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Editorial

Auctions sale throughout the year have shown a considerable improvement on the previous year.

The 19 auctions sales we have reported on page 63 recorded a total gross of $14,334,350, an increase of $3,845,500 or 36.7% on the previous year.

Registered bulls increased in numbers by 56 to 1414 and herd bulls by 20 to 656 making the total bulls sold at auction 2070 an increase of 3.8% on last year.

The average price for registered bulls increased by $1280 to a record $7219, a 21.5% on the previous year.

The herd bull average increased by $955 to $4139, a 30% increase on last year. This resulted in the total bull sale average lifting by $1 183, an increase of 23.4% to $6243.

Registered female numbers also increased by 92 to 293 a 31.4% increase.

The registered female average price also increased significantly by $2832 or 142% to $4816.

The combination of the increased number sold and increased average lifted gross for registered females by $1,012,300 which was largely due to the NCC Legacy Sale held this year.

The top price for registered bulls was $70,000 reached twice firstly Willtony Stetson sold by Ron Pelling at Rockhampton Brahman Week Sale to Kelvin and Margaret Maloney, Kenilworth Brahman stud and the second NCC Lord Delaware sold at the NCC Sale to David and Julie McCamley, Palmal Brahman stud and Andrew and Anna McCamley, 2AM Brahman stud in partnership.

The top priced female at $32,500 was NCC Dienka 2696, sold at the NCC Red Legacy Sale to Stephen Sivewright, Diddine Brahman stud.

We have again seen strong support for paddock sale which is pleasing, considering the amount of our traditional Brahman country in its second and third year of drought and drastically reduced breeder numbers.

Wishing all our readers a Merry Christmas and a wet and prosperous New Year.

Editor
Well another year has passed and it’s been somewhat a year with a difference, the good news is that we are finishing the year with a strong cattle market. Some areas of Queensland have received good rain but large areas of western Queensland are still very dry.

The live export market in northern Australia has been going gang busters and definitely helping with the strong cattle market in the south. Beef 2015 definitely went well for the Brahman Breed with Raglan Victory winning the inter breed bull and Crinum Red Ruby coming second in the female section. It was one of the best showings of Brahman cattle I have ever seen at a Beef Expo and very efficiently judged by David Bondfield.

The All-Stars and Gympie June female sales went well with the lead of the females selling to strong competition. I think we will see more vendors wanting to sell stud females in the future. I certainly recommend the South Queensland Branch Gympie female sale in June as a good sale for members looking to sell females.

The BIN project has gone really well again this year with good financial returns from the rise in the cattle market. There will be a strong and informative presentation on all the scientific outcomes of the project at the congress in May.

John and the office staff are very busy with the planning of the Congress and the committees are in full swing. Wendy Cole and her Stud Cattle Committee are well advanced with the organising of the stud cattle show, so I encourage breeders that may have cattle to show to be part of the huge event. Wendy and the committee have also organised a female sale at the Congress for that special heifer that has been shown in the stud cattle show.

Andrew Olive and his Commercial Committee are also in full swing with the planning of the commercial cattle championships. I also encourage people to be thinking about some trade cattle for the Congress.

Unfortunately we have lost some major identities in the Brahman world this year. One of the major influences in the Brahman cattle industry of Australia was the late Eric Nobbs of the famous Lynd hurst Brahman stud. His legacy of well-developed Brigalow country, huge mobs of well-bred Brahman cattle and his ability to stick with the best of them at the Sun Palms at sale time will be remembered for a very long time.

It was very fitting that Stewart Nobbs and family had such a successful Brahman Week Sale. Rockhampton Brahman week sale once again was Australia’s premier bull sale. The quality of the bulls once again was outstanding and sold to a very strong market. It’s a credit to our vendors that the bar keeps lifting every year.

The private vendor bull sales have also gone very well and it looks like we should have a solid few years ahead. The paddock job for herd bulls has also been strong from all reports.

Once again it’s been a privilege to be president of the ABBA for another year and I would like to thank my fellow councillors, John Croaker and the ABBA staff, my wife Sandra and family for their support through the year. I wish you all a very merry Christmas and a happy and safe New Year.

Shane Bishop
Brahman Week Sale exceeds all expectations - breed confidence at an all time high

Confidence in high performing and adaptable Brahmans has never been stronger, with the 2015 Rockhampton Brahman Week Sale exceeding all expectations to record the best result in a decade.

The October 5-7 fixture, held at Central Queensland’s CQLX Gracemere, cleared 778 registered and herd bulls for an impressive $7936 average. This was an increase of $840 a head on the previous sale and was the highest average recorded in the past 10 years.

The sale gross of $5,754,000 exceeded the 2014 gross by close to a million dollars ($981,500) and the clearance rate of 96 percent was testament to the solid quality on offer throughout the three day sale.

Photos: Queensland Country Life
More than 400 bidders were drawn from across Australia, with 280 buyers sharing in the spoils, paying an average of $7501 for 752 registered bulls and $4346 for 26 herd bulls.

Bulk buyers were predominantly drawn from Queensland, the major buyers being Ian and Sharon Bush, Bush Holdings, Maytoe, Alpha, who took home 41 new sires at an average price of $6390.

With much of Queensland still in drought, beef producers recognised the ability of the breed to survive and thrive in harsh seasonal conditions. The market was also buoyed by an upswing in live export demand from South East Asia, and strong domestic beef prices.

The three day sale provided everything from elite sire prospects to commercial herd improvers, with 52 percent of the catalogue selling for between $3000 and $5500. At the top end of town, 40 bulls were knocked down for $20,000 or better. Buyers showed a preference for red genetics, paying $7907 avg for 328 reds and $7023 avg for 450 greys.

Sale honours went to Ron Pelling, Willtony stud, Theodore, who sold the polled bull Willtony Stetson on day one for $70,000. The growthy grey weighed in at 974kg at 38 months of age, with an eye muscle area (EMA) of 142 sq cm and a scrotal circumference of 46cm.

Stetson is by Avee Jackson (by Lancefield S Calabre), who Mr Pelling purchased privately five years ago after he was passed in at Brahman Week. Stetson’s dam, Willtony Nicola, is a daughter of FBC Tommy De Manso and had done a “wonderful job in the stud”, Mr Pelling said.

It was a bittersweet day for Mr Pelling, who in June sold his Willtony property and stud herd and is having a break from the industry. He said it was great to finish on a high, not only by topping the prestigious sale, but by averaging $27,300 for his team of five polled grey bulls.

“Topping Brahman Week is a bit like winning the Melbourne Cup, you may only do it once in a lifetime, or not at all,” Mr Pelling said.

Stetson’s purchasers, Kelvin and Margaret Maloney, have used the Avee Jackson bloodlines previously and said they were very happy with the results from the numerous Willtony bulls they have used over the years. The Maloneys have collected semen from Stetson and intend to use the sire in their Kenilworth stud at Mt Coolon to produce sale bulls.

The top priced red bull, $60,000 Yoman 2325/3, was catalogued by Stewart and Stephanie Nobbs and their son Tom, Yoman, Moura. The 35-month-old is by Yoman 1583/8, who goes back to the South African imports NCC Mashaba and Masbra Mas 98 34. His dam Yoman 1556/7 is a daughter of Fairy Springs Khan. The impressive red boasted an EMA of 146 sq cm and was purchased in partnership by Tarsh and Mark Allen, Kariboe Valley, Thangool and Leonie and Allan Trail, Elmo, Baralaba.

Not far behind in the price stakes was $55,000 Doonside Taser, who was the 2015 All Breeds Champion Bull at Rockhampton, among other wins. The son of two times ABBA Sire of the Year and Register of Renown bull, Kenrol Mr HJ Ray 0366, was one of three reds offered by

Vendors Clint and Robyn Whitaker, Whitaker Brahman stud, Mundubbera and buyer Stewart Nobbs, Yoman Brahman stud, Bauhinia Downs are pictured with Whitaker Mr E’vo who sold for $48,000.

Vendors Noel and Manny Sorley, Mt Callan Brahman stud, Bell and buyer Peter Staal, Narranda Brahman stud, Banana are pictured with the $45,000 purchase Mt Callan Oliver.
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Bill and Kay Geddes, Doonside, Milman. He will join Noel and Manny Sorley’s Mt Callan stud, Bell.

Len Gibbs, Muan, Biggenden bid to $50,000 to secure the horned red Yoman 2200/3. The son of Bungoona Mr Red Sallinger, out of a homebred daughter of NCC Ability, was one of the heaviest bulls catalogued, weighing 1025kg at 35 months, and featuring an EMA of 147 sq cm.

The Nobbs re-invested some of their profits into some new genetics, outlaying $48,000 to secure the multiple show champion Whitaker Mr E’vo. Mr E’vo, who was the reserve senior champion bull in Brisbane in 2015 and 2014, was offered by Clint and Robyn Whitaker, Whitaker stud, Munduberra.

Mt Callan Oliver was the best seller from the Sorley’s Mt Callan prefix, going for $45,000 to Peter Staal, Narranda stud, Wilga Park, Banana. The polled red is by Samari Plains Ned and his dam Mt Callan 164/03 has only produced polled calves.

Franklyn and Maria Sypher were the successful bidders on $38,000 FBC Hugo Manso 797/1, one of 27 head catalogued by Tony and Joanne Fenech and family, FBC stud, Craigleigh, Wowan. Hugo Manso was of the first sons of FBC Tramps Manso to be offered at auction, and he boasts impressive EBVs including a +64 EBV for 600-day weight and a +38 EBV for carcass weight. The Syphers, who are repeat FBC buyers, plan to use the 21-month-old bull in their Omega stud, Alpha, to breed herd bulls for their own use and for sale.

Willtony stud hit another high when Willtony Sherwood was knocked down for $36,000 to Tropical Cattle stud, The Orient, Ingham. The polled son of Avee Jackson is out of an Allawah Gleam daughter and weighed 920kg at 35 months.

Owen Scott, Ruan Grazing, Clermont, bid to $36,000 to secure Carinya Bayley who was the best seller from John and Dawn Kirk’s Carinya stud, Gayndah. The well-grown grey weighed 975kg at 25 months, with an EMA of 142 sq cm, and is a product of Carinya Jigsaw and Carinya 251 who is by JDH Mac Quarie Manso (imp).

Two reds made $36,000: Jomanda Cubic 704 and Mt Callan Orlando 258/13. Jomanda Cubic is a 944kg 37-month-old son of NCC Shogun and features a +75 EBV for 600-day weight. He was one of two bulls offered by Max and Colin Johnson, Jomanda, Grafton, NSW and sold to Peter and Joy Newman, Rathlyn L stud, Emerald. The Rathlyn L prefix took home four bulls at $15,375 avg.

Mt Callan Orlando was knocked down to Roger and Roslyn Nobbs who selected four bulls at $18,875 avg for their Garwin stud at Wingara, Moura. Orlando is a polled 31-month-old son of Samari Plains Ned, out of the homebred cow Mt Callan 31/10.

Deiter and Shirley Jordan, Jordan Grazing, Kilgour, Capella, paid $34,000 for FBC D Ringo Manso.

Repeat RBWS buyers the Curley family, Gipsy Plains, Cloncurry, invested in five new sires at $12,500 avg, their highest priced purchase being the $34,000 polled red Stockman Eveready. He was offered by Christopher McCarthy, Stockman stud, Junction View, and is a son of previous RBWS sale toppler Fairy Springs Duracell.

Peter and Virginia Lewis bid to $30,000 to secure Mt Callan Onslow 29/14, a 25-month-old son of Tartrus Marshall, out of a homebred daughter of Kandoona Companion. He will join their Lewis Park stud, Tambourine.

David Harch and family offered the first sons of Lancefield D Renault from the Danarla stud, Wooroolin, and were aptly rewarded. Their first lot, Danarla Reward,
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Wishing all our valued friends and clients a Merry Christmas and a safe and prosperous New Year!

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set the standard, selling for $29,000 to Tony and Kathryn Mortimer, Token stud, Cotswald, Eidsvold.

Milddale Elmer Man 27/3 returned $26,000 for vendors George and Margaret Miller, Milddale, Mt Whitestone. The 22-month-old son of the import NC Mr Elmer 17 will join Jim Bauer’s Elanora Park stud, Monduran.

Les and Helen Donald received $26,000 for El Ja Jake Manso, one of 20 head catalogued from their El Ja stud, Theodore. The IVF son of JDH Sir Herman Manso (imp) and El Ja Baby Doll Manso was purchased by Garwin stud.

Scott and Vicki Hayes, Yenda V, were the winning bidders on $26,000 Glen Oak Mr Frodo, a polled grey son of Glen Oak Mr Bo Jangles, who is by the highly regarded Elose Trademark. He was offered by Roger and Sue Hayden and family, Glen Oak, Yaamba.

Kandoona 11594 was the best seller in the large draft from the Radel family’s Kandoona stud, Injune, realising $26,000. The two-year-old Kandoona Scout son weighed in at 844kg, with an EMA of 140 sq cm and was one of 10 bulls purchased by Hacon and Sons, Granada, Cloncurry.

Carinya and Garglen studs combined to purchase the polled red Doonside Ubu for $26,000. The 31-month-old son of Kenrol Mr HJ Ray weighed 956 kg and featured a 140 sq cm EMA.

Mt Callan had a tremendously consistent sale, with another high priced lot being $25,000 Mt Callan Olympus 174/14. The 21-month-old Samari Plains Ned son sold to Jarrah Cattle Co, Glenarchy, Banana.

Gulf Coast stud, Stirling Station, Normanton secured 23 new sires, their top spend being $24,000 FBC Sebastian Manso 734/1. The FBC Jordan Manso/FBC Miss Jess De Manso 264/1 product has a +45 EBV for 600-day weight.

Hacon and Sons selected a mix of red and grey sires, their purchases including $22,000 FBC Triple Six Manso 666/1. He was one of the first crop of calves by JDH Hawk Manso 666/5 (imp) to be offered.

Glengarry Mr Hollywood stole the show in the quality draft from Geoff and Scott Angel’s Glengarry stud, Kunwarara. The Glengarry Cracker Jack son, who has a +57 EBV for 600-day weight, sold for $22,000 to Andrew Hill, Shawnee stud, Nundle, NSW.

Also going for $22,000 was Palmvale Impact 3181, a polled son of Lanes Creek Rafferty from Kearin and Beth Streeter’s Palmvale stud, Marlborough. Impact weighed an impressive 1015kg at 33 months of age and will join Peter and Sue Gray’s The Rivers stud, Marlborough.

The polled red Lancfield D Crawford son, Wandari Commander, attracted plenty of attention, selling for $22,000 to Alastair Besch, Dululu. He was offered by Mick Delroy, Wandari stud, Rocky Glen, Thangool.

Regular RBWS supporter Creed Grazing Co, The Old Station, Raglan invested $22,000 in Kandoona 11181, a 27-month-old 806kg son of Kandoona Dell.

Two Yoman bulls went for $22,000: Jarwood Grazing paid that rate to secure a son of Bungoona Mr Red Sallinger, and Kariboe Valley stud paid the same amount for a polled son of Yoman 1583/8.

There were seven bulls that landed in the $20,000 price point. Tony and Kathryn Mortimer received $20,000 early on day one for Token Ferrari and Token Fortress. The polled grey Ferrari was the first son of Token Dominator to be offered and will join Dr George Jacobs’ Mogul stud, Maclean, NSW. Token Fortress was purchased by Shane and Sandra Bishop, Garglen, Gympie and is a 30-month-old 950kg son of Gracemere Longfellow.

