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2019

It is amazing how quickly the year flies by. Christmas is just around the corner and the holiday time is imminent.

The year has offered many challenges to the farming communities. Many areas are still struggling with the long drought while others have experienced recent fires as well.

If you know of anyone experiencing difficulties, reach out for a chat to let them know there is help available. A recent email to members gave the contact details for ALCA Councillors and organisations who are available for assistance. Please use these contacts if you feel the need.

For those who are fortunate enough to be taking holidays over Christmas and New Year, we hope you enjoy plenty of relaxation time with family & friends.

For those of us who will be home on the farm with the usual farm and cattle duties, we hope you also have a great Christmas and enjoy a Happy New Year.

We hope 2020 brings much needed rain to all so feed is in abundance & there are people wanting to purchase our Lowline cattle everywhere.

Julie Knight
ALCA President



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ALCA Office Holiday Dates

The ALCA Office will be closed for Christmas the close of business **on Friday 20th December & will reopen on Monday 6th January 2020.**

Your Executive Officer, Katrina McKemey will be available from Wednesday 8th December 2020.

The ALCA Registrar, Natalie Herd will be available from Monday 6th January 2020.

A big 'Thank You' to Natalie Herd for all her work throughout a difficult 12 months.

NOTE: Please allow a 2 week turnaround for registrations once DNA/PV results and payment have been submitted to the office. This is important to remember following the Christmas break.



Yeppoon Fires, Qld

Recent fires in Queensland affected some of our Lowline breeders in the Yeppoon area of Queensland.

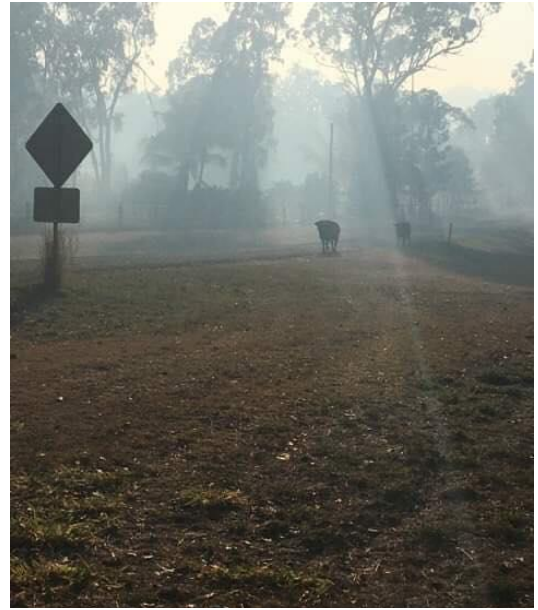
Junior Members, Riley Jenson and Gracie Walker, both had their family farms impacted by the fires, requiring the cattle to be moved to a safer area. Thankfully, both families and their farms were saved.

Riley wrote the following –

‘On Saturday the fire started and roared through all of the Adelaide Park region and burnt 100% of our property but the cows and the house were saved thanks to Steve Walker, Keith Wiltshire, Luke Warner, Dad (Garry Jensen), and Clint Miles. Thanks for all the hard work you have been putting in for the last few days.

Thank you to Luke and Rebecca Warner, Keith and Kate Wilshire, for getting all the cows back into the paddock. Then we saw Jemma and Lolly come down the road yesterday morning.

Thank you to Michele Molloy and Tim Franzmann for the agistment property for the cows.’



Jemma & Lolly coming down the road



Riley's very tired cows after they came home



FEED NEEDED FOR ANIMALS

A local business is working to provide feed for animals affected by the fire near Yeppoon.

Anyone can buy a bale or a bag to donate to property owners in need.

"For every dollar donated to this we will match it and give either a bag or a bale of hay to people in desperate need of supplies for their animals," the Yeppoon STOCK FEEDS & Rural Supplies owner said.

