

Ayrwaves



MARCH 2018

Welcome to the first issue of the Ayrwaves for 2018. For the Association, we are entering into our busiest phase of the year leading up to the Annual Conference in June. Make sure that you take advantage of all the great opportunities that come with your membership to get involved with the breed.

Latest News

FROM THE BOARD

JUDGES

All Judges are asked to respond to any invitation promptly to the A & P Show concerned. This allows the show to approach other judges if necessary in plenty of time.

SOCIAL MEDIA - SOCIAL CONTACT

Ayrshire New Zealand reminds members and followers that your posts on social media have the potential to travel widely, including internationally, very quickly. Sometimes there may be unintended consequences or reactions. Members and followers are urged to remain positive in this public forum, as negative comments and/or personal attacks reflect on both the members concerned and the Association. Please consider both your attitude and use of language when posting – you can't control how somebody else will interpret your posting.

Complaints or negative feedback are better addressed to the Board, management or the member concerned directly for discussion and resolution. Remember, while you may not personally agree with everything that the Association does, a lot of work goes into organising events, activities and posts, often by volunteers.

Ayrshire New Zealand's vision is to develop, promote and maintain the Ayrshire breed as a credible option for New Zealand dairy farmers. We ask for members support in the core value of fostering camaraderie among Ayrshire members and maintaining a professional image.

Dates to Remember

Lower North Island Judging School

11 March 2018

Youth Seminar Registrations close

16 March 2018

TOP & Certification Days

20 - 22 March 2018

Southland Judging School

28 March 2018

Board nominations close

29 March 2018

Alltech Photo Competition closes

31 March 2018

Remits close

31 March 2018

Special Award Nominations

31 March 2018

Bulletin issued

3 April 2018

Semyar Young Bull Catalogue issued

3 April 2018

FROM THE OFFICE

BULLETIN

The Bulletin is currently underway. If you have booked an advert and have not sent copy through could you do this ASAP.

BOARD ELECTIONS

Elections for the Board of Ayrshire New Zealand will take place this year in the Northland region, Central North Island region and the South Island region. Nomination forms will be posted to members in the eligible regions soon and nominations will close on Thursday 29 March 2018 at midday. Brian Hutchings is not available for re-election, Vince Steiner will be available for re-election. Peter Allison will be available for re-election.

SPECIAL AWARD NOMINATIONS

Nominations from Clubs for all special awards close on 31 March 2018. These include the Kiteroa Trophy, Bell Booth Achiever Awards, Distinguished Member Awards, the Graeme Knight Memorial Trophy and the McIntosh Memorial Trophy. For more information on these awards, check out the website www.ayrshire.org.nz

SOUTH ISLAND CHAMPIONSHIPS

Sadly the South Island Championships for the 2017/18 season due to be held at the Gore A & P Show had to be cancelled when the show cancelled their dairy and beef sections due to the mycoplasma outbreak.

LOOKING FOR SEMEN

One straw of the US bull Family Af-Ayr Double Whammy is required for DNA profiling so that a son may be parentage verified. If you have a spare straw in your bank that you are prepared to let us have, please contact Pam at the Ayrshire NZ office.

2018 AYRSHIRE NZ CONFERENCE

Hosted by the Mid North; Northland and Far North Ayrshire Clubs

11-15 June 2018 - "Come and Relax in Northland"

Monday 11 June:

Director's Meeting, Registrations and Awards Dinner

Tuesday 12 June:

Tour West for Herd Visits, Ernie's Kumara Box, Invitation Video Sale and Dinner

Wednesday 13 June:

Annual General Meeting, Dinner and Dancing

Thursday 14 June:

Tour North for Herd Visits, and Kiwi Listening

**For more information contact: Brian & Carolyn Hutchings 09 4394998
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Registration forms will be available in early April**

Youth Achiever Competition closes

30 April 2018

Board meeting

8 May 2018

Notice of Motion

15 May 2018

2018 Ayrshire Conference

11 - 15 June 2018

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FORWARD STAR 2018

We are in search of the most promising heifer calves from our breeders.