Delaym Pastoral Co, Mingela, purchased three bulls, peaking at $20,000 for Carinya Fiddlewood, a 23-month-old son of NCC Sugarwood.

The dark red show bull Ooline Manuel was the highest priced lot from Darren and Sue Kent’s Ooline stud, Goovigen. The son of South African import NCC Shaka was purchased by Reade and Jill Radel.

Joe and Felicity Streeter, Fairy Springs, Taramu collected $20,000 for their polled red bull Fairy Springs Jed 4558, a son of Bungoona Shadwell. The well grown 20 month old, with impressive EBVs and 90% semen motility, will join Sharon Turner’s Y3K stud, Woolooga.

The Wilson family, Banana Station, Banana, liked the look of The Rivers Mitchelle 445, bidding to $20,000 to secure the 30-month-old red son of home bred sire The Rivers Reveal. He was offered by Peter and Sue Gray, The Rivers, Marlborough.

Walton Downs Cougar, a polled red from Bon Wall’s Walton Downs stud, Clermont, was knocked down for $20,000 to Robert De Gunst, who purchased three bulls for his Robellen stud, Gin Gin. The 33-month-old polled son of Muan A Indus weighed 966kg, with an EMA of 142 sq cm.
Willtony stud recorded the best overall result at the 2015 Rockhampton Brahman Week Sale, averaging $27,300 for five polled grey bulls.

It was a case on finishing on a high for stud founder Ron Pelling who was presenting his last Rockhampton Brahman Week draft after earlier this year disposing of his Willtony property at Theodore, and selling his stud herd to Brian Hughes, Lanes Creek, Georgetown.

Mr Pelling not only sold the top priced lot Willtony Stetson to Kenilworth stud for $70,000, but backed up the sale with a top quality draft of bulls, all sired by Avee Jackson.

His offering included $36,000 Willtony Sherwood, purchased by Tropical Cattle stud, and $17,000 Willtony Samford who was bought by Bungoona.

Mr Pelling has been breeding Brahmans for three decades and said he was very grateful to his repeat buyers, especially Kelvin Maloney from Kenilworth stud who has purchased a number of high priced Willtony sires over the years.

Currently working in the mines, Mr Pelling said he planned to have a break from stud breeding for a while but was “keen to start up again” in the future.

The best sale average for red bulls was $19,300, recorded by Bill and Kay Geddes, Doonside, Milman. They offered three registered polled bulls and two herd bulls by two-times ABBA Sire of the Year Kenrol Mr HJ Ray. Headlining their lineup was $55,000 Doonside Taser, who sold to Mt Callan stud, and $26,000 Doonside Ubu, purchased in partnership by Carinya and Garglen.

**RBWS 2015 TOP 20 AVERAGES***

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Repeat bulk buyers underpin a solid Brahman Week Result

With close to 800 Brahman bulls to choose from, representing this country’s best genetics, it’s no wonder stud and commercial cattlemen alike flocked to Rockhampton in October to fulfill their bull buying needs for the year ahead.

Bulk buyers at the 2015 Rockhampton Brahman Week Sale included a cast of regular sale supporters from Queensland and the Northern Territory as well as some fresh faces.

Repeat buyers Ian and Sharon Bush, who last year selected 21 grey bulls, this year returned to purchase 41 head at $6390 average. The couple, who operate Bush Holdings at Maytoe, Alpha, showed a strong preference for grey Hudgins genetics, their purchases including five bulls from Yenda V, five from Carinya and four from FBC.

Gulf Coast stud, Stirling Station, Normanton trucked home 23 head at $6086 avg, paying a top of $24,000 for FBC Sebastian Manso 734/1.

Regular sale supporters John and Kate McLoughlin increased their previous year’s buy by seven head, investing in 20 bulls at $3475 avg. They will be used at Aroona Station, Katherine, NT.

Twenty red bulls at $3600 avg were knocked down to Nagel Bennett, Flagstaff, Taroom, who has been buying at Brahman Week for many years.

South West Queensland Brahman breeders Tom and Sandra Hartley chose 16 news sires for Coopermurra, Mitchell. They outlaid an average of $4812 for their all grey sire battery.

Supplejack Pastoral Co, Supplejack Station, Alice Springs, NT, selected 14 head at $6000 avg, paying a top of $13,000 for a polled red bull from Palmvale.

Grant Warrian paid $5692 avg for 13 grey sires for Springrock, Injune, and 11 reds at $3590 avg went to Wyandotte Pastoral, Wyandotte Station, Mt Garnet.
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Repeat bulk buyers underpin a solid Brahman Week Result

Vandibeek Pastoral, Narounyah, Alpha chose a mix of reds and greys, investing $5469 avg in 11 sires.

Hacon and Sons, who attend RBWS each year, this year invested in 10 head at $11,600 avg, paying a top of $26,000 for a red Kandoona bull. Their purchases are destined for Kallala Station, Mt Isa and Buckingham Station, Boulia.

Nine lots at $3222 avg were knocked down to Tarranga Grazing Co, Bloomsbury, and eight at $3687 avg sold to Eungella Pastoral Co, Eungella Station, Dalrymple Heights.

John Braitling, Marie Downs, Springsure, selected eight greys at $6875 avg, his draft including two Whitaker bulls at $8500 each. Also trucking home eight head were Murray and Zita Bonisch, Lau Mar, Injune and the Hyden family, Mt Pleasant, Rolleston.

Northern Territory studmasters Paul and Debbie Herrod had an eye for quality, securing seven bulls at $12,428 average for their Ponderosa stud, Katherine. Joining their sire battery, among others, are $19,000 Token Galaxy, $17,000 Yenda V 50/4 and $17,000 Glengarry Power Pak.

Other buyers of seven bulls included the Parker family, Clare, Jericho; Perrett Cattle Co, Tunis, Injune; the White family, Home Hill Station, Glenroy; Jap ox producers Bart and Tegan Wilkinson, Cargoon, Charters Towers; Creed Grazing Co, The Old Station, Raglan; Jim Galletley, Mt Alma, Calliope; and the Sullivan family, Manaman Grazing.

World Brahman Congress Event Co-ordinator Jackie Kyte ran a Congress information desk during the Rockhampton Brahman Week Sale.

Adam and Wallace Gunthorpe, Tarramba Brahman stud, Banana, sold bulls to $11,000 and invested in seven new sires, including two in partnership.

Buyers Jim and Jenny Bauer, Elanora Park Brahman stud, Gin Gin are pictured with their $26,000 purchase Milldale Elmer Man 27/3 and vendor George Miller, Milldale Brahman stud, Mt Whitestone.

Jim Edwards, Barlyne, Gayndah (centre) is pictured with Jacob Dunn, Napier Downs, WA, and Chris Lions, Ruby Plains, WA. Jacob and Chris are the 2015 recipients of the Kimberley Brahman Week Scholarship which Jim and his family organise each year. The Association is co-sponsoring a reciprocal scholarship for two young Queensland producers to attend the Kimberley Bull Sale each year and also spend time visiting Kimberley cattle stations.
Three worthy recipients shared $15,050 in proceeds raised at the Charity Semen Auction conducted as part of the 2015 Rockhampton Brahman Week Sale.

The annual event this year benefitted the Jeff McCamley Youth Development Fund, the RACQ Capricorn Helicopter Rescue and the Black Dog Ball Committee.

Fifteen generous studs donated semen packages for the auction, which was held at CQLX Gracemere on Sunday, October 4.

Topping the event at $1800 was 20 straws from JDH Elefante R Manso 272/9 (imp) who has been one of the most influential Hudgins sires to be imported to Australia. The package was purchased by the Hayden family, Glen Oak stud, Yaamba. A second Elefante lot of 20 straws sold for $1100 to Jason and Rachel Leitch, JRL stud, Manalee, Springsure. Both were generously donated by Dianne Bush, Northern stud, Kennedy.

The highest price per straw was paid by Emmanuel Pace, Blue Water Hills, Mackay who invested $1750 in 10 straws from LL Sugar Ely 727. The semen package was donated by Fenech Brahmans, Craigleigh, Wowan. He also paid $550 for 10 straws from E3 Bold Future, which was one of two lots donated by Ava Barker, Brushy Creek Custom Sires, Texas, US.

David and Michele Rose, Danami stud, Ridgelands paid $1300 for 10 straws of semen from Lancefield D Robinson 416. It was offered by Reade and Jill Radel, Kandoona stud, Yebna, Injune. The Radels also provided 10 straws of semen from HK Magnate, which sold for $1000 to the Bishop family, Garglen stud, Gympie.

The Parkinson and Berry families, Vermont Station, Dysart, kindly donated semen from three sires. Their best selling lot was 10 straws from Garuda Lord Jim which sold for $1100 to Peter Chiesa, Palm Creek, Ingham.

Troy Lindsay invested $1000 in 10 straws from BNA Double Take Manso, offered by Matthew and Janelle McCamley, Lancefield M, Dululu. The semen will be used in his Toy Boy stud at Caboolture.

Other generous vendors included Hamdenvale, Nioka L, Akama, Bremervale, Tarramba, Danarla, Delta Grove and Pioneer Park.

Charity semen auction raises more than $15,000 by Lindel GREGGERY
The countdown is on for Australia to shine at the 18th World Brahman Congress

With just six months to go till the 18th World Brahman Congress in Rockhampton, preparations are hotting up to ensure the delivery of a world class event.

The action packed program, which runs from May 16-21 at Rockhampton Showgrounds, will showcase Australian Brahman like never before, with an exciting range of activities to delight exhibitors and delegates alike.

ABBA general manager John Croaker said Congress registrations were now open, with a special earlybird rate available till March 1, 2016.

“Congress details are now on our website and people have the choice of full delegation registration which covers all activities, or they can book for individual events,” Mr Croaker said.

Prospective stud stock exhibitors can download the Stud Show Schedule from the website, with entries opening on February 1 and closing on February 26. RuralCo is sponsoring the stud Female section, to be judged on Friday, May 20. The Landmark sponsored Stud Bull Show will be held the following day. There will also be classes for unired pairs of registered bulls and registered females, with the winners to be decided on Wednesday, May 18.

Rural Supplements is sponsoring the lead steer competition and catalogues are now available online. Judging will be conducted on Tuesday evening, May 17.

Mr Croaker said the schedule for the Elders-sponsored Commercial Cattle Show and Sale had also been finalised.

“Producers can enter cattle in pasture fed or grain fed classes that reflect the broad range of domestic and export markets serviced by Brahman cattle,” he said.

“We will also have a category for pregnancy tested in calf heifers, and the commercial show and sale will be held at CQLX at Grazemere.”

The key dates for commercial cattle to be on feed are by February 5 for 100-day fed cattle and by March 5 for 70-day fed cattle. Entries open on January 4 and close on April 1.

Aside from cattle judging, delegates can enjoy a selection of property tours, social events, a trade show and a technical conference.

Guest speakers from the Philippines, Central America, the United States, South Africa and Namibia will share insights from their countries in a number of “Brahmans Around the World” conference sessions. The May 19 conference is sponsored by Meat and Livestock Australia (MLA) and its interesting program will cover relevant industry topics ranging from genetic evaluation through to reproduction and fertility, meat science and MSA grading.

Confirmed speakers include Dr Alex Ball from MLA, grazier Bec Comiskey and Consolidated Pastoral CEO Troy Setter. Leading researchers will also join the conference speakers’ list: Dr David Johnston and Dr Matt Walcott from AGBU, Dr Brad Crook from ABRI and Dr Michael Bradford, Head of Breeding South Africa.

A Tastes of the World Conference Dinner, sponsored by Performance Feeds, will be held at the conclusion of the conference.

The Showgrounds will also host a wide range of exhibits at its trade show, with very few sites remaining.

Close to 50 volunteers are contributing their expertise on various organising committees to ensure that the ABBA and Central Queensland’s Beef Capital achieve a memorable and rewarding World Brahman Congress.

“Everyone has been working extremely hard to deliver a program that is both interesting and entertaining. We are all looking forward to welcoming people from around Australia and around the world in May and showcasing the best of the Australian Brahman industry,” Mr Croaker said.

For further details visit www.brahman.com.au
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Red Kenrol sire joins Register of Renown

Kenrol Mr HJ Ray 0366 has been inducted into the ABBA Register of Renown after being named Sire of the Year for the second year running.

The impressive red, owned by Ken and Wendy Cole, Kenrol stud, Matcham, Gracemere, also featured in the 2013 Sire of the Year contest where he was runner up.

Kenrol Mr HJ Ray is a January 2009-drop son of Mr 3H X-Ray 825 (imp) and Lancefield D Dolly 2090/D, and has sired 66 progeny including a number of show champions.

To enter the Register of Renown a sire must accumulate more than 200 points, earned by its progeny through placing at ABBA-approved shows.

Kenrol Mr HJ Ray accumulated the winning points via 12 successful show progeny, comprising 10 head from Kenrol stud and two bulls from Bill and Kay Geddes’ Doonside stud, Milman.

Show winners included the highly regarded bull Kenrol Gordian Manso, who collected ribbons at eight shows; Kenrol Jilly B, whose wins included the senior and grand female championships at Sarina and Ridgelands; and Kenrol Lady Ray Lee who was the reserve junior champion female at Beef Australia 2015. Other successful progeny were the Kenrol females Leesa Ray, Lilly Ray, Valie Rae, Shar Rae and Seren Rae, and the bull calf Kenrol Jesseppi.
The Kenrol Mr HJ Ray sons Doonside Taser and Doonside Ubu also attracted the eye of the judges. Taser was the senior and grand champion bull at Rockhampton Show, also securing points at Rockhampton Junior Beef Show along with his stablemate Doonside Ubu. These bulls went on to sell at Rockhampton Brahman Week Sale in October for $55,000 and $26,000.

Taking second place in the 2015 Sire of the Year contest was Jomanda Walker 453, owned by Kearin and Beth Streeter, Palmvale, Marlborough. Third placing went to Glengarry G Superlock 140, from Geoff Angel’s Glengarry G stud, Kunwarara.

The 2015 Dam of the Year title was awarded to Crinum Red Ruby 640, owned by the Randell family, Crinum stud, Tieri. She was represented in the show ring by two outstanding daughters, Crinum Miss Red Ruby and Crinum Red Crest.

Crinum Miss Red Ruby notched up broad ribbons at nine shows, most notably taking out the prestigious senior and grand female championship at Beef Australia 2015. The October-2011 drop cow, who is by homebred sire Crinum Deaken Red Manso, was also the senior, grand and supreme champion at Emerald, Springsure and Tenterfield, and was the senior and grand champion female at Rockhampton, Clermont and Alpha, among other wins.

Crinum Miss Red Ruby’s other daughter, Crinum Red Crest, is by Crinum Wattle and placed first at eight shows. She was the junior champion female at Baralaba and the reserve senior champion at Rockhampton, as well as recording class wins in Springsure, Clermont, Capella and Tenterfield.

Taking second place in the Dam of the Year contest was the Cole’s Kenrol Condaleesa 0195, who is the dam of Kenrol Leesa Rae and Kenrol Lady Rae Lee, both of whom are by the Sire of the Year.

Remy Streeter’s Palmvale R Miss Teena 13 placed third in the Dam of the Year. She is the mother of polled red show bull Palmvale R Austin 25.

Successful exhibitors with Dam of the Year trophies (from right), Terry Randell, Crinum Brahman stud, Tieri, Dam Crinum Red Ruby 640 (first), Wendy Cole, Kenrol Brahman stud, Gracemere, Dam Kenrol Condaleesa 0195 (second) and Remy Streeter, Palmvale Red Brahman stud, Marlborough, Dam Palmvale R Miss Teena 13 (third).