Yeppoon Stock Feeds (07) 4939 5832



Wessex Lowlines, UK - Winter Preparations

Those of us who live in Australia or New Zealand don't have to worry about dealing with the extremes of Winter.

Wessex Lowlines manager, David Maughan explains their preparations for Winter in England.

'Our winter cattle housing – Lowlines are a hardy breed and would be perfectly fine outwintered. If we had some rougher ground we certainly would, however we have pastureland much of which is relatively newly seeded and so to preserve the land for good spring growth we bring in a percentage of our cattle – especially when it has been as wet as it has.

We get 54 inches of rain a year and our pastures couldn't withstand the cattle on them all winter which would result in poor grass growth in spring.

Over the winter we would house around 100 head, leaving the cows with late Summer born calves, bulls and Highland surrogates (recipient cows) outside for the Winter.

Before being housed in the shed, calves have their shoulders and back ends clipped out, which helps regulate temperatures during winter housing. They are also wormed and given multivitamins.



The cattle will be housed for 18 weeks and we muck out every 6 weeks using around 90 tonnes of straw for bedding. One of the many good things about Lowlines is you can fit many in a small space.

All the manure is taken off site by an arable farmer who exchanges it for straw.'



Sustainable Beef Field Day - North Island New Zealand

Lowline Summer Field Day

The North Island Lowline Promotion Group would like to invite all Members and interested Australian Lowline admirers to attend the Lowline Field Day being organised by our group.

WHEN: 22 February 2020

WHERE: Triple M Stud Lowlines

18a Castle St.

Eltham,

Taranaki

AND

Kiatake Lowline Stud

130 Upper Weld Rd.

Tataraimaka,

Taranaki

TIME: 11.30am Start

Arrive at Triple M Stud, Meet & Greet

BYO lunch (Tea & Coffee available)

Following lunch, we will look at John, Sandy and Katherine's cattle. This stud produces show cattle and all of us will benefit from Sandy and Katherine's knowledge on how to handle cattle and prepare them for showing.

Following the visit to Triple M Stud we will head to the Henschman's Kiatake Stud (less than an hour's drive away).

Here we will view the stud bulls on concrete where we can assess their feet, legs, structure, etc and take the opportunity to rank them from what we think is the best to the 'not so best'. Following this we will travel to the Henschman's runoff block where we can view their cows and calves.

One of our experienced members present will enlighten us on the finer points in cattle judging.

SATURDAY EVENING:

6pm meet at Stony River Hotel in Okato for a Group Dinner.

Accommodation is available at Stony River Hotel, if required. We ask that you please arrange your own booking.

Also, dinner will be on a 'pay your own' basis.

NOTE: Very special guests to the event will be Peter and Jeanette Stebbins from Ardrossan Lowline Stud in Victoria, Australia.

The Stebbins are Foundation and Life Members of ALCA and have consistently improved their Lowlines for beef production.

They also market their own beef and will have tips on how to establish a market for Certified Lowline Beef in NZ. Jeanette is a fountain of knowledge and she will also offer us advice on how to improve our Lowlines.

Jeanette and Peter will be travelling around the North Island and enjoy visiting Lowline Breeders and talking about Lowlines.

PLEASE RSVP – bbqranch@gmail.com



Progeny of Australian genetics, this little heifer, Bioheamach Quoque Decora, 6 weeks of age, is one of the first Australian Lowline calves for new ALCA members, Lucie & John Walsh from Ireland



Whittlesea Show 2019 - Australian Lowline Feature

Victorian Lowline Breeders are to be commended for their commitment to making the recent Whittlesea Show, Australian Lowline Feature a spectacular success. Studs including Ballarat Grammar, Glenholme, Ardeen, Tarrawarra, Cann Valley and Whitby Farm all made a huge effort to ensure that there was a wonderful display of Lowline cattle. The line-up of around 28 animals was as good as you would see at any Royal Show.



The stand of Lowline merchandise was popular and thank you to ALCA and Julie Knight in particular, for facilitating the supply of merchandise and for donating items for our promotion group fundraising.



