

NZ MINIATURE HEREFORD

BREEDERS' GROUP

NEWSLETTER



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A Future For Small Beef Breeds

In an earlier newsletter I wrote about a private abattoir in Northland which has the aim of providing fresh, local meat for private use, Farmers' Markets, restaurants and so on. At present it is processing sheep and goats with great success but once the cattle facilities are finished it hopes to start processing those early next year. It will cater for all types of cattle, including those with horns and as a follow up to prior contacts breeders of small beef cattle were invited to a meeting to discuss ways and means of promoting our animals.

As no single group of us who breeds small beef cattle can provide a guaranteed, regular supply of animals to the abattoir a number of us got together in September to discuss how we could remedy this. We had representatives from Lowline, Highland, Dexter, White Galloway, Hinterwald and Miniature Herefords. After an enthusiastic, positive and very friendly meeting it was decided to form a Northland Small Beef Breeders' group which would work with the abattoir to promote the meat from these animals.

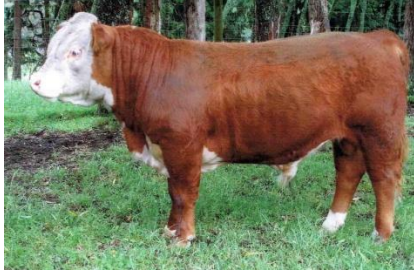
Marketing will be done by ourselves as the abattoir will be far too busy to take on that role as well. We will be setting up our own website to advertise our produce with orders able to be made on line. From there we contact the abattoir which will process the meat, package it according to orders and deliver it to the client. The "middle man" will not exist. Each breeder will be able to have their produce identified with their own specific labels so the customers know exactly what they are buying. This is a first in the country and the abattoir is hoping it will lead to other similar places being set up around the country.

A recent article in a Hospitality newsletter spoke about restaurants wanting to be more cost-effective and looking for meat which can go straight onto a plate without needing any extra attention. This echoes what the AFFCO newsletter said last year about restaurants wanting smaller cuts of meat and is a real opening for those with small beef breeds needing outlets other than just breeding stock for sale.

Janet Poole.

Stock for Sale

GLADWYN HEIGHTS – Sharon O'Brien. Ph: (07) 542 0061 Email: sharonobrien@kinect.co.nz.



Gladwyn Heights Nathan



Gladwyn Heights Oben



Gladwyn Heights Oscar

Gladwyn Heights Nathan – DOB 20/09/12 – Sire Awanui Fynn – Dam Gladwyn Heights Ella

Gladwyn Heights Oben – DOB 11/10/13 – Sire Awanui Fynn – Dam Gladwyn Heights Jupiter

Gladwyn Heights Oscar – DOB 14/09/13 – Sire Awanui Fynn – Dam Gladwyn Heights Jasmine

Gladwyn Heights Milly – DOB 25/09/11 – Sire Esprit Earl – Dam Gladwyn Heights Chardonnay

Gladwyn Heights Pollyanna – DOB 21/05/14 – Sire Esprit Sargent – Dam Gladwyn Heights Milly

Gladwyn Heights Mia – DOB 01/10/11 – Sire Akatea Lord Jonny – Dam Gladwyn Heights Ella

Gladwyn Heights Polly – DOB 12/06/14 – Sire Esprit Sargent – Dam Gladwyn Heights Mia

TANTILLUS – Bruce & Dimi Cooper. Ph: (06) 376 5351 Email: bruce_dimi@inspire.net.nz



Tantillus Achilles

Tantillus Achilles – DOB 17/08/12 – (FS 1) Sire Tantillus Maximus - Dam Tantillus Moriya

Tantillus Bosco – DOB 26/08/14. Sire: Tamerton Tavy (FS 0) Dam: Tantillus Moriya (FS 1)

Tantillus Crackajack – DOB 05/09/14. Sire: Tantillus Achilles (FS 1) Dam: Kracka Hunny Belle (FS 1)

Kracka – Sarah Wright. Ph: (09) 292 7474 Email – nzmh@xtra.co.nz

Kracka Kyros (steer) – DOB 21/10/14 – Sire Kracka Gonzales – Dam Kracka Lady Feista

Kracka Integra – DOB 12/10/12 Sire: Riverview Nugget Dam: Kracka Feista In-calf to Riverview Marti

RUAMAHANGA – Kim and Craig Hayes. Ph: (06) 304 9644 Email: kim_craig@xtra.co.nz

Unfortunately we are losing Kim and Craig as breeders owing to their business commitments which give them no time to continue with the management of their Miniature Herefords.