ABBA President Shane Bishop (right), presented a Register of Renown plaque to Wendy Cole, Kenrol Brahman stud, Gracemere in recognition of Kenrol Mr HJ Ray 0366, accumulating 329 points to enter the Register of Renown.
Solid interstate demand and continued excellent local support resulted in a successful sale of Brahman and Bos Indicus derived cattle in Grafton, NSW on Saturday at the 7th Annual Bizzy Invitational Bull & Female Sale.

The Fahey family of the Bizzy Brahman & Nettle Creek Brangus & Charbray Studs at Copmanhurst, NSW, were very pleased to see bulls and heifers sold as far north as Injune in QLD, west to Bollon in QLD and South to Kempsey in NSW. Many bulls stayed in the NSW north coast region with the majority being secured by repeat buyers.

Top priced bull of the sale was Bizzy Jagger 3317, who sold for $11,000 to Ben Hoare, Echo Hills Pastoral, Lara Vale near Beaudesert, QLD. The 34 month old scurred red son of Muan Jagger out of the VL Rojo Grande 26/8 daughter, Bizzy Delight 2913, will be used over high quality Brahman and Santa Gertrudis crossbred cows to produce heavy vealers and steers for the local market.

Bizzy M Kingswood, a polled Fern Hills Kingston son out of Elrose Red Robin sold for $9000 to the Radel family, Kandoona Brahman Stud, Injune, QLD. The third top price of $7500 was paid for Bizzy IF. 3395, an AI son of Fairy Springs Beaumont, out of a Lancefield M Magnetism daughter, Bizzy IF. 5/7. He was secured by repeat buyers Jim & Dianne Freeman, Tyringham who bought 3 Bizzy bulls to be used over Hereford cows for an average of $5833. Adam & Belinda Chapman from Fineflower purchased 2 Bizzy bulls for a $6000 average including one of the three grey bulls offered by the Bizzy Stud for $6500. He was sired by a JDH Sir Winston Manso son in Lorimar Park Edam, a bull that was bought from the Newcombe family out of the 2010 Bizzy Sale. Colin & Helen Chevalley, Coliana Brahman Stud, Tenterfield, outlaid $6000 for a cherry red Bungoona Botswana son out of a Magnetism daughter.

The Bizzy stud offered and sold 21 Brahman bulls for a $4952 average and 100% clearance.

Invited vendors, Jomanda Brahman Stud, sold bulls to a top of $7000, for Jomanda Cosgrove, an NCC Shogun son out of a JDH Karu Manso daughter Jomanda K Cindy, selling to the Moorhead Family, Baryulgil Pastoral. They bought 3 Shogun sons for a $6333 average including the $6500 Jomanda Conrad bull out of a JDH Mr Elmo Manso x Jomanda Merlene daughter. Jianguo Tong, Broomshead bought 2 NCC Shogun sons from Jomanda for a $5500 average. Willawarrin Brahman breeders, Glen & Jodi Duff, Riverview Brahman Stud outlaid $6000 for another Shogun son out of a Billabong Round Tree daughter, Jomanda Miss Red 247. Jomanda averaged $5550 for their 10 bulls.

Lorimar Park Brahman Stud topped at $4500 for Lorimar Park Jay, a Fairy Springs Duracell son selling to the Pollard Family, Mallanganee. The Pollard’s put together a line of 5 bulls from each of the 4 studs for a $4600 average. One of these bulls included one of Mogul Brahman Stud’s 2 top priced bulls.

7th Annual Bizzy Invitational Sale - Bizzy Bull Tops at $11,000

by Margaretta TRAVERS

Vendors Michael and Innes Fahey, Bizzy Brahmans, Copmanhurst pictured with auctioneer Mitch Donovan, Ray Donovan Stock and Station Agents and the top priced bull Bizzy Jagger that sold for $11,000 to Echo Hills Pastoral, Beaudesert.
We extend our sincere appreciation to our fellow Brahman breeders for your continued patronage at the NCC Red Legacy Sale and 2015 Annual Brahman Sale.
bulls at $6500, a grey son of Lorimar Park Exodus (purchased from the 2010 Bizzy Sale), Mogul Cadet, out of Mogul Miss Lindelu 62nd. Mogul Chevy, also made $6500 for the Mogul Stud, an El Ja Budweiser son out of Mogul Miss K. Indy 9th, bought by R & B Green, Bonalbo.

Top priced heifer of the sale was a 21 month old grey polled heifer by Brahrock Mr Leader, Jomanda Barbie 772. She was bought by Greg Davey, Starbra Brahman Stud, Gilladora, QLD. Jomanda also sold a red heifer by NCC Shogun to Matt Johnstone, Kempsey, for $3500. The Bizzy Stud sold 3 red stud heifers to a top of $2250 to average $2000. Leon Cunningham, Goldstar Brahman Stud, Upper Corindi, bought the red polled Muan Jagger daughter for $2250.
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ELDERS
A total of 43 Brahman bulls were offered and sold for a $4802 average with 7 Brahman heifers averaging $2607. The sale was conducted by Ray Donovan Stock & Station Agents, Grafton and George & Fuhrmann, Casino with auctioneers Mitch & Ray Donovan and Darren Perkins.

It was with much sadness that during the week of the sale we farewelled a wonderful gentleman, top horseman, legendary saddler, a great & passionate Brahman Breeder and invited sale vendor, Warren Newcombe, from the Lorimar Park Brahman Stud. Unfortunately over the last few years, Warren suffered from Addison’s Disease, a rare, chronic endocrine disorder brought about by the failure of the adrenal glands.

A framed photograph titled ‘Just Born’, taken by Margareta Travers, Bizzy Brahms, of a newborn, grey Bizzy Brahman calf (sired by one of Warren’s bulls that was bought out of the 2010 sale by the Bizzy Stud - Lorimar Park Edam), was auctioned before the sale with all proceeds donated to the Australian Addison’s Disease Association Inc. to help with further research into this rare disorder. The photograph was bought by the Donovan Family and the team at Ray Donovan Stock and Station Agents, Grafton for $1000. 10% of the top priced female, Jomanda Barbie, was also donated to the cause by the Johnson Family.

On behalf of us all involved in the Bizzy Invitational Bull & Female Sale we extend our sincere condolences to Christine, Heidi, Christopher & Montanna and Barry, Jackie, Lacey & Danny.
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Above all else, a bull is bred and sold to produce calves.

The most common definition of a fertile bull, as distinct from one that is capable of producing a pregnancy, is that a fertile bull should be capable of getting 60% of normal cycling cows in calf in the first three weeks of mating and 90% within nine weeks (pregnant at 42 days). To achieve this, the bull must be, broadly speaking, able to seek out the oestrus cow, capable of having an erection and causing intromission and finally ejaculating viable semen into the anterior vagina.

The sperm cells present in an ejaculate are produced in the testicles and this paper briefly discusses:

• The physiology of sperm production;
• The measurement of testicular function;
• The limitations of those measurements; and
• Some of the factors known to adversely affect sperm production.

It does not examine the many other factors affecting fertility such as: physical structure (e.g. feet, legs, prepuce and penis), libido or dominance.

In cross section (Figure 1), these tubules are lined on the base with round cells each containing a full set of chromosomes (30 pairs). Between the base cells and the sperm cells, on the luminal edge, scientists have concluded there are 12 columns of cells each with big names going through (to me) an incomprehensible process. The complete process takes 60 days, in this time the cell obviously changes shape dramatically (from a round cell to a long cell with a motile tail), but also halves the number of chromosomes to 30 single chromosomes.

This drawing is super simplistic, just how simplistic can only be imagined when it is known that the average bull produces around six thousand millions sperm cells every day. There is a lot happening in this highly active tissue and unless the workplace is air-conditioned, production will decline or perhaps even stop.

Testicular air-conditioning is called thermoregulation.

The temperature of the blood coming out of the body of a healthy bull heading towards the testicle in the testicular artery is 38.5°C. By coiling the vein that exits the testicle around the artery, the cooler venous blood cools the arterial blood temperature by 4°C. This complex arrangement between the artery and the vein, which is commonly called “the cord”, is known as the pampiniform plexus (Figure 2), and is responsible for maintaining the testicular temperature at 4°C below normal body temperature.

The venous blood is cooled because the testicles are hung in the breeze (simple physics) and evaporative cooling lowers the temperature of the blood in the veins of the scrotal skin.

The subcutaneous dartos muscle and cremaster muscle that run between the testicle and the body wall combine to raise or lower the testicles depending on the ambient temperature (nearer the body and warmer, away from the body and cooler) (Figure 3).

Once the sperm cells are produced in the testicles they are transported via the epididymis (head, body and tail) and vas deferens to the ampulla. The ampulla is effectively the storage area in the pelvis,
accumulating sperm prior to ejaculation. As already noted sperm production in the testicles takes 60 days. See Figure 4.

The trip through the epididymis of some 120 feet takes 10 days and during this time sperm cell maturation is completed. Sperm cells leaving the testis are not capable of fertilisation.

It is important to note that the epididymis must have high levels of testosterone to function correctly.

MEASURING TESTICULAR FUNCTION
Currently there are three tests regularly used to measure testicular function:

1. Scrotal circumference;
2. Sperm motility (mass activity and percent progressively motile); and
3. Sperm morphology.

1. SCROTAL CIRCUMFERENCE
Scrotal circumference is measured (Figure 5) because it is:

- Highly correlated to testis weight, which is highly correlated to daily sperm production (about 10 million per gram, per day) and sperm quality;
- Moderately to highly heritable;
- A more accurate predictor of age of puberty than age or weight;
- Highly correlated to the age of puberty of his heifer progeny; and
- Easy to measure and repeatable.

2. SPERM MOTILITY (CRUSH SIDE)
Sperm cells have to be motile. They have to do a lot of miles – cervix to egg is about 600mm, which does not seem a long way but for a sperm cell that is only 60um (1/15mm) long (from the top of his head to the tip of the tail) that is a long way. Admittedly, there is a little help from uterine contraction but the sperm cell needs to be motile.

There are two ways of assessing motility:

- Mass activity; and
- Progressive motility.

To assess the mass activity, a drop of semen is placed on a microscope slide and examined at 100 magnification.

The gross/ mass activity or swirl is subjectively graded on a scale of 1-5, where 1 has no swirl and 5 is extremely active.

A semen sample with a mass activity of 4 for example, will have to have a good concentration with a high percentage of motile sperm cells that are fast swimming.

The mass activity of a sample is determined by:

1. The concentration of the sperm cells;
2. The percentage of motile sperm cells; and
3. The speed at which they are swimming.

The score given for mass activity has to be interpreted with these variables in mind. A semen sample with a mass activity of 4 for example, will have to have a good concentration with a high percentage of motile sperm cells that are fast swimming. Whereas a dilute sample may also have a high percentage of motile sperm cells swimming fast, but because of a lower...
concentration (possibly due to operator error or prior ejaculation) the mass activity will be low.

The second way of assessing motility is to look at the percentage of progressive motile cells in the sample. Here a cover slip is placed over a drop of semen, creating a single layer of cells. These are then examined at 200 or 400 magnification and the percentage moving forward is subjectively assessed.

It should be emphasised that both of these assessments (mass activity and percentage motile) are subjective, and therefore subject to the inherent individual variations that are seen in all such tests. What one person sees as 80% motile, another might see as 70%. The Australian Cattle Veterinarians now accredit vets that have demonstrated they have the equipment and knowledge to perform these examinations. This is an attempt to reduce this variability, but human nature dictates that some variation will always be present.

3. MORPHOLOGY

Morphology looks at the anatomy of individual sperm cells. This is done by placing a couple of drops of semen into formalin to kill and preserve the sperm cells, allowing them to be examined at 1,000 magnification. This cannot be done “crush side” as it requires a very large and specialised microscope that cannot be safely transported. 100 cells are counted, noting normals and abnormals, and describing the abnormalities. The results are reported as the percent of normal and the percent of each type of abnormality found.

These abnormalities can be broadly grouped into compensable and uncompensable defects (Figure 6).

In simple terms, sperm with compensable defects will never reach the egg and therefore will not interfere with fertilisation by a normal sperm. That is, these defects can be somewhat compensated for provided enough normal sperm are present. Uncompensable defects on the other hand are capable of getting to the egg and blocking access to it by normal sperm, however, are then not capable of producing a pregnancy.

Please note motility does NOT equal morphology.

There is a difference between motility and morphology. A normal sperm may be dead and an abnormal sperm may well be swimming. This explains how it is possible to have 40% progressive motility and 90% normal (Figure 7) or 90% progressive motility and 40% normal (Figure 8).

SCROTAL CIRCUMFERENCE

The acceptable size varies with age; however, all bulls in good order should be no less than 34 cm at two years of age. Maybe a little less than this for a Bos Indicus bull because of their different shape.

The testicular size of the adult is determined by genetics and pre-weaning nutrition, but it should be remembered, that there is around 2-3 cm difference in the scrotal circumference of a bull measured when fat versus in working order.

MOTILITY

Progressive motility has to be at least 60% and most preferably 70% or better to allow semen to be successfully frozen.

Probably because of this, the current recommendations are that a bull should have above 60% progressive motility to be considered for use in a single sire situation. Or above 30% to be considered for multiple sire duties. But, having said that, the only evidence that I know of, suggests that 30% is satisfactory and that grading bulls whose motility is above this is not reflected in his fertility. This may just be a reflection of the natural variability seen between collections and the difficulty of preforming this “crush-side” examination in any repeatable way but that is the data.

Regardless of where the bar is set, (and for my two cents worth, I agree with the current settings) in my opinion there is way too much variability in the measurement to accurately discount a bull that has 10% or even 20% lower motility than another. That is, a bull with 75% motility is not necessarily worse than one with 85% motility, they are both acceptable.

MORPHOLOGY

This subject has now become the most hotly debated topic around the cattle yards, replacing banning live trade and climate change.
Stockman Red Brahmans would like to thank the Curley family, Gipsy Plains Brahmans, on their 2015 RBWS purchase - Stockman Eveready (P) for $34,000.
The nuts and bolts of bull fertility

Proponents of morphology testing believe it is critical to the assessment of a bull’s fertility and that it is positively correlated to the fertility of the herd in general. Opponents believe it to be of no value at all.

In my opinion, many of these claims are either exaggerated, not yet proven or flat out wrong, certainly under pre-sale testing conditions.

Let me state from the beginning that I absolutely believe the morphology versus fertility story of an ejaculate. This is why Rocky Repro does a full morphology assessment on every ejaculate before freezing semen.

There has been much work done looking at the effects on fertility of different levels of all sorts of defects. These researchers have basically concluded that an ejaculate should ideally have greater than 70% normal sperm cells and certainly greater than 50% to have good fertility.

This depends a lot on the type of defect — compensable / uncompensable.

There is also some Australian evidence suggesting that similar parameters might be applicable in the field at least for Bos Indicus derived bulls (Bull Power, Fitzpatrick et al., 2002). Each bull was given a fertility score based on the number of calves he sired as compared to the average of the group.

The data showed that in the group of bulls that had 70% or greater normal morphology, 70% were above average fertility and 30% below average.

In the 50-70% normal morphology group, 25% of the bulls were above average fertility and 75% were below average.

And in those bulls that had less than 50% normal morphology there were 0% with above average fertility.