The show was held over two days on the 2nd & 3rd of November with an open heifer challenge held on Saturday afternoon and Stud Beef classes on Sunday.

The weather held off during Saturday's classes but for the most part the first day was pretty wet and dismal with not many people through the gates.

Fortunately, Sunday was generally fine with only the odd passing storm and the crowds showed up with people flocking through the shed, talking to Lowline breeders and enjoying the Lowline cattle on display.

Thank you to all exhibitors for making it such a memorable show. Special mention should be made of Glenholme Stud who showed their cattle for the first time at Whittlesea, such a fantastic effort to support their breed.

Congratulations to Cann Valley Stud on winning Grand Champion Lowline Female, Grand Champion Lowline Bull, Supreme Champion and Interbreed Champion Bull.



Breeder Profile - Triple M Lowlines, NZ

From Sustainable Beef NZ Facebook Page

Hello all! Here's a brief story on the Triple M Stud. Triple M was named for we three Moores – John, Sandy and Katherine.

We set out to look for easy care, easy calving, easy on the ground beef cattle, with good manners so that our daughter could also handle them.

We bought our first in calf heifer back in 2005. She was "Jayline Fleur" who calved a beautiful heifer for us the following October whom John named "Rabbit". She was often seen leaping tall grass to get to the milk bar! "Fleur" calved every year until she was ten.

Her daughters were good stocky animals and her bulls were in high demand after we sold the first one! We have sold bulls the length and width of New Zealand and one breeder has a standing order of a new bull every 4 years.

Katherine and I have shown Lowlines since 2008 (Katherine was just 10 then), except for last season due to the Bovis restrictions and this season due to family health issues.

We have put the Lowlines in the ring from Kumeu to Masterton and had good success with many Reserve Champions, Champions and Supreme Champions. We have our name on 6 (I think) different trophies and more than once on some of them.

Katherine has also taken out many handler trophies both junior and senior.

Triple M has been added to newspaper publications North Island wide on several occasions and this helped us in our goal of getting these awesome little animals into the public eye.

We wouldn't be where we are today without the help of John who kept this little farmlet running while Katherine and I were away, and the fellow breeders who have hosted us on our trips, lent us bulls and ever valuable advice.



We currently have 5 breeding cows, two of which we have bought in.

Our heifer to bull calving rate in recent years has been mostly bulls until now. Ironically now we don't have the room to keep them.

We are hoping to get back in the show ring to take up our promotion of these beautiful wee animals next season, not promising though. Katherine has set up a Triple M Stud page on Facebook for anyone wanting to have a look.

Sandy Moore
Triple M Lowlines

Reactivation Fees

A Reminder to Members –

A reactivation fee of \$5 (+ GST) is charged for each animal that needs to be reactivated.

On the 1st November 2019 animals belonging to members whose membership had lapsed were automatically deactivated on the database.

If a member renews their membership after this date the animal reactivation fee will be charged.

Animals to be transferred from a non-member or a member with a lapsed membership will also incur the reactivation fee.

ALCA is charged by ABRI for the deactivation and activation of each member and animal so ALCA needs to pass this cost on to the members when these processes take place.



Using Molasses as a Feed Supplement

During drought conditions when hay and grain are expensive to buy, alternative supplements and additives can sometimes be a better option. Straw can be fed to cattle and best results are with the addition of supplements. The following information might be useful for some people.

PRIMEFACTS – NSW DPI fact sheet No.271

Fortified molasses mixes for cattle

Bill McKiernan

Research Leader Animal Production, Production Research, Orange - Head Office

WARNING

Drought increases the risk of unacceptable residues in stock. Risks include contaminated feed, increased intake of contaminated soil, concentration of existing residues as animals lose condition, and many other causes. Refer to Primefact 312 *Drought increases residue risks* for details before purchasing stockfeed or making feeding decisions.

