

Galloway Cattle Society of New Zealand (Inc.)



# Galloway Gazette

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## Welcome to the Galloway Gazette - Issue 1, 2018

**Editors Note: Another year has come and gone. It gave us good and bad memories. But, we must all move forward and welcome this new year, no matter what it brings us.**

In October 2017 I received an email from some people I had known for five or six years; they had purchased my big old Kauri Manor House. I had been talking to them shortly after my partner passed away in May and they let me know they had sold the Manor House and were moving to a 640 acre property not far away from me. I expressed an interest in managing the property they were purchasing but did not really expect anything to come of it. However, this email popped up in my inbox asking if I was still interested in managing the animals on the property, and, of course I said yes. We agreed to have discussions closer to their moving time, which was December. We are now heading in to Christmas and I have already started managing the animals. There is a lesson here; no matter what, keep looking forward, try something new, and don't sit on your laurels. This may only last a short time but it is already giving me new insight and direction for the immediate future.

In this issue there is a brief overview of our Council's perspective on DNA Testing and another article to give members more information on the DNA testing of their breeding bulls. The article has been reproduced with the permission of Bob and Karen Curry, breeders of "Suncrest" White Galloway. Bob and Karen are way ahead of us with regards to DNA testing and actively practice what is in their article which was published on their "Suncrest" website in August 2013.

Feedback on DNA testing is now arriving with most of the breeders being in favour. However, there are also some worried about costs and overall benefits to their herds. The Gazette is still looking for more feedback.

**We are looking for :**

- 1) numbers in favour of,
- 2) those sitting on the fence
- 3) those who are against

We would also like to hear about anything you may think is relevant to this topic.

The council had a meeting at the end of January, and the feedback received was passed on to Council without names being mentioned; so they are aware there are members who are not in favour. I do, however, have to say that the majority is in favour of DNA testing at this point in time. **A decision on DNA Testing is to be made by Council, this year (2018), and is not too far away, so silence is not an option.**

The more information you can give us the easier it is for Council to make the decision. **So get on your computer and send in a yes, no or neutral for DNA testing, we don't need names to give to Council we just need a yes, no, or neutral.**

The facial eczema season is upon us again, so I hope everyone was prepared and is coming through without mishap.

There are a number of topics in this issue of the Gazette, ranging from the next World Galloway Congress to the possibility of becoming a Host Farm.

I hope you enjoy your read.



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**Cover Photo:** Aren't we little Angels. James & Jasmin, both sired by Pheonix Monty who can be seen in the background. .

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### Friends ? Or, I Can't Swim



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# A Message from our President



First things first and most importantly, here's wishing you all a great 2018!

Well, it wouldn't be a good report without talking about the weather so here goes.

For many of us it has certainly been quite a challenging autumn and summer. First we had nothing but rain and we all just wanted to know when summer would arrive. Then it was as if someone turned a switch, the rain stopped and clear blue skies with high temperatures and drying winds arrived. Our paddocks went from pugged mud to baked hard dry. The Taranaki, Manawatu and Wellington regions were all declared drought before Christmas with the West Coast not long after, it has certainly resulted in some interesting land and animal management issues.

I must feedback that the chicory we tried out as part of our pasture sowing mix has grown really well in these harsh conditions, see the article in the Spring 2016 Gazette (page 9), so definitely something to consider.

The extreme weather conditions have also played havoc with our silage/balage, with poor grass growth that saw a real drop in what we could take, one paddock that normally yields 13 bales only gave us five. In talking with fellow breeders this has been an issue for a lot of us. Even our local contractors have not had the business this year due to such unpredictable conditions, what a change from last year!!

For many especially in the North Island, we are into the facial eczema period. This year the dry warm evening conditions with lots of dead material at the base of the pasture are a potential time bomb for facial eczema once the rain arrives. We have started our facial eczema management programme early this year based on the advise of our vets. They believe that based on this years weather conditions it could be a bad year for extreme facial eczema spore counts. So something for those affected to think about.

Interestingly our vets have also warned us to watch out for a significant potential worm burden spike following any good rain. Apparently the dried out cowpats can then release their parasites en masse, with young stock being particularly vulnerable.

For us this time of year involves moving stock with calves at foot, which is great fun once you take a big breath and count to 10 or is it a 100! We currently have a small mob of 7 calves that remind me of balls in a pinball machine during any stock movement. All directions at once and none of them where you want them to go. Mothers are so focused on the new grass they completely forget mother-hood and its responsibilities and leave it up to us! Let's just say we get there in the end and a beer at the end of the day helps!

The Society's financial year ended in December and I am happy to report that the books are in the Black, a small profit which points to our charging regime being about correct with income meeting outgoings. Of course this is something that we continually monitor.

We continue to strive to find ways to show off our animals, this year we are targeting some of the smaller A&P shows in particular the Masterton A&P show in mid-February, so fingers crossed for a picture in Stuff's NZ Farmer! On the down side, the recent outbreak of Mycoplasma bovis has seen many A&P shows cancel attendance of cattle at their shows, particularly on the South Island.

This years AGM is set for Nelson, weekend of 11 to 13 May, for details and updates please refer to our website. The last time Nelson hosted the AGM weekend I was all set to go, and then about three days before massive winds blew down some huge gum trees across my farm tracks. I had to cancel that visit to clear things up, so I am looking forward to getting there this time and I hope to see many of you there.

The Galloway World Congress will be held in Melbourne in late September this year, for those who would like to attend details and registration form can be found on our website

Take care, stay safe and enjoy summer

Cheers  
Richard



# Registrar's Report



I hope everybody had a very Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year. May the rain start to fall again very soon . . .

Transfers have been steady up to a couple of months ago, when it slowed down and you all had calves on the ground once again. Happy times for all.

At the beginning of February I will once again send you all out your calf return forms and a HELP sheet. It will also come with a 'post paid' envelope. **This year I need everyone to send back their signed and dated calf return even if you don't have any calving's to record.** Last year most of you sent your return back correctly. Others forgot to enter 'tag' numbers of their animals. If you only use a NAIT number in your animal, please ring me as I can suggest what you can do instead. The computer system **will not** take a 16 digit number.

## WHAT'S NEW ON THE WEBSITE

You can now put 1 photo of your animal into the Herd Book beside each of your registered animals. All you have to do is email me your photo and their Herd Book Number. Please make sure your photos are not too big (approx. 200kb) so I can download them easily and they don't take up heaps of space on my computer. (I will be deleting them once they are on the system). Please also send them as an attachment to your email not part of your email. The cost to you is \$1 plus GST per photo, which will be invoiced to you by the Galloway Society. If you would like to see an example I have put a photo of some of my animals in the Herd Book, 16341 and 16342, go and have a look!

I look forward to seeing many of you in Nelson at our AGM in May. In the meantime if you have any questions please email or phone me. I am always here to help.