The conclusion being that if all the herd sires on the one property were tested and those with below 70% were culled there would be an increase in the herd fertility.

If you look at the individual bulls that make up this data set rather than the herd trends, I would contend that 25% of bulls in the 50-70% normal group were better than 30% of the 70+% normal group. Furthermore, those in the below 50% normal group were no worse than the 30% below average bulls in the 70% normal group.

I interpret this data more along the lines of “the probability” that a bull with between 50-70% normal having an above average fertility is not as good as one having 70% normal or better. That is a lot different to saying he will not have good fertility.

When predicting the future fertility of a bull, as distinct from the fertility of a single ejaculate, the line at 70% is really just a convenient line in the sand and should be open to interpretation based on such things, as the individual’s performance within his contemporary group.

There are numerous examples of bulls that have had one lower than optimal morphology test result but have had normal fertility in the following year.

One reason for this is in the variability seen in the bull’s morphology samples overtime and even between ejaculations on the same day. The data in Figure 9 shows morphology results of a bull at Rocky Repro, from March to July 2015. The results reported on the same day, are sequential collections taken on that day.

For example, the first collection on the 2/6/15 had a Qualified Pass (QPass) at 68%, the second collection that day was a Pass at 76%, and the third collection a QPass at 68%.

In my opinion, morphology testing of bulls will eventually have to either rank them within contemporary groups, where a series of tests are conducted and the conditions are replicated (e.g. nutrition, handling, collector, morphologist). Or probably more accurately, rank sires based on the morphology result of their sons.

When this is done it may well be found that all the positive traits currently attributed to morphology testing by some are valid, but when doing a single pre-sale test I think the best that can be said is that at this time, for this ejaculate this bull was able or unable to produce a high percentage of normal sperm cells.

**Factors Detrimental to Sperm Production**

No doubt there are both genetic and environmental components involved in sperm production. It is certainly known that scrotal circumference is heritable and we may well find in time that morphology is too but I will leave that story to the geneticists and discuss briefly some of the environmental factors that can affect sperm production.

The major factors affecting sperm production are:

1. Inadequate thermoregulation;
2. Stress; and
3. Physical damage.

**1. Inadequate Thermoregulation**

a. Scrotal fat;

b. Fever;

c. Environmental heat; and

d. Anatomical.

a. What better way to raise the temperature of something than to wrap it in a layer of fat. Works well for polar bears and seals.

It is well known that having bulls fat does not do their semen any good and it is equally well known that if they are not fat they won’t sell. Furthermore in our part of the world getting bulls ready for sale means grain feeding. It will never be possible to have an animal fat without having a layer of fat in the scrotum, surrounding both testicles and the spermatic cord.

**FIGURE 9: BATCH MORPHOLOGY**

![Provided by Rocky Repro](image-url)
WILLTONY STETSON (P)  30/08/2012  WRM540M  AVEE JACKSON 451 (P) – WILLTONY NICOLA (H)
TOP SELLING BULL 2015 BRAHMAN WEEK SALE

$5500.00  $2750.00  $350.00 each
25 Straws + Registration. Incl. GST  10 Straws + Registration. Incl. GST  Under 10 Straws + Registration. Incl. GST

GENETIC RELEASE
Grain feeding in small pens means the bull will eat for a very short period of time and laydown most of the day. This inhibition of testicular cooling (no air flow) must, in my opinion, greatly exacerbate the fat testicle problem. In my opinion one thing we should be trying to do when feeding bulls is to arrange it so that they are forced to stand or walk for a good part of the day. On top of this, Bos Indicus bulls are bred to handle heat therefore they don’t even seek shade when lying down. At least a British bred bull would get in the dam or under a tree in the heat. Not the Bos Indicus, he just lays there making testicular jerky.

b. If the body is running a fever the blood pouring into the testicles will be a lot hotter than normal and the cooling mechanisms of the pampiniform plexus and scrotal muscles will be unable to cope. The detrimental effects of this depend on how much the temperature increases and the length of time it stays up.

c. When the ambient temperature causes the animal heat stress, the testicular temperature will rise just like the rest of the body.

d. Those bulls that have a short scrotum and are incapable of letting the testicles down, meaning those with a “wedge shaped” scrotum, struggle to get adequate thermoregulation. Think tight jocks.

2. STRESS

Regardless of its origin, stress lowers the testosterone levels. Remember that the epididymis relies on a very high level of testosterone to work well and that the final stages of sperm maturation occur here. So this is why a lot of DMR’s appear very soon (often within a week) after a stress.

Just as in humans, bulls are stressed by a long list of factors. Among these would be handling, dominance, trucking, nutrition and infection.

And just like humans, I feel (with no proof), that individual bulls handle these stresses differently. It is conceivable, therefore, that the same stress could not affect one bull at all, have a short term effect on another, and have a long lasting detrimental effect on another.

If you think about the detrimental effects listed, putting a bull through a sale will tick most of the boxes. In fact all bull sales including multi-vendor sales, private on property sales and out of the paddock sales will have a lot of these effects. So it would be surprising if the semen quality of a purchased bull did not decrease dramatically from his pre-sale tests if the bull is re-tested shortly after arriving home. A lot of bulls coming from such sales to Rocky Repro for example, will give freezable quality semen in the first week to maybe two after arriving and then deteriorate for some time before coming good again (hopefully).

This is not because they were not fertile before they left home but because of what they have been through since leaving home.

Figure 10 illustrates how the stress of a mild illness can affect semen quality. This bull was noticed just to be “off-feed” and a little “doughy” on the 18/5/15, ruminations were slow and dung was firm, there was a very mild increase in temperature (39.5°C), otherwise no clinical signs of note. He was treated with antibiotics “just in case” and came back on feed within five days. Had this bull been grazing in the paddock no one would have noticed a thing wrong with him.

His morphology was terrible for two months following this upset before coming back to normal.

This case also demonstrates very well the 60-70 days it takes for semen production to return to normal after the testicular healing has occurred. This is a classic example, but many bulls do not read the text book and take a lot longer.

3. PHYSICAL DAMAGE

This would include the following:

a. Self-inflicted;

b. Fighting; and

c. Accidental.

Most of these are self-explanatory, but a common case of self-inflicted damage is having a very long neck of the scrotum, whereby the testicles hang between the bulls hocks.

SUMMARY

1. Predicting a bulls life time fertility or even his fertility for the next 12 months based on a single test is always going to be very difficult given this is a biological system and fertility is a multi, multi-faceted and complex system.

2. There are infertile bulls out there that need to be identified.

3. Our current semen testing methods are good at telling the fertility of an ejaculate. AND,

4. Probably do a reasonable job of identifying the real losers. BUT,

5. Do a poor job of grading those that are acceptable. (are those that are OK versus good versus great any different – probably not).

6. Pre-sale semen testing results will almost always be better than the same tests run in the short term (one to two months) post sale.

7. The pre-sale tests simply say the bull was fertile at that time but his future fertility will vary depending on the degree of stress he incurs between the test and mating, and how the individual copes with that stress.
Merry Christmas and a prosperous and wet New Year to all from Steve, Sharon, Alex and Carly.

ON OFFER AT FEBRUARY ALL BREEDS 2016

OPPORTUNITY KNOCKS

<Y3K FREEMONT 3014
SIRE: ROCKLEY 2391 (ET) [P]
Outstanding sire prospect. An awesome beef sire. Length, muscle, bone and pedigree. Only offered for sale because we are using his full brother. Lightly used for one season.

¾ SHARE • FULL POSSESSION

<MT CALLAN KAKADU 109/10 (P)
SIRE: MT CALLAN HOT SHOT 83/07 (P)
Lovely Mt Callan Hot Shot son. Add some grunt to your polled herd. Only a small herd so unfortunately have to sell him.

¾ SHARE • FULL POSSESSION

LIMITED SEMEN SHARES FOR SALE

Y3K KRYPTONITE 3013 (PP)>

VL Rojo Grande 26/8 [MP US]
Tarbus Redmount 2365 [ET] [H]
Tarbus Fonda 2059 [ET] [P]
Sire: ROCKLEY 2391 [ET] [P]
JDH Datapack Manso (IMP US) [H] + Rockley 1997 [AI] [ET] [H]
Rockley 853 [ET] [H]
Painwale Zephy [AI] [ET] [P]
Elmo Freedom 431/7 [P]
Elmo Lady Cassandra [P] [P]
Dam: Y3K MISS FREEDOM 1017 [S]
JCC Radical [AI] [ET] [H]
Wilfrancy S Miss Lava 7024 [H]
Wilfrancy S Miss Visa 5029 [AI] [ET] [H]

FULL BROTHER TO Y3K FREEMONT 3014

HOMOZYGOUS POLLED
The following figures (Tables 1 and 2) provide a summation of the results for Red Brahman sold at Brahman Week (6-7th 2015).

Based on the sale average, high clearance rates and high prices for some bulls, the 2015 Brahman week sale was more successful than the 2014 sale.

Bull numbers associated with no bids and withdrawal, whilst of interest, have not been included in calculating the figures represented in Tables 1 and 2.

The figures (Tables 1 and 2) are interesting since they offer a fuller interpretation of the sale results and their implications to future business plans and breeding operations of Red Bahaman breeders.

Despite high clearance rates and average sale price (Tables 1 and 2) the 2015 sale results suggest that when there are a combination of negative factors some vendors can receive lower than expected prices.

Key factors that affect the demand for bulls and determine prices include the negative impacts of poor seasons, low commercial beef prices over consecutive years, increasing costs and growing debt levels. Despite recent beef prices, unfortunately many producers have not been able to take advantage of the higher prices.

The figures suggest that due to a combination of a wide range of factors that impact on the purchasing power of beef producers some vendors received lower than expected average prices for their bulls.

Productivity and financial benefits as the result of producing high genetic merit stock however, is not only about the actions and achievements of a few individuals. The long term viability and success of Red Brahman will depend on the collective efforts of many breeders who interact and assist each other to promote and implement good breeding and feeding practices to meet future economic and environmental challenges and produce bulls that are beneficial to the wider community of stud breeders.

It remains debatable what is a suitable price for bulls to adequately cover costs of producing, preparing and presenting at major sales. Estimates will certainly be higher than the start-up price to cover entrance fees, vet fees, feed costs, travel, meal and accommodation costs, transport costs and hire labour expenses. It is noted that an economist would include even further costs.

The selection of a bull is primarily based on commercial attributes, functionality and structure within a pre-determined budget.

Bull prices, however, are also very much dependent on external factors which impact on the spending capacity of bull buyers. Optimistically should beef prices hold, beef producers will be in a better position to service debts and consider business initiatives that will improve productivity and profits. However, despite increased returns and low interest rates, property debt levels are high and producers

### TABLE 1 – SALE FIGURES FOR RED BRAHMANS (RH 2015)

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Note:
1) Figures are based on internet figures at time of sale and do not include transactions after the sale.
2) Average figures are calculated to the nearest $100
are being disadvantaged by ever increasing costs of production.

Buyer resistance to higher retail prices of beef and reduced per capita consumption of beef with the substitution of cheaper meat alternatives (eg. chicken and pork) is also of concern.

Weather forecasts don’t appear to be very promising and we have no influence on major economic factors such as the end of the commodities boom, the downturn in the China economy which is dwarfed by the level of debt in the global economy. Already there are warnings that the global economy will be increasingly volatile and vulnerable with obvious ramifications to overseas trade.

Subsequently, despite the best intentions and efforts of stud breeders and vendors they are continually being challenged by difficult economic and production factors that can negatively impact on bull sales.

“Given that Red Brahman Breeders have no control over external factors and the auction system, the challenge is to select, breed, feed and present the best bulls they can to be as successful as they can.”

### TABLE 2 – DRAFT SUMMARY OF RED BRAHAM SALE FIGURES (RH 2015)

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**Note 1:**
(a) 144 Bulls $5K and less contributed 21.3% of TR
(b) 262 bulls $10K and less contributed 55.4% of TR
(c) 297 bulls $20K and less contributed 73.5% of TR
(d) 20 bulls greater than $20K contributed 26.5% of TR

**Note 2:**
(a) 229 bulls (ie 72.2%) were below the total sale average ($8000)
(b) 185 bulls (ie 58.3%) were below the sale average for bulls less than $20K, ie $6270
The Australian Brahman industry’s most significant stud female reduction sale of modern times created an upswell of interest across the red Brahman domain of Australia in mid-September, when the NCC Red Legacy Sale was staged at Inverrio, Duaringa.

Buyers attending the sale from three states were moved to comment that the exceptional sale line-up of cows, heifers and sires was all they had hoped for, and they showed their strong endorsement of the quality, standard and bloodlines through highly spirited bidding which was maintained until the last lot.

“Red Brahman studmasters and breed enthusiasts were well aware of the great value of these red NCC bloodlines through their top level industry results of the last 10 years and there was no way they were not going to participate in an opportunity like this, which only presents itself once in a lifetime,” Ken McCaffrey of McCaffrey’s Australian Livestock Marketing said, “they have done their best for NCC for many years and now these bloodlines will provide an impact for breeding and industry advancement for many other red studs across Australia.”

The sale offering was very impressive in its line-up, drafted and penned to assist buyer selections, with breeding history and all current calving, joining and pregnancy details available.

In the stud cow section, prices topped at $20,000 for NCC Dienka 2102, a 4yo daughter of JDH Mr Elmo Manso with a magnificent young bull calf at side by NCC Shogun. This quality outfit was purchased by Mark & Belinda Wilson and their son Walter, of Banana Station, Banana. Later in the sale, the Wilsons also outlaid $16,000 for NCC Worth, a 5yo polled daughter of Wandilla Zulu with a heifer calf at foot by the 2014 Sydney Royal Show Supreme Brahman Exhibit, NCC Santoro. The cow was PTIC again, adding further value to the Wilson’s purchase.

Stephen Sivewright, Diddine Brahman Stud, South Lismore, NSW was at the sale early to give the offering a good inspection after his pre-sale research of the catalogue pedigree lines. Diddine purchased NCC Laudor 727, a rising 9yo cow for $18,000. She had an attractive NCC Santoro heifer calf at foot and again was PTIC. Other cow purchases by Diddine included, at $16,000 NCC Cindy 2035, a daughter of NCC Springbok, and furnished with an impressive Santoro heifer calf, and at $11,000 NCC Cindy 2158 (PTIC to Santoro), and NCC Shaboo 1428, a well bred, rising 7yo cow also mothering a heifer calf by NCC Santoro.

Early in the cow section Darren & Sue Kent, Ooline BrahmanS, Goovigen identified the JDH Mr Elmo Manso daughter NCC Mosadi 1722 as a good buy and bid $13,000 to secure her. Her “all quality” heifer calf by NCC Shogun reinforces the job she is doing in the breeding paddock.

New South Wales breeders Bill & Vicki Braun, Bundella BrahmanS, Quirindi invested in 3 high quality, strongly bred cow and calf units at the sale. Their top purchase at $12,000 was NCC Robin 1930, a rising 5yo cow with a weanable heifer calf by Lanes Creek Slingshot, and back in calf again.

Lex Mesner, Teelba Station, Glenmorgan purchased two smart cow and calf units at an average of $10,000. His top purchase at $11,000 was NCC Red Dove 1110, a beautifully bred daughter of Tartrus Redmount with a...
Showcasing 3 natural daughters of Red Ruby. Her first IVF calves are due 2016.
stylish bull calf at foot by Lanes Creek Slingshot. Les & Felicity Rockemer, Gigoomgan Brahmons, Brooweena bid to $11,000 for a young Elmo cow with a lovely NCC Shogun calf at foot and again PTIC, while Cambil Brahmons of Proserpine and Michael Ingram of Emerald also purchased cows by JDH Mr Elmo Manso each at $10,000.

