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Welcome to the November Ayrwaves

The first Championship Show of the season is now complete, and by the December Ayrwaves we will also be able to report on the South Island Championships.

In many parts of the country, production continues to be below average thanks to weather conditions. The good news this season is the improvements in world dairy prices and the effect this is likely to have on the payout in the coming months. Let's hope the media can predict this more accurately than they predicted the US election outcome!

FROM THE BOARD

UK BULLS

The Board has approved that progeny of the two UK bulls 515617 Sandyford Supreme ET and 515618 Sandyford Triclo ET can be registered at S2A status (dependant on dam registration status). Both of these bulls are 75% Ayrshire.

However, members will need to identify any progeny to the office at the time of registration for them to be correctly registered. The progeny will automatically default to S1A status, but this can also be corrected after registration by a phone call to the office.

SOUTHWIND RUM BOY ET

Due to an oversight, the bull 515623 Southwind Rum Boy ET was not parentage tested until 2016, and it has recently been shown that the incorrect sire was noted for this bull. The correct sire is 508534 Viikin Record (Finland) with a current BW of -193/84. This has since been updated on the national database. Ayrshire New Zealand apologises for any inconvenience that this may cause.

FROM THE OFFICE

HERD TEST DATES

Members are reminded that the Production Credibility Policy allows no more than 75 days between herds tests for herds to be eligible to win production awards, and all Herd Tests must be pm/am tests. All members are asked to check their scheduled herd test dates, and if necessary change them to allow their herd to remain eligible.

HERD BOOK / PRODUCTION REGISTER

For those members who receive a Herd Book, this will be posted this week. If you don't receive a Herd Book but would like to, please contact Pam Goodin. The Herd Book is free for Senior members only, all other members pay \$18.50 incl GST.

The Production Register will be issued at the end of November. Once again, if you don't receive this but would like to please contact Pam. The Production Register costs \$18.50 incl GST for all members.

SHOW SEASON

All members are reminded that when showing they are representing the Ayrshire breed and are asked to dress and behave accordingly.

Please also remember to send us in your show photographs for inclusion in publications.

SEMAYR UPDATE

Roger Hutchings (Lodore Ayrshires, Okaihau) has been re-elected as an outside Director on the Semayr Board for a further term. He is joined by David Ackermann (Musica Ayrshires, Leeston) and Michael Booth (Thornton Park Ayrshires, Palmerston North) who have been co-opted to the Board for a further year.

A total of 17 young bulls have been selected for the 2017 Semayr Progeny Test Team, by sires such as Asmo Tosikko ET, Asmo Andrei, Lodore Snapshot ET, Waiaka Riley S3A and Southwind Isabro. Look out for the new team in the new year.

Young bull semen from the 2016 Progeny Test Team is almost sold out – get your last orders in now so you don't miss out!

DATES TO REMEMBER

Kiteroa Sale, Ohaupo - **16 November 2016**

South Island Championships, South Otago A & P Show - **25-26 November 2016**

Production Register issued - **30 November 2016**

Office closes - Christmas break - **23 December 2016 & reopens on 9 January 2017**

NZ Dairy Event, Feilding - **25-27 January 2017**

Ayrshire Board Meeting - **1 February 2017**

Bulletin advertising bookings close - **17 February 2017**

Autumn Show Points Shield, Kaitaia - **25 February 2017**

LATEST NEWS

SALES BRIEFS

Ayrshire Breeders Bull Sale, Morrinsville, 19 September 2016.
30 lots averaged \$1525. Top priced bull was Goldwyn Pets Last, a yearling bull sired by Goldwyn Kates Governor ET out of Goldwyn Bons Pet ET, V7-9, with a BW of -35. Last was purchased by RJ & CA Stevenson, Carterton for \$4,000.

NEW RULE BOOK

The updated rule book is now available on the website or a hard copy is available on request.
[Ayrshire Rule Book](#)

NORTH ISLAND CHAMPIONSHIPS

At the North Island Championships held in late October at the Waikato A & P Show, the North Island Ayrshire Champion was named as Brookview Napes Huron, V8-8, owned by Vince & Sheri Steiner, Brookview Ayrshires, Tokoroa. Huron is a five year old cow sired by Ardmore Crown Napier out of Brookview Roja Hudson. In the 2015/16 production season, Huron produced 6940 litres milk, 268 kg fat, 236 kg protein (504 kg milksolids) in 278 days. Reserve North Island Champion went to Kiteroa Kia Orana, V9-9, owned by Kiteroa Ayrshires, Ohaupo. Also five years old, Kia Orana is sired by Kiteroa Cream Prince ET out of Kiteroa Koral. In the 2015/16 season, Kia Orana produced 6050 litres milk, 267 kg fat, 309 kg protein (476 kg milksolids) in 242 days.