Introduction

Molasses is an excellent energy source in drought but needs to be fortified with urea and/or protein meal. These fortified molasses rations rely on adequate paddock roughage (over 700 kg dry matter per hectare), and are fed twice weekly at this stage.

When paddock roughage is below 700 kg dry matter per hectare, these rations need to be fed three times weekly or with the addition of 1–2 kg of

roughage/hd/day (see Primefact 322 *Feeding calves in drought*).

Molasses rations are fed in open troughs. (Do not confuse this with the roller drum method.)

Although fortified molasses mixes are much more expensive than roller drums or blocks, experience has shown that they are far more effective in promoting the utilisation of dry feed and maintaining animal condition and production. Molasses has little protein, therefore urea and/or protein meal must be fed to balance the animal's requirements and allow effective use of dry feed.

Buying molasses

Bulk molasses is always the cheapest per tonne; molasses in drums is always the most expensive. When buying drummed molasses, check the weight stated on the drum so that you know how much you're buying. Drums are commonly sold through resellers at 4 drums to the tonne on a pallet.

Seek a specific assurance from suppliers that drums were properly cleaned before being filled with molasses and did not contain contaminants which could result in unacceptable stock residues.

Table 1. Recommended molasses rations (calculated assuming adequate roughage is available)

Class of stock	Molasses	Cottonseed meal	Urea	Phosphate*
These amounts must be fed 2 times per week.				
30 cows with calves at foot. For lactation and successful rejoining. Suitable for poor cows.	250 kg (1 drum)	50 kg	8 kg	3 kg
30 cows late pregnancy. Plenty of better quality dry feed. Suitable for good scrub.	250 kg (1 drum)	25 kg	8 kg	3 kg
30 weaners (200 kg). For normal growth.	125 kg (½ drum)	50 kg	2 kg	2 kg
30 head of dry stock. For maintenance of weight and condition.	250 kg	–	8 kg	2 kg

*See Table 2 for phosphate rate adjustments for different products. Weights shown are for products containing 21% phosphorus (Kynofos 21® and Biophos®).

Using Molasses as a Feed Supplement cont.

Molasses measurement guide

1 kg =	0.66 L
1 gal. =	7 kg
1 L =	1.5 kg
1 drum =	250 kg (4 drums/pallet)

Urea

Prilled urea fertiliser is used as a non-protein nitrogen supplement in molasses mixes. It stimulates microbial activity in the rumen and is an important ingredient when feeding molasses.

Use prilled urea only, because it is easier to dissolve in the mix than is granulated urea.

In these mixes prilled urea is used at 3% by weight of molasses. Start at 1% in week 1, go to 2% in week 2, then 3% in week 3. Cattle should **not** consume more than 60g urea per head per day.

By-pass protein

Most proteins are broken down in the rumen by micro-organisms, although this depends on the time taken to pass from the rumen. By-pass protein, however, passes through the rumen and is digested in the intestines along with microbial protein. It therefore adds to the animal's protein supply. Cottonseed meal is an example of a by-pass protein source. Other suitable protein sources are linseed meal, sunflower seed meal and soybean meal.

The most cost-effective source should be used. Manufactured protein meals are available that are as good or better and can be less expensive.

Meatmeal

It is illegal to feed ruminant animals with meatmeal derived from ruminant animals.

Roughage

Best results are obtained when roughage is available. There is a risk of molasses 'drunkenness' if molasses is fed with little or no roughage.

Phosphorus

Molasses contains very little phosphorus. On phosphorus-deficient, unsupervised country, this deficiency can be met with monocalcium phosphate or dicalcium phosphate mixed with molasses at 1–2% by weight. Both are low in fluorine and cadmium.

Monoammonium phosphate (MAP) and diammonium phosphate (DAP) fertilisers are **not**

recommended as sources of phosphorus for cattle. MAP and DAP now contain fluorine at levels which can cause fluorosis if fed to stock for an extended period.

Various phosphate fertilisers are available. See Table 2 for rate adjustments.