HEIFER IS SALE TOPPER AT $32,500

The Joined Heifer section was a magnificent line of young females highly sought after by established studmasters and new breed investors. This section produced the $32,500 sale topper in the form of NCC Dienka 2696, a daughter of Elmo and the NCC Dienka 238 cow, certainly one of the great cowlines the NCC Stud has developed. The heifer at sale time was heavy in calf. She was purchased after strong bidding by Stephen Sivewright, Diddine Stud, South Lismore. NCC Patience 2743 by NCC Rumpole was another Diddine purchase from this section at $12,000.

The full sister to Patience 2743, NCC Patience 2746 made $20,000 in the heifer section selling to SCC Brahman Stud, Theebine. Kerry & Rob Gowland of SCC purchased six excellent heifers, joined and unjoined, from the sale and put plenty of pre-sale work into their selections and bid strongly to secure them. The same stud also selected NCC Worth 2760 at $15,000 from the joined section.

Young Central Queensland Brahman breed enthusiast Isaac Kent of Ooline Stud invested wisely in his future at the sale spending $11,000 on NCC Dienka 2698, a full sister to the $32,500 sale topper. The full sister to Patience 2743, NCC Patience 2746 made $20,000 in the heifer section selling to SCC Brahman Stud, Theebine. Kerry & Rob Gowland of SCC purchased six excellent heifers, joined and unjoined, from the sale and put plenty of pre-sale work into their selections and bid strongly to secure them. The same stud also selected NCC Worth 2760 at $15,000 from the joined section.

Ken & Wendy Cole of Kenrol Brahmons and Gary Lynch of Gracemere Brahmons also purchased attractive quality, joined heifers. Kenrol paid $8,500 for a daughter of NCC Casablanca while the Lynchs outlaid $8,000 for an NCC Shogun female.

Bidding fireworks welcomed the first two unjoined heifers into the Sale ring and Ooline Brahman Stud operated by Darren & Sue Kent of Goovigen were victorious investors in females at the NCC Red Legacy Female Sale in September. They were delighted with their purchases on sale day. Darren Kent, Ooline Brahman Stud, Goovigen, with his daughter Megan, was one of the leading investors in females at the NCC Red Legacy Female Sale in September. They were delighted with their purchases on sale day.

The main volume buyers at the sale who invested in lines of quality females included Banana Station (12 females plus 8 calves), Diddine Stud (10 females plus 5 calves), Ooline Stud (6 females plus 2 calves), SCC Brahman Stud (6 females), Gavin Scott, Rosetta (7 females plus 1 calf) and Michael Ingram (7 females plus 3 calves).

SIRES SELL TO $40,000

Four proven red sires were included in the Red Legacy offering. NCC Santoro, the imposing Show Champion of Sydney 2014 and now proven sire, made $40,000 selling to the Donaldson family, Medway, Bogantungan. NCC Shogun was a $12,000 purchase by a partnership of Gunthorpe Cattle Company and Lanes Creek Stud. Ooline Legacy was purchased by the Jochheim family, Hillrise Pastoral Co., Proserpine for $10,000 while Lanes Creek Slingshot made $5,000 selling to Everingham Pastoral Co. of Einasleigh.

Agents: SBB and McCaffrey’s Australian Livestock Marketing

SALE RESULTS

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100 Select Red Sires & Herd Bulls
20 ‘Brahman Belles’ Stud Heifers

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Stud and commercial buyers looking for quality females should keep Saturday, January 23 free to attend the newly-named Great Southern Brahman Female Sale.

The South Queensland sale was formerly The Laidley and District Brahman Invitation Female Sale, and as well as changing name has moved venue from Laidley to the all-weather Silverdale Saleyards, south of Ipswich.

Sale chairman Lynn Walther said the fixture would retain the same format as the Laidley sale, offering a good mix of empty and in-calf heifers and females with calves at foot.

“There will be females to suit top stud breeders as well as buyers looking to improve their commercial herd and breed their own herd bulls.”

The 2016 catalogue expects to list 50-55 head and is pleased to welcome some new vendors: Ken Schultz, Hillview, Mt Larcom; Norm Tranberg, Loma, Allora and Charles Tranberg, Valkyrie, Allora.

Repeat vendors will include EJP, Malabar, Stockman, Petrie Park, Jomanda, Halgenaes, Langley Dale, Roseborough and Roseborough L studs.

Roseborough L topped last year’s event with a polled daughter of Mt Callan Kojack, and studmasters Lynn Walther and Wendy Green will be presenting 12 head in 2016.

“Most will be polled and the majority are by the same sire as last year’s top selling lot,” Mr Walther said.

The auction commences at 10am at the comfortable undercover venue. The Silverdale Saleyards also features its own clearing dip, making it easier for buyers to truck home their new breeders.

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"Bred Red to Breed Red"
Polled red Brahmans from Gijima and JNH studs shared the spotlight at the annual Roma Tropical Breeds Sale, claiming equal top price of $7000.

The Roma Saleyards event was held on October 23 and offered 52 registered and herd bulls, with 40 selling to record a 77% clearance rate and an average price of $3787.

The offering was judged prior to sale by David Jensen, Lyndale, Roma, who awarded the bull championship to JNH Hotrod, presented by Justin and Hayley Titmarsh, JNH stud, Kyilla, Condamine.

Buyers agreed with the judge’s decision, with Hotrod achieving equal best price of $7000. The son of Mt Callan Hot Shot and JNH Tinkerbell was purchased by Keith and Annabelle Wilson, Samari Plains stud, Roma.

Also going for $7000 was Gijima Livingston, a polled Fern Hills Kingston/Reidarrah Victoria son offered by Gordon and Sue McConnachie, Gijima stud, Chinchilla. He was purchased by Campo Santo Grazing, which took home five head at $4200 avg.

JNH averaged $3987 for its eight future sires, the draft including $6000 JNH Hammer who placed second in the Pair of Bulls class. The polled Mt Callan Hot Shot son was bought by Campo Santo Grazing.

Colin Bunn, BKC stud, Maidenwell, paid $6000 for the top priced herd bull, a polled red 25-month-old son of Elmo Ironman offered by Keith and Annabelle Wilson. The Wilsons presented the largest draft at the sale, averaging $3794 for 17 head.

Sally and Ben Sweetland, Samari S stud, Forbes, NSW, achieved the best sale average of $4166 for three reds. Their draft included $5000 Samari S Duke, a son of Samari Plains Lance, purchased by Dalmally Grazing, Roma. The prefix’s top priced polled lot, Samari S Declan, made $4500, going to

Col Brosnan, Performance Feeds, Roma, (right) presented Dennis Bourke, Burradoo Brahman stud, Meandarra with the awards for first place in the Pair of Bulls judging.

Will Robinson, Riverina Stock Feeds, Oakey, presented Justin Titmarsh, JNH Brahman stud, Condamine with the awards for second place in the Pair of Bulls judging.
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Richard Golden, Golden Grazing, Yuleba. Golden Grazing also purchased two Samari Plains bulls at $4500 each, the polled Samari Plains Spicer and the scurred Samari Plains Tully.

Alex Ashwood, Alinta stud, Lennox Head, NSW, bid to $4500 to secure a red herd bull from Samari Plains, and local buyer Wyambeh Pastoral paid $4500 for the polled Garthowen Charlie son, Samari Plains Bartholomew.

Walubial Kennedy, a polled red son of Kenrol Mr HJ Ray, was the best seller from Margaretta Morgan’s Walubial stud, Condamine. He went for $4500 to Croydon Grazing.

Other $4500 sales were Samari Plains Rolf, a polled red purchased by L. Wilson, and JNH Honky Tonk, bought by M. and H. Hughes.

Rachelle Wohlson, Jacana R stud, Jondaryan received $4000 for Jacana R Magnum, a red son of JCC Poll Calibre. He was purchased by Currajong Grazing.

Only three greys were offered, each selling for $3000. Two were presented by the Robinson family, Langley Dale stud, Dubbo, NSW and the other by Linda Orr, Two Sevens stud, Bell.

The MacLachlan family’s Jumbuck Pastoral Co was the major buyer, investing in 11 bulls at $3273 average. Their draft comprised 10 bulls from Samari Plains and one from Samari S.

Other bulk buyers included B. Griffin who took home five head at $3000 avg.

Polled reds interest buyers at Roma sale

Judge David Jensen, Lyndale, Roma, presented Annabelle Wilson, Samari Plains Brahman stud, Roma with the award for second place in the Pair of Bull judging.

Joshua Lockwood, Performance Feeds, Roma, presented Justin Titmarsh, JNH Brahman stud, Condamine with the awards for Champion Bull won by JNH Hotrod which sold for the equal top price of $7,000.

Will Robinson, Riverina Stockfeeds, Oakey, presented the awards for second place in the single bull judging to successful vendor Justin Titmarsh, JNH Brahman stud, Condamine.

Sale Committee Chairman Keith Wilson, presented the award for third place in the single bull judging to successful vendor Linda Orr, Two Sevens Brahman stud, Bell.
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The first bull into the sale ring topped the PB Fenech Spring Invitation Sale at “The Chase”, Sarina on Saturday 24th October. PBF Anzac Manso realised $14,000 and was sold to John & Dianne Brownson, Burdekin Brahmans, Charters Towers. Anzac is an imposing son of JDH Woodson De Manso that scaled 1,120 kg on sale day.

A dark grey son of JDH Westin Manso of heavy bone and great length, PBF Commander Manso made $10,000 selling to Brett Kirk & family of Hazelton Pastoral Co., Middlemount.

Bill & Lawson Camm, Cambil Brahmans, Proserpine were in the bidding action early on the PBF sire prospects selecting Lot 3, PBF Regiment Manso, another Westin son for $8,000.

Eight thousand dollars was also needed by Bee Blee Pastoral Co., Nebo to purchase PBF Doriemus Manso, a powerhouse, white grey son of JDH Mr Woodman Manso with a lot of beef performance. Towards the end of the sale, Bee Blee secured another Woodman son, weighing nearly a tonne, and paid $6,500 for him.

In the younger bull section, John & Julie Borg, Harrybrandt Pastoral Co., Nebo selected PBF Martial Manso for $7,000. He is a smart type, one of the first sons of PBF Mortlock Manso.

The sale had a few bright spots, however most of the large crowd in attendance were there armed with budgets at the lower level, and secured their purchases in the $3,000 to $4,000 range.

Invited vendors Ivan & Ian Price of Moongool Stud sold their draft of young Brahman bulls to a top price of $12,000. John Kirk & Co., Carinya Stud, Gayndah bid on the phone to that price for Moongool 117, a promising son of NCC Jancourt that showed some excellent sire style. The Lund family, Talki Pty Ltd, Clermont were strong buyers of quality bulls at the sale taking home 5 lots. Their top purchase at $9,000 was another, well bred son of NCC Jancourt from the Moongool draft.

The 972kg, rising 3yo, excellent carcass bull Chasmac Park Hudson Manso by Lancefield A Hudson, made $6,500, topping the draft of invited vendor Charles & Carmel McKinlay, Chasmac Stud, Comet. He sold to local producers PJ Davis of Sarina. The impressive Stewart Park Kody 125, a big, white grey, heavy bodied son of Elrose Kody Manso offered by Carl & Gail Morawitz, Stewart Park Stud, Comet was a good buy for Talki Pty Ltd at $6,000.

Although the clearance in the sale ring was disappointing to the sale vendors, post sale enquiry resulted in a final 92% clearance of the Brahman bulls.

Agents: Elders and McCaffrey’s Australian Livestock Marketing.

### Sale Results

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SELLING AT BIG COUNTRY 2016 - 1ST & 2ND FEBRUARY

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Merry Christmas and thank you to all our supporters throughout the year.
In 24 years of writing this column for the Brahman News I can’t remember prime and store prices consistently cracking the 300c/kg mark. It would be good for beef producers if current prices remained the norm, rather than being fuelled by drought-driven supply and demand issues.

While saleyard highs offer a short term boon for suppliers, Meat and Livestock Australia (MLA) warns that the unprecedented stock liquidation will have consequences down the track.

With 36 percent of the Australian herd being turned off for the second year running, and many of the slaughter cattle being females, it will make it harder for Australia to supply live export orders and processing demands in 2017.

In the present term, live exporters received a major market boost with Indonesia issuing a fourth quarter permit to import 200,000 cattle in the last three months of this year. The Dyer family, Hayfield Station, Katherine, NT, were one of the first to benefit from the quota announcement in October, selling 900 Brahman feeder steers and 540 heifers on AuctionsPlus on October 9. Their steer portion, which averaged 334kg, sold for or $1105/hd and their 323kg heifers went foror $1011/hd. The fact that these were on-farm prices make the rates even more remarkable.

Overall, the live export trade grew by 22 percent in the past financial year, to be valued at $1.35 billion for 1.38 million head. While the majority was shipped to Indonesia, the trade to Vietnam grew by 136 percent on the 2013-14 financial year, with Vietnam accounting for around 347kg, sold for or $1105/hd and their 323kg heifers went foror $1011/hd. The fact that these were on-farm prices make the rates even more remarkable.

The 300c/kg price point has also been broken in the saleyards, with Gracemere in November recording some of its highest prices for commercial cattle. A roundup of prices for stores and fats over the past two months follows.

I’d like to wish all Brahman News readers a very happy and healthy Christmas season. May your paddocks be filled with grass, your dams with water, your bank accounts with dollars and your hearts with love and kindness.

NORTH QLD
CHARTERS TOWERS
Combined agents yarded 1043 head at the October 28 sale, with most descriptions showing the effects of the dry season. Bullocks were quoted as 10c/kg dearer, heifers were unchanged and cow prices eased by 15c/kg on the previous sale.

G. Carrick, Maitland Station, Einasleigh, presented the best priced trade heifers which made a touch over 238c/kg, weighing in at 386kg to return $921. Mr Carrick also sold the top priced pen of prime cows which made $1203/head at 241c/kg.

In the store section the Carricks sold 25 Brahman heifers, 248kg, for 270c/kg or $670/hd.

A pen of 15 grey Brahman steers from the Christensen family, Ravenswood made 270c/kg or $472.

At the October 14 prime and store sale the market was back 20-30c across the board in line with other Queensland selling centres. Prime bullocks were quoted as 16c/kg easier, heifers were 10c/kg easier and good cows were 30c/kg down on the previous sale.

The highest priced prime bullocks were knocked down for 259c/kg. The 560kg bullocks were offered by Pace Farming and returned $1395/hd.

Prices were also down for store cattle, due to the plainer condition. The best pen of steers came from the Jones family, Charters Towers, and sold for 258c/kg or $826/hd. He also presented the best priced trade heifers which made a touch over 238c/kg, weighing in at 215c/kg.

The market reached an “all time high” for prime and store cattle. No.4 EU steers from Sarina. Mr Rebetzke’s No.5 grey steers weighed 291kg and averaged 284c/kg or $826/hd. He also presented 155 No.5 heifers which went for a shade over 259c/kg to average $675.

CENTRAL QLD
GRACEMERE
The market reached an “all time high” for weaner steers, feeder cattle and heifers at the November 13 sale.

Brahman feeder steers, weighing 376kg, from the Woodard family, Duaringa, sold for an exceptional 324c/kg to return $1219/hd.

Day Cattle Co, Nebo received 314c/kg or $1070/hd for four grey Brahman steers that weighed 351kg.

