



It has been a busy start to the year, with three major shows in a two week period. Catch up with all the results and upcoming events in another busy year for the Association.

- Young Judge Competition
- Board Nominations
- Show Results



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NZ DAIRY EVENT

For the second year in a row, Peak View Alfie Hetty, V7-7, is the Ayrshire In-Milk Champion at the New Zealand Dairy Event held at Feilding in late January. Owned by Jessica & Michael Vaughan of Featherston and bred by Stewart & Margaret Graham of Woodville, Hetty is sired by Kiteroa Cream Alfie. Hetty also went on to win Reserve All Breeds Senior Champion.

Ferdon Genetics of Otorohanga took out Reserve In-Milk Ayrshire with Ferdon Requirers Goldie, E8-8.

Junior Champion went to the Junior Yearling Ferdon Poker Gloss (s. Des Chamois Poker) owned by Ferdon Genetics of Otorohanga, with Senior Heifer Calf Luckville Reality Debe (s. Palmyra Tri Star Reality) owned by the Carrington Family of Dannevirke in reserve.

AYRSHIRE BREEDERS HONOURED

Bernie and Nancy Patrick of Taonui Ayrshires were presented an award for Outstanding Achievement and Service to the NZ Dairy Industry at NZ Dairy Event. Bernie and Nancy are long time Ayrshire breeders and the breeders of renowned bull Taonui Jacks Jethro. Bernie served on the Board of Ayrshire New Zealand for over 20 years including a three year period as Association President.

Ron Baker of Larkspur Ayrshires, Inglewood, was presented the inaugural Shirley Crothers Memorial Trophy for NZDE Youth Ambassador.

YOUNG JUDGE COMPETITION

The Arran Trophy for the Ayrshire Young Judge Competition was decided at NZ Dairy Event. Last years winner Kylee Perrett of Sentinal Ayrshires, Stratford, repeated her effort over some tough competition in Jessica Vaughan (2nd), Sarah Greig (3rd) and Luke Gilbert (4th). Kylee and Jessica went on to place third and fourth in the Worldwide Sires All Breeds Young Judge competition.

The Young Judge Competition for the 2012/13 season will take place at the Royal Show in Hamilton in October 2012.

ACE Herd update

435 cows are currently being milked on the farm. SCC is 160,000. Production to date is running at 4% behind last season but with a good autumn we are hoping some of the deficit will be pegged back.

The feed situation has improved greatly since the recent rain and the cows have come up in production as well. Pasture cover at present is sitting around 2200 and if we get more rain in the near future this could well increase.

Summer turnips have filled the gap nicely during the dry and should last around another two weeks. The winter crops are looking extremely well. Due to the early dry supplements are down but we hope to make more in the near future. All the young stock are looking well. Scanning of the herd will be done in March.

Ken Eade - Convenor Ace Herd Committee



NORTH ISLAND CHAMPIONSHIPS

At the North Island Championships held on 28 January 2012 at Rotorua, Brookview Lot Laguna, E9-9, owned by Steiner Partnership of Tokoroa was named North Island Ayrshire Champion and Supreme All Breeds Champion. Kiteroa Ayrshires took out the Reserve North Island Championship with Kiteroa Bonny Georgina, E8-9.

Junior Champion and Reserve both went to the Baxter Family of Tirau with Shardville Particle ET and Shardville Danes Lass respectively.

The Fredrickson Trophy for Senior Young Handler went to Sarah Leech of Tirau, with Jamie Baxter in second and Alicia McPike in third place. The Greenlane Trophy for Junior Young Handler went to Pennymay Symonds of Te Kuiti with her sister Cherry Symonds in second and Hannah Lawson in third place.

AUTUMN BULLETIN #157

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This magazine will be at the World Conference, so let`s all make it a bumper issue

dates to remember

february

- 22 Advertising booking for Autumn Bulletin
28 PGG Wrightson Photo Competition entries close

march

- 1 Board nomination forms posted
30 Closing Date for Board nominations
31 Closing Dates for Remits to AGM

april

- 2 Autumn Bulletin issued
22 World Conference begins, South Africa

may

- 1 Closing date for annual competitions
2 Board meeting
7 Closing Date Notices of Motion to AGM
23 Annual Report issued

june

- 5-8 Annual Conference, New Plymouth
7 Annual General Meeting
13 - 16 National Fielddays, Mystery Creek

SOUTH ISLAND CHAMPIONSHIPS

Held at Gore on 4 February 2012 and judged by Association President Brian Hutchings, the South Island Champion cow was named as Broadlea Sparkle, A, a six year old cow owned by Ross Morton of Ingleside Ltd, Wyndham and sired by Lakeside Milky Baron. Reserve Champion was Inglecorner Prev Rosette, V7-7, a three year old owned by Merv Livingstone of CNRAYR Ltd, Riverton and sired by Meadowlands Preview ET.

Junior Champion went to the Instone Family of Gore with their yearling heifer Stoneleigh Ice Cream, and Reserve Junior Champion to Ross Morton of Ingleside Ltd.

The Fredrickson Trophy for Senior Young Handler went to Luke Instone of Gore, with Eamon Button in second and Amy Livinstone-Green in third place. The Greenlane Trophy for Junior Young Handler went to Emily Instone of Gore.

REGISTRATIONS

All registrations are currently up to date. If you do not use the Lifetime Registration or Standing Order system, all registrations forms can be downloaded from the website. The Herd Book for 2011 born calves closes on 31 August 2012.

Ten pedigree weaner heifers **FOR SALE**

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PGG Wrightson All New Zealand
Photo Competition
Entries close 28 February 2012

ANNUAL CONFERENCE

The Annual Conference for 2012 is hosted by the Taranaki Ayrshire Club and will take place in New Plymouth from 5 - 8 June 2012. Come for a fun filled week away in the Naki.

- The 'Ayrshire NZ Elite Conference Sale'
- Tawhiti Museum including the new Whalers and Traders adventure
- Quiz night and dinner at the Pioneer Village
- Herd visits

BOARD NOMINATIONS

Nominations are called for Directors in Wards 4 (Bay of Plenty), 8 (Canterbury) and 9 (Southland/Otago). The current Directors Diarmid Somerville, Donald Green and Ken Eade are all available for re-election. Nomination forms will be sent to members in those wards on 1 March, please ensure that any nomination on the correct form is received at the office by midday on Friday 30 March 2012 to be valid.

YOUTH MEMBERSHIP

There has been a change for entry to all youth competitions organised by Ayrshire New Zealand. All youth competitions are now open to anyone who is a member or son/daughter or employee of a member of the New Zealand Ayrshire Association if under the age of 20. Any entrant who has reached the age of 20 must now be a Senior or Associate member of Ayrshire New Zealand in their own right.

SOMATIC CELL COUNT COMPETITION

There has been a change of rules in the BLM Holdings Somatic Cell Count Competition. The competition is open to all members with a minimum of 25 pedigree Ayrshires in their herd, and the cell count is taken on the pedigree Ayrshire section of the herd only. Look out for the new rules with the competition entry form in the Autumn Bulletin.

JUNIOR JUDGES

All clubs are advised that any Junior Judge listed in the Herd Book may judge as the Breed Judge at smaller shows, i.e. shows with no major prizes.

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