

### **GLORIOUS DAY AT COHUNA 2013**

Cohuna was home to this year's North West Victorian Autumn Fair, and as expected the local breeders put on a great show for South Australian judge, Mr Rob Walmsley.

"The heifer classes were outstanding, in quality and numbers", Mr Walmsley commented. "It was pleasing to see so many breeders taking the time out to show their animals in a tough year."

The entry of Kayla Bradley, Blackmagic Lauthority Sally ET, was the judge's choice for Junior Champion. In his comments, Mr Walmsley praised his Champion on her style and balance. "My Junior Champion today is such a well grown heifer for her age. Very correct and extremely well balanced throughout with a good set of legs."

Just weeks prior to the fair at The Great Northern Show in Rochester, Sally stood behind the entry of April Anderson, Glynyari Shocking Whynot ET, to take Reserve. But at the Fair, the length and cleanliness of the big black Lauthority shone through, reversing the roles with Sally finishing at the top of the line, and Whynot in Reserve.

Sally is the result of a flush from Wellcoora Journalist Sally VG88 to Comestar Lauthority. Journalist Sally was purchased from Stu Modra, who in turn had purchased the cow at Nick and Biddy Weel's dispersal sale several years before. The Bradley family had worked for the Weel's previously, and had shown the cow in the past, and so were very excited when given the opportunity to buy her. The Bradley's have flushed the Journalist a number of times now, and are looking forward to another 9 Lauthority embryos that have been implanted, to be born in February 2014.

The Intermediate classes were a hot contest. Class after class of exceptional young cows graced the ring, all worthy of Champion contention. There can be only one however, and this day belonged to Valivu Denzel Tamie VG85, exhibited by the Hore family of Elmar Holsteins. The Sieben family's entry of Brindabella Sanchez Natalie was named Reserve.

Denzel Tamie traces back via many generations of VG dams to Master Breeder herd Hawova Holsteins, run by the Shaw family of Finley. Mr Walmsley was impressed by the Junior 2 year old. "This is a very correct little cow", Mr Walmsley stated in his final judgement. "She has great appeal and sure to have a great future ahead."

In the Senior line up, as striking as it was, it was hard to go past the entry of the Dee family in Ingolmore Empire Glory VG89. Glory has consistently been in the mix amongst the regions best for the last few years, but had missed out on the major prize. Not this time though – this day Glory was in her finest form, and was duly rewarded with Senior Champion Cow.

Empire Glory was purchased in 2010 at the North West Stars of the Future sale, from local breeders Travis and Karlee Gilmore. The Dee family had been looking at the in milk lots, and with her obvious style combined with an exceptional pedigree featuring the widely respected Jervois Inspiration Gretchen EX as her 4<sup>th</sup> dam, Glory seemed the obvious choice. Glory has since fitted beautifully into the Master Breeder Clydevale herd, and the champion sash has now topped off her success.

Mr Walmsley was confident in his senior placings. "I've selected my Senior Champion due to her superior overall balance. It's this balance and openness throughout and her youthfulness for her age that puts her at the top today." Reserve Senior Champion went to another cow that continues to feature in the top ranks, the entry of the Wishart family, Rowlands Park, with Rowlands Park Shottle Lucky VG86.

Premier Breeder and Exhibitor went to the Hore Family, Elmar Holsteins. And as usual, the handler classes were well represented with Hannah Dee, Brady Hore and Marty Hore winning their age groups.

Congratulations on all members and exhibitors on another successful event.



Senior Champion

INGOLMORE EMPIRE GLORY VG89



Junior champion

BLACKMAGIC LAUTHORITY SALLY



Senior Champion & Supreme Udder

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Handler ADAM DEE, Clydevale Holsteins, Macorna