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ALCA AGM Saturday 1st October 2016

We are holding our AGM at the Mercure Sydney Airport Motel on Saturday 1st October 2016 at 2.00pm followed by Afternoon Tea and a Breed Forum.

Please advise me by Friday 9th September 2016 if you will be attending the AGM and Breed Forum, if you will be staying for Dinner, and if you will require accommodation, a shuttle bus, or car parking.

Location:

Mercure Sydney International Airport Hotel,
22 Levey Street, Wolli Creek NSW 2205.
Phone 02.9518 2020 and Fax 02.9518.2041

Agenda:

2.00pm to 3.00pm – Annual General Meeting
3.00pm – Afternoon Tea
3.20pm – Breed Forum – an open forum for all issues regarding the breed with a focus on breed and Association development.
6.00pm – Gathering of members with breed dinner to follow at 7.00pm.

Travel and Accommodation:

Accommodation has been arranged at the Mercure Sydney International Airport Hotel, 22 Levey Street, Wolli Creek NSW 2205 for all participating members at a rate of \$200.00 per night per room, and breakfast is \$20.00 per person.

Car Parking is available at the Hotel for guests staying over at a cost of \$15.00 per car, and we have 3 free car parking spaces for members who will be driving to the meeting.

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Please advise Carole at the ABRI office if you are intending to drive to the meeting.

Airport Shuttle Bus has been arranged and will be free of charge for our meeting participants.

For conference arrangements, please advise Carole at the ABRI office by Friday 9th September 2016, if you will be attending:

- The AGM and Breed Forum on Saturday.
- The Breed Dinner on Saturday night.
- If you will require Accommodation at the Motel for Friday or Saturday nights.
- If you will be driving in to the Meeting and will need a car parking space.
- * If you will be flying in and require a Shuttle Bus pass.

If you have any questions please do not hesitate to contact me on (02) 6773 3295.

Carole Johns
ALCA Executive Officer



Kinlochmoidart Lowlines, Victoria

New members of ALCA, Karl & Heather Hales of Lakes Entrance in Victoria, are excited about their new venture with Lowline cattle.

In April this year on their way home from Lake Jindabyne, Karl & Heather stopped at Cann River for a break and picked up a flyer from Relics Café. A phone call two days later and they were back at Cann River looking at lowline cattle.

After meeting Vicki Gilbert from Rotherwood Lowlines and Matt Cooney from Cann Valley Lowlines, who own & manage Relics Café, Karl & Heather were hooked on Lowlines and signed up to purchase some of their cattle. The size, stocking rate per acre, ease of handling, feed conversion and temperament appealed to the Hales and would suit their 30 acre property at Lakes Entrance.

Vicki and Matt were very helpful with information and a great friendship has been formed with Karl & Heather, giving them mentors to work with.

'The name Kinlochmoidart is from the area where my family came from in the Highlands of Scotland, our family farm in South Gippsland is called Glenmoidart which is the property they left in the 1800s to come to Australia.' Karl explains.

'We feel that it also keeps with the Scottish background of the Lowlines with the Aberdeen Angus and as Dad's name is Angus, he thinks it is a great idea.'

Heather grew up in the Hurstbridge area on a dairy farm, and Karl grew up on a dairy, beef, sheep farm in South Gippsland. They plan to run a Lowline stud with a few commercial cows. The Kinlochmoidart foundation herd consists of 2 cows with calves at foot, a pregnant heifer & a Lowline bull. Ten Angus/FriesianX cows in calf to a Lowline bull will form the commercial side.

Their next venture will be to start showing at the local shows and we wish them well!



Heather with some of her new Lowlines



Past Royal Melbourne Show Winners Needed

This year marks the 20th Anniversary of the first judging of Australian Lowlines at the Royal Melbourne Show.

A display of past Melbourne Show winners is being prepared & photos are being collected.

If you have a photo of one of the previous Champions or Reserve Champion Bulls or Females & would like to add to our display, please scan & send to Julie Knight wanamara@westnet.com.au.

Your contribution will be much appreciated.



Membership Renewals are now Due

A reminder to all members that membership fees for the Australian Lowline Cattle Association (ALCA) and Certified Lowline Beef (CLB) Producers are now due.