Kind regards

Susan Nicol

07 8252979 or 027 2317 399

[Beltie.susan@farmside.co.nz](mailto:Beltie.susan@farmside.co.nz)

### Galloway Animal Details FOREST VIEW KOWHAI (\*) (AD)(ET)(B)

[Home](#) [Animal Enquiry](#) [Member Enquiry](#) [Sale Catalogues](#) [Download Files](#) [Online Transactions](#)

Identifier: 16341  
Sex: Female  
Tattoo: 510  
Birth Date: 23/04/2015  
Calving Year: 2015  
Status: Active  
Registration Status: Registered  
MICRO DNA: 800067514  
Breeder: [SUSAN NICOL](#)  
Current Owner: [SUSAN NICOL](#)  
Main Breed: Belted  
Colour: Black  
Progeny: None



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# DNA Testing - Pro's and Con's

Council was recently asked for an overview of DNA testing and why it is recommending this become a requirement for all bulls that are to be used for stud breeding. In response to that query, Council have outlined the following reply. More detailed technical information on the generation and use of genetic information, can be sourced from Ray Curson's articles in issues 2 and 3 of the 2017 Gazette. There is also a great deal of material online on the practicalities of how to conduct testing. A good place to start is to check out the Genomnz site:

[www.genomnz.co.nz](http://www.genomnz.co.nz)

## We see the pro's as the following:

### ● In the short term:

- ⇒ It is a means of confirming accuracy of parentage. We propose starting just with sires, but there is nothing to stop members testing their dams as well
- ⇒ In a legal context, having this information protects a breeder in any dispute over parentage after selling an animal
- ⇒ In a sale context, having this test information confirms the animal, or his offspring, are who they are claimed to be, and gives confidence to a buyer
- ⇒ A DNA profile only needs to be done once in the lifetime of the animal and a sire that is an approved AI bull will already have a DNA profile on record. Genetic material and profiles are kept on file on a permanent basis by the Company that has done the testing. Therefore, an owner of an animal or semen (which they have purchased) can access the information if they need to prove parentage of their calves etc.

### ● In the longer term:

- ⇒ Breeders, or their association, can start to build a history of genetic indicators for their bulls that would be positive indicators of birth weights, weight gain and put in place a structure to be able to trace desirable genetics or genetic problems. This in turn, will assist individual breeders to improve their own Galloway herds, and overall, the national Galloway herds.
- ⇒ It will help us build a story for the use of Galloway bulls over dairy cattle. See this link for an idea of where the Angus Association is heading on this matter:  
<https://gallery.mailchimp.com/9c245920f0d0bedc002fb8945/files/ProgenyTests2016.pdf>
- ⇒ Other breed associations are much more advanced on this matter than NZ Galloways. These breeds are using genetic information to justify higher pricing for their pedigree animals (check out the Hereford, Simental and Angus websites).
- ⇒ We should all be concerned about them starting to use genetic information to challenge our dairy market opportunities

● Costs differ by testing company but are around \$40 per animal for the basic test, ranging to \$70+ for more detailed reports.

● Tests will indicate any genetic disorders a breeder needs to be aware of

## The cons are:

- A little more paperwork, but straight-forward after one does their first sampling and submission
- There is a financial cost, and smaller breeders may not see the ROI on the spend
- And someone actually has to do it; that's another thing in a busy day.

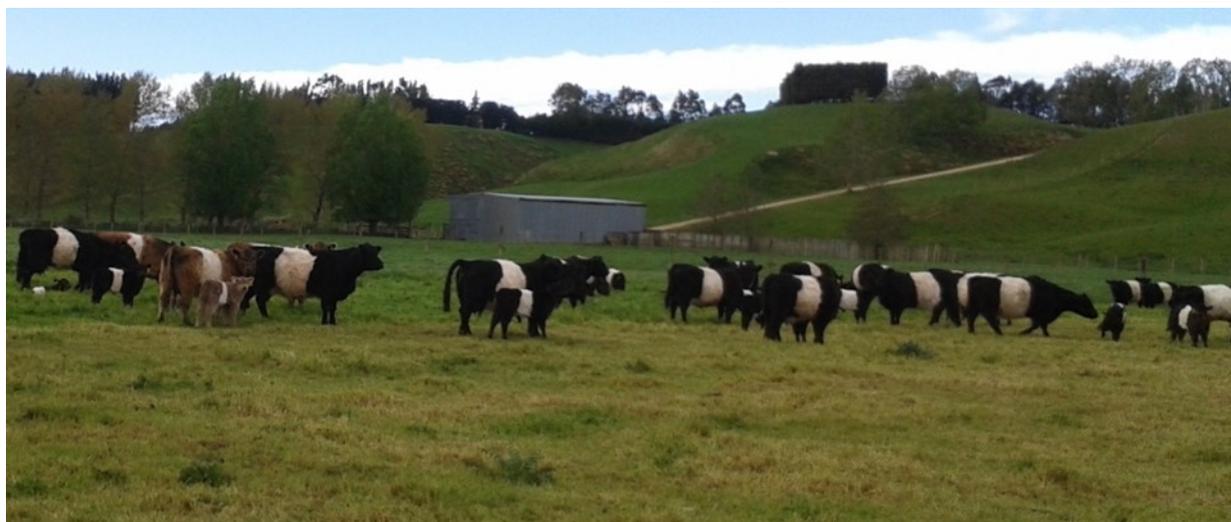
# Southern Galloway Breeder's Group

- Report By Jill Maxwell

**Our Spring Meeting** and Herd Walk was held on Saturday 21st October 2017 at Rob and Lynne Hall's property at Maitland in Eastern Southland.

Rob runs Belted Galloways, a few Standard Galloways, Angus cattle and Southdown sheep.

We headed out to the herds at 3.30pm, and discussed bull selection while we were down the paddock looking at Rob's sires and viewing the bulls he was selling this season. Rob buys in weaned Galloway bull calves every year, rears them through to yearlings and sometimes 2 year olds, before selling them for the dairy market. Every year he has a full clearance of bulls and occasionally he leases out older sires as well.



The cows and calves were looking great with some outstanding calves to look out for in the show ring.

We then went up to the house for the meeting and carried on down the road to the Waikaka Pub for tea.

**The Summer meeting** and BBQ tea was held on a beautiful summer evening on the 14<sup>th</sup> January 2018 at Jill Maxwell and Linton Strang's new home at Waimatuku in Western Southland.

Jill and Linton have just moved into their new home on 50 acres of the Strang farm and now Jill can increase her herd of Black and Red Belted Galloways.

The meeting was to finalise the plans for our site at the Southern Field Days at Waimumu in February. Congratulations to young Cantabrian breeder Marshall Stokes for winning the Thistlestone Trophy at the Christchurch A & P Show. The Groups next meeting will be at the end of April.



