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Wishing all our members and their families a very Merry Christmas and a happy and healthy 2019.

ABBA Board of Directors and the ABBA Office Team
## Dates of Interest

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SCALE OF FEES: -
4 week turnaround for results. Lab will no longer do urgent requests

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A great way to support the EKKA Feature Show is with commercial Cattle by including a pen in the:

2019 Paddock to Palate

A new class has been included due to our Commercial Committee. Class 40 is the new class and it is a:
- Non HGP Class

Details include:
- 7 Head / Pen.
- 120 Days on Feed


Dates of Importance:
- Entries 18th January 2019
- Delivery 12 noon 11th February 2019
- Feedlot entry 21st February 2019 – 460kg max
- Field day 25th June 2019 at Grassdale Feedlot, Dalby
- Processing 27th June 2019

ABBA will sponsor $1000 per exhibitor for pure bred Brahms for your valued involvement in this competition.
ABBA ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

30th September 2018, CQLX Gracemere Saleyards, Function Room

PRESENT:
Matthew McCamley (President), Wendy Cole (Senior Vice President), Reade Radel (Junior Vice President), Brett Coombe (Treasurer), Anastasia Fanning (Secretary), Peter Chiesa, Lawson Camm, Matthew Noakes, Matthew Kirk, Leanne Creedon, Joe Streeter, Col Tink, Grant Bulmer, Jo Bulmer, Troy Lindsay, Penni Sloman, Cynthia Stark, Janelle McCamley, Bevan Glasovan, Catherine MacKenzie, Caroline Briggs, Fiona (Nee Hills), Glen Pfeffer, Margaretta Morgan, Robyn Nixon

APOLOGIES:
Ken Cole, George Jacobs, Craig McLennan, Bev and Barry Hannam, Bernie Schneider

Moved: Glen Pfeffer Seconded: Penni Sloman that these apologies be accepted. CARRIED

Minutes
Motion: Minutes of the Australian Brahman Breeders' Association Annual General Meeting held 1st October 2017 be confirmed as true and correct record of the meeting Moved: Seconded: Motion defeated as no copies of previous years minutes were available for review by members, minutes are to be tabled and adopted at 2019 AGM

Business Arising
NIL

President's Report
As per page 3 (three) of the 2018 Annual Report - DNA information is being investigated further - “R U OK?” needs to be kept in mind - ABBA is in a healthy position

Motion: The Presidents report as presented and printed on page 3 (three) of the 2018 Annual Report be received Moved: Matthew McCamley Seconded: Cynthia Stark CARRIED

Councillor's Report
As per pages 4 (four) and 5 (five) of the 2018 Annual Report

Motion: The Councillors Report as printed on pages four and five of the Annual Report be received Moved: Matthew McCamley Seconded: Leanne Creedon CARRIED

Treasurer's Report
Honorary Treasurers’ Report as per page 6 (six) of the 2018 Annual Report

Motion: The Honorary Treasurers’ report as presented and printed on page 6 (six) of the 2018 Annual Report be received Moved: Brett Coombe Seconded: Reade Radel CARRIED

Financial Statements
Review of financial statements as per pages 7 (seven) through 10 (ten) of the 2018 Annual Report Questions from the floor:
- Why is accounting cost so high in comparison to other years?
- Responses to questions from the floor:
  - Previous CEO relied heavily upon services and advice from accountants

Motion: The financial statements as printed on pages seven through ten of the Directors Statement and Auditors Report be received. Moved: Brett Coombe Seconded: Reade Radel CARRIED

Association Manager's Report
As per pages 25 (twenty-five) through 30 (thirty) of the 2018 Annual Report
- Currently sitting at 1244 memberships
- Breeders from other breeds say the Brahman News is their favourite breed magazine - Repronomics project extended for additional 5 (five) years - Steer cohort purchases to also be extended upon with MLA support

Motion: The Association Managers report as per pages 25 (twenty-five) through 30 (thirty) of the 2018 Annual Report be received. Moved: Matthew McCamley Seconded: Wendy Cole CARRIED

2018 Council Election
The Association Manager read the letter from the returning officer Mr R Roper as follows: I wish to advise that the ballot for the Council of Directors election has been completed. The details are as follows:
- Total number of Ballot Papers Issued: 967
- Total number of Ballot Papers Returned by 4:00 p.m. 21/09/2018: 177
- Number of Informal Votes: 9