Vision: To improve the genetic advancement of the Ayrshire Breed via young female progeny.

Functionality

The successful 2017 born heifers will be analysed and given recommended matings by Semayr. The male progeny will be considered for the Sire Proving Scheme. The female progeny will be considered for the next Forward Star intake.

The selected animals will be announced at the Annual General Meeting and the progress of the animals will be published in the Ayrwaves and Bulletin.

Eligibility: The rising one year old heifers must have BVs of no less than, 6 out of 7 of the following criteria. Somatic Cell Count must not be above the BV criteria.

Criteria BV:

Protein Kg: 8 Fat Kg: 2 Milk: 250

Fertility -4.0 Total Long: 50

SCC: - 0.10 UO: 0.10

Criteria information must be obtained from a 3 Generation Pedigree available through the Ayrshire office or from a Trait Evaluation Report from your LIC area manager.

Each entry must contain a 3 Gen Ped and be emailed to the email address below. Entries close 29 March 2018

For more information and queries please contact:

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SALES BRIEFS

Semex Summer Sensation Sale, NZ Dairy Event, Feilding.

1 February 2018

Ayrshire results:

Lot 17 Sunshine Burs Debbie \$2100; purchased by Schnuriger Family, Palmerston North

Lot 18 Kiteroa Cream Pro dette-ET \$5800; purchased by K Snell, Featherston

Lot 19 Pukekaraka Orlando Zippy \$2100; purchased by Valendale Ltd, Taupiri

Lot 25 Ferdon Jumper Glitta \$2100; purchased by Zoe Botha, Cambridge

Lot 26 Arra n Burrs Pac \$2500; purchased by Ferdon Genetics, Otorohanga

NZ DAIRY EVENT

The tenth New Zealand Dairy Event was held at Feilding from 31 January - 2 February 2018. The Ayrshire Judge was Francois Beaudry, Canada, with David Ackerman, Canterbury, as his Associate.

Junior Champion was awarded to the winning junior yearling Allandale Brdet Burlesque (s. Palmyra Tri Star Burdette) -Letitia Horn of Feilding. Reserve Junior Champion went to the second placed junior yearling heifer Arran Tri Chloe Hetty (s. Sandyford Triclo) owned by The Donalds/M & J Vaughan.

Winning three year old Pukekaraka Bdette Zippy (s. Palmyra Tri-Star Reality) owned by the Robinson Family, Atiamuri, was awarded Intermediate Champion and was the Best Uddered Intermediate Ayrshire Cow. She also went on to place second in the All Breeds three year old in milk and was awarded Best Uddered Intermediate All Breeds Cow.

Reserve Ayrshire Intermediate Champion went to the second placed three year old cow Stenvale Sweet Sheri (s. Plum Bottom Tridents Lot) - Imogen Steiner, Tokoroa. Arran Jumper Jessy (s. Lessard Jumper) won the two year old class, owned by M & J Vaughan, Featherston and also the Best Uddered two year old in-milk.

Winning four year old Arran Nexus Hetty (s. Nexus Dreamer) owned by The Donalds/M & J Vaughan of Featherston was awarded Senior Champion and was the Best Uddered Senior Ayrshire Cow. She was also awarded Supreme Ayrshire Cow and also went on to win All Breeds 4 year old in milk and Senior All Breeds Reserve Champion. Reserve Ayrshire Champion went to the second placed four year old in-milk cow Pukekaraka Dream Diamond (s. Nexus Dreamer) owned by the Robinson Family, Atiamuri.

Look out for full results and pictures in the Autumn Bulletin.

ALLTECH PHOTO COMPETITION

Entry forms for the 2018 Alltech Photo Competition are included with this newsletter, and are also available for download on the website.

Please note that no entries will be accepted without the completed entry form. Entries close 31 March 2018.

NEW CLASS! - Class 8: Individual, unaltered in-milk cow. This will be one class across all age groups, and in effect will be 'paddock shots'.