# Councillors



**President**  
Richard Dyson



**Secretary & Treasurer**  
Angela McNaughton



**Vice President**  
Faye Ashmore



**Patron**  
Te Radar

## North Island -Northern

(Northland, Auckland, Coromandel)



**Barbara Fitchett**  
Publicity & Promotions (Gazette),  
Finance & Breed Management Sub  
Committees  
**Phone** - 021 997 891  
**Breeder of** - White & Standard Galloway  
**Stud Names** - Alclutha/Glenfinnan  
**Joined Society** - 2013

## North Island -Central West

(Waikato, Central Pateau, Taranaki)



**Richard Dyson**  
**President**  
Rules & Breed Management Sub  
Committees  
**Phone** - 06 752 7080  
**Breeder of** - White Galloway  
**Stud name** - Stoney Brook  
**Joined Society** - 2009

## North Island -Central West

(Waikato, Central Pateau, Taranaki)



**Graeme Turner**  
Finance Sub-committee, Promotions &  
Breed Management Sub-committee  
**Phone** - 07 829 8991  
**Breeder of** - White & Belted Galloway  
**Stud Names** - Grange and Grange Polar  
**Joined Society** - 1999

## North Island -Central West

(Waikato, Central Pateau, Taranaki)



**Roger Brownlee**  
Rules & Breed Management Sub  
Committees  
**Phone** -027 605 8494  
**Breeder of** - White Galloway  
**Stud Name** - Bryndlee  
**Joined Society** -2009

## North Island -Central West

(Waikato, Central Pateau, Taranaki)



**Faye Ashmore**  
**Vice President**  
Minute Secretary, Publicity & Promotions  
(Facebook, Website & Merchandise),  
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**Phone** - 027 280 0067  
**Breeder of** - White Galloway  
**Stud Name** - RyeBred  
**Joined Society** - 2010

## North Island -Central West

(Waikato, Central Pateau, Taranaki)



**Susan Nicol**  
**Registrar**  
Membership and Breed Management  
Sub-committees  
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**Breeder of** - Belted Galloway  
**Stud Names** - Forest View  
**Joined Society** - 2012

## South Island - Southern

(Otago, Southland, Fiordland)



**Angela McNaughton**  
**Secretary & Treasurer,**  
Finance and Breed Management Sub-  
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**Phone** - 03 449 3237  
**Breeder of** - White Galloway  
**Stud Name** - Dunderave  
**Joined Society** - 2008-9

## North Island - Southern

(Wanganui/Manawatu, Wellington, Wairarapa)



**Roger Fraser**  
Promotion & Marketing  
**Phone** - 06 306 8066  
**Breeder of** - Belted Galloway  
**Stud Name** - Longrun  
**Joined Society** - 2011

## TBA - North Island -Central East

(Bay of Plenty, East Coast, Hawkes Bay)

## South Island - Central

(Canterbury / Westland)

## South Island - Northern

(Nelson / Marlborough)



# World Galloway Congress 2018



The Australian Belted Galloway  
Association would like to welcome you to the

## World Galloway Congress 2018 Melbourne

At the **Best Western Airport Motel**

**& Conference Centre, Attwood**



**Commencing 28<sup>th</sup> September 2018**



**Friday 28<sup>th</sup> Sept – Registrations, Welcome Ceremony and Dinner**

**Saturday 29<sup>th</sup> Sept – Conference, Lunch and Dinner with Entertainment**

**Sunday 30<sup>th</sup> Sept – Galloway & Belted Galloway cattle will be showcased at the Royal Melbourne Show 2018 followed by a Dinner**

*Commencing Monday 1<sup>st</sup> Oct to 3<sup>rd</sup> Oct - Victorian Galloway & Belted Galloway Farm Tours, Wildlife, Wine experiences.*

**Most meals and all bus transport included.**

Following the Congress there will be other Galloway & Belted Galloway farms available to visit by prior appointment. Details to follow.

Registrations are open: email [wgcmelb2018@bigpond.com](mailto:wgcmelb2018@bigpond.com) or for postal mail: WGC 2018 Melbourne, ABGA, UNI, Armidale, NSW 2351

*This itinerary is subject to change.*

# Registration for World Galloway Congress 2018



*Registration for the World Galloway  
Congress 2018 Melbourne  
Australia - 28<sup>th</sup> September to 3<sup>rd</sup> October*

One copy for Individual or Family

Name/Names \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City/Prov/State: \_\_\_\_\_

Country: \_\_\_\_\_ Postal/Zip Code: \_\_\_\_\_

Names of delegates attending \_\_\_\_\_

	Number Attending	Total
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Full Conference-\$685.00 per delegate	_____	_____
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**Congress dates 28th September to 3<sup>rd</sup> October 2018**

Please advise if you have any food allergies or require any assistance with mobility.

**Registration is required by 1<sup>st</sup> March 2018 and payment by 1<sup>st</sup> April 2018.**

All registration payments whether by cheque or money order to be sent to ABGA or direct credit to Bank (details below) -

The Australian Belted Galloway Association  
ABRI, UNI, ARMIDALE. NSW 2351

**Direct Deposit**

Name of account – World Galloway Congress 2018 Melbourne

Bank Name - Westpac

BSB 032607 Account No 348149

**You must book your own motel room with**

**Best Western Airport Motel & Conference Center**

33 Ardlie Street, Attwood, Melbourne VIC, 3049

Phone 03 9333 2200 Fax 03 9333 2696

Email - [reservations@airportmotelmelbourne.com.au](mailto:reservations@airportmotelmelbourne.com.au) Attention: Gareth Fry and quote "World Galloway Congress" when booking

All enquiries: email [wgcmelb2018@bigpond.com](mailto:wgcmelb2018@bigpond.com)

# Invitation to Join Privately Organised Tour

# GALLOWAYS AUSTRALIA



GALLOWAYS AUSTRALIA INC. actively promotes all the Galloway breeds using independent research that endorses Galloway uniqueness.

GALLOWAYS AUSTRALIA INC. offers members:

- professional resources of information and assistance on all Galloway matters
- A high standard of pedigree management integrity
- advice on marketing, breed development and skills improvement.
- contact via a regular newsletter, field days and dinners featuring Galloway beef.

Overseas based Galloway enthusiasts are invited to join members of Galloways Australia on a unique, privately organised, small group coach tour of Galloway properties and some icons of eastern Australia. Tour from Canberra to Surfers Paradise, 5 to 16 October 2018; after the World Galloway Congress.

Expressions of interest by 3 April 2018 to the Secretary, Galloways Australia, by email (gallowaysaustralia@gmail.com) or mail (PO Box 309, Hall ACT 2618, Australia).



More information is available on the website.

## www.gallowaysaustralia.com.au

# Stock For Sale

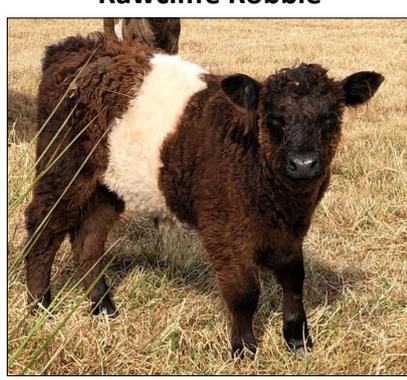
## RAWCLIFFE BELTED GALLOWAYS

### Bonnydale Fella



**HB# 16333      DOB: 27/08/2015      Tag #: 152**  
 Sire: Bonnydale Kees (HB# 14036)  
 Dam: Tuhua Valley Fanella (HB# 14047)

### Rawcliffe Robbie



**HB# Pending      DOB: 13/09/2017      Tag #:**  
 Sire: Bonnydale Fella (HB# 16333)  
 Dam: Oxenrig Heather (HB# 13721)

We have one bull (Fella) and his bull calf (Robbie) for sale. Fella is a placid character (unless there are bulls in the next door paddock) and is attentive and hard working. He has just got our cows in calf for the second year running, so we sadly need to move him on. Robbie is his bull calf from last year.

