

# QUEENSLAND BRANCH NEWSLETTER

Another year has passed and a positive one for the breed with the exciting news of an "Eacham Vale Stud" heifer classifying 87 the first ever for an Illawarra. Congratulations to Bronwyn & Greg English on such a wonderful achievement. There are only two other Friesians that have classified that high. What a proud day for the English family. I speak on behalf of all your fellow breeders and members when I say how proud the Illawarra Society is of your achievement. We commend you.

When I spoke with Greg his modest words were "what a great thing for our breed" and "I wish I could have her in Brisbane". Spoken like the gentleman we know, always striving to have our breed up there with the best.

The Qld Dairy Showcase was held at Gatton for the first time in July. Although there was a showing of about 20 head the enthusiasm from those running the show was high and with great expectations for its continuation. Baden & I attended with Jordan undertaking the role of Dairy Princess. Congratulations to those exhibitors and the stewards for quite a good show.

Well done to Nicole Priebbenow for her suitable attire and carrying out her duties as Dairy Princess at the RNA.

What an exciting time for Aleicia Dorries representing the Darling Downs region at the finals of Miss Show Girl in Brisbane during the Royal Show. Well done Aleicia.

It was great to catch up with Shirley Shelton at the RNA where she and Betty Slatter worked away tirelessly and Betty looking so well. Also to see Jock walking around the ring fit and healthy, just goes to prove they don't make them like that anymore.

Hasn't been a good year for Roly Voss. Earlier in the year he was bitten by a snake and spent some time in hospital, then he fell off his truck and ended up with his leg in plaster but not to be outdone he was rushed to hospital suffering a heart attack a few days before leaving for the RNA with his show team and ended up in theatre having a stint inserted for a blocked artery. Good to see him watching the judging at the RNA and on the way to recovery.

Congratulations to the winners of major ribbons at the Brisbane Royal. The Dorries family with another win for Champion Cow "Panorama Angeline 9". Full results in my newsletter and on our website which, thanks to Betty, has had a big revamp and looks pretty good.

To the Ledger Family congratulations on taking out Reserve Champion in the All breeds on-ground Milk Production competition. Also congrats to Matty Henry winning the Young Judges Comp. Best of luck for the finals.

Bob, pleased to have you stay on the Branch & carry on the duties of President. I would have missed your knowledge, wit & charisma. Welcome Matt Henry & Shane Bourke to the Qld Branch Committee. We look forward to your input at the meetings.

Did anyone get to read the article in the Country Life, August 5 on the Country Life 75 years flashback page? The article was about a visiting group of 49 American ranchers to the South East Qld studs. The visitors were paraded high producing cows by Mr Mark Lester and his sons, Bill and Robert, at the St Andrews Stud. "Sleek, heavy-milking" AIS dairy cattle came as a surprise to the Friesian conscious American dairymen it stated. The visitors saw Tabbagong Topsy 44 who produced 715 lb butterfat last lactation and St Andrews Gem 13 who produced 604 lb.

I found it a very interesting article.

Meetings held by the SEQICC & WBBICC have been widely supported and good to see them forging ahead with their ideas to improve our breed.

Well the RNA has been and gone, interesting to hear the views of people watching the judging on this year's split showing. Congratulations to those exhibitors at recent shows for your efforts and successes.

Alison

**BRISBANE ROYAL SHOW - JUDGE: Ian Mueller S A.**

CLASS	EXHIBITOR	ANIMAL
<b>Juvenile Champion Heifer</b>	A & D Whatman	AllenVale Blossom 15
Reserve Champion Juvenile	F S Johnston & Sons	Jondene Model 18
Honourable Mention Juvenile	M & G Henry	Tara Panda
<b>Junior Champion Heifer</b>	M & G Henry	Tara Fussy 3
Reserve Champion Junior	Ledger Family	Riverwood Jewel
Honourable Mention Junior	Ledger Family	Riverwood Lyndal 3
<b>Champion Cow</b>	K & A Dorries	Panorama Angeline 9
Reserve Champion Cow	F S Johnston & Sons	Jondene Dainty 97
Honourable Mention Cow	K & A Dorries	Panorama Honey 14
<b>Reserve Champ All Breeds</b>	Ledger Family	Park Lane Sovereign 88
<b>On Ground Milking</b>	44.6 Litres 3.05 Kgs Fat + Protein in 24 hours	

**TOOGOOLOWAH SHOW: Judge – Ben Patch, Nanango**

CLASS	EXHIBITOR	ANIMAL
<b>Junior Champion Heifer</b>	Den Dia Partnership	Den Dia Empress 79
Res Champ Junior Heifer	Den Dia Partnership	Den Dia Minnie 6
<b>Juvenile Champion Heifer</b>	P & C Ardrey	Cheralyn Moira 35
Res Champ Juvenile Heifer	P & C Ardrey	Cheralyn Moira 33
<b>Champion Bull</b>	Nicholls Family	Sunny View Fussy Roma
Res Champion Cow	Den Dia Partnership	Den Dia Minnie 5
<b>Champion Cow &amp; Udder</b>	R & S Voss	Chelma Dale Tulip's April
<b>Supreme Champ Cow &amp; Udder</b>		

**KALBAR SHOW: Judge – Rob Lindsay, Warwick**

CLASS	EXHIBITOR	ANIMAL
<b>Champion Juvenile Heifer</b>	<b>R &amp; S Voss</b>	<b>Mt Vista April</b>
Res Champ Juvenile Heifer	R & S Voss	Mt Vista Tulip 5
<b>Champion Cow, Best Udder</b>	<b>R &amp; S Voss</b>	<b>Chelma Dale Tulip's April</b>
<b>Supreme Champion Cow &amp; Udder</b>		

**QUEENSLAND DAIRY SHOWCASE: Judge – Greg English, Malanda**

CLASS	EXHIBITOR	ANIMAL
<b>Juvenile Champion Heifer</b>	<b>R &amp; S Voss</b>	<b>Mt Vista April</b>
Res Champion Juvenile	M & G Henry	Tara Pat 3
Hon Mention Juvenile	M & G Henry	Tara Cleo 178b
<b>Junior Champion Heifer</b>	<b>M &amp; G Henry</b>	<b>Tara Bounce</b>
Res Champion Heifer	M & G Henry	White Park Melba
Hon. Mention Heifer	M & G Henry	Rosedale Canvas Rebecca
<b>Champion Cow</b>	<b>M &amp; G Henry</b>	<b>White Park Melba 374</b>
Res Champion Cow	M & G Henry	White Park Joyce 21
Hon. Mention Cow	R & S Voss	Chelma Dale Tulip's April
<b>Supreme Champion Juvenile</b>	<b>R &amp; S Voss</b>	<b>Mt Vista April</b>

**LOWOOD SHOW: Judge – Rob Lindsay, Warwick**

CLASS	EXHIBITOR	ANIMAL
<b>Champion Cow</b>	<b>R &amp; S Voss</b>	<b>Chelma Dale Tulips April</b>
<b>Supreme Cow &amp; Supreme Udder</b>		
Res Champion Cow	R & S Voss	Chelma Dale Tulip 58
<b>Champion Junior Female</b>	<b>R &amp; S Voss</b>	<b>Mt Vista April</b>
Res Champion Junior	Nicholls Family	Mt Vista April 3
<b>Champion &amp; Supreme Bull</b>	<b>Nicholls Family</b>	<b>Sunny View Fussy Roma</b>