If you have not received a renewal for your membership or have any queries please contact Carole Johns – office@lowlinecattleassoc.com.au

Any stud that has not renewed their membership by the end of October will be deemed unfinancial & their cattle will be deactivated on the ALCA database.

A fee of \$5.50 per animal is charged to have them activated again on the database.

So please avoid any extra costs by renewing your membership now.



Changes to the AI Sires List

An extra column has been added to the AI Sires List on the ALCA website to indicate those bulls with semen collected for overseas use – Export Accredited.

Export Accredited Semen – export protocols are different for many countries and some have changed recently so a prospective purchaser should check with the owner that the semen meets all export requirements.



I'm in training for the show season

Warren Show Report

I lead a calf. She was 5 months old. It was my first time and her first time. She jumped a bit but it was fun. I would like to do it more often. I took home a first prize ribbon.

by Jack Varagnolo (with Macquarie Country Skills)
Trangie, NSW

Report from Macquarie Country Skills

This show season our group have been working with two Lowline steer calves and three heifers.

In our area, cattle are yarded for judging and the same cattle can be lead for school steer or heifer classes.

The cattle can be purebred or crossbred provided that they are pestivirus tested.

Most of the young people in our group do not come from a farming background, so the smaller shows which offered this setup provide an excellent chance for them to become involved with the show scene in safety.

Margaret Wood
Goan Lowlines,
Trangie NSW



Australian Lowline Muster & Show

5th - 8th January 2017



Entries are now open for the Australian Lowline Cattle Muster and Show!!!!

The Australian Lowline Youth Committee welcomes all young and current Cattlemen and women to the 2017 Inaugural Australian Lowline Muster and Show. We have been working hard to make sure you all thoroughly enjoy this event, make new friends, and gain knowledge and experience of the Beef Cattle Industry.

AUSTRALIAN LOWLINE MUSTER & SHOW FACT FILE

- The Australian Lowline Cattle Muster and Show will be held on the 5th to 8th January 2017 at the Hawkesbury Showgrounds, Clarendon NSW
- Participants will be able to register from 12pm on the 5th January. Cattle are requested to arrive prior to 12pm on Thursday 5th January 2017. Contact Lucy on 0406 023 569 if other arrangements will be needed. Afternoon tea will be the first meal provided on this day.
- T-Shirts will be supplied to all entrants so T-Shirt size must be nominated on Entry Form. The committee does not take responsibility for wrong shirt sizes. Please choose carefully. The T-shirts will be required to be worn during breed classes.
- Entries received on a Handler per animal basis will cost Non-members \$130.00, Members \$110.00. If a ballot animal is required an extra \$20 will be required upon entry. The entry fee includes: all meals for participants, including the Saturday nights special evening, a t-shirt, and showground hire.

- Any additional animal per participant will incur an extra \$20.
- Any entry forms received after closing date (31st October 2016) will incur a late fee of \$20.
- Parents are encouraged to be present for the duration of the show. We need parent's assistance for this event to run smoothly.
- We hope to have the Muster and Show conclude no later than 12pm (midday) on the 8th January 2017. Lunch will be the last meal provided.

For further details or schedule and entry forms please contact

Lucy Kuipers – ellekaystud@hotmail.com

or

Matt Cooney – mattcooney98@gmail.com

To make the Australian Lowline Muster and Show a success we are seeking sponsorship in the following areas:

* Monetary:

To be able to cover costs of the event and ensure our members and potential members receive maximum benefit of our programme

* Animals:

We ask that if you are in a position to bring cattle to the showground for ballot animals, or to supply participants from your area with an animal it would be greatly appreciated. Without these animals the event will not be as successful.

* Donations in kind:

If you have anything you would like to donate as prizes for either participants or for raffles/gifts that is suitable, we would really appreciate it.

* Lowline Beef

What a fantastic opportunity it is to share with our community the amazing beef we are producing. We aim to have a special dinner function where Lowline Beef only is served to all who attend and require donations to supply this (if we can have enough beef for entire show that would be extra amazing!)



Aust.Lowline Muster & Show

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What we propose to offer in return for any of the above assistance is free advertising for your stud and/or business on our Facebook pages, ALCA website, newsletters and also by adding your logo to the participant schedules.

This is a great opportunity for your business as well as a great opportunity to assist fellow Australian Lowline Cattle breeders and enthusiasts alike.