**For all enquiries please contact:**  
 Lisa Buchan  
 Phone: (021) 712 217  
 Email: waikawaglen@gmail.com

# Stock for Sale

## Lilliesleaf Buggy 910

HB# 15347

DOB: 10/09/2012

Tag #: 910

Sire: Southfield Double-O-Seven (IMP UK) (HB# 13742)  
 Dam: Lilliesleaf Bethea 485 (HB# 13325)

Price \$2,000.00

We are putting Buggy on the market for sale as we now have enough replacement daughters from him. He is a true gentleman to work with and he sires small calves that grow into nice strong well balanced progeny.

Buggy has been a wonderful sire to improve our herd with.

### Further Information:

Jill Maxwell

Phone: (03) 221 7312

Email: rosemay@unifone.net.nz



## Kahala Mack

HB# 16279

DOB: 07/03/2016

Tag #: 1

Sire: Alclutha Finian (HB# 15401)  
 Dam: Gilt Edge Eriskay (HB# 14510)

From the 'Kahala Stud', Havelock North, this yearling is a well marked, White Galloway Bull.

TB Status: C10

### Further Information:

Michelle MacKay

Phone: (027) 4716812

Email: michellevanhouts@hotmail.com



## Skean Dhu Angstrom

HB# 15028

DOB: 12/06/2012

Tag #: 3

Sire: Glenelg Park Moss (HB# 9191)  
 Dam: Salisbury Farm Whitney (HB# 12503)

The Tapuae Belted Galloway Stud in New Plymouth is offering Skean Dhu Angstrom for sale. He is a fantastic bull, quiet and easy to handle. He is being moved on because his daughters are now coming through ready for mating.

Price: \$2,200 + GST

### Further Information:

Phone: Steve (021) 215 5572

A/H: (06) 7513301

Email: hobson@primowireless.co.nz



## Alclutha Joel

HB# 16522

DOB: 26/11/2016

Tag #: 2611

Sire: Pheonix Monty (HB# 15522)  
 Dam: Alclutha Chloe (HB# 15756)

Joel has a quiet temperament and is always obliging when moving paddocks. He is available for sale because he is too closely related to my heifers that are now coming through in my herd.

A copy of his pedigree is available upon request.

### Further Information:

Phone: Barbara (021) 997 891

Email: alcluthagalloways@xtra.co.nz



# Stock for Sale

## STONEY BROOK GALLOWAYS

**Stoney Brook Pusa**

**Stoney Brook Bella**



**Stoney Brook Pusa - HB# 16586**    **DOB: 24/10/2016**    **Tag: 302**  
 Sire: Galazy Hansell    HB# 13282  
 Dam: Tuibrook Bindi    HB# 13739

**Stoney Brook Bella - HB# 16587**    **DOB: 15/10/2016**    **Tag: 31**  
 Sire: Pheonix Benson    HB# 14689  
 Dam: Whitby Pippin    HB# 14240

**Stoney Brook Jasmine**



**HB# Pending**    **DOB: 07/06/2017**    **Tag: 36**  
 Sire: Pheonix Benson    HB# 14689  
 Dam: Suncrest Arctic Emma    HB# 13463

All three of these Heifers are of quiet nature and easy to move when called.

**For Further Information Please Contact:**

Richard Dyson  
 Phone: (021) 027 53 283  
 Email: dysonrs@xtra.co.nz

## BRYNDLEE WHITE GALLOWAYS

**Bryndlee Cardinal**



**HB# 16537**    **DOB: 25/06/2016**    **Tag #: 7**

Sire: Bryndlee Gamble    (HB# 15535)  
 Dam: Waitakere White Coral    (HB# 13451)

Cardinal is a lightly marked boy, now weaned and ready to go. He is up to date with his vaccinations and drenching, and has a lovely quiet temperament. So, if you are looking for a lightly marked boy to service your appendix white girls, Cardinal is your man.

**Bryndlee Rowan**



**HB# 16534**    **DOB: 29/06/2016**    **Tag #: 30**

Sire: Bryndlee Gamble    (HB# 15535)  
 Dam: Bryndlee Angelrose    (HB# 15532)

Rowan is a well marked boy, now weaned and ready to go. He is also up to date with his vaccinations and drenching and has a lovely quiet temperament.

**For all enquiries please contact:**

Barbara Fitchett  
 Phone: (021) 997 891  
 Email: alcluthagalloways@xtra.co.nz

If you have any stock for sale, please email the details to: [gallowaygazette@xtra.co.nz](mailto:gallowaygazette@xtra.co.nz).  
 They will be included in the Galloway Gazette "Stock For Sale" section until sold.

Please remember to advise the Galloway Gazette when your stock has been sold, so the advertisement can be removed.

If you are looking for stock to purchase please check out our website: [www.nzgalloway.co.nz](http://www.nzgalloway.co.nz) for up to date listings of Cattle for Sale.





## BECOME A HOST FARM

### Here is what to expect when hosting a class on your farm

- The children who are visiting your farm have taken part in an introductory unit around genetics – they are in years 6-8 (11-13 years old)
- All children will have their teachers with them, the ratios of adults to students will be at 1:7 (one adult for every seven children)
- Set the boundaries at the start, run through health and safety including toilets and evacuation points, out of bounds areas, how to behave around the animals, shutting the gates (why this is important)
- Have some animals in pens up close for the children to look at (some children may never have seen these animals before)
- It is not your responsibility to make sure the children are behaving while visiting your farm, it is the responsibility of the teachers and adults

### Outcomes of the farm visit

- To better understand the science behind the decisions that happen on the farm enabling the farm to be more productive
- Learning outcomes for each class who visit your farm will depend on what “information” the children have covered with their teacher

### What is in it for me, the farmer

- Enabling students to develop a greater level of appreciation for the skills and knowledge needed for the various occupations relevant to farming and other primary industries
- **\$200** to show our appreciation as we realise you are giving up your time to engage with the students



This programme is funded by the Red Meat Profit Partnership.

# ACTIVITY SUGGESTIONS

Ideas you may want to do with the children who are visiting your farm

## Animals on the farm

- Showcase the different animals you have on farm – dogs, sheep, cattle etc
- Outline the different roles the animals have eg Heading and Huntaway dogs
- Explain different terms for animals – cow, bull, calf, heifer, steer etc
- Outline the use of each animal on the farm
- What different breeds do you have? Why?