Stewart and Kerry Wallace, Clarke Creek, sold prime 443kg EU heifers to a top of 301c/kg or $1333/hd.

The market was very strong for the 2614 head yarded on November 6. Alastair and Pam Davison, Lumeah, Middlemount offered No.4 grey Brahman steers weighing 344kg. They topped at 318c/kg to average 308c/kg and return $1059/hd. Wade and Sharon Clein, Bundarra, Nebo sold a line of 163kg weaner heifers for 280c/kg or $466/hd. Weaner steers from Rob and Una Oates, Comet, also sold very well, making $1380/hd. They weighed 437kg and peaked at 316c/kg. Raglan vendor Anthony Ferris was pleased when his 385kg Brahman feeder steers went for 314c/kg to return $1209/hd.

The October 30 sale was very strong for prime and store cattle. No.4 EU steers from Day Cattle Co sold for 316c/kg, weighing $338/kg to return $1071.

Agents yarded 2217 head on 23 October, including some quality lines of Brahmans. John, Trevor and Wendy Mylrea, Calliope, offered 286kg steers which made $825 at 288c/kg.

Heifers were in hot demand, with Joshua Walters, Port Curtis, receiving $1214/hd or 285c/kg for his 426kg No.4 heifers. Rob and Una Oates offered 383kg feeder heifers, which went for 266c or $1019/hd. A good quality line of 100 No.5 Brahman heifers from Nancy Nott, Darling Plains, Rannes, were knocked down for 266c/kg or $705.

Close to 3000 head were presented for sale on October 16. The yarding included 347kg No.4 Brahman steers from John and Trevor Mylrea, Calliope. They peaked at 279c/kg to return $969. No. 4 steers from Anthony and Tamara Jones, Ayrdrie, Mt Alma were knocked down for 284c/kg, returning $915/hd.

Prices eased at the October 9 sale of 3570 head. Kevin Rebetzke trucked in some good lines of Brahman cattle from Sarina. Mr Rebetzke’s No.5 grey steers weighed 291kg and averaged 284c/kg or $826/hd. He also presented 155 No. 5 heifers which went for a shade over 259c/kg to average $675.
EMERALD
The first sale in October saw strong prices across the board for 1900 head. John and Cheryl Randell, Crinum, Tieri offered 451kg Brahman heifers. They went for 250c/kg, returning $1130/hd.

On October 22 the O’Shannessy Family, Bellevue, Clermont received 242c/kg or $638/hd for their 264kg Brahman heifers.

SOUTH QLD
MONTO
Les and Val Holtz presented 51 1kg red Brahman cows for auction at the Monto Cattle and Country sale in early October. They were knocked down for 270c/kg, returning $1380/hd. Rob and Tina McLaughlin sold No. 4 grey Brahman heifers for 267c/kg or $770/hd.

BIGGENDEN
Cow prices eased at the October 8 prime and store sale operated by Burnett Livestock and Realty. However local vendors the Aberdein family still managed a good price for their Brahman cows which made $1456/hd at 263c/kg.

ROMA
The prime sale on October 1 penned just over 1200 head including 512kg Brahman cows from J. and C. Kyle, McKinlay. They were knocked down for 263c/kg or $1348/hd. Cows from Etona Pastoral Co, Etona, Morven went for $1457 (260c).

LAIDLEY
The November 12 Stariha Auctions Laidley Cattle Sale was described as the strongest for the year, with Brahman cows peaking at $1500.

At the November 19 prime sale the Crosby family, Wallam, Mitchell, sold 400kg Brahman cows for 255c or $1020/hd.

AUCTIONS PLUS
At the October 16 online auction a Charters Towers vendor received $940/hd for 104 Brahman heifers. They were aged between 18 and 40 months and had been pregnancy tested in calf. The same vendor also received $815/hd for 56 p.t.i.c. heifers with an average weight of 305kg.

A Hughenden vendor offered 100 Brahman cows aged three to five years at the October 23 online auction. The 455kg cows were pregnancy tested in calf and went for $1030. Two-year-old Brahman cows and calves from Goondiwindi made $1100 at the same sale.
Vale - Warren Newcombe

by Margareta TRAVERS & Maxine BROOKS

On the 2nd September, Christ Church Cathedral in Grafton was packed with family, friends and colleagues of Warren Newcombe as they had come to pay their respects and farewell this iconic Grafton saddler, horseman and cattlemale.

Warren was a passionate Brahman stud breeder and commercial cattlemale and he, along with his wife Christine, daughter Heidi and son Barry and families, owned and operated the successful Lorimar Park Brahman Stud based at McPherson’s Crossing near Coutts Crossing (outside of Grafton, NSW).

Warren’s younger brother Brian delivered the eulogy and reminisced on memories of growing up around Tamworth and Werris Creek. He also recalled what it was like when Warren received the leatherworking tools he had ordered from Sydney as he first started working with leather when he began repairing riding gear for himself and friends.

Close friend Ron Parberry expressed that Warren Newcombe’s word was his bond and it was this attitude as well as his eye for perfection which made him one of the most respected handmade saddle-makers in Australia.

As a teenager, he acquired his first set of leather working tools and even then he strived for perfection which was to become his priority when he started making his unique traditional saddles striving for closer horse and rider contact. After a stint at working on Woodlands TB Stud and wool classing, Warren began his leatherwork apprenticeship at McKinnon’s Saddlery in Tamworth. On completion of this he ventured out on his own and leased a shop in Walcha where he built up a reputation for making hand-made saddles as well as repairing all types of saddlery and due to local demand he also became the local boot-maker. Whilst in Walcha, well known Olympic showjumping rider Kevin Bacon gave Warren his “old favourite” showjumping saddle and asked him to make two saddles to ride in at the Munich Olympics. Warren was prepared to take on such a challenge and use his skill to make this new style of saddle and was very proud to see them ridden in to achieve success at such a high level of competition. Another top horseman, Don Tanner, asked Warren to make him a competition stock saddle for campdrafting and wanted it made with a balanced seat, lower knee pads than the saddle he was already making and a seat similar to the showjumping saddles he had made for Kevin. Warren, being a horseman himself, knew the importance of being a balanced rider, so he played with this type of saddle until he perfected it and had it the way he wanted it to fit both horse and rider.

Working with a timber built tree, he worked it down until he achieved a slim fitting foundation to build the saddle on. He would spend hours with clients and taking a horse’s measurements to make the perfect saddle. His saddles have been used either for general stock work, campdrafting, performance and polocrosse Australia wide, with the late RM Williams purchasing a second saddle after he rode in the first one Warren had made for him. Over the years many Brahman breeders have owned, ridden in and currently ride in Newcombe Saddles and it was not uncommon for...
Warren and Christine to make special deliveries every October when they drove from Grafton to Gracemere for the Rockhampton Brahman Week Sales. In a career spanning more than 50 years, Warren made 1815 saddles from start to finish and always had an 18 month waiting list for his saddles. One saddle that he made in 1963 is still being ridden in at shows today.

As a youth rider, Warren competed successfully in Pony Club gymkhanas and Agricultural shows winning a wall full of ribbons along the way, and later was successful in Stock Horse events and campdrafting. He was a Gold Member of the Australian Stockhorse Society, who over many years contributed by making the saddle donated to the winner of the National Futurity. He was also a keen member of the Far North Coast NSW Branch and as a competitor was very successful with horses he had bred and educated himself. At the inaugural NCHA $10,000 Victorian Snaffle Bit Cutting Futurity held at Whittlesea in June 1977, Warren and Christine were thrilled when their ASH stallion ‘Pele’ won this event. Ridden by Fred Johnson, Pele won all three rounds to secure the event with a score of 1,285 points and a margin of 23.5 ahead of the second placed horse. In Australia today Pele still holds this record for such a score.

In 1972 Warren left Walcha and went to Grafton where he set up Newcombe’s Saddlery in the same building where it is today in South Grafton. ‘Lorimar Park’ at McPherson’s Crossing was purchased by Warren & Christine in 1976 and developed as an Australian Stock Horse Stud and commercial cattle herd. Their first red Brahman bull was purchased from Pee Dee in 1980 along with 2 grey bulls from Mylora for use in a crossbreeding program. In 1984 Warren participated in the first Bos Indicus cross breeding study tour to Central QLD lead by NSW Beef Cattle Officer, Phil Doyle. His interest in stud cattle was ignited and the Lorimar Park Brahman Stud commenced in 1988 with the purchase of 5 grey Brahman heifers from Monty Beak, Sandringham Stud, Rockhampton. Over the years, Warren and Christine introduced a number of females from various studs such as Victoria valley, El Ja, Titanic, Brahrock, Condor, NCC, Jenda, Ngamba, Aintree, Broandah and Kinora. All these heifers were used in a number of AI programs to Hudgins and V8 bulls with their offspring forming the base of their Lorimar Park cow herd today. Warren would travel to many Brahman sales in Australia, study the breeding and genetics of well performed progeny and select sires for his operation. For many years, Lorimar Park bulls and heifers were sold at the Grafton Bos Indicus Sale and for the last seven years at the Bizzy Invitational Bull and Female Sale.

Warren was a quietly spoken, very sincere, highly skilled and passionate man with many interests and was a wonderful husband, father, grandfather, brother and family man. His legacy will live on through the hard work and skills of his family. Sincere condolences to Warren’s wife Christine, daughter, son in law and grandchildren Barry, Jackie, Lacey and Danny Newcombe.
Lancefield Sale soars to $65,000

Spirited bidding around the Gracemere sale ring lifted average prices by 31% compared to 2014, to record an $8,475 average for the 82 registered and herd bulls sold at the Lancefield Brahmans Invitation Sale in late October. The McCamley family vendors of the Lancefield, Lancefield M, Palmal and 2AM Studs were delighted with the sale result and the geographical spread of buyer destinations. Active bidding was forthcoming from as far away as the Northern Territory, Western Queensland, Brisbane Valley, South and Central Burnett areas, Western Darling Downs, Cloncurry, Northern Goldfields areas and many Central Queensland centres.

“We were pleased that studmasters and bull breeders were in attendance to chase the stud sire prospects in the catalogue and in addition, a number of leading cattle producers invested in lines of quality bulls for commercial production,” Matthew McCamley said.

It was the rising 2yo, highly credentialed, well bred, strong sire type, Lancefield S Jackman, that topped the auction at $65,000. Masculine, dark grey, full of character and performance, this son of first season sire Lancefield Fenlon Manso sold to Rodger & Lorena Jefferis, Elrose Brahman Stud, Cloncurry. They, like the underbidder Brett Nobbs of NCC Brahmans, were impressed by the bull’s weight for age; 867kg at 23 months; Eye Muscle Area of 144 sqcm, the equal biggest eye muscle recording of the sale; damline breeding history and obvious sire quality.

The 810kg, 2yo white grey sire Lancefield S Lincon made $28,000 selling to Drew Hacon, Hacon & Sons, Cloncurry. This lengthy bull is an astute purchase for the Hacon enterprise as his combination of bloodlines has been consistently successful in recent years for the Lancefield Stud. Lincon is by the great Lancefield Buster Manso and out of a strong damline of the renowned Kalahari and Reno genetics.

Rodger & Lorena Jefferis of Elrose Stud were in the bidding action again outlaying $26,000 for Lancefield S Kennedy, sold to Drew Hacon, Hacon & Sons, Cloncurry, this son of first season sire Lancefield Fenlon Manso sold to Rodger & Lorena Jefferis, Elrose Brahman Stud, Cloncurry. They, like the underbidder Brett Nobbs of NCC Brahmans, were impressed by the bull’s weight for age; 867kg at 23 months; Eye Muscle Area of 144 sqcm, the equal biggest eye muscle recording of the sale; damline breeding history and obvious sire quality.

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Rodger Jefferis, Elrose Brahman Stud, Cloncurry and Lizette McCamley, Lancefield Brahmans, Dululu with the $65,000 Sale Topper, Lancefield S Jackman.
 productive, fertile damline, and his weight and carcass EBV’s as well as his Jap Ox and Live Export indices add further value to his potential as a sire ideally credentialed for stud success in today’s industry. Scaling 724kg and scanning a 130 sqcm EMA, Richard is out of a Meryl cow by JDH Sir Parker Manso and his granddam is by the breed shaping sire, Lancefield Ambition.

Stewart Nobbs selected the big, long bodied, strong boned, heavy muscled, white grey son of Mr International 50/1, Lancefield M Duntroon, for Lyndhurst Cattle Co Pty Ltd, Lyndhurst, Biloela and bid to $19,000 to secure him. Again this sire is of excellent temperament and is backed by exceptional genetic values for weight and carcass performance.

David & Joy Deguara, Hamdenvale Brahman Stud, Simla shopped well at the sale when they secured the impressive, scurred, 2yo 2AM Norton for $17,000. He’s a smart, sirey type, a milk tooth of 778kg, and carries the highly successful JDH Echo sirey type, a milk tooth of 778kg, and exceptional genetic values for weight and carcass performance. The Mullers of Pluto Pastoral & Farming Co., Proserpine have been buying bulls from the Lancefield draft for many decades and this year Ken Muller settled on two young, grey, polled sires, both out of daughters of Lancefield Buster Manso. Late in the sale he paid $15,000 for Lancefield S Dolton while Lancefield S Hastings was a $9,500 purchase for Pluto earlier on.

The White family of Wilangi Brahman Stud, Richmond is out of a Meryl cow by JDH Sir Parker Manso, and his grandad is by the breed shaping sire, Lancefield Ambition.

Sixteen thousand dollars was also paid by Stewart & Kerry Wallace, Wallace Brahman, Marlborough for 2AM Thompson, a poll grey of outstanding weight for age 826kg at 25 months, and EMA of 136 sqcm. Early in the sale AJ & Pam Davison, Viva Brahman, Middlemount outlaid $16,000 for Palmal Dazzler, the heaviest milk tooth bull of the Sale, scaling 924kg. Impressive, bone, length and body volume featured in this stylish son of Lancefield D Dynamic and he will fit well into the Viva Stud programme.

Sixteen thousand dollars also topped the red sire section. The Radel family of Kandoona Brahmans, Injune paid that figure for the 832kg milk tooth, poll son of Lancefield A Roberto, 2AM Tait. Doug, Helen & Stan Keough, Welcome Downs Cattle Company, Einasleigh took home 3 bulls; 2 greys and 1 red. Their top purchase at $15,000 was 2AM Edison, a beautifully bred, rising 2yo, scurred son of JDH Mr Echo Manso. Edison is a big body volume youngster with a lot of length, excellent muscling and his genetic make-up is proven successful in the grey industry.

The Mullers of Pluto Pastoral & Farming Co., Proserpine have been buying bulls from the Lancefield draft for many decades and this year Ken Muller settled on two young, grey, polled sires, both out of daughters of Lancefield Buster Manso. Late in the sale he paid $15,000 for Lancefield S Dolton while Lancefield S Hastings was a $9,500 purchase for Pluto earlier on.

Peter & Joy Newman, Newies Family Trust, Rathlyn Stud, Emerald took home the scurred grey sire 2AM Nixon for $14,000 while fellow Central Highlanders Rob & Una Oates, Mt Brett, Comet paid $13,000 for Tennyson, another of the grey scurred sires from the 2AM draft.

The White family of Wilangi Brahman Stud, put together an excellent line of 5 grey sires with the qualities that will suit their breeding programme. All featured outstanding weight for age and carcass qualities, and are strong, sound, good constitution bulls of obvious masculinity and breed character.