Table 2. Phosphate rate adjustments

Product	Ingredient	Phosphorus content	Rate adjustment
Kynofos 21®	mono- and dicalcium phosphate (50:50)	21%	none
Biophos®	mono- and dicalcium phosphate (67:33)	21%	none
Palaphos®	dicalcium phosphate	15.3%	×1.25
DCP	dicalcium phosphate	18%	×1.12

The rate adjustment shown is the amount by which you will need to multiply the figure given in Table 1. For example, if you use DCP for 30 weaners, you will need 2 kg (from Table 1) × 1.12 (from Table 2) = 2.24 kg.

Method of feeding

Molasses is fed undiluted in open troughs. No water is added. 200-L drums cut lengthways make good temporary troughs and provide enough trough space for 30 head, although with molasses feeding, trough space is not as important as it is with grain feeding. Old bathtubs or heavy steel troughs are more resistant to corrosion. Where long troughs are used, a bar 30 cm above trough level helps prevent wastage and injury by preventing animals being pushed in.

Mixing

It is important to thoroughly mix the required amount of urea into the molasses first, otherwise poisoning can occur. Urea content should be increased gradually in the mix over a 3-week period. Protein meal is added last.

Mixing urea with water and adding to molasses is **not** advised when preparing a fortified molasses mix. This increases the risk of poisoning and can cause fermentation in hot weather. If it rains on the mix and if the urea has not been mixed in properly, then urea poisoning can occur. Paddles welded to a post-hole boring attachment on a chainsaw makes an excellent mixer.

Using Molasses as a Feed Supplement cont.

Mechanical trailer-mounted or stationary feeder/mixers can be made to run off a tractor power take-off or with their own drive mechanisms. If large numbers of cattle are to be fed molasses, time and labour can be saved by mixing and/or feeding with these devices.

Managing intake

If the cattle are aggressive eaters and are gorging, halve the urea levels and add more protein meal.

Further information

For further information see

- Drought feeding and management of stock
www.agric.nsw.gov.au/reader/drtfeeding

or contact your nearest NSW Department of Primary Industries Livestock Officer (Beef Cattle).

2020 Show Entries - Now Open

2020 Royal Canberra Show

Entries are now open for the Royal Canberra Show to be held from Friday 28th February to Sunday 1st March 2020.

Entries Close: 15th February 2020

<https://www.canberrashow.org.au/cattle-2>

2020 Toowoomba Royal Show

Entries are now open for the Toowoomba Royal Show to be held from Friday 26th March to Sunday 28th March 2020.

Entries Close: Thursday, 30th January 2020

<https://www.toowoombashow.com.au/royal-show/schedule/>

2020 Royal Sydney Easter Show

Entries are now open for the Royal Sydney Show to be held from 30th March to 7th April 2020.

Entries Close: Wednesday 5th February 2020

<https://www.rasnsr.com.au/sydney-royal-competitions/competitions/cattle/key-dates--schedule/>

Welcome to New Members

It is with great pleasure that we welcome these new members to our Association.

Simon & Natalie Marshall – Lifestyle Membership
Glamorgan Vale, QLD – Glamorgan Vale

Belinda Humphrey – Full Membership
Bellawongarah, NSW - Amaroo Park

John & Lucie Walsh – Full Membership
Listowel, Co.Kerry, IRE – Boiheamach

Simon Klimpsch – Full Membership
Eldorado, VIC – Sebastapol

Matt McCready – Full Membership
Harston, VIC – Boxwood Park

Vicki Padovan & Chris Ward – Commercial Membership
Table Top, NSW

Alan Birt - Full Membership
Rotorua, North Island, NZ – C B Farms

Gary & Adrienne Holder- Full Membership
Whitford, Auckland, NZ – BHQ Performance

Bianca Warcon – Junior Membership
Cawarral, QLD – Sterling B



Australian Lowline bull calf 5 weeks old
owned by Lucie & John Walsh, Ireland



Lowline Beef Data

Many of you know we have been collecting data on Lowline beef and may have been wondering about the results.

