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## Welcome to the ALCA Newsletter

With Easter over, the school children heading back to school & the onset of more pleasant weather, it is time to get onto some farm maintenance & cattle husbandry.

It is also time to catch up with paperwork – hence, the first ALCA newsletter for 2016. It is planned that these newsletters will be produced on a more frequent basis &, with member input, there is no reason for this not to happen. This is your newsletter, so tell us what you are doing & share with other ALCA members.

This year we would like to introduce Member profiles with each newsletter. Members will be asked for some information about themselves & their farm. It doesn't matter if you are a small farm with only a couple of animals, we would love to hear from you & share your experiences about your Lowlines. A photo would be great too.

Promotion Groups will be asked to supply information for the newsletter also. Show results, PG activities or anything your Promotion Group is planning will be great for the newsletter. It is the best way to inform your members of what is happening and might encourage them to join in.

We hope that with the new ALCA website & frequent newsletters, we will have a more informed membership. We are also hoping members will network with others, whether it be for sharing bulls, helping with information or building up a Certified Lowline Beef supply chain. There is no limit to what we can achieve if we work together.

Julie Knight

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## Thank You to Aimee

Aimee Sewell, ALCA's previous Executive Officer, went on maternity leave 18 months ago. Carole Johns replaced Aimee in this position in October 2014. Recently Aimee has decided not to return to her former position with ABRI.

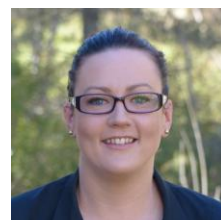
We would like to thank Aimee for her time with ALCA & wish Aimee & her young family the best wishes for the future.

## Faces of the ALCA Office

Carole Johns is our ALCA Executive Officer. Contact Carole with any questions you have about the association or the Lowline breed. She is very happy to answer your questions & assist with any problems.



Carole Johns,  
ALCA EO



Sally McPhie,  
Registrar

Sally McPhie, ABRI Registrar, is the person who does all the data work for ALCA, including your registrations, transfers & calf recordings. Any registration queries can be answered by Sally.



## New ALCA website – it's nearly here!

After many months of preparation with multiple re-writes, drafts, re-drafts, emails, teleconferences and hours of late night internet usage, the new ALCA website is in the final stages of development.

The URL is the same as the existing website – [www.lowlinecattleassoc.com.au](http://www.lowlinecattleassoc.com.au)

It is hoped that ALCA members & the general public will find this a much easier site to use.

This new website includes areas designed to promote the great benefits of the breed as well as provide easy-to-find information about the association and its membership. Articles about different aspects of the breed as well as testimonials for the use of Lowline bulls and Certified Lowline Beef are just some of the PDFs available for download. It is hoped that members will utilise much of this information to promote their studs, their cattle, Lowline beef & the Lowline breed.

The MEMBERS AREA, for ALCA Members only, holds a variety of information & includes Herd Health articles, Forms & Downloads & information for those who are interested in showing their cattle.

This new & improved website should provide up to date information about the breed & what the membership is doing. The website is Tablet & Smart Phone friendly & is linked to the ALCA & ALCA Youth Facebook pages.

You will be notified when the website is about to be launched. Then check it out & let us know what you think!



Supreme Exhibit – Rotherwood Glamour Girl

## 2016 Royal Canberra

### BULLS

Class 58: Bull 8- 12months

1<sup>st</sup> Elle Kay Ledge N Derry – L & L Kuipers

2<sup>nd</sup> Elle Kay Lord Joker – L & L Kuipers

Class 59: Bull 12 – 14 mths

1<sup>st</sup> O'Hara Sir Charles – W & T Hall

Class 60: Bull 14 – 16 mths

1<sup>st</sup> Cann Valley Count Knockout – Matt Cooney

Junior Champion Bull:

Cann Valley Count Knockout – Matt Cooney

Reserve Junior Champion Bull:

O'Hara Sir Charles – W & T Hall

Class 64: Bull 24 – 30 mths

1<sup>st</sup> Wigram Roma – Angus Gorman

2<sup>nd</sup> Trungley Tungsten – W & L Bryden

Class 65: Bull over 30 mths

1<sup>st</sup> O'Hara Master Gerald – W & T Hall

Senior Champion Bull:

O'Hara Master Gerald – W & T Hall

Reserve Senior Champion Bull:

Wigram Roma – Angus Gorman

Grand Champion Bull:

