

North West Sub-Branch Newsletter

November 2011

What's News in the Sub-Branch

We have had a busy last couple of months with lots going on. 2 feature Shows, On Farm Challenge and getting ready for our main event for the year the Sub-Branch Sale. A big well done to Glen & Trav with the sale, the catalogue looks fantastic and the lots sound great! Make sure everyone gets to the sale to supports the sub-branch, it will be a fantastic night!

Coming up, is the Youth Challenge at IDW 2012, we are looking into some training days leading up to IDW. Discussions are still ongoing and a date & a place will be announced soon. If wanting more information on this you can contact Tim Sommerville on 54846273.

The sub-branch will be holding the Out of Town Meeting next year which is usually in May. Any ideas you may have for this will be discussed at next meeting, so get your thinking caps on!!

Finally the North West Sub-Branch would like send their sympathies to the Munzel & Gordon Families for the passing of their family members in recent months. Our thoughts are with you all.

Dates to Remember:

25th November: North West Stars of the Future Sale & Farm tour. Farms include Clydebank & Jetstar Holsteins. (Attached is the advert.)

7th December: General Meeting at the Leitchville Hotel for tea 7.30 start. Numbers to be into leesa Windridge by the 1st December on 0427567250.

28th December: Christmas breakup at the Leitchville Bowling Club. 7pm start & Tea to follow.



AN EMAIL HAS BEEN SENT OUT FOR THE WORKING BEE ON THE SALE. IT'S IMPORTANT FOR EVERYONE ON THERE TO TURN UP AND DO THERE BIT FOR THE SUB-BRANCH. IF YOU HAVEN'T RECEIVED AN EMAIL AND YOU WOULD LIKE TO HELP OUT YOU CAN CONTACT THE SALE MANAGERS. Glen Gordon 0408244812 or Trav Gilmore on 0417864161. Thank you :)

On Farm Challenge

The On Farm Challenge was again represented well for 2011. With over 240 head of Cattle and 31 farms looked at by Judge Michael Boyd from Coomboona Holsteins.

Michael's comments on the quality and standard of cows that were seen were as good as you can get!! A very high standard and everyone within the sub-branch should be very proud of what they showed and what they're breeding within their herds.

A lovely night followed and was enjoyed by all at Radcliff's in Echuca. Congratulations to all winners, exhibitors and Steve & Jackie Mills for organizing the On Farm this year.

All the best to the winners who moved on to the next stage ...

Lastly these animals are definitely some of

"Our Stars of the Future"

* Attached are results of the On farm Challenge 2011.

Features Shows at Kerang & Echuca

On Tuesday the 4th October the Kerang Feature Show was on and was well represented by all exhibitors on the day. Showing of top quality cows and young cattle was a stand out. One of the many high lights was the mature class cows. They were big, open & beautifully uddered and many believed it was anyone's on the day.

Congratulation to T & K Gilmore from Ingolmore Holsteins, they were made Premier Breeder & Exhibitors on the day.

A big thank you to our judge, Mr. Phil McKenna from Harwould Holsteins for making the trip. Also thanks to the Kerang Show Society and to all who helped out on the day and prior to the day.

The Echuca Feature show was next on the calendar. On the 6th of November, many again made the journey to show off their best cattle at a chance of winning a feature show. The cattle were in excellent condition and looked fantastic, so judging again was quite intense but a winner always stood out in the end.

Congratulations to all winners on the day and to S & J Sieben who were Premier Breeders & Gorbros Holsteins who were made Premier Exhibitors.

Thank you must go out to our Judge on the day Mr. Steve Joyce from Becklah Park Holsteins, without you our day wouldn't have happened. To Echuca & Moama Show committee for the venue as well as everyone from the sub-branch who help get the day organized.

Attached is the result from both shows.

New Members for the Sub-Branch

Our Sub-branch numbers are continuing to grow with new members joining in the last few months. We would like to welcome

Matt & Kellie Spittal from Gunbower.

Rob & Sophie Bruns from Mollannie Holsteins, Gunbower.

Emily Hay (jnr member) Wee Wee Rup.

Chloe Windridge (jnr member) Miss Frances Holsteins, Leitchville.

WT, PK & AM Cochrane Billandy Holsteins, Bamawn.

Previous Meeting: please find attached the minutes held at the last meeting in Lockington.

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