If you would like to discuss any further opportunities to be involved, or able to assist with any of our above requests, we invite you to contact us via email or speak with Lucy or Matt.

Lucy Kuipers 0406 023 569 ellekaystud@hotmail.com

Matt Cooney mattcooney98@gmail.com

2016 Royal Adelaide Show

Judging for the Adelaide Show will be on Saturday 3rd September at the Adelaide Showgrounds.

If you are in South Australia, come along & give your support.

2016 Royal Melbourne Show Lowline 20th Anniversary Show

Judging for the Lowlines at Melbourne Show this year will be on Sunday 25th September at 9am. This year the SRPG and Victorian members will be celebrating 20 years of Lowlines at Melbourne Show so come along and celebrate with us.



Exhibitors at the
2014 Royal
Melbourne Show

Hugh Deakin

It is with great sadness that we inform members of the recent passing of a long time ALCA member, Hugh Deakin.

Hugh with his wife, Cynthia have lived for many years at Central Macdonald in New South Wales where they have McDonald Lowline Stud. They have worked tirelessly to promote the breed & many NSW members will have purchased McDonald cattle to start up their own Lowline herds.

Hugh Deakin was a well respected Veterinarian in the Hawkesbury district. Most years he would accompany Cynthia to watch the judging of the Lowlines at Sydney Show & have a friendly chat with exhibitors afterwards.

A real gentleman, Hugh Deakin will be sadly missed. We send our sympathies to Cynthia & their family.

Julie Knight

ALCA Member Survey

Members were recently sent an online Member Survey and there has been a fantastic response.

Many constructive ideas have been put forward and we thank the members who have taken the time to reply.

Council will consider these comments and suggestions at the Council face-to-face meeting following the AGM next month to plan the next 12 months for the Association.

2016 Royal Perth Show

Dates for the Royal Perth Show this year are 24 September – 1st October 2016



2016 Royal Brisbane Show (EKKA) Results

JUNIOR HEIFERS

Heifer, 8 To 12 Months

1. **Kenneth & Tanya Falkenhagen:** TANVIEW LOVEBIRD

Heifer, 12 To 16 Months

1. **Dakabin State High School:** DAKABIN LUCY

Heifer, 16 To 20 Months

1. **Kenneth & Tanya Falkenhagen:** TANVIEW LORIKEET
2. **Dakabin State High School:** DAKABIN KATARINA
3. **Kenneth & Tanya Falkenhagen:** TANVIEW KRISTMAS KISSES

Junior Champion Lowline Heifer

Kenneth & Tanya Falkenhagen: TANVIEW LORIKEET

Reserve Junior Champion Lowline Heifer

Kenneth & Tanya Falkenhagen: LOVEBIRD

JUNIOR BULLS

Bull, 8 To 12 Months

1. **Kenneth & Tanya Falkenhagen:** TANVIEW LOGAN
2. **Desire Red Lowlines:** MCINTOSH CREEK LAWBREAKER
3. **Dakabin State High School:** DAKABIN LESTER

Bull, 16 To 20 Months

1. **Kenneth & Tanya Falkenhagen:** TANVIEW KINGDOM
2. **Rockhampton Girls Grammar School:** : MCINTOSH CREEK LEROY

Junior Champion Lowline Bull

Kenneth & Tanya Falkenhagen: TANVIEW KINGDOM

Reserve Junior Champion Lowline Bull

Kenneth & Tanya Falkenhagen: TANVIEW LOGAN



Dakabin State High School with their Grand Champion Cow, Dakabin Infinity

SENIOR COW or HEIFER

Heifer, 20 To 30 Months

1. **Kenneth & Tanya Falkenhagen:** TANVIEW KATHERINE
2. **Dakabin State High School:** DAKABIN KATIE
3. **Dakabin State High School:** DAKABIN KRYSTAL

Cow, 30 To Under 48 Months

1. **Dakabin State High School:** DAKABIN INFINITY
2. **Kenneth & Tanya Falkenhagen:** TANVIEW JILLAROO
3. **Kenneth & Tanya Falkenhagen:** TANVIEW JEWEL