SOUTHLAND JUDGING SCHOOL

Thursday 28 March 2018

Time: 10.00am

Venue: Ross Morton, 314 Lowe Road, Wyndam

All Judges and prospective Judges welcome. Start time 10.30 am, bring your lunch and something to write on. Contact Stacey at the office ASAP to express your interest.

LOWER NORTH ISLAND JUDGING SCHOOL

A combined judging School with Jersey NZ is to be held: Thursday 11 March 2018

Time: 10.00am

Venue: 16 Mount Stewart Halcombe Road, RD 9, Palmerston North

All Judges, expiring judges and prospective Judges welcome. Start time 10.30 am, bring your lunch and something to write on. Contact Stacey at the office ASAP to express your interest.

YOUTH UPDATES

AYRSHIRE YOUNG BREEDERS SEMINAR - CANTERBURY Friday 20 - Tuesday 24 April 2018

Day 1 - Friday

Midday - Arrive at Christchurch Airport

12.30pm - Lunch at Black and white Cartel Cafe 2.00pm - Factory tour of United Fisheries

6.00pm - Dinner and accommodation at Crate and Barrel Leeston. Guest speaker

Day 2 - Saturday

8.15am - Herd/Production Star (PS) visits in Selwyn area 3.00pm - Gladfield Malt visit

6.00pm - Club Dinner at Crate and Barrel Leeston, Guest speaker and PS Awards

Day 3 - Sunday

9.00am - Herd/PS visit Springfield. Breeding workshop 11.30am - Herd/PS visit Oxford. Show selection workshop (Open to club members)

3.00pm - Wine tasting at Waipara Hills Winery

6.00pm - Dinner and accommodation in Hanmer springs

Day 4 - Monday

10.00am - Herd/PS visit Culverden. BCS workshop 12.30pm - Lunch and Free time in Hanmer Springs

6.00pm - Dinner and accommodation in Hanmer Springs - Speakers on TOP and Trait Evaluation Report

Day 5 - Tuesday

10.00am - Travel to Christchurch 12.01pm - Lunch

1.30pm - Escape artist/Tram 3.30pm – Departure

Registration Options:

Full Itinerary \$100/pers on with accommodation included. Food at own expense Day 2-5, \$100/person with accommodation included. Food at own expense Staggered Attendance \$60/person. Food and accommodation at own expense

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Registrations close 16 March 2018

ARRAN TROPHY - AYRSHIRE YOUNG JUDGE COMPETITION

The Arran Trophy for the Ayrshire Young Judge Competition was won by Courtney Davies of Inca Ayrshires, with Braydon Schroder, Pahiatua in second place and Hannah Lawson of Moonshine Ayrshires, Woodville in third.

Courtney and Braydon went on to represent Ayrshire New Zealand in the World Wide Sires All Breeds Young Judge competition, with Courtney placing third behind Dean Fullerton,(HF)and overall winner Crystal Scown, Jersey. Well done to Courtney, Braydon and all the competitors.

Special thanks go to the Judges Francois Beaudry and Donald Green, along with the exhibitors who made cows and handlers available for the competitions.

AYRSHIRE YOUTH ACHIEVER COMPETITION

Don't forget that closing date for returning your completed cards is 30 April 2018

TOP TRAINING & CERTIFICATION

We are always looking for members interested in becoming TOP inspectors. Training and certification will take place in the North Island (Cambridge area) 20- 21 March 2018.

If you are interested please contact Melissa at the office ASAP.

NEWSLETTER REMINDER

If you are receiving this newsletter via mail and would rather have it e-mailed to you, please contact the Ayrshire office to update your e-mail address.

If you elect to unsubscribe from the electronic version, you will still receive the newsletter by mail.

Vision – Ayrshire New Zealand will develop, promote and maintain the Ayrshire breed as a credible option for New Zealand dairy farmers.

Purpose – To be the number one dairy population among all breeds, under the NZ payment system.

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