that a lot of high profile beef studs compete in. He came 3rd in the Small Sized Herd (less than 12 heifers) with his Angus.

Also congratulations go to Jackson Lowry and his team members for being placed 2nd in the Otago/Southland Young Farmers Agrikids Competition held recently, they go on to the National final in Auckland in May - we wish them good luck.

Southern Galloway Breeders held their Annual Meeting and Mini Herd Tour on March the 24th, 2013. Meeting at 1pm we viewed Rob & Lynne Hall's "Lilliesleaf" Belteds and Standards, and then went onto the Lowry family farm where we saw Bridget's "Pinzridge" Whites, Sutton's "Glenkenich" Standards and Jackson's "Jral" Belteds. Neil McKerchar also had some of his

"Flemington" Belteds on display at both properties. The official meetings were held at the Lowry home with an update on the upcoming National AGM/tour was given by those going to it, followed by a BBQ tea. Peter Lawson was voted in as our Southern Breeders Chairman and Angela McNaughton as our secretary/treasurer.

At the conclusion of our meeting the results were announced for the Peppercorn Trophy which is awarded to the Breeder with the most accumulated points from 10 Southern A&P Shows. This year six breeders hotly contested the coveted trophy with Rob Hall from Halland Downs narrowly winning.

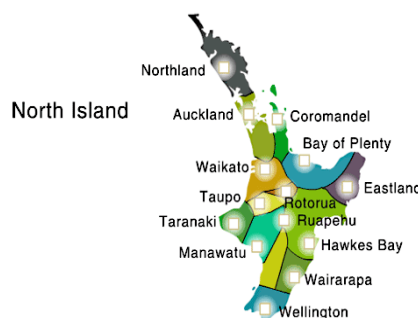
Next year Southern Galloway Breeders are to host the National AGM / Herd tour and we would like to invite fellow breeders to venture south to enjoy an interesting and fun filled few days.

Peter Lawson
Southern Galloway Breeders

North Island Southern Regional Report

As you will see on the website there has been a councillor representative change for this region. Members in this region have all been advised as well as informing them that the Taranaki Members that were allocated into the North Island Central West region have also been moved. For the last two years I have been amazed and excited to see the growth of the Galloway Breed in the Taranaki region. In due course we will be organising a regional meeting and get together to give breeders an opportunity to meet with each other. Until then I am available at any time to assist you or steer you in the right direction for any queries you may want answered.

Juan Whittington
Councillor



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Recipe of the Day

Do you have a 'simply divine' recipe that you wish to share? ... email fayemarie4@hotmail.com

That Sponge Cake!

You haven't had a sponge cake until you've experienced Sue Kernohan's sensational 'light as air' sponge! Sue handed this recipe down to her daughter who then kindly made this for our morning tea on our Herd Tour. The key she says, is to have fresh eggs, 24 hours old—no more! Let's put it to the test.

Ingredients

3 x No7 eggs, room temperature
Half a cup caster sugar
Half a cup cornflour
2 tsp standard high grade flour
1 tsp baking powder



Pre-heat oven to 190°C

Line two 6cm deep x 20cm round cake pans with waxed or greased baking paper

Separate egg whites and yolks. Beat egg whites until peaks just fold over when beater is removed.

Slowly add half cup caster sugar. Continue to beat until the mixture is stiff and the sugar is dissolved. (to check the sugar has dissolved, rub some mixture between your fingers—you should not feel any sugar crystals.

Add the egg yolks and beat until well blended.

In a separate bowl, sift together cornflour, flour and baking powder. Fold the flour mixture into the eggs very gently with a metal spoon. Use an up, down and over movement - DON'T STIR.

Pour the mixture evenly between the two prepared pans. Pick up each pan and drop once on the bench to remove air bubbles. Bake for 15-20 minutes. Sponges are ready if they spring back when touched lightly in the centre.

Allow to cool for 5 minutes in the pan before turning out on to the cooling rack. Once totally cooled - fill with cream.

Filling - To build, place lashings of whipped cream on one sponge, then a layer of sliced banana or well drained crushed pineapple, then another layer of cream, then the second sponge. Sprinkle with icing sugar.

Designer Scratch Poles - Faye Ashmore

As many of you know with this beautiful breed, these animals just love to scratch! Whether it be the concrete trough, the gate latch, fence post or even the gate gudgeon's, there is just no stopping them.

Recently my big boy Frosty decided his itch needed scratching on that sturdy bottom gate gudgeon, and sure enough that was the only gate without the 6 inch nail driven in through the top to stop it being lifted! The big mob had a lovely time that morning, running through the neighbours paddocks to that silver light on the horizon!

I love my garden art and have carried that art on out in the paddocks. Pete drove a solid strainer in the ground and we stapled some of Dad's old tedder tines on around the post at different levels, gave it a paint and WOW!

This has got to be the 'piece de resistance' for our animals.

Plans are to put a scratching pole in each paddock with a different theme. It's amazing what you'll find in your sheds!



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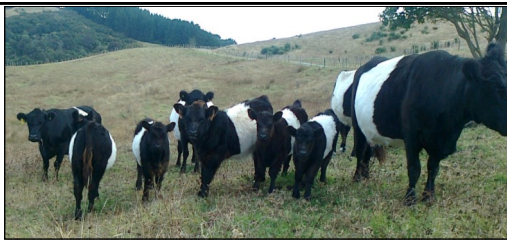
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Add your new farm to your NAIT number

- Remove your old farm from your NAIT number
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If you are not taking your animals with you, you will need to transfer your animals to the new person in charge of them by creating a sending movement to their NAIT number. Ensure that the other person confirms the movement.

If you are taking your animals to the new farm, there is no need to create a movement record to this farm as this will be done automatically when the new location is added to your NAIT number.

Check out the step-by-step guide on
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Double Tagging

Under the NAIT scheme only one ear tag is mandatory for cattle and deer: a NAIT-approved RFID tag. Every NAIT tag is in the NAIT IT system and can be transferred in between farms. It is not necessary to re-tag an animal with your own NAIT tag after the animals' movement to your NAIT number has been recorded.

If you come across an animal that has been double tagged (i.e. it has two NAIT RFID tags), you must contact NAIT about the removal of one tag. Once NAIT provide permission, you may remove the specified tag.

WELL DONE AMY AND JONLUKE

Amy and Jonluke Biddle at the 2012 Reporoa Broadlands pet day. Amy won the champion calf and Jonluke won the reserve champion calf. A wonderful achievement for two kids who have only taken toy Chihuahuas to pet day and won champion dog cups for the last 4 years.

These calves are great they were the only ones who were weaned on the day and even now they race to the gate when their name is called even if they have to barge past anything between

them and their human mums! In a region known for dairy farming, I was surprised as with everyone else, that my two non dairy took out the ribbons and cups.

Roll on pet day this year,xx

Carol Hobbs, Proud Grandma



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