## Animal husbandry

- Show the children how you interact with the animals eg drenching/shearing/weighing/ear marking etc
- What is the best feed for your animals? How does this change with different seasons?
- Outline marks/tags on animals ear – what do they mean?
- What are some of the risks your animals may face eg facial eczema? What do you do to fix/limit the risks?
- How do you move animals around & off the farm – machinery used/animals used

## Farm work

- What are some of the jobs you do every day/week/month?
- Different seasons have different tasks, what are these?
- Showcase some machinery you use on the farm eg weighing scales, tractor, shearing shed, cattle crush

## Genetics

- Outline why you have selected the breeds you have on the farm
- What types of characteristics do these breeds have?
- Where do you source new stock from?
- Where do your stock go when they leave the farm?
- Typical weights of animals – what is an ideal weight for sale?

If you would be interested in further information regarding this initiative contact Deb Kingma at NZ Young Farmers

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## 2017 Hawera A&P Show Winner - By Juan Whittington



Sue, Larissa & Awanui Harper after winning their first class.

The Hawera A&P Show was held on Friday 17th, and Saturday 18th of November 2017 and a fantastic day was had by Sue Vanner, of Awanui Galloways, at this Taranaki event. Sue entered her heifer "Awanui Harper" into the All Beef Breeds at the Show and Harper took out **1st Place** in the **Heifer up to two years old, winning the Dalgety Crown Perpetual Trophy**. She then went on to take out the **Runner Up** placing in the **Supreme Champion of Champions**. A real credit to Sue and her family who all helped out during the weekend with Larissa taking on the Handler duties for the day.



Ben, Josh, Larissa & Awanui Harper after claiming Runner Up in the Supreme Champion of Champions.



# Website Links

## New Zealand Breeders Websites

Bob & Karen Curry	<a href="http://www.suncreststud.co.nz">www.suncreststud.co.nz</a>
Tracy Wood	<a href="http://www.whitegallowaysofwayby.co.nz">www.whitegallowaysofwayby.co.nz</a>
Rob Hall	<a href="http://www.lilliesleaf.co.nz">www.lilliesleaf.co.nz</a>
Barbara Fitchett	<a href="http://www.alcluthagalloways.co.nz">www.alcluthagalloways.co.nz</a>
Linda van Eyk	<a href="http://www.linwoodbelted.co.nz">www.linwoodbelted.co.nz</a>

## General Websites

Te Radar (Patron GCSNZ Inc)	<a href="http://www.radarswebsite.com">www.radarswebsite.com</a>
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>
Stackyard	<a href="http://www.stackyard.com">www.stackyard.com</a>
The Royal Agricultural Society of NZ	<a href="http://www.ras.org.nz/">www.ras.org.nz/</a>

## Overseas Breed Societies Websites

	American Galloway Breeders Assn	<a href="http://www.americangalloway.com">www.americangalloway.com</a>	
	Australian Galloway Association	<a href="http://www.galloway.asn.au">www.galloway.asn.au</a>	
	Australian Belted Galloway Association	<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>	
	Belted Galloway Society of Germany	<a href="http://www.beltie-deutschland.de">www.beltie-deutschland.de</a>	
	Canadian Galloway Association	<a href="http://www.galloway.ca/">www.galloway.ca/</a>	
	The Galloway Cattle Society - UK & Ireland	<a href="http://www.gallowaycattlesociety.co.uk">www.gallowaycattlesociety.co.uk</a>	
	The Belted Galloway Cattle Society	<a href="http://www.beltedgalloways.co.uk">www.beltedgalloways.co.uk</a>	
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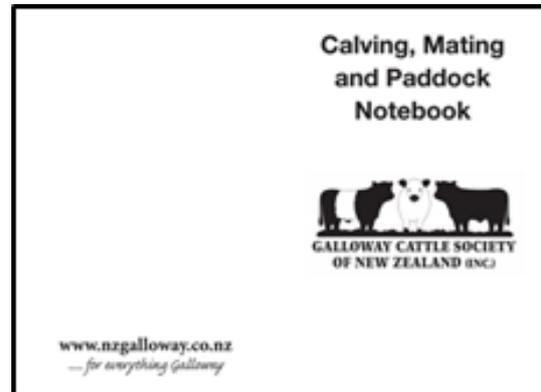


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# In Support of DNA Testing

By Bob & Karen Curry  
Suncrest Stud

Hi Barbara

Thanks very much for yet another sterling Gazette , we really enjoy receiving it with all its interesting articles.

In answer to the question of whether the Society should adopt compulsory DNA testing – Karen & I certainly support this, not just for the purpose of tracking parentage to maintain the integrity of the Pedigree Register, but also to allow the breeder to improve desired attributes in their progeny and provide a further tool to assist in the selection of the best matings.

The very good articles provided by Ray Cursons cover some of the benefits to breeders, such as the one published in the latest Gazette - using DNA breeding selection to optimise marbling and tenderness.

In addition, as discussed at the last AGM, with the support of Igenity in the USA, we have used DNA as a tool to optimise breeding for numerous desirable attributes using the following traits:

- Carcass Composition (yield grade, rib-eye area and back-fat thickness);
- Carcass Quality (marbling and quality grade);
- Maternal and Reproductive Traits (heifer pregnancy rate, stay ability and maternal calving); and,
- Average Daily Gain (residual feed intake and daily gain)

As mentioned, we wrote a news article back in August 2013 on our experiences entitled - '*DNA Results Validate and Assist Suncrest's Herd Selection Programme*' which can be viewed on our web site link - <http://suncreststud.co.nz/news.html#april2014>.

As also mentioned it need not be expensive. For our testing, we provided tail hair samples to Igenity in the USA; and even with international couriers, the costs for the testing of all traits worked out at ~US\$40 per animal. A lesser test for replacement heifers (covers tenderness, percent choice, stayability, maternal calving ease, and average daily gain) is available for ~US\$25 (see order form for details - [http://genomics.neogen.com/pdf/igenity/ag088\\_igenityorderformbeef.pdf](http://genomics.neogen.com/pdf/igenity/ag088_igenityorderformbeef.pdf)).

In addition, the big bonus with using Igenity, is that it gives all participating breeders access to an enormous database of other Galloway cattle herds from around the World. And as time goes by with more NZ breeders participating a valuable NZ only database will build, so breeders can compare their breeding stock with the wider NZ herd, as well as with other herds in the USA, Canada and other countries.

So, needless to say we are convinced of the wider benefits of DNA testing of not just bulls but all stock, especially the progeny which as the above news article shows, can validate selective mating to improve numerous desired attributes in ones herd.

Please feel free to reproduce the above news article in the Gazette if you like, as we believe it may give the general membership a further insight into the wider benefits of DNA testing, and get more breeders on board with supporting DNA testing.

Hope these comments are helpful.