Robert & Mandy White’s two purchases were topped at $13,000 by Lancefield M Raylan; an 875kg, 26 month old, 140 sqcm EMA, natural beef son of highly successful sire Lancefield M Rocafella Manso, from an exceptional fertility damline. Ron & Bev White outlaid a top price of $11,500 for Palmal Dante, an 846kg, 25 month old son of Lancefield D Dynamic that traces back to the Beef Expo Champion Kabala Laureate on the dam’s side.

Among the volume buyers who put impressive lines of bulls together at the sale were Rodney & June Jacobsen, Kunwarara (5 bulls av. $7,600), Andrew & Chris Adams, Barcaldine (5 bulls av. $6,700), Herbert Hall Enterprises, Charters Towers (8 bulls av. $5,500), Dyer family, N.T. (8 bulls av. $4,875) and Everingham Pastoral Co., Einasleigh (6 bulls av. $3,420).

Sale co-ordinator Ken McCaffrey of McCaffrey’s Australian Livestock Marketing said it is a healthy sign for the Brahman industry to see sales such as the Lancefield Brahman Invitation Sale forging ahead on the back of strong interest from studmasters and commercial producers alike. “From these bright sale results, the product at this sale is obviously what the stud industry and beef producers want to see,” Ken McCaffrey said.

Agents: Landmark and McCaffrey's Australian Livestock Marketing.

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Western Queensland visitors Andrew & Chris Adams gave the Lancefield Brahman Invitation Sale offering a good inspection before bidding strongly and securing a top quality line of 5 bulls at the sale.

Ben McCamley (left) and Scott McCamley (right), Lancefield Brahmans, Dululu with sale purchasers Peter Brazier, GDL Dalby and Rodger Jefferis, Elrose Enterprises, Cloncurry.
The suitability of the NCC Brahman Sale offering to supply the seedstock end and the commercial production end of the bull market was clearly on display at Inverrio, Duaringa on October 27th when a large crowd of studmasters and reputed beef breeders from as far away as New South Wales and the Northern Territory overflowed the on-property selling complex grandstands, and competed with bidding vigour to secure the highly prized Nobbs family’s NCC bloodlines.

In a period of 3 hours of sustained powerhouse bidding, buyers took prices to an equal year high $70,000 for the Brahman breed, and at the same time valued the outstanding offering of grey and red bulls at an average of $12,656, a new record for the sale, and the first time since 2007 that breed sale averages anywhere in the nation had reached such heights.

Delighted with industry response to the NCC product, Brett Nobbs said after the sale that buyers and bidders had on sale day paid a great compliment to his bulls and heifers in selecting them as the bloodlines to breed for the future. “Your demand for these cattle again provides me with further positive inspiration to just keep breeding better and better Brahman,” he told the large crowd, “it is a tremendous reflection of the industry performance of these genetics that so many repeat buyers purchased again today.” Brett Nobbs and his parents Allen & Carolynne saw 18 of their sale bulls sell at figures of $20,000 and above and yet they were as delighted to witness a good number of leading steer and bullock producers account for a third of the offering; 33 highly credentialed strong beef performance bulls for commercial production in the $3,000 to $6,000 price range. “Optimum and efficient weight performance and carcass qualities, that’s the essence of what we breed for,” Brett Nobbs said.

NCC Lord Delaware, one of five full brothers in the sale sired by JDH Mr Elmo Manso and out of the JDH Datapack Manso cow, El Ja Lady Diana Manso, topped sale bidding at $70,000. At sale time he was 21 months, a dark grey of superb weight for age, 798kg, and massive EMA 148sqcm. Delaware shows an abundance of sire appeal and breed quality to go with his beef style which attracted the interest of many discerning studmasters. Among them were David & Julie McCamley of Palmal Brahman and Andrew & Anna McCamley of 2AM Brahman who combined forces to make the winning bid in partnership for the exciting prospect.

The consistency of breeding strength and high quality in this pedigree combination was evident through Delaware’s brothers. Lord Denison made $24,000 selling to Richie Hooper of Taroom, Lord David also made $24,000 and went to the Radel family, Yebo, Injune, Lord Dalton was a $22,000 purchase for the Lewis family, Mt Pleasant Grazing Co., Monto while Lord Doncaster will head to Muttaburra for the Gunawarra J Brahman Stud at $12,000.

The potency of JDH Mr Elmo Manso as a recognised 21st century breed shaping sire of Australia’s Brahman was again industry endorsed through the sale demand for his sons, with 27 of them in the sale averaging an incredible $19,333.

Four lots after Delaware was knocked down, bidding fireworks again exploded as one of the youngest bulls of the sale, NCC Jackpot at 19 months, another exceptional son of Elmo, took prices to $65,000, the top price for red bulls on the day. Again it was a partnership of brothers and their families who purchased the attractive, soft, honey red sire. Tim & Lynette Olive’s Apis Creek Stud at Marlborough and Ross & Natalie Olive’s Olive Stud at Gogango will share ownership of the bull.

It didn’t take long for Royce & Beryl Sommerfield of Brahrock Stud to get into the high price bidding action at the sale.
Heirwood has the bone & balance, sirry eye appeal, straight top showing off a roomy rib area.

His length of hip, thickness and depth of hind quarter is strong. He stands proud with correct feet and legs. Good clean light sheath with a good set of testicles.

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At Lot 2 they selected the attractive 2½ yo white grey son of JDH Martin Manso, NCC Jericho, weighing in at a tonne plus and scanning the equal biggest eye muscle area of the sale team of 152 sqcm. They outlaid $55,000 for this strong sire type, who has great length and strength on top.

Developing grey sire influence Carinya Kirkwood had his first crop of impressive sons in this year’s sale and they were headlined by NCC Marshall, an 860kg, rising 2yo of very appealing sire quality. Rodger & Lorena Jefferis of Elrose Brahman, Cloncurry sought him out and backed their judgement investing $52,500 in him, Bill & Lawson Camm of Cambil Brahman Stud were underbidders.

NCC Jarrah is a beautiful bodied, soft creamy red bull by Elmo that not only caught the eye of a lot of astute cattle producers at BEEF 2015, he was also awarded the Reserve Senior Champion Bull Broadribbon by Judge David Bondfield. His sale figures of 972kg at 30 months and 150 sqcm EMA reinforced his great potential to buyers on the day. A bold opening bid of $30,000 by Bill & Sue Blakeney of Warraka Brahman Stud, Coondoo was not enough to hold the bull, however they followed through in the bidding to eventually land him at $45,000 and they were pleased with their purchase.

Other red sire prospects sold in the $30,000’s with the Radel’s Kandoona Stud bidding to $34,000 for a polled son of Fairy Springs Duracell out of an Elmo/Cindy cowline, and Norm Tranberg’s Loma Stud at Allora taking home NCC Atlantic, a rising 2yo, poll, eye catching sire prospect by the same sire for $32,500. David & Julie McCamley, Palmal Brahman, Dingo paid $28,000 early in the sale for NCC Paddington, a good bodied, heavy muscled, strong red colour bull backed by proven pedigree lines.

NCC Eagle, by JDH Martin Manso and bred out of a full direct JDH cow will go to the Yenda Stud of Ron & Daphne Kirk at Gayndah. They paid $30,000 for this youngster.

The Hacon family of Granada, Cloncurry know how to find their way to quality Brahman sires offering superior beef performance, and early in the NCC Sale they found another in NCC Joop and bid $28,000 to claim him. This extra long, soft skinned, dark grey sire of 992kg is all muscle and carcass attributes and his constitution, correctness and balance will fit him well for breeding duties in the north west.

Twenty eight thousand dollars was also needed by Brian & Cindy Hughes, Lanes Creek Brahman Stud, Georgetown to buy the youngest bull in the sale, NCC Fortress. He’s a JDH Mr Elmo Manso son of exciting prospect with his depth of flank, excellent muscle expression and softness.

Other purchasers of bulls in the $20,000 and upwards range included Garth Hancock, Hancock Pastoral Pty Ltd, Wandoan who selected an outstanding young grey sire, NCC Monterey by JDH Elmo for $24,000. He was one of the best credentialed bulls of the sale by weight, carcass scan and fertility data on the supplementary sheet, and his eye catching breed and beef quality combination aligns with the best of stud industry demands.

John Kirk of Carinya Stud, Gayndah selected a well bred, strong carcass grey bull for $22,000 and John & Julie Borg, Harrybrandt Grazing, Nebo paid $20,000 for his full brother later in the sale.

Stewart & Kerry Wallace, Wallace Brahman, Marlborough also went to $20,000 to purchase NCC Moses, a polled red sire bred from the successful Mosadi cowline.

Other stud entities that invested in sires on the day included Jaffra, Lyndhurst, Gulf Coast, Omega and Banana Station.
NCC aims higher after record sale

The sale provided ample opportunity for buyers to secure attractive lines of high quality bulls. Leading the way was Peter Brazier of GDL Dalby who selected 10 excellent grey bulls at an average of $5,750 for the Dyer family, Hayfield Station, Northern Territory. Cec Connolly, Milman Brahman Stud, Theodore (6 impressive grey sires averaging $11,000); Goodwin family, Vandibeek Pastoral Pty Ltd, Alpha (6 bulls averaged $5,083); and Rodney Perrett, Rolleston (6 bulls averaged $5,583). All shopped wisely throughout the sale to purchase eye catching drafts.

HEIFERS TO $6,500
A small line of unjoined grey stud heifers sold to a high of $6,500 and again it was JDH Mr Elmo Manso that produced the section topper. Ahern Brahmans of Gayndah purchased NCC Wise Power, an astute investment, as her two full brothers had earlier made $18,000 and $10,000 during the sale. Reg & Wendy Valmadre, Cedarbend Brahmans of Jambin and Steve & Theresa Taylor, Clukan Brahman Stud, Jambin invested $4,500 each in daughters of FBC Agassi Manso and NCC Eastwood respectively, while Everingham Pastoral Co, Oak Park, Einasleigh put together a line of 5 heifers to go with the 3 bulls they purchased earlier in the day. Sky Cattle Holdings of Dingo also purchased 3 smart quality heifers.

Agent: Queensland Rural and McCaffrey’s Australian Livestock Marketing

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International Brahman breeders as well as Australian studmasters will all have the opportunity to secure the elite of the NCC Brahman Stud genetics at the World Brahman Congress in May 2016 in Rockhampton, Australia.

Brett, Allen & Carolynne Nobbs of NCC Stud are staging the NCC Global Genetics Sale on Friday evening 20th May as an integral part of World Congress proceedings.

“We are welcoming the world to our country so we are planning to stage a gala, entertaining sale event of a standard that will impress Brahman enthusiasts worldwide,” Brett Nobbs said, “a number of our sale lots we expect will have international appeal, they will be export eligible at sale time so international studs can bid at the sale and compete for them.”

The stud announced this week that their Global Genetics Sale would offer a once only sale package of semen from JDH Mr Elmo Manso, certainly one of the greatest sire influences in the Australian Brahman industry of the last 25 years.

Other genetic packages in the sale will include PTIC recipients carrying calves from the leading grey and red donor females of the stud, and of sirelines yet to be released to the Brahman industry here.

Studmaster Brett Nobbs is finalising selections of approximately 12 super quality, impeccably bred, young heifers, reds and greys, which will also go under the auctioneer’s hammer on sale night.

The NCC Sale is ideally positioned on the Friday evening of the Congress, with show judging of females taking place that day, and bulls on the following day, Saturday 21st May. The event will take place at the NCC Brahmans Superdome at the Rockhampton Showgrounds.
Beef producers need to balance the gains of running heavy cows with the cost of maintaining those cows. Depending on the type of country and market prices it may be more profitable to run moderate sized breeding cows rather than large cows.

Beef producers can improve their profits and cut costs by tailoring the weight of their breeding cows to suit their country and market trends.

**WHY SHOULD MATURE COW WEIGHT BE RECORDED?**

The weight of mature cow has a considerable influence on herd profitability. In general, lighter cows tend to have lower feed requirements and be more efficient to maintain compared to heavier cows.

The returns from cull cows can make up a significant proportion of the total income of a beef breeding business. In most situations heavier weight cows will return more per head than lighter weight cows. However beef producers need to consider the cost of maintaining heavy cows over their lifetime. In addition, while higher mature weight cows generally produce heavier weight weaners, the number of calves produced per cow joined tends to decrease with increasing mature cow weight.

Using EBVs in bull selection has the added benefit of allowing producers to identify bulls that are “curve benders” for post-birth growth such as 600 day growth and mature cow weight. That is, they produce calves that have genetics for above average post–birth growth but moderate mature cow weight genetics in the retained daughters. This breeding technique can be used to breed moderate, fertile cows but not to the detriment of the growth rates of slaughter progeny such as steers.
Performance Recording Mature Cow Weight

INTERPRETING MATURE COW WEIGHT EBVS
Mature cow weight EBVs are estimates of the genetic differences between cows in live weight at five years of age and are expressed in kilograms.

A bull with higher, more positive Mature Cow Weight EBVs is expected to produce daughters with, on average, heavier mature cow weights than bulls with lower Mature Cow Weight EBVs.

The optimal mature cow weight will depend on the individual herd and its breeding objective. For example:

• Breeders looking to decrease the mature weight of their cows may look for lower Mature Cow Weight EBVs.
• Breeders looking to increase their returns from the sale of cull cows may look for higher Mature Cow Weight EBVs.
• Breeders looking to maintain the mature size of their breeding cows while maximising the growth of their progeny to say 600 days may look for moderate Mature Cow Weight EBVs.

RECORDING INFORMATION ON MATURE COW WEIGHT
Mature cow weight EBVs are generated from the live weights of mature cows that are recorded within two weeks of the weaning weight (200 day weight) of their calves, with up to four weights analysed per cow. For temperate breeds, BREEDPLAN will only analyse a mature cow weight if the cow is older than 2.4 years of age (870 days) at weaning. For tropical breeds, this age is 3.0 years (1090 days). Weights are not analysed from cows that do not have a calf weighed at weaning.

As with all weights, mature cow weight should be recorded using appropriate (and accurate) scales. Do not guess or estimate mature cow weight or use measuring tapes to calculate mature cow weight. Either weigh the cows using appropriate scales or don’t record mature cow weights.

Mature Cow Weight EBVs for bulls are generated from the mature cow weight performance of all known female relatives such as dam, grand dams, half sisters and daughters. In addition, relationships with other traits, such as 600 day growth, are also used in the calculation of Mature Cow Weight EBVs.

All cows with a calf at 200 days should be weighed each year. Do not try to “guess” whether a cow has had 4 weights taken previously – the BREEDPLAN analysis will sort it out for you.

BREEDPLAN will only analyse the mature cow weight performance of a cow if her first valid mature cow weight has been taken before she is 6 years of age (2200 days). If not, then none of her mature weights will be analysed.

It is essential that correct management group information is recorded with mature cow weight performance. Management groups work slightly differently for mature cow weights. If no management group information is defined for a set of mature cow weights, the BREEDPLAN analysis will use the management groups submitted with the 200 day weights of their calves to sub-group the weights of the cows. Therefore, if you have correctly recorded the management group information with the 200 day weight performance for your calves, then you only need to assign a different management group to a cow that has experienced an effect on her weight that is different to that experienced by her calf. For example, if the cow was injured/sick or has been supplementary fed.

If both the mature cow weights and the 200 day weights for their calves are submitted without management group information, the BREEDPLAN analysis will assume all cows and calves have been run under similar management conditions.