Senior Champion Lowline Cow

Dakabin State High School: DAKABIN INFINITY

Reserve Senior Champion Lowline Cow

Kenneth & Tanya Falkenhagen: TANVIEW JILLAROO

Grand Champion Lowline Female

Dakabin State High School: DAKABIN INFINITY

SENIOR BULLS

Bull, 20 to 30 Months

1. **Kenneth & Tanya Falkenhagen:** TANVIEW KING WALLY
2. **Desire Red Lowlines:** MCINTOSH CREEK KANNON
3. **Dakabin State High School:** DAKABIN KEITH

Bull, 30 to Under 42 Months

1. **Kenneth & Tanya Falkenhagen:** TANVIEW JACKAROO
2. **Rockhampton Girls Grammar School:** : MCINTOSH CREEK JELIGNITE

Senior Champion Lowline Bull

Kenneth & Tanya Falkenhagen: TANVIEW JACKAROO

Reserve Senior Champion Lowline Bull

Kenneth & Tanya Falkenhagen: TANVIEW KING WALLY

Grand Champion Lowline Bull

Kenneth & Tanya Falkenhagen: TANVIEW JACKAROO

Pair of Bulls

1. **Kenneth & Tanya Falkenhagen**
2. **Dakabin State High School**

Breeders Group

1. **Dakabin State High School**
2. **Kenneth & Tanya Falkenhagen**



2016 EKKA Results cont.

Small Breeds Interbreed Winner -

Kenneth & Tanya Falkenhagen: TANVIEW JACKAROO

High Point Achiever Award (with stud & led steers) -

Kenneth & Tanya Falkenhagen

Herdsmen Competition - Kenneth & Tanya Falkenhagen



Kenneth & Tanya Falkenhagen, Tanview Lowlines with their Small Breeds Interbreed Champion Bull, Tanview Jackaroo



Lowline Breed
Ties



Lowline Cap

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

Contact Carole at the ALCA Office to place your order.

Electronic & Paper Registration Certificates

After comments from members, it has been decided by Council that ALCA will still print Registration Certificates for those members who indicate they want them.

Therefore, electronic certificates will be emailed to members unless they contact Carole by phone or email to say they would prefer a paper document.

Paper documents will continue to be posted to members who do not have emails.

If you have any queries please contact Carole office@lowlinecattleassoc.com.au



South Australian Promotion Group (SAPG)

All is fairly quiet at this time of year in Sth Australia with the wet and cold weather. The AGM for the SAPG was held on the weekend of 20-21 August 2016.

The Royal Adelaide Show will be held from 2-11 September & Lowline judging will be on Saturday 3rd in the afternoon.

Mt Gambier Show is on 21-22 October with local members exhibiting Lowlines.



North Queensland Promotion Group

Central Queensland District

Our show season is just about over. There is 1 more this weekend at the Moura Coal and Country Show, which the Rockhampton Girls Grammar School are attending. Good luck girls.

In August we had Mount Morgan Show, The Ekka and Wowan shows. Two studs were present at Mt Morgan with at least 11 kids helping with leading, parading and getting the cattle ready with lots of attention given to the cattle.

Crimson Park Keigh was Champion Senior Male shown by Crimson Park Lowlines, Crimson Park Jazz was Champion Senior Female shown by Langley Park Lowlines.

Crimson Park Legacy and Crimson Park Lane were the Junior Champions.

In Junior Paraders under 13's Lowlines were in the top 4 with Jordyn, Jai, Shakeeta and Nate parading.



The Rockhampton Girls Grammar and McIntosh Creek teamed up at the Ekka. Ku Lacey said that Red was their colour with seconds all round. Well done – you all looked amazing!



At Wowan Show, Langley Park Lowlines received Supreme Champion with their Cow and Calf. Very happy team. Brandon, Bradalee, Sarah and Ta with Crimson Park Jazz and calf Maximillian.



On 21/08/16 the Central Queensland group put on a BBQ for the end of show season celebrations.

Congratulations to all the participants. Thanks to Sharon Coome, Michele Molloy and Ku Lacey for putting this all together. Awards were given and received in the true spirit of showing.

Sharon Coome



Lowline Steers ARE Profitable

It is always asked – can I make a profit from Lowlines?

Recently 8 Lowline steers were sold through Shepparton Saleyards for \$825 (+GST) each – av. weight 286kg.

Eight weeks later the purchaser of these steers on-sold them for \$1050 (+GST) through Heyfield Saleyards – giving the Vendor a profit of \$225 per head for grass fed steers.

Not a bad profit for very little input!