Well, here are some insights.

When a beast is killed generally you lose 50 – 55% of the weight in head, hide and guts which are removed. In this respect, Lowlines appear to be normal within that range.

However, when you assess the remaining carcass weight and the saleable meat available, on present data **Lowlines exceed industry standards.**

It has been difficult to get enough data as many producers do not have liveweights or meat produced weights to compare. Thank you to all those that have managed to supply this information.

Hoof and hook competitions at shows are great, especially for eating quality and beef quality and again, Lowlines are conspicuous in their presence and success in these competitions. Just look at the results from Jeanette Stebbins or Phil Worthington!



However, these competitions do not always reflect what a commercial production system would produce unfortunately, although the meat quality would be similar. MSA grading is not available to all our producers as it depends on where the animals are processed – some abattoirs do not offer it – and it does add extra costs. These competition results inform us as to our meat quality without access to MSA grading in many circumstances. Due to our gene pool it would seem likely that meat quality would be fairly consistent across the breed and this would also be reflected in our positive customer feedback.

As a result, we have concentrated on meat yield as a percentage of the carcass weight from the animals that we have data from, usually from an abattoir as an independent third party. Usually, you get about 50 – 55 % saleable meat from the carcass for all breeds of beef cattle.

From the 40 odd steers that we do have this information from, meat yield ranges from 52% to 80% (this last result includes cuts like beef cheeks, oxtail and other less popular cuts which are not usually included).

Overall however, **Lowlines are averaging 75% meat yield** from a carcass – the average for other breeds is around 50 – 55%!

So Lowlines **are** producing more beef on less land!

One example from H & S Rhode, NZ :

Processor: Allenton Meats Ashburton

Animal: 28 month old Lowline Steer – Grass Fed
Dry Weight Sixteen Days Hanging – 221 Kgs

Brisket (Untrimmed)	27.34
Prime Rib (Untrimmed)	15.37
Blade	10.78
Fore Shin	5.76
Rib-Eye	7.2
Stewing	12.18
Under Cut Corned Silverside	10.95
Hind Shin	6.07
Rump Whole	7.62
Topsides	12.15
T Bone Whole	16.5
Flank	6.35
Mince Trim	14.6
Sausage Trim	7.5
Sub Total Edible	160.37
	Kgs

= 72.6% MEAT YIELD



Lowline Beef Data cont.

Another example below from Sue Foureur, SA:

100% Lowline Steer 22mths old
 Grass fed only
 Live weight approx. 400kg
 Carcass weight 195.1kg
 Meat yield 136kg
 Cut out rate of 70%

LOWLINE ANGUS VS. OTHER BREEDS

Trangie Station Cattle Comparison Results

Breed of Cattle	Head per 100 Acres	Carcass (18 mo.)		Retail Meat Yield	
		Weight lbs.	lbs. per acre	Retail/ Carcass	lbs. per acre
Lowline	54	418	203.1	76%	154.4
Avg. of 6 Breeds	30.7	528.7	144.2	65%	93.1
Difference	23.3	-110.7	58.9	11%	61.3
Difference to Avg.	76%	-21%	41%	18%	66%
Comparison Detail of Six Beef Cattle Breeds					
1. Simmental	23	556	115.0	69%	79.4
2. Wagyu	38	442	151.1	55%	83.1
3. Shorthorn	28	532	132.4	65%	86.1
4. Hereford	30	552	147.2	64%	94.2
5. Murray Grey	32	547	157.7	67%	105.7
6. Angus	33	543	161.7	68%	110.0

These are weaner calves raised on grass only and then slaughtered at approximately 18 months old.

If one's goal is to raise the largest calves, the Simmental breed is the largest. However, if you look at grazing as a process of turning grass into edible meat, the Lowline Angus breed can yield up to 66% more per acre of grass than the average of the six breeds, and 40% more than its larger cousin, the Angus.