CANDIDATES VOTES
Wendy Cole 148
Peter Coombe 168
Matthew Noakes 158
Andrew Olive 160
Glen Pfeffer 133
Clint Whitaker 118

I declare the following duly elected:
1. Peter Coombe
2. Andrew Olive
3. Matthew Noakes
4. Wendy Cole
5. Glen Pfeffer

Motion: The results of the ballot be accepted Moved: Brett Coombe Seconded: Carolyn Briggs CARRIED

General Business:
Call for General Business from the floor resulting in topics raised:
a) Why isn't ABBA holding a BBQ for Rockhampton Brahman Week Sales as per every year previously?
b) Are white tailed Brahmons acceptable in Sales and Shows?
c) Letter to Beef 2018 Committee that the "Standard was not there" this year
d) Correspondence tabled from Matthew Edwards and Fiona Skinner regarding Insurance

e) Change date of Brahman Week to November
f) DNA Issues

Responses to General Business raised from the floor:
a) CQLX have strict control over catering options at the Gracemere Saleyards — Currently the only caterer allowed onsite is Little Olive
b) Yes. White tailed Brahmons are considered to be acceptable
c) It is disappointing this letter was sent to the Beef 2018 Committee rather than the ABBA office. It was general consensus the ABBA produces an excellent display.
d) Discussion was held regarding current insurances on bulls and semen
- Claims are being made on bulls. Insurance is not paying up.
- Question need to be asked if the semen isn't any good am I going to be covered?
- Bulls are being sold younger and they do require to be looked after.
- Is 6 months as mentioned in the Stud Stock Auctions Terms & Conditions of Sale 17.1 too short? Should this be extended out to 12 months?
- As per Conditions essentially 12 months is now in place with the animal being able to be returned to the Vendor for a further 6 months to confirm bull is fertile or not
- A lot can happen in 12 months

d) No the date of Brahman Week is to remain the same
f) Herd Book is the responsibility of the Association eg: Sires are not correct
- Possibly sires of all calves registered to have DNA profile
- Verification of parentage to be used more with sale bulls. Further discussions about DNA Parent Verification to be discussed with Technical Committee and the Board

Meeting Closed 2:10pm
Your 2019 Office Bearers and Committee Members

**Office Bearers & Executive Committee:**
- President: Matthew McCamley
- Senior Vice President: Wendy Cole
- Junior Vice President: Reade Radel
- Treasurer: Peter (Brett) Coombe

**ABBA Board of Directors:**
- Matthew McCamley (PR), Wendy Cole (SVP), Reade Radel (JVP), Peter (Brett) Coombe (TR), Lawson Camm, Paul Herrod, Brett Kirk, Matthew Noakes, Andrew Olive, Matthew Kirk, Glen Pfeffer, Peter Chiesa. **

**Branch Chairpersons:**
- *Northern QLD:* Peter Chiesa
- *New South Wales:* Grant Bulmer
- *Northern Territory:* Laura Hoare
- *Southern Australia:* George Mercieca
- *South QLD:* Glenn Oppermann
- *Western Australia:* Kathy Lovelock

(Denotes branches yet to hold 2018 AGM)

**Rockhampton Brahman Week Sale Committee:**
- Brett Kirk (Chairperson), Reade Radel (VC), Matthew McCamley, Wendy Cole, Lee Collins, Ashley Kirk, Brett McCamley and agents representatives.

**Gold City Sale Committee:**
- Peter Chiesa (Chairperson), John Atkinson (VC), Lance Pope, Callan Solari, Matthew McCamley

**Gympie Brahman Female Sale Organising Committee:**
- Royce Sommerfeld (Chairperson), Bill Blakeney, Bruce Godden, Paul Taylor, Andrew Meara, Colby Ede, Mark Scholes, Danny Sullivan

**Commercial Brahman & Promotional Committee:**
- Brett McCamley (Chairperson), Ryan Olive (VC), Angus Creedon, Chris Fenech, Stuart Kirk, Tom Nobbs, Logan Kirk, Alistair Davison, Rodger Jeffers, Shane Bishop, Peter Chiesa, Darren Kent, Matthew McCamley, Matthew Noakes, Andrew Olive, Rebecca Comiskey, Matthew Kirk

