

FIRST TIME EVER AT ROYAL MELBOURNE SHOW AND ROTHERWOOD LOWLINE STUD ACHIEVED IT!

For the first time we decided to enter a purebred Australian Lowline steer in the Light Domestic Carcase Class at Royal Melbourne Show 2011. He was only 14mth 3 weeks of age and weighed in at 321KG. He had some tough competition which included Angus, Blonde D'Aquitaine x Hereford, 2 Australian Lowline x Poll Hereford , Red Angus x Charolais, Murray Grey, Charolais x Shorthorn.

He was marked at 8mth of age and was then fed on a grain mix that was slowly built up over 6 months.

We were ecstatic when he was awarded Champion Light Domestic Carcase and proudly accepted this prestigious award. For the second time in the 20 year history of showing Australian Lowlines at National Royal Shows a purebred Australian Lowline has been awarded Champion Light Domestic Steer. The first was way back in 2000 at Royal Canberra show. It is such a positive outcome for the Australian Lowline Breed and also proves that not only does Rotherwood Lowline Stud breed Champions in the show ring but also follows up with the quality of our meat.

The carcase is scrutinized meticulously by the Australian Beef Carcase Appraisal System and includes 3 major categories as follows:

His scores for Market Specifications were 18.5 out of 20, Saleable Meat Yield were 30.8 out of 35 and MSA – Eating Quality were 36.424 out of 45 giving him a grand total of 85.694 out of 100. The 2nd place winner had a grand total of 82.648, a vast margin overall indicating the high quality of Rotherwood Lowline Stud.

It is also the first time that Australian Lowlines have been eligible to enter the well recognized Royal Melbourne Show

Borthwick Trophy.

In the show ring we took 2 cows with calves at foot and a young heifer. We are extremely happy that all the team came out placed.

This year we took a young lad 9 year old Darcy Stork from Cann River with us. He has been coming out to our stud on a regular basis over the past 12 months and is becoming quite the little handler. We want to encourage the younger ones to become involved in cattle handling, judging etc as they are the future of our industry.

Darcy was nominated in the Australian Lowline Team in which 6 youngsters have to wash, blow dry, clip, groom, prepare and lead a heifer in a nominated time period and are judged by "secret judges" during preparation and then judged out in the ring. The team did really well. Darcy also entered the Calf Classic where the calf and leader have to dress up in a theme. Darcy and 8 week old Rotherwood Goliath's theme was the "cop and the criminal". He did a wonderful job and it was the first time he had led an animal in the show ring by himself. He was awarded his first ribbon (Im am sure it will be the first of many more to come for Darcy). The "criminals" fantastic costume was designed and made by Cann Rivers very own Julie Brownlie who I imagine never dreamed she would be putting her tape measure around a little bull calf. A big thank you to you Julie.

See you in Canberra early 2012.

Vicki Gilbert

Rotherwood Lowline Stud

Royal Melbourne Show Carcase Competition 2011

Competition Date: 28/09/2011
 Quartering Site: 10-11 Rib
 EXHIBITOR BY CLASS

Class: 1 - Light Domestic 100-180Kg

Body	Tag ID	Market	Live Weight	HSCW	Dress	Breed	Exhibitor Details	Market Specifications *					Saleable Meat Yield **					MSA - Eating Quality ***										
								P8 Fat (mm)	MC	FC	DIST	Penalty	Total / 20	RFT (mm)	EMA	Total / 20	Total / 35	TBC	Sex	Hum	pH	OSS	AUS MB	MSA MB	Total / 45	Grand		
56	A	321	165	51%	AL	Mr & Mrs V & P Gilbert	8	10	1C	5	2	3.5	0	18.5	6	15.0	58	15.8	30.8	0	M	50	120	1.9	320	5.49	36.424	85.694
166	A	329	168	51%	BAXXH	The Lone Pine Stud	7	10	1B	5	1	2.5	0	17.5	9	9.0	69	20.0	29.0	0	M	45	100	0.0	170	5.55	36.148	82.648
155	A	345	167	48%	ALXPH	Mrs L Senger-Whitehead	3	8	2	4	1	3.5	0	15.5	4	15.0	56	14.5	29.5	0	M	45	100	0.0	180	5.56	35.305	80.263
3	A	338	176	52%	RAKCC	Barham High School	5	10	3	2	1	3.5	0	15.5	6	15.0	49	9.7	24.7	0	M	45	100	1.0	300	5.65	37.352	77.537
146	A	352	175	50%	AA	Saffron Valley Angus	5	10	1B	5	0	3.5	0	18.5	5	15.0	41	5.3	20.3	0	M	45	100	1.0	310	5.51	37.376	76.132
82	A	328	172	52%	MG	H King	5	10	1C	5	2	4	0	19.0	4	15.0	48	9.5	24.5	0	F	45	140	0.0	230	5.50	32.586	76.069
152	A	308	150	49%	ALXPH	Mrs L Senger-Whitehead	3	8	2	4	3	3	0	15.0	3	10.0	53	14.3	24.3	0	M	45	100	0.0	200	5.58	35.343	74.651
23	A	305	170	56%	CXSS	Miss A De Blauw	3	8	1B	5	2	2.5	0	15.5	3	10.0	51	11.4	21.4	0	M	45	100	0.0	200	5.43	35.376	72.237

Disclaimer

Should an operator of the ABCAS competition model utilise the "spare" market category, and compile score results that differ to the default options, MSA will not assume responsibility for complaints relating to competition results.

* A 5 point penalty will be allocated for carcasses above Fat Colour (FC) of AusMeat 4

Legend

* Market Specifications

P8 Fat - P8 Fat (mm)
 MC - Meat Colour (1a - 7)
 FC - Fat Colour (0 - 8)
 DIST - Fat Distribution (1 - 5)

** Saleable Meat Yield

RFT - Rib Fat (mm)
 EMA - Eye Muscle Area (sq cm)

*** MSA - Eating Quality

TBC - Tropical Breed Content (%)
 Sex - Male or Female (M/F)
 Hump - Hump Height (mm)
 OSS - Ossification (100 - 590)
 AUSMB - AusMeat Marbling (0 - 9)
 MSAMB - MSA Marbling (100 - 1100)
 pH - Meat pH

MSA Specification

To receive eating quality points, carcasses must meet minimum MSA specifications. Reasons carcasses receive no points:

1. Rib Fat less than 3mm
2. Fat Distribution inadequate
3. pH above 5.7
4. Meat Colour of 1a or greater than 3

Build No: 1066

AUSTRALIAN BEEF CARCASE APPRAISAL SYSTEM - (ABCAS)

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Led Steer or Heifer
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Light Domestic Carcass



WEEKLY TIMES

2011 ROYAL NEBRASKA STATE FAIR

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