The Lowline beast is well muscled beef on short legs. I remember a judge tapping a Lowline bull's girth and the ground and explaining to the other judges "See that gap – you don't get any money for that, no matter how big it is!"

There is also the idea that the more oval bones allow for better boning out on a Lowline. Whatever the reason, Lowlines produce more beef per carcass than other breeds. The data, which has been selected for the valid information it provides, certainly confirms this.

Thank you to those producers who have provided data and those that will in the future – the more information we have, the better. Please consider recording and sending to me the carcass weight and the meat yield at least – you may need to weigh the meat you get back to do this, but the information would be most appreciated!

So we are happy to continue collecting data from producers to consolidate our results.

There will be a teleconference early/mid January 2020 for all CLB Producers and any other members interested in beef production to share ideas and educate other breeders about possibilities.

Let me know if you are interested in being involved – many have responded already! Everyone is welcome!

Michele Molloy
 CLB Committee

Please contact Michele on mitchmay@bigpond.com for further information

Above is older data from the USA but the origins are not known.



New Zealand Agricultural Show, Christchurch - Lowline Feature



Lowlines on parade

Lowlines featured at the New Zealand Agricultural Show in Christchurch in November. The feature breed this year for the first time, Lowlines turned out an impressive 33 entries in a year which saw cattle exhibitors beginning to return to the showing pens after a hiatus for several breeders because of mycoplasma bovis.

Araawa Stud (Killinchy) and Woolstone Park Stud (Rangiora) were the two exhibitors in the breed classes where Woolstone took out the champion senior female (Woolstone Park Genoa, six years old) and champion yearling female (Woolstone Park Malibu) and the champion senior bull (Woolstone Park Barker); and Araawa the champion yearling bull (Araawa Pakiton). Supreme champion Lowline went to the six-year-old Woolstone bull, Barker.

Barker was chosen to represent the breed in the senior Meat and Wool Cup for the best beef animal at the show, and Pakiton to represent the breed in the junior interbreeds. Pakiton then paired with Woolstone's junior female champion, Malibu, for the pairs.

In the All Breeds Lowlines claimed a first with a win in the pair of yearlings class for the Araawa bulls, Pakiton and Porter. Woolstone claimed a fifth in the same class with a pair of yearlings. Woolstone Park Barker was sixth in the senior bulls, and Woolstone Park Hazel fourth in the two-year-old heifer.

In the Led Steers section Harvey and Sally Rhodes (Edsal Stud, Ashburton) finished second with a two-year-old steer and third with their yearling. In the Young Auctioneers competition the two year old sold for \$1350 which equated to \$3.50 liveweight. This rate was slightly above saleyard prices with no commissions or yarding fees. The Rhodes, as did several other sellers in the auction, gave a donation to the show's Youth Committee.

In the show's Prime Beef competition, held the week before for space reasons, veteran cattleman, John McCrory, 78, set a record winning five of the six classes and also setting a record for the price per kilogram when the animals were auctioned. **McCrory's winning local trade heifer was a black Limousin/Lowline cross!**

The Christchurch Butchery that bought the beast described the meat as 'like butter' and displayed it in the shop window with the winning red ribbons.

The Woolstone Park/South Queensland Lowline Promotion Group scholarship exchange was won by Reese Drozdowski, from Rangiora High School. Reese, who is 16 in January and going into Year 12 at school, will attend the Royal Brisbane Show (EKKA) in Australia next year with the Pittsworth High School Team.

This year Woolstone Park hosted Callum Humphris, 16 and his mother, Lexi McGee. Callum won his trip through the Southern Queensland Lowline Promotion Group by winning the Stock Judging Competition at 2019 Toowoomba Royal Show, Queensland, was an associate judge in the Lowline ring at the NZ Ag Show and took part in the All Breeds Classes and the Youth Competition for Handlers and Stock Judging.

Philip Worthington
Woolstone Park