Kind regards

Bob



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## DNA Results Validate and Assist Suncrest's Herd Selection Programme – August 2013

Whilst in Canada attending the World Galloway Congress, fellow Canadian Galloway breeder John McIlwraith introduced Bob & Karen to the Igenity Profile System whereby using the power of DNA, Igenity can help to understand and manage the potential for cattle to perform and transmit traits of economic importance. Igenity profile scores traits such as:

- Carcass Composition (yield grade, rib-eye area and back-fat thickness);
- Carcass Quality (marbling and quality grade);
- Maternal and Reproductive Traits (heifer pregnancy rate, stay ability and maternal calving); and,
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and allows breeders to determine how their herds' genetics compares with Galloway breed/country benchmarks available in the Igenity database; and allows them to sort and rank their cattle based on traits that are most important to them.

In June 2013 Bob & Karen took hair samples from some selected White Galloway breeding cows and bulls with a view to assessing the genetics of their herd, how it rated with country benchmarks for the breed, and whether important traits of progeny of selected matings were improved.

The resulting Igenity Profiles for their animals were very interesting but to fully understand the benefits they need to be read in conjunction with the Igenity Results Key for Beef which can be found on the Igenity web site - [www.igenity.com](http://www.igenity.com)

Briefly, the profiles use a score of 1-10 with the values in between reflecting the relative difference expected in animals compared to contemporaries with an Igenity Profile score of 1. Higher scores are not necessarily better i.e. the lower the score for Residual Feed Intake, the less the animal needs to achieve the same gains, but most traits e.g. Average Daily Gain, the higher the better. As an example, if Animal A has an I-Score of 7 for Average Daily Gain (in effect 0.25kg/day), and Animal B has an I-Score of 3 (in effect - 0.06kg/day); and if Animal A gains 1.55 kg/day, then it is predicted that Animal B will gain Animal A's gain less the I-Score equivalent difference (0.25-0.06=0.19kg/day), giving Animal B an Average Daily Gain of 1.36kg/day.

The following table gives the Igenity results from selected Suncrest cows and bulls, and shows averages for each trait as compared with an average result from a Canadian Galloway breeder, and the whole of the USA.

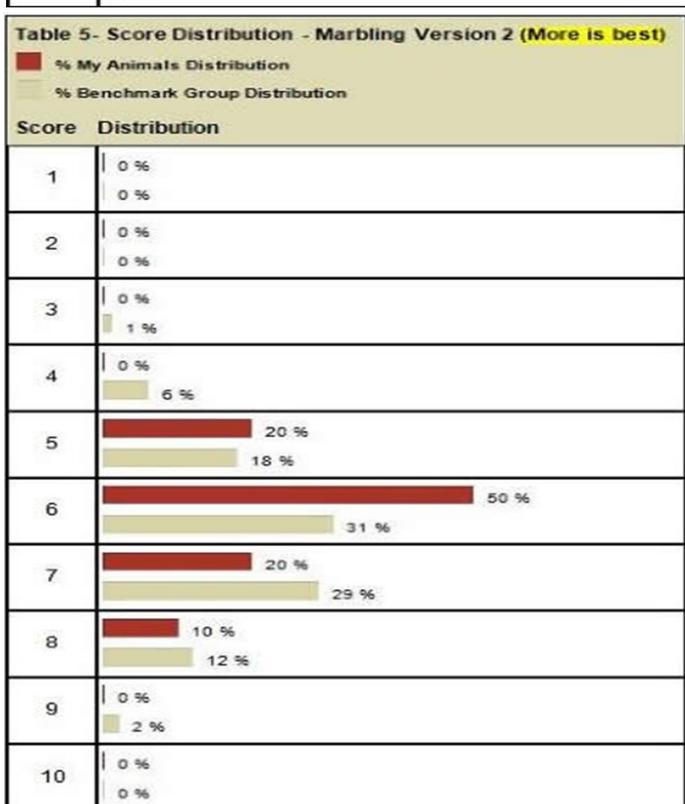
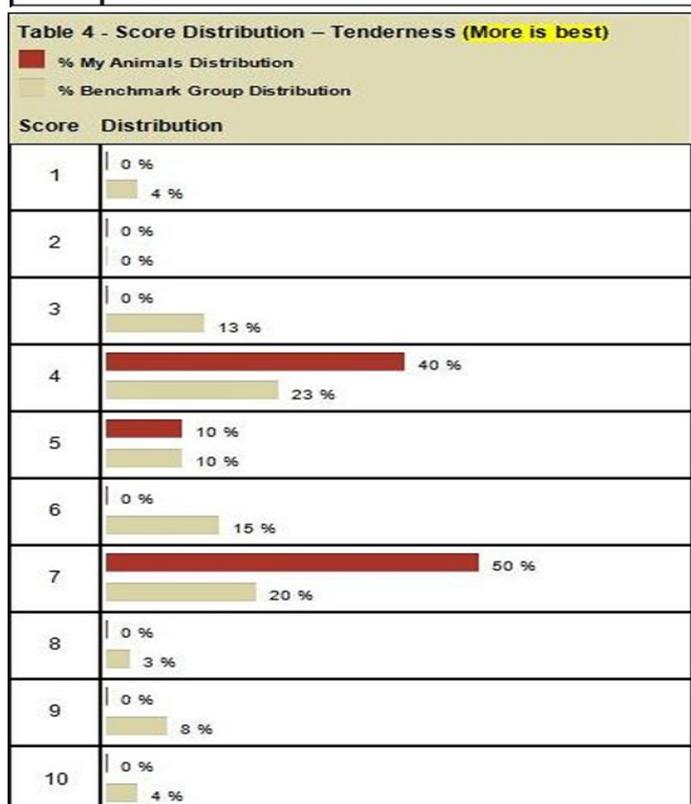
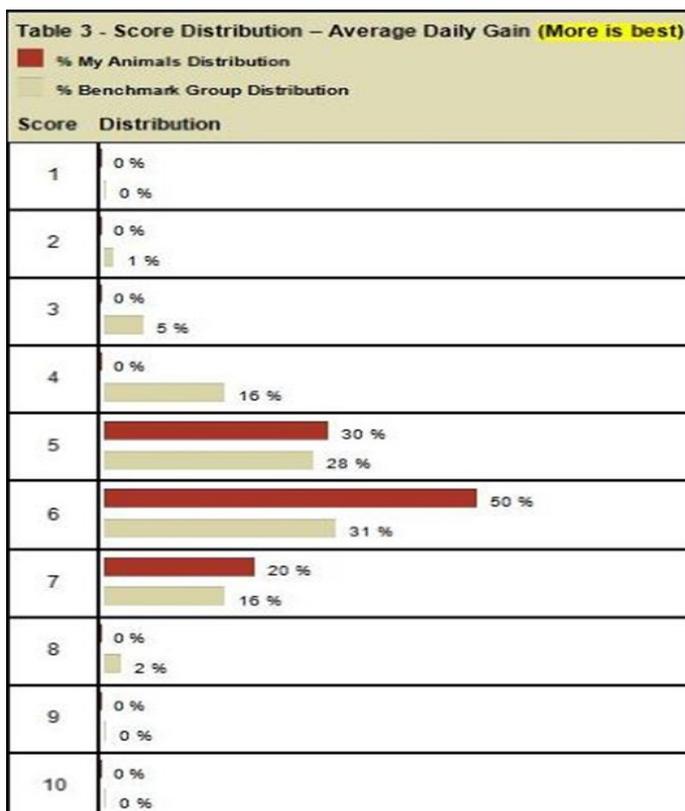
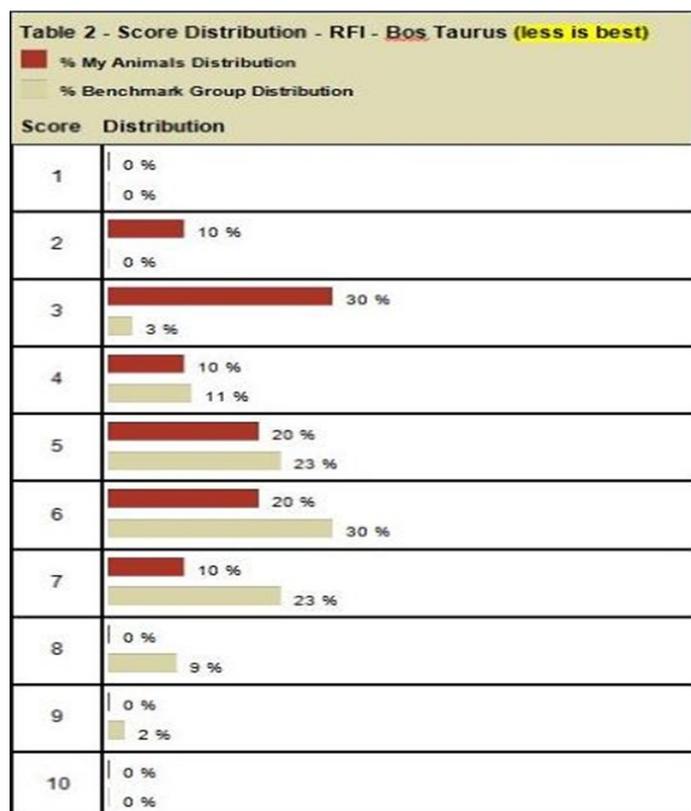
table 1