**Rockhampton Junior Beef Show Committee:**
- Peter (Brett) Coombe (Chairperson), Wendy Cole, Julie McCamley, Terry Connor, Leanne Creedon, Tania Hartwig, James Kent, Steve Little, Renee Rutherford, Dugall McDougall, Stuart Kirk

**Judges Committee:**
- Andrew Olive (Chairperson), Wendy Cole (VC), Lawson Camm, Brett Kirk, Matthew McCamley, Matthew Kirk, Glen Pfeffer, James Kent, Angus Creedon

**Live Export Committee:**
- Rodger Jeffers (Chairperson), Andrew Olive (VC), Shane Bishop, Matthew McCamley, Reade Radel, Paul Herrod, Peter Chiesa

**Technical Committee:**
- Peter (Brett) Coombe (Chairperson), Rodger Jeffers (VC), Angus Creedon, Chris Fenech, Stuart Kirk, Shane Bishop, Carolyn Briggs, Lee Collins, Tony Fenech, Philip Mann, Matthew McCamley, Matthew Noakes, Glen Pfeffer, Reade Radel, Eric Simon, Paul Williams, Will Creek, Matthew Kirk

**FROM THE BOARDROOM**

**Rockhampton Brahman Week Sale Committee:**
- Peter (Brett) Coombe (Chairperson), Wendy Cole, Julie McCamley, Terry Connor, Leanne Creedon, Tania Hartwig, James Kent, Steve Little, Renee Rutherford, Dugall McDougall, Stuart Kirk

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ABBA BIN Projects - NARAYEN

Date of Field Day: 6th March 2019
Location: Narayen, Mundubbera
Contact for further details: ABBA Office 4927 7799

ABBA NSW Branch F1 Brahman Field Day

Date of Field Day: 1st June 2019
Location: Mogul Brahman Stud, “Waterview” 200 Fardons Lane, Yorklea
Contact for further details: Jo Bulmer - 0427 059 113
**BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING HIGHLIGHTS:**

**Present:** President - Matthew McCamley (MMc), SVP - Wendy Cole (WC), JVP - Reade Radel (RR), Treasurer - Brett Coombe (BC), Glen Pfeffer (GP), Lawson Camm (LC), Andrew Olive (AO), Matthew Noakes (MN), Peter Chiesa (PC), Brett Kirk (BK), Paul Herrod, Matthew Kirk (MK), Anastasia Fanning (AF)

**Minutes of Previous Meeting:**
Motion to accept minutes of previous Board Meeting dated 16th August 2018.

**Moved:** Matthew Kirk **Seconded:** Andrew Olive

**Correspondence:**
As per correspondence list dated 15th August 2018 to 14th December 2018

**Business Arising From Correspondence**
- Currently corresponding with Garry Nollar regarding leases at Brisbane EBKA - awaiting a response.
- Rockhampton Feature Show – RRC now on board – Fat Cattle committee at the Show grounds outside the exhibition pavilion

**General Business:**

**DNA Policy**
- DNA Sire Verification as a tick box – it will evolve, this is just the start of the process – Available for all ABBA sales

**Motion ABBA sponsored sales to have a “Tick Box” option for sire verified in all ABBA sponsored sales catalogues**

**Moved:** Matthew McCamley **Seconded:** Wendy Cole

**Stop Closure of Ag college**
- Is there anything we can do?
- ABBA can only support the idea of what it was originally built for
- Do we get in with Agforce
- Letter to state Member – All breed societies should be doing it
- We need to be visibly backing Agforce
- Media release – Announce support to Agforce

**Website**
- Banners that come up at bottom and top
- $55 a month

**Paddock to Palate**
- 7 steers in a pen 6 in comp and 7th used for strip loin – need 20 pens – not just a brahman class - top weight of 460kg
- ABBA to give $1000 per exhibitor
- Entries close on 18th Jan 2019

**Motion $2K sponsorship of Non HGP Class - Class 40 Paddock to Pala**

**Moved:** Matthew McCamley **Seconded:** Peter Chiesa

**Treasurers Report & Financial Statements**
Brett Coombe gave verbal report
- Increase in calf recording reflected in the actuals
- Balance Sheet Investments – