



Christmas season seems to come around faster and faster each year.

I hope that everyone has had a good year and cows are doing well to match the payout.

I wish everyone a great Christmas and New Year. Before you know it it will be June, it would be good to see you all at the Annual Conference at Palmerston North.

Brian Hutchings, President

GRAEME KNIGHT PASSES

It is with much sadness that we advise of the passing of former Secretary/Manager Graeme Knight early evening of 17 November, following an illness. Graeme served the Association for a 26 year period from 1969 - 1995, and on his retirement was awarded an Honorary Life Membership. Since his retirement Graeme had still played an active role in the Association serving as a Director for Ward 3 from 2000 to 2002 and as a regular contributor to the Ayrshire Bulletin with his 'Herds of Yesteryear' series of articles. Graeme was the author of the Association's Centenary Book published in 2009, for which he received the Kiteroa Trophy, and had more recently written the Centenary Publication for the New Zealand Milking Shorthorn Assn, which has just been published. Graeme's knowledge of the breed, Association and the national database setup was unsurpassed, and will be greatly missed.



NZ DAIRY EVENT
29-31 Jan 2014

- Graeme Knight passes
- North Island & Royal Results
- AGM Sale



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Ayrshire Seminar

For members, employees and children of members, aged 18 & over. To learn, enjoy and mix with other Ayrshire breeders.

Workshops to include Understanding Bull catalogues, growing and feeding of young stock, financial future, TOP, local herd and Bull Farm visits and a Breeders Forum.

Itinerary, costs and other information will be available early 2014 at www.ayrshire.org.nz.

21 - 23 April 2013

Block out your calendar now!

NORTH ISLAND CHAMPIONSHIPS 2013/14

The North Island Ayrshire Championships were held at the Bay of Islands Show on Saturday 9 November 2013, judged by Jonathan Glentworth of Kaponga. Brookview Lot Laguna, E9-9, owned by the Steiner Partnership of Tokoroa, became the first cow in the history of the breed to win four Island Championships. Reserve Ayrshire Champion went to 4 year old Kauri Rosa Kay, B7-7, winner of the 4&5 year old class, owned by Brian & Carolyn Hutchings of Dargaville. Brookview Lot Laguna and Kauri Rosa Kay were also named as All Breeds Champion and Reserve respectively, and Laguna as Supreme Dairy Exhibit.

Junior Champion was awarded to the yearling heifer Harvest Arctic Queenie ET owned by Feek & Feek Ltd of Tokoroa, with Reserve to the heifer calf Lodore Hugs Royale ET owned by M S & R M Hutchings. These heifers were also named as All Breeds Champion and Reserve respectively.

In the Fredrickson Trophy for Senior Young Handler, Courtney Davies was placed first, with Bridget Capper and Andrew Martin second & third. The Greenlane Trophy for Junior Young Handler went to Brad Martin, with Harrison Davis and Odyssey Travers in second and third places.

www.ayrshire.org.nz for full show and sale results

The Board and Staff of Ayrshire New Zealand wish all members a very merry Christmas and a safe and prosperous New Year

dates to remember

december

20 Office closes for Christmas break

january

13 Office reopens after Christmas break

18 South Island Championships, Winton

29-31 NZ Dairy Event, Manfield Park, Feilding

february

5 Ayrshire Board meeting

21 Advertising booking for Autumn Bulletin

SALES BRIEFS

Kiteroa Annual Sale, 12 Nov 2013. 28 yearling heifers averaged \$2305 and 25 heifer calves averaged \$888. Top price yearling at \$3500 was Kiteroa Denise, sired by Kiteroa Cream Prince ET (s. Goldwyn Folly Sultan) out of Kiteroa Dinalot, VHC. Top price calf at \$2100 was Kiteroa Koya sired by English bull Rosehill Real McCoy ET out of Kiteroa Korrine ET, V6-7, both lots purchased by Graeme Leech of Tirau.

Valendale Sale, 18 Nov 2013. 24 yearling heifers average \$1713 and 9 heifer calves averaged \$747. Top price yearling heifer was Valendale Moettel which sold for \$2450 to John Young. Moettel is sired by Sanrosa Royal Phillip out of Valendale Moetta, VHC. Three heifer calves sold for the top price of \$800.

Ayrshire New Zealand

Young Judge Competition



The Ayrshire Young Judge Competition for the Arran Trophy will take place at the NZ Dairy Event on Wednesday 29 January 2014 at 5.45 pm, entries required immediately. First and second placegetters are to be available for the World Wide Sires All Breeds Young Judge Competition the following day.

National All Breeds Dairy Youth Camp

This will take place prior to NZ Dairy Event, hosted by Holstein-Friesian NZ. For more information including programme and registration, check out our website www.ayrshire.org.nz

Young Handler Competitions

The Fredrickson and Greenlane Trophies to be held at the South Island Championships at Winton on 18 January have been missed off the show schedule. Entries can be taken on the day.

ROYAL SHOW

The Royal Show for the 2013/14 season was held at Manfeild Park, Feilding on 6-8 December 2013 hosted by the Manawatu Consortium. Ayrshire Judge was Ken Eade of Fairleigh Ayrshires, Gore. Champion Cow was named as Peak View Alfie Hetty, E8-8 owned by Michael & Jessica Vaughan. Hetty won the 5&6 yr class and Best Udder class and was also placed second in her All Breeds class. Hetty was bred by Stewart & Margaret Graham of Woodville and is sired by Kiteroa Cream Alfie ET. Reserve Senior Champion was awarded to Sentinal Zoes Lara, V8-8, owned by Ivan & Robyn Fredrickson of Stratford. Lara is sired by Salt Spray Bonny George.

Intermediate Champion is 3 year old Sentinal Hot Georgia, A8-8, again owned by Ivan & Robyn Fredrickson of Stratford. Reserve Intermediate Champion is 2 year old Arran Admiral Gracie, B7-7, owned by Arran Ayrshires, Featherston. Junior Champion went to the Junior Yearling Premier Dream Burleigh owned by Letitia Horn and Reserve to the Junior Heifer Calf Bowenlea SE Honey, owned by Michael & Kim Fredrickson of Stratford.

MANARAPA AYRSHIRE CLUB

The Manarapa Ayrshire Club is hosting the 2014 Ayrshire NZ Conference and invites all members to the Coachman Hotel in Palmerston North for a four day action packed Conference.

SAVE SAVE SAVE

We will be holding a City of Roses Ayrshire Sale at the Coachman Hotel, Palmerston North on 5 June 2014. This sale will be conducted by photo (there will be no live lots)

We would like to call for nominations for this prestigious high profile Ayrshire sale. The catalogue will be limited to the best nominations, with each entry assessed individually on its own merits by the sale committee.

Past sales have proven that entries with higher quality photographs are more likely to attract higher prices than those which have not. So accordingly now is the time to decide on your nominations to ensure good photo opportunities.

Increase the profile of your herd and consider nominating a yearling heifer, in calf heifer or older in-calf female. Embryo packages or guaranteed live calves from embryos also invited.

All enquiries and/or nominations to be directed by 28 February 2012 to:

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