<b>Suncrest NZ vs North American Igenity Profile Comparisons</b>													
Name/ Category	M/F	Average Daily Gain		Carcass Quality			Carcass Composition			Maternal & Reproductive Traits			
		Residual Feed Intake (Bos Taurus)	Average Daily Gain	Tenderness	Marbling Score	Percent Choice	Yield Grade	Fat Thickness	Ribeye Area	Heifer Pregnancy Rate	Stayability	Maternal Calving Ease	Docility
<b>Suncrest NZ:</b>													
Ngutunui White Trixie	F	2	5	7	6	6	6	6	3	6	5	6	4
Ngutunui White Grace	F	3	7	5	5	5	7	6	5	5	5	7	6
Suncrest Arctic Bayley	M	6	6	4	8	8	8	7	5	4	6	4	5
Lifestyle Dayna	F	3	6	4	6	6	6	6	4	6	5	5	4
Springhill Barbara	F	4	5	7	7	7	7	7	4	4	6	6	6
Suncrest Arctic Daisy	F	3	5	4	6	6	7	8	3	4	6	6	5
Suncrest Arctic Dale	F	5	6	7	7	7	7	6	5	6	5	6	6
Whisperings Jasper	M	7	6	7	6	6	5	5	4	5	6	6	7
Suncrest Arctic Femme	F	5	7	7	6	6	6	6	5	6	6	6	6
Tuilbrook Candy	F	6	6	4	5	5	6	7	3	5	5	7	5
Average Suncrest Cows (8)	F	3.9	5.9	5.6	6.0	6.0	6.5	6.5	4.0	5.3	5.4	6.1	5.3
Average Suncrest Bulls (2)	M	6.5	6.0	5.5	7.0	7.0	6.5	6.0	4.5	4.5	6.0	5.0	6.0
Average Suncrest Herd (10)	B	4.4	5.9	5.6	6.2	6.2	6.5	6.4	4.1	5.1	5.5	5.9	5.4
<b>North America:</b>													
Average Canadian herd (14)	M	5.6	5.1	6.4	6.1	6.1	6.1	5.2	4.4	6.0	6.5	4.8	5.4
Average USA Galloways	B	5.9	5.4	5.5	6.3	6.3	6.1	5.4	4.7	5.4	6.5	5.3	5.9

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At a glance Table 1 shows that Suncrest's cows score a much lower Residual Feed Intake (IScore 3.9 or 0.59kg/day) than the North American average (I-Score 5.7 or 1.0kg/day), requiring on average 0.41kg/day less for the same gain than their N. American counterpart. In addition Suncrest herd's Average Daily Gain (I-Score 5.9 or in effect 0.20kg/day) exceeds the North American average (I-Score 5.3 or 0.16kg/day) by 0.04kg/day, (with minimal hard feed supplements).

The table also shows that Suncrest's Carcass Quality traits (Tenderness, Marbling and Percent Choice) compares favourably with the North American average, as generally does the Carcass Composition and Maternal & Reproductive traits. See Tables 2, 3, 4 & 5 -comparing Suncrest's distribution (My Animal Distribution in tables) for traits - Residual Feed Intake (RFI), Average Daily Gain, Tenderness & Marbling, with that of USA Galloways (Benchmark Group Distribution in tables) respectively.



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More importantly when comparing the Igenity Scores of Suncrest's Sire/Dam matings with the I-Scores of their progeny, a significant improvement in most traits is noticed, thereby validating Suncrest's herd selection and mating programme (see Table 6).

Suncrest Igenity Profiles for Sire/Dam/Progeny													
Name/ Category	M/F	Average Daily Gain		Carcass Quality			Carcass Composition			Maternal & Reproductive Traits			
		Residual Feed Intake (Bos Taurus)	Average Daily Gain	Tenderness	Marbling Score	Percent Choice	Yield Grade	Fat Thickness	Ribeye Area	Heifer Pregnancy Rate	Stayability	Maternal Calving Ease	Docility
<b>Dam:</b>													
Ngutunui White Grace	F	3	7	5	5	5	7	6	5	5	5	7	6
<b>Sire:</b>													
Suncrest Arctic Bayley	M	6	6	4	8	8	8	7	5	4	6	4	5
<b>Average Sire/Dam</b>		<b>4.5</b>	<b>6.5</b>	<b>4.5</b>	<b>6.5</b>	<b>6.5</b>	<b>7.5</b>	<b>6.5</b>	<b>5.0</b>	<b>4.5</b>	<b>5.5</b>	<b>5.5</b>	<b>5.5</b>
<b>Progeny:</b>													
Suncrest Arctic Dale (Grace)	F	5	6	7	7	7	7	6	5	6	5	6	6
Suncrest Arctic Femme (Grace)	F	5	7	7	6	6	6	6	5	6	6	6	6
<b>Average Progeny</b>		<b>5.0</b>	<b>6.5</b>	<b>7.0</b>	<b>6.5</b>	<b>6.5</b>	<b>6.5</b>	<b>6.0</b>	<b>5.0</b>	<b>6.0</b>	<b>5.7</b>	<b>6.0</b>	<b>6.0</b>

Table 6 shows that whilst the Residual Feed Intake I-Score for the progeny is greater than those of their Dam (a negative), the Average Daily Gain is the same as or an improvement on both parents. Carcass quality of progeny shows an increase in Tenderness over that of both parents, and progeny have a higher I-Score for Marbling and Percent Choice than their Dams. Meanwhile Carcass Composition traits for the progeny are the same as or an improvement on their Dams, and the four Maternal & Reproductive trait scores of the progeny are an overall improvement on the average scores of both parents.