Left – Esprit Stella – DOB – 28/08/10

Sire – KNF General Stan Watie

Dam – Cottle Tinkerbelle

Right – Esprit Bridgette – DOB 03/09/08

Sire – Joszel Five Roxy

Dam – Esprit Jessy

FS 1



Left – Esprit Anza – DOB – 06/10/11

Sire – Raukawa 090022

Dam – Esprit Bridgette

Right – Esprit Astra - DOB – 19/08/08

Sire – Kruger Park Magnum

Dam – Esprit Bella

They also have:

Ruamahanga Milly – DOB – 21/08/12 – Sire - Esprit General Stan – Dam – Esprit Astra

Ruamahanga Lila – DOB – 05/08/12 – Sire – Esprit General Stan – Dam – Esprit Stella

Both the above are currently in-calf to KNF General Stan Watie

Lorre – Debs Hamilton – Ph: (06) 280 3554 – Email: twokidstwoponies@xtra.co.nz

ANIMALS FOR SALE

Esprit Vicky

2007 born, produced 5 calves with no complications, great Mum and quiet to handle. Unfortunately lost her last calf due to a paddock accident. In calf to Ruzak Park Dusty. Due to calve from August.



Esprit Vicky

DOB 04/11/07

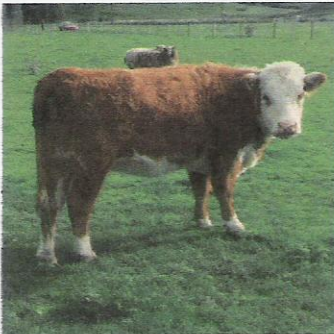
Sire – Esprit Zinzan

Dam – Akatea Lady Victoria

Now has heifer calf at foot.

Lorre Harmony

Born January 2013, calved August 2014 without complication. Very quiet to handle. In calf to Ruzak Park Dusty. Due to calve from late August.



Lorre Harmony

DOB 06/01/13

Sire – Esprit Bruno

Dam Esprit Heather

Now registered:

Lorre Hazel and Lorre Valerie

Registration pending. Hazel was born November 2013, Valerie was born September 2013. In calf to Lorre Boomer. Due to calve from early September.

Lorre Hazel – DOB 10/11/13

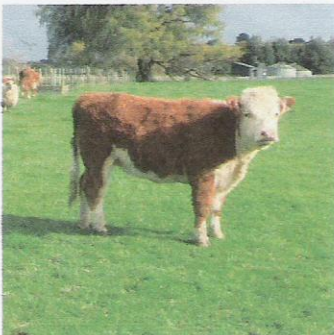
Sire – Esprit Bruno

Dam – Esprit Heather

Lorre Valerie – DOB 18/09/13

Sire – Lorre Baxter

Dam – Akatea Lady Victoria



Debs also has these two bulls for sale.

Ruzak Park Dusty

Born November 2009. Used for the last two years with no issues. Frame Score 0.



Ruzak Park Dusty

DOB 29/11/09

Sire: Kruger Park Max

Dam: Glenrae Miss Cherry

FS 0

Lorre Boomer

Born September 2012. Sired 4 2014 born calves, 1 pedigree and 3 crossbred. Unofficially measured at 104cm as a two year old (Frame Score 000) and extremely quiet to handle.



Lorre Boomer

DOB 05/09/12

Sire: Lorre Baxter

Dam: Akatea Lady Victoria

Kracka – Sarah Wright Ph: (09) 292 747 Email: nzmf@xtra.co.nz has these animals for sale:

Kracka Kyros (steer, well grown) DOB 21/10/14 Sire: Kracka Gonzales Dam: Kracka Lady Feista

Kracka Integra DOB 10/12/12 Sire: Riverview Nugget Dam: Kracka Feista In calf to Riverview Marti

With such a large number of animals for sale, if you are considering buying any, now is the time to use the Mating Predictor tool when working out which combinations to use as some of these animals are closely related. The ideal upper limit of an inbreeding co-efficiency percentage is 20. Anything over that is moving toward line breeding and the higher the percentage the closer it comes to inbreeding. The aim is to look for a combination with a percentage below 20 and the lower it goes the better the match. An explanation of this procedure was made in an earlier newsletter but if you are still not sure how it works please contact Council members or NZHA for further assistance.

A MINIATURE MOMENT



Have you seen my contact lens?

ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING - 2016

Grant Marshall and Lesley Quigley will be hosting the 2016 AGM at Nelson next year. The actual AGM will take place on Saturday, April 30th. Further details will be given closer to the time.

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