Cann Valley Count Knockout – Matt Cooney



## 2016 Royal Canberra Show cont.

### FEMALES

Class 66: Heifer 8- 12months

1<sup>st</sup> Cann Valley Lunar Eclipse – Matt Cooney

Class 68: Heifer 14 – 16 mths

1<sup>st</sup> Whitby Farm Vague – K.& G Lorains

Junior Champion Heifer:

Whitby Farm Vague – K.& G Lorains

Reserve Junior Champion Heifer:

Cann Valley Lunar Eclipse – Matt Cooney

Class 70: Heifer 18 – 20 mths

1<sup>st</sup> O'Hara My Lady – W & T Hall

Class 72: Cow 24 – 30 mths

1<sup>st</sup> Barrenjoey Fiorente – W & L Bryden

Class 73: Cow over 30 mths

1<sup>st</sup> Rotherwood Glamour Girl – Matt Cooney

2<sup>nd</sup> Whitby Farm Scotch Finger – K & G Lorains

Senior Champion Cow:

Rotherwood Glamour Girl – Matt Cooney

Reserve Senior Champion Cow:

Whitby Farm Scotch Finger – K & G Lorains

Grand Champion Female:

Rotherwood Glamour Girl – Matt Cooney

**Tammy Breuer Perpetual Trophy - Supreme Exhibit:**

Rotherwood Glamour Girl – Matt Cooney

## Reminder for Late Registrations

For a 6 month period, ALCA granted an amnesty for the registration of animals over 12 months of age & for late embryo flush recordings, so registrations could be processed without incurring a late fee.

Members are reminded that this amnesty period ends on 30<sup>th</sup> April 2016.

Late fees will be reinstated from 1<sup>st</sup> May 2016.

It is suggested that if you have older animals that still require registration, please get the paperwork and payment into ALCA before the end of April.



*With the introduction of a Red Herd Book this year, ALCA has also welcomed Red Lowlines into the Association*

## Welcome to New Members

ALCA would like to welcome the following new members to our Association this year.

Paul Talbot Pty Ltd (Full Membership)

Malabar NSW – Legup Stud

Brandon, Bradalee & Brayden Beck (Youth Members)

Kabra, QLD – Langley Park Stud

Wayne Hattenfels (Full Membership)

Wellington, NSW – Gleneski Stud

Noel Wagner (Youth Member)

Kurrajong, NSW – Wagner & Sons Stud

Bryan & Michelle Bowen (Full Membership)

Cooyar, Qld – Jarkira Stud

Scott & Jill Allison (Full Membership)

Medowvale, Qld – Haymee Belody Stud

Andrew & Carolyn Brearley (Full Membership)

Halifax, West Yorkshire, England – Highroyd Stud

Rhonda Wright (Full Membership)

Muswellbrook, NSW – Rhondale Stud

Robert Lloyd & Patricia Lloyd (Full Membership)

Gordonvale, QLD– Sawmill Pocket Stud

Stephen, Lorraine & Ryan O'Malley (Re-joined Full Membership)

Snug, Tasmania – Tas Taraine Stud

Matt Brown & Maree Bowen (Full Membership)

Alton Downs, Qld – M & M Stud



## 2016 Royal Sydney Show Results

### FEMALES

Class 100: Heifer 9- 12months

1<sup>st</sup> Wanamara Fire Opal – G & J Knight

Class 101: Heifer 12 – 16 mths

1<sup>st</sup> Cann Valley Lunar Eclipse – Matt Cooney

Class 102: Heifer 16 – 20 mths

1<sup>st</sup> Blue Gem Little Star – J & E Germany

2<sup>nd</sup> Serena Downs Kiss Me Kate – C & M Noel

Junior Champion Heifer:

Blue Gem Little Star – J & E Germany

Reserve Junior Champion Heifer:

Serena Downs Kiss Me Kate – C & M Noel

Class 105: Heifer 20 – 24 mths

1<sup>st</sup> Wanamara Ruby Sunset – G & J Knight

Class 106: Cow 24 – 30 mths

1<sup>st</sup> Barrenjoey Fiorente – W & L Bryden

Class 107: Cow over 30 mths

1<sup>st</sup> Rotherwood Glamour Girl – Matt Cooney

2<sup>nd</sup> The Cedars Jazmin – Caitlin Chandler

3<sup>rd</sup> Serena Downs Je T'aime – C & M Noel

4<sup>th</sup> Elle Kay Stella – L & L Kuipers

Senior Champion Cow:

Rotherwood Glamour Girl – Matt Cooney

Reserve Senior Champion Cow:

Barrenjoey Fiorente – W & L Bryden

Grand Champion Female:

Rotherwood Glamour Girl – Matt Cooney



Judging for Grand Champion Lowline Female between Rotherwood Glamour Girl (Senior Champion) & Blue Gem Little Star (Junior Champion)

### BULLS

Class 111: Bull 9- 12months

1<sup>st</sup> Elle Kay Lord Joker – L & L Kuipers

Class 112: Bull 12 – 16 mths

1<sup>st</sup> Cann Valley Count Knockout – Matt Cooney

2<sup>nd</sup> Serena Downs Luke the Duke – C & M Noel

Class 113: Bull 16 – 20 mths

1<sup>st</sup> Wanamara Tom Collins - G & J Knight

Junior Champion Bull:

Cann Valley Count Knockout – Matt Cooney

Reserve Junior Champion Bull:

Wanamara Tom Collins - G & J Knight

Class 117: Bull 24 – 30 mths

1<sup>st</sup> Serena Downs 007 – C & M Noel

Class 65: Bull over 30 mths

1<sup>st</sup> Trungley Tungsten – W & L Bryden

Senior Champion Bull:

Trungley Tungsten – W & L Bryden

Reserve Senior Champion Bull:

Serena Downs 007 – C & M Noel

Grand Champion Bull:

Trungley Tungsten – W & L Bryden

**The Roger Barlow Perpetual Trophy - Best Exhibit:**

Rotherwood Glamour Girl – Matt Cooney



Judging for Junior Champion Bull between Wanamara Tom Collins (handler Harry Turnham) & Cann Valley Count Knockout (handler, Patrick Halloran)



## Lowline Bulls proving themselves in the USA

Duff Cattle Company is a fourth generation, 500 head Angus seedstock operation in southwest Oklahoma, USA.

In their sale catalogue of Spring 2014 they stated that for 20 plus years they have been looking for an easier way to calve out first calf heifers.

They tried Lowlines about three years ago and now they calve their first calf heifers out in the pasture with their cows, checking them once a day to tag the calves.

Kirk Duff says "the results have been very satisfying."

He calls Lowlines "the best low maintenance, easy calving Angus genetics available".

He further states that birth complications have been minimal with birth weights from 50 to 69 pounds and the calves are vigorous and grow well.

*Excerpt from American Lowline Summer 2014 Magazine*

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A follow up to this article –

Duff Cattle Company have an Annual Duff PowerPlus Angus sale held each February in Oklahoma, USA.

10 Aberdeen+ bulls were offered this year in a sale of 162 Angus cattle at the Duff Ranch in Oklahoma, USA on February 20<sup>th</sup> 2016.

Aberdeen+ cattle are derived from Pure Angus cows joined to Lowline bulls. The resultant progeny (bulls) are called Aberdeen+ cattle and are then used to moderate frame size when used over Angus females to improve calving ease and cost of production.

Of the 10 Aberdeen+ bulls offered, 9 were sired by Ardrossan Lowline genetics.

The top priced bull and only one sired by Ardrossan Orient, sold for \$US 25,500.

The 2<sup>nd</sup> top priced bull, sired by Ardrossan Lincoln, sold for \$US 14,500. Lincoln sired bulls averaged \$9000.

This is a great promotion for the commercial use of Lowline bulls.



Farm Gate Sign



Stubby Holder

## Lowline Merchandise

Lowline Merchandise is available through our ALCA office. All items can be viewed online, with sizes for clothing & prices, on the ALCA website [www.lowlinecattleassoc.com.au](http://www.lowlinecattleassoc.com.au)

Contact Carole at the ALCA Office to place your order.



Broken Arrow  
Moonlight  
DOB 22.4.1997

## Lowline Matriarchs

The article in the 2016 Lowline Journal 'Lowline Matriarch – Broken Arrow Moonlight' Page 13, has recognised this cow as being nearly 19 years old and possibly the oldest living Lowline breeding cow.

Another Lowline matriarch has now come to our attention who may be the oldest Lowline cow. **Lorrellen Spring II** (DOB 13.3.1997), owned by Kim and Robert Gearon, Bettowynd Stud, Macclesfield, Vic, is 5 weeks older than Broken Arrow Moonlight.

Do you know of any Lowlines older than these two ladies?