Junior Ayrshire Champion went to Larkspur Burdette Latte, the senior yearling heifer owned by Ron Baker, Larkspur Ayrshires, Palmerston North. Latte is sired by Palmyra Tri-Star Burdette. Reserve Junior Champion went to Alex Young, Te Awamutu, with the second place senior yearling heifer Glenmore TL Snowgirl ET, sired by Plum Bottom Tridents Lot.

For full results, check out the website www.ayrshire.org.nz

AYRSHIRE ANNUAL CONFERENCE 2017

The Canterbury Ayrshire Club is hosting the 2017 AGM

We have arranged accommodation at The Chateau on the Park. We have negotiated a very favourable rate for the **early birds who book before the end of March**. The Chateau on the Park will **only hold accommodation for us until then at this rate as there is a shortage of accommodation** in Christchurch at this time. So please start thinking about whether or not you are able to attend and book early. We will send out further information in the New Year.

The conference will start on Tuesday 6 June with registration in the afternoon and Awards Dinner in the evening. There will be a bus trip on Wednesday with a Sale at night and Thursday will be the AGM with a Dinner that night. Some of you may be interested in staying for the Crusaders / Lions on Saturday 10 June.

Any questions; Anne Green 021 172 7796

YOUTH UPDATES

YOUTH COMMITTEE

The Youth Committee for the 2016/17 year is Donald Green (Convenor), Vince Steiner, Pam Goodin, David Ackermann and Courtney Davies. Please contact any of these members with feedback or ideas.

JUNIOR YOUTH CUP

The Youth Committee is working on a new cup to be presented to Junior members, along the lines of the Kiteroa Trophy. Watch this space for more information early next year.

AYRSHIRE YOUNG JUDGE COMPETITION

Please contact the office if you intend to enter the Arran Trophy for the Ayrshire Young Judge Competition at the NZ Dairy Event in Feilding in late January.

The rules have been changed; competitors who have previously won the World Wide Sires All Breeds Young Judge Competition are no longer eligible to enter. Also, winners of this competition may apply to the Board to use the prize money for an alternative purpose; this will be at the discretion of the Board.

YOUTH ACHIEVER COMPETITION CHANGES

There will be some changes to the points allocated in the competition currently underway for the 2016/17 year. But it's for a great reason – from this year on there will be an overall winner named and the major prize will be a calf. For this year's competition the calf is generously donated by Brookview Ayrshires (Vince and Sheri Steiner). Watch out for the new points allocations and age group prize money in the December Ayrwaves.

It's not too late to enter his years competition and earn great prizes for Ayrshire and show activities. Register online at www.ayrshire.org.nz

AYRSHIRE SEMINAR

The next Ayrshire Seminar will be based in the South Waikato region in late April 2017 (around ANZAC day). Dates will be confirmed for the December newsletter, and the programme theme is **Soils**.

AUSTRALIAN YOUTH CAMP

The NCDE All Breeds Dairy Youth Camp will take place from 3 – 7 January 2017 at Tatura, Victoria (Australia). Ayrshire New Zealand will sponsor \$500 towards a youth member who is attending (minimum age 18 unless accompanied by an adult). Please contact the Ayrshire office NOW if you are interested.

YOUNG HANDLER TROPHIES

The Fredrickson and Greenlane Trophies were recently decided at the North Island Ayrshire Championships held at the Waikato Show in late October. In the Fredrickson Trophy for senior young handlers, the winner was Robyn Gordon (Kenmure Ayrshires, Inglewood), with Paigan Lemberg in second and Ellen Sands (Kapukapu Ayrshires, Rotorua). The Greenlane Trophy for junior young handlers was won by Alexis McLennan, with Boyd Ferguson (Te Awamutu) in second and Quinn Steiner (Brookview Ayrshires, Tokoroa) in third. Both classes were well represented with plenty of entries, congratulations to all competitors.

NEXT GENERATION SALE

The inaugural 'Next Generation' sale was also held at the Waikato A & P Show. Heifer calves were purchased for young breeders through the sale are eligible for futurity classes at the Waikato Show and NZ Dairy Event. The sale was very well attended, with some great prices. Their new owners had a blast showing them in the futurity class the next day, which was a great spectacle.

Ayrshire lots sold as follows: Kiteroa Bonny Grand Day \$1,550 to Zara Williams; Premier Jump A Blueprint for \$3,300 to Courtney Davies; Larkspur Rockstar Candy \$2,050 to Daniel Snuriger; Brookview Vic E \$1,600 to Ella Wallace.

ROYAL SUCCESS

Courtney Davies (Inca Ayrshires, Albany) recently won the National RAS Dairy Parader competition at the Hawkes Bay Royal Show. It was very much an Ayrshire affair with Bridget Capper in second place and Hannah Lawson (Starshine Ayrshires, Woodville) in fourth. Courtney will represent New Zealand in the same competition at next year's Melbourne Royal Show.

SAVE THE DATE

National All Breeds Youth Camp hosted by Holstein Friesian New Zealand, 21-24 January 2017, Feilding. Watch Facebook for more details as they come to hand.

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