Optionally, cow condition score can also be submitted with mature cow weight information. Condition scores are not currently included in the BREEDPLAN analysis however they may be used in the future when determining Mature Cow Weight EBVs. If breeders wish to record condition scores, it is important that the standard fat scoring system of 1-6 be used (only whole scores) and the same person scores all cows in the herd at a particular weighing.

DO:
✓ Record mature cow weights on all cows.
✓ BREEDPLAN will work out which weights will be analysed.
✓ Measure mature cow weight at weaning or within two weeks of recording a 200 day weight on the calves.
✓ Record management group information with mature cow weight performance.

SUBMITTING MATURE COW WEIGHT INFORMATION TO BREEDPLAN
Mature cow weights can be submitted directly to BREEDPLAN. The process to submit mature cow weight data is the same as submitting any other performance data. Mature cow weights can be submitted using:

• Paper performance recording forms.
• The Microsoft Excel Weights & Scanning Information template available on the BREEDPLAN website.
• A data extract from a BREEDPLAN compatible herd recording program.
• Via the Internet Solutions facility on the BREEDPLAN website (for participate Breed Societies).

For further information regarding recording mature cow weight or submitting mature cow weight data to BREEDPLAN, please contact:

Paul Williams at TBTS in Rockhampton on Ph: (07) 4927 6066 or Email: paul@tbts.une.edu.au

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Average rises at Gold City, despite the dry

Ongoing drought conditions affected clearance rates at the 2015 Gold City Brahman Sale, however competition for quality sires remained strong, with the sale average up by $405 a head on the previous year.

Held in Charters Towers on November 6, the annual North Queensland event cleared 75 bulls, or 76% of the offering, to average $4160.

Taking sale honours at $13,000 was the grey Select Sire Glenborough Rocky Manso, a full Hudgins son of FBC D Roper Manso and the JDH Karu Manso 800 (imp) daughter Glenborough T Opal Manso. He was offered by Lance and Karen Pope, Glenborough, Yabulu, who averaged $5500 for their five head draft.

Glenborough Rocky Manso was purchased by David Roberts, manager of Swans Lagoon, Millaroo, who said he was impressed by the bull’s length, temperament and bone structure. Mr Roberts selected eight head at $4562 average, his purchases including the $8000 grey Select Sire Carawah Tonto Manso. The TMB Alpha De Manso son was offered by Neil Harling, Carawah stud, Broken Dray, Springsure.

Another TMB Alpha De Manso son, Carawah Resistol Manso, claimed second top price for the Harlings. He sold for $11,000 to John Walker, Charters Towers, helping set a $5417 average for six Carawah bulls.

Local vendors Peter and Sue Hammer received $8000 for their Select Sire Annavale L 707. The polled grey by homebred sire Annavale Galvin was snapped up by L. Toohey, who also outlaid $5000 to secure the grey Select Sire Glenborough Robinson Manso, a full Hudgins son of FBC D Roper Manso.

The $13,000 top priced bull Glenborough Rocky Manso is pictured with vendors Aaron, Isaac and Lance Pope, Yabula and buyer Dave Roberts, Swans Lagoon Pastoral, Millaroo.
Kelvin Harriman, GI stud, Muttaburra, sold the top priced red Select Sire, GI Victory, for $7500. The polled son of GI Hozae was bought by Tom and Karen Murphy, Tabletop, Collinsville, who plan to use the stud bull over their Droughtmaster females.

John and Betty Atkinson offered the first sons of Mogul Zephyr Manso from their Laguna stud, Proserpine. The quality draft of six polled bulls peaked at $8000 to average $5667. Topping their yarning was the Select Sire Laguna Zelinski, who found a new home with the Pedracini family, Scartwater Station, Broughton. Other buyers of the Zephyr Manso sons included the Fry family, Adaven stud, Majors Creek, who selected $6500 Laguna Zane, and Swans Lagoon who paid $6000 for Laguna Zerora and $5000 for the light red scurred Select Sire Laguna Zephyr Zip.

Bon Wall, Wallton Downs stud, Peakview, Clermont, received $6000 for the red Select Sire Wallton Downs 685/1. The polled red son of Muan A Indus was knocked down to J. and K. Johnson. Wallton Downs also sold the highest priced red herd bull at $5000. The 32-month-old fully homebred bull was selected by Kerri-Ann French, Spinnaker stud, Gilberton Station, Einasleigh.

Volume buyers at the sale included the Johnson family, Mt Pleasant, Hughenden who took home seven bulls at $3571 avg; Wolverton Pastoral Co, Coen, who purchased six head for $18,500; Dave Nicholas, PYL Cattle Co, Charters Towers, who invested $3333 avg in six new sires, and Thomas and Lisa Atkinson, Minamoolka, Mt Garnet, who purchased five head at $3500 avg.
Vale: Ron Bauer

Ronald John Bauer was born on the 8th November 1938 to parents Walter Ronald Bauer and Barbara Wheeler Bauer. Ron (as most people called him) was the eldest child of three siblings, with Graham and Beverley being the younger children in the family.

Once leaving school Ron had the idea he would like to do cattle agency work. His parents thought he should have a trade so be entered the Railway Workshops in Ipswich (Redbank) and became an electrician and continued on for eleven years. He left in 1966 to run his properties at Milbong.

Ron decided very early in life to breed stud Brahmans and did so with registering “Tyagarah Stud” No 56.

In 1967 Ron met and married the love of his life Janice Hornburg. Every spare weekend before marriage he spent travelling from Ipswich to Cherokee stud at Tanby where he spent a great deal of time with the late Mr Lionel De Landelles, discussing and obsessing on how to breed the correct Zebu type Brahman.

Throughout his life Ron spent the majority of his time breeding, showing and selling quality Brahman cattle staying true to the old Zebu type Cherokee blood Brahmans.

Ron and Janice raised four great children Megan, Andrew, Angela and John and at an early age were taught good work ethics and the meaning of honesty and integrity.

In 1979 the Bauer family moved from Milbong in the Fassifern Valley to Theodore, then in 1986 moved to “Tristleigh Hills” at Baralaba, Jan still lives there and with the help of Andrew and John is still breeding “Tyagarah Brahmans”.

With Ron staying true to his breeding objective he only integrated Zebu type genetics with a little Red Sindhi and Gyr type cattle. The cattle were only sold grass fed and were known for super fertility, docility, and longevity and also his customer satisfaction.

Ron was a respected member of the ABBA Council for nineteen years and served as Vice President and also served on many council committees including the sale selection committee. In 1991 he was awarded Life Membership.

After ill health he had an open heart surgery in 1995 and was diagnosed with Parkinson’s Disease in 1997. It was time for him to lighten off the work load. He then took up breeding Old English Game Fowls.

On the 14th September 2015 Ron finally succumbed to the terrible disease Parkinson’s with his family by his side. A private cremation was held on the 18th September in Rockhampton.

Ron is survived by his loving family, wife Jan, daughter Megan and Paul and children Jack, Sophie and Emma, son Andrew and Jennifer and children Layne and Imojen, daughter Angela and David with son Thomas, son John and Claire and children Breeanna, Conner, Tyler, Maddison, Georgia and Sherri-Anne.

The legacy Ron left behind is family, cattle and fowls and his motto was “I’m not always right but I’m never wrong”.

Big Country set for strong 2016 start

An excellent offering of stud sire prospects, strong ready-to-work herd bulls and high quality, well bred stud Heifers in both red and grey Brahmans will provide buyers with very attractive selection opportunities at the Big Country Brahman Sale programmed for Monday 1st & Tuesday 2nd February at Charters Towers.

Selling Agents McCaffrey’s Australian Livestock Marketing and Geaney’s are currently in the final stages of on-property inspections of sale entries to determine the final catalogue composition. Indications to date are expected to result in approximately 150 grey bulls, 100 red bulls and 20 stud heifers meeting the high standard selection requirements of the sale.

“We’re very excited about February’s offering at Big Country,” Ken McCaffrey of McCaffrey’s Australian Livestock Marketing said, “Again there’s some real sire types of appealing genetics, heaps of ideal, top quality, high beef performance commercial bulls and our female section also will be very attractive to studmasters.” “Polled bulls and heifers will be a strong feature of the sale again in 2016,” he added.

The sale also features the re-introduction to the auction sale ring of Rockley Red Brahms which has an impressive team of 8 sires nominated for the event. “It will be great for the industry to have these leading seedstock breeders back in the auction action, and we are delighted they have selected the Big Country Sale for the release of the “new” Rockley genetics into the marketplace,” Ken McCaffrey said.

Many northern and central studs have reserved the best of their spring/summer sale bulls for the Big Country Brahman Sale. Studs represented in this year’s sale include Cambil, Elrose, Clukan, Annanab, Raglan, G.I., Ooline, Kaiuoro, Lanes Creek, Palmal, Somerview, The Rivers, Pioneer Park, Maru, Radella, Kenilworth, Rockley, Hamdenvale, etc.
A great effort acheived by all at the popular 2015 Primex Field Days

Brahmans had another successful year at the annual Primex Field Days this year taking out the Earle Bulmer Memorial trophy for Best Site Display – Beef Cattle.

The three day event held in Casino, New South Wales every June is well supported by Eastern NSW Branch of the ABBA members. This year saw the size of the site double to allow F1 Brahman cattle to be included to promote the benefits of using Brahman bulls and females to produce F1 cattle.

The site expansion also allowed an information session presented by Bill Hoffman discussing the benefits of breeding F1 Brahman cattle. Mr Hoffman stayed on site after the information session to chat to people who came though the site and answer any questions.

This year there were many young Brahman breeders on site lending a hand or having cattle on display. It was great to see so many of the next generation on site over the three days.

Stud cattle were kindly supplied by Alex Sullivan, AMS stud, Stratheden; Sivewright Family, Diddine stud, Lismore; Bulmer Family, Mountana stud, Kyogle; Allen Family, Springhaven stud, Spring Grove; Tom Chevalley, Tamanga stud, Fine Flower and Catherine and Heide Nicholls, Tookawhile stud, Kyogle.

F1 Brahman steers, females and cows with F1 Brahman calves at foot were supplied by Tim and Phyllis Carlill, Michael and Elizabeth Fahey, David and Kristy Sullivan and Greg Tyler.

Thanks go to all members who helped set up the display, display items and helped man the site over the weekend.

Young Brahman members on site helping over the three days. Left to right, Back: Catherine Nicholls, Heidi Nicholls, Elanna Travers, Sophie Bulmer, Luke Allen, Lachlan Allen, Sarah Sivewright. Front: Alex Sullivan, Jake Sivewright, Sean Allen and Declan Allen.
Six vendors presented bulls for sale at the 2015 Beef Country Sale on November 13, with the top price and best sale average going to Hazelton stud.

The annual Nebo event catalogued 45 registered and herd bulls from Akama, Blue Water Hills, Crinum, Hamdenvale, Hazelton and Viva studs, achieving an 82% clearance rate and a $4447 average for 38 head.

Registered bulls from Brett and Susan Kirk’s Hazelton stud, Blackwood, Middlemount, met with the strongest demand, attracting the top four prices and achieving the highest sale average of $5821 for 14 head.

Taking sale honours at $10,500 was Hazelton Mr Alimo 3776, a February 2013-drop son of JDH Sir Alamo Manso (imp), out of the Elrose World Class daughter Hazelton Petite 2801. He sold to David Roberts, manager of Swans Lagoon, Millaroo who trucked home five head including three of the four highest priced bulls at the sale.

Swans Lagoons’ purchases included $9500 Hazelton Austin Powers 3849, who is a son of PBF Austin Manso, and $8500 Hazelton Mr Aplon 3720, who is by PBF Theodore Manso and out of a PBF Austin Manso cow.

The highest priced red at $9000 was 46-month-old Hazelton Big Red 3918. The son of Timbrel Mr Packloyd Manso was knocked down to Shine Pastoral Co.

Gavin Scott, Rosetta, Collinsville, bid to $7500 to secure Crinum Demon, the sole entry from the Randell family’s Crinum stud, Tieri. The red featured full Crinum breeding and was sired by the Kandoona Zeb son Crinum Denton.

Alastair and Pam Davison offered six head from their Viva stud, Middlemount, their draft peaking at $7000 for Viva Athol 772. The grey son of Viva Arnott was purchased by K. Parry.

Tay Glen Pastoral Co, Dysart, was the successful bidder on $7000 Hazelton Austin 3826, a registered son of PBF Austin Manso, and also purchased the top priced herd bull at $7000, a 32-month-old grey from Hazelton. They took home five bulls in total including $5500 Hazelton Angelo and $5000 Hazelton Dynamite.

Hamdenvale Vance, at $5500, headlined the offering from David and Joy Deguara’s Hamdenvale stud, Nebo. The polled red son of import Mr KC Nikon 500/6 was purchased by T. and B. Dwyer.

Bulk buyers included B. Stirling who trucked home five new sires at $3100 average.
### 2015 SALE SUMMARY

#### BIG COUNTRY SALE, CHARTERS TOWERS • 2 & 3 FEBRUARY

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#### HAMDENVALE FEMALES OF THE FUTURE, ROCKHAMPTON • 6 MAY

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#### 16TH PONDEROSA BRAHMAN BULL SALE, KATHERINE • 29 MAY

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#### CHARLESVILLE SALE, BROOME • 12 AUGUST

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#### FITZROY CROSSING BULL SALE, FITZROY CROSSING, WA • 23 AUGUST

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#### BIZZY INVITATIONAL BULL & FEMALE SALE, GRAFTON • 5 SEPTEMBER

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#### CLERMONT BEEF AND BULL SALE, CLERMONT • 22 SEPTEMBER

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#### ROCKHAMPTON BRAHMAN WEEK SALE, GRACEMERE • 5, 6 & 7 OCTOBER

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#### ROMA TROPICAL BREEDS ANNUAL SALE, ROMA • 23 OCTOBER

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#### PB FENECH SPRING INVITATION SALE, SARINA • 24 OCTOBER

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#### LANCEFIELD BRAHMANS INVITATION SALE, GRACEMERE • 26 OCTOBER

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#### NCC ANNUAL BRAHMAN SALE, DUARINGA • 27 OCTOBER

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#### GOLD CITY BRAHMAN SALE, CHARTERS TOWERS • 6 NOVEMBER

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#### BEEF COUNTRY BRAHMAN BULL SALE, NEBO • 13 NOVEMBER

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LADIES POLO SHIRT Avail. in Hot Pink & Jade (sizes S to 2XL) $30.00

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- Tour A: Raglan & Glengarry Brahman Studs
OR...
- Tour B: Lancefield & FBC Brahman Studs
- Evening - Welcome Cocktail function, sponsored by Rockhampton Regional Council.

Tuesday 17th May
Property Tours
- Tour C: Fitzroy Vale Station and Great Keppel Island.
OR...
- Tour D: Fitzroy Vale Station, Beef Breeding Services and Rocky Repro.
- Evening - Led steer judging and Barbecue dinner.

Wednesday 18th May
- Commercial Cattle Show & Sale, sponsored by Elders.
- Campdraft demonstration, working dog demonstration and lunch at Paradise Lagoons.
- Congress Cocktails for the younger generation.

Friday 20th May
- Stud Female Show, sponsored by Ruralco.
- Trade Show.
- Evening - Alligned Event NCC Global Genetics Brahman Sale at the NCC Sale Pavilion, Rockhampton Showgrounds.

Saturday 21st May
- Stud Bull Show, sponsored by Landmark.
- Trade Show.
- Evening - Gala Farewell Dinner.

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