



A great start for all for the new season following a record payout announcement. Check out the youth activities available in the next few months.

- Ayrshire Seminar
- Office Closure
- Youth Activities

HERD BOOK / PRODUCTION REGISTER

For those members who receive a Herd Book, this is included with this mailout. If you don't receive a Herd Book, but would like to, please contact Pam Allison. The Herd Book is free for senior members only, all other members pay \$18.50 incl GST.

The Production Register will be sent out on 21 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.

OFFICE CLOSURE

The Ayrshire Office will be closed 23 November - 9 December inclusive while Pam is on annual leave. For any urgent items please contact President Brian Hutchings on 09 439 4998.

TOP CLASSIFICATION

Scheduling for this season is now underway and classification will commence in mid-November. As the office will be closed for this period, please be aware that your Cow Listings will not be able to be sent to you until mid-December.

SWEDISH RED BULL

The Swedish Red Bull Peterslund 3-1213 has not been approved as Ayrshire, but his progeny have been approved as eligible for S2A status.

ACE Herd update

All cows were wintered on the farm except for carryovers, and some baleage was required towards the end of winter. Season to date production was initially down but is now catching up. The farm has 2400 kg DM cover at the moment, 5 paddocks are shut up for baleage. Ground work is well underway, with summer turnips ready to sow.

As at mid-October there are 28 cows left to calve. 89 heifer calves have been reared. The cows are in good condition, and mating is due to start 1 November

Ken Eade - Ace Herd Committee



WORLD CONFERENCE SALE

Entries are now open for packages of 4 embryos for the Sale at the World Conference in April. If you have a cow that may be suitable, please contact the office to obtain the appropriate entry requirements and to register interest.

E-REGISTRATION

e-Registration forms are available on the website or from the office for your 2011 born calves. If you are involved with the lifetime registration programme, don't worry as your calves will be registered automatically.

AYRSHIRE SeMInAR

Canterbury
7 -10 February 2012

For members, or employees and sons & daughters of members, aged 18-35 to learn, enjoy and mix with other young Ayrshire breeders and make contacts.

- TUES 7 FEB** Lunch followed by afternoon spent on Lincoln University Dairy Farms. Dinner with guest speaker.
- WED 8 FEB** Workshops - 'Growing grasses for Top Milk Production' at AgResearch Farm in morning, followed by 'Dealing with Lame Cows' with Veehas Dairy and 'Judging School' at Glenmore Farms in afternoon. Evening of team building.
- THURS 9 FEB** Morning workshops 'Mating Management' and 'Managing Staff' with afternoon visit to Ackermann and Glenmore Farms. Canterbury Ayrshire Club Field Day followed by pot luck dinner.
- FRI 10 FEB** Fun Team building, seminar ends midday.

ACCOMMODATION: Lincoln University, Canterbury **COST:** approx \$320.00 per person

Registration required by **20 December 2011**

FULL INTINERARY AND REGISTRATION ONLINE AT www.ayrshire.org.nz

dates to remember

october

31 Herd Book issued

november

21 Production Register issued

23 Office closed until 12 December

december

12 Office reopens

20 Registrations close for Ayrshire Seminar

22 Office closed midday for Xmas break

january

9 Office reopens after Christmas break

25-27 NZ Dairy Event, Feilding

28 North Island Championships, Rotorua

february

1 Board Meeting

4 South Island Championships, Gore

7-10 Ayrshire Seminar, Canterbury

22 Advertising booking for Autumn Bulletin

28 PGG Wrightson Photo Competition entries close

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.



NZ DAIRY EVENT 25-27 January 2012

Schedule and entry forms now available

www.nzdairyevent.com

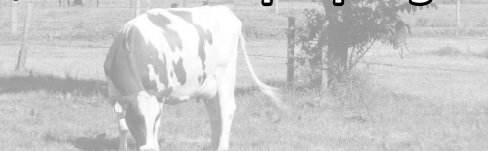
Entries close 20 November 2011

NEED

Three Generation Pedigrees?

Help support Ayrshire New Zealand by ordering your pedigrees through the Ayrshire office. Pedigrees can usually be provided on a same day basis via e-mail or post.

\$7.50 incl GST per pedigree



Contact Pam on 07 856 0816 or pallison@ayrshire.org.nz to order

SEMAYR UPDATE

A total of 20 bull calves have now been selected for the Ayrshire Progeny Test Team 2012. In all, over 50 young bulls were considered, and the sires of the bulls selected include Jarmo, Brody, Tosikko, Sorby, Sale, Record and Mustang. Further information on the 2012 Young Bull Team will be included with the Autumn Bulletin.

Alastair Thomson has been confirmed as one of the two outside Directors on the Semayr Board, and Gordon Glentworth remains as Chairman.

HERD TEST DATES

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

YOUTH activities

Youth Achiever Competition

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

Australian Youth Camp

The Youth Committee will once again subsidise \$500 towards an Ayrshire New Zealand participant to the Australian Youth Camp in Victoria on 3 - 7 January 2012. Please contact the Ayrshire office for further information if you are interested and aged 18 - 20 years. Registration closes early December, but early registration is advised as places fill quickly. Billetting can also be arranged if you want to stay on to attend International Dairy Week from 15-20 January 2012.

Young Judge Competitions

All Ayrshire Youth are reminded that the Arran Trophy for the Ayrshire Young Judge Competition will take place at NZ Dairy Event in Feilding 25-27 January 2012. Clubs are reminded to get their nominations into the office by 12 December 2011. The top placegetters will go on to represent the Association in the WorldWide Sires All Breeds Young Judge Competition, also to be held at the NZ Dairy Event. Please note that no late entries will be accepted.

NZ Dairy Event Youth Challenge

Are you interested in being part of an Ayrshire team for the Youth Challenge at NZ Dairy Event? Please contact the office as soon as possible to register your interest.

Young Handlers Competitions

The Fredrickson Trophy for competitors aged 13-25 and the Greenlane Trophy for competitors aged 5-12 will be competed for at the North and South Island Championships. The North Island Championships will take place at Rotorua on 28 January 2012 and the South Island Championships at Gore on 4 February 2012. See the Spring Bulletin for the rules.