Parent:



Figure 1: Dam - Ngutunui White Grace



Figure 2: Sire - Suncrest Arctic Bayley

Progeny:



Figure 3: Suncrest Arctic Dale



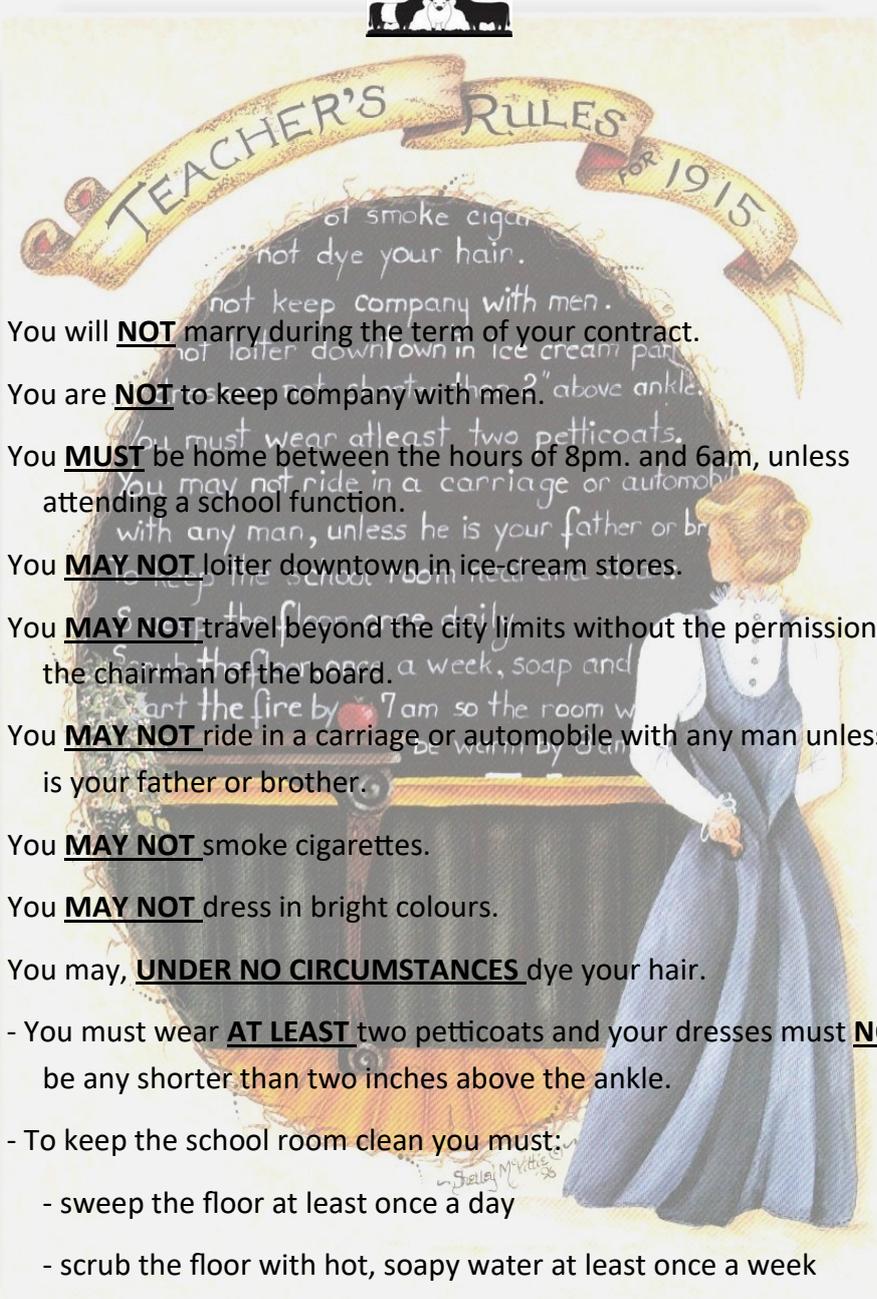
Figure 4: Suncrest Arctic Femme

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Unfortunately Suncrest's parent to progeny sample is small at this stage, as a lot of the progeny had been sold prior to doing these Igenity Profiles. Plans are to have the Profiles done for replacement heifers, a new Stud Sire, and this year's crop of calves, thereby providing a larger, and more significant database, thus allowing more conclusive results and better information for breeding decisions.

However whilst the parent to progeny sample is small, definite improvements are evident, and the Igenity profiles, coupled with an assessment of animal structure, physique, temperament and a number of performance measures, will enable better decisions into the future on which Dams & Progeny should be held or culled, and which Sires should be used over which Dams.

In summary, the Igenity Scores are now being used to provide more informed herd management decisions, in conjunction with other selection criteria. The I-Score traits most important to Suncrest's herd and farming operation are now being selected, and more weight is being placed on the traits considered most relevant to Suncrest's herd improvement objectives.



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  - clean the blackboard at least once a day
  - and start the fire at 7am so the room will be warm by 8 am.



GALLOWAY CATTLE SOCIETY OF NEW ZEALAND (INC)

# NELSON

Friday May 11<sup>th</sup> > Sunday May 13<sup>th</sup> 2018

## 2018 AGM & HERD TOUR



**Accommodation:** Grand Mercure Nelson Monaco for the weekend Friday 11<sup>th</sup> - Sunday 13<sup>th</sup> May 2018.

This is a village style hotel in Stoke, Nelson, which has several different types of rooms available, hotel rooms, studio apartments, and one & two bedroom cottages. Prices start at \$144 per room per night, two bedroom cottage sleeps 4 is \$225 per night.

Their restaurant, The Monaco Kitchen specialises in regional cuisine.

**Saturday Morning Activities:** Still to be confirmed depending on numbers attending. Further information to come.

**On Saturday 12<sup>th</sup>, the AGM** will be held in The Orangerie Conference Room at the Grand Mercure, (starting at 2.30pm) and then the Annual Dinner including Virtual Show and Silent Auction.

**On Sunday 13<sup>th</sup>** there are 4 confirmed herd visits in the Wakefield, Upper Moutere and Motueka areas, then return to the hotel/airport by 4pm for those that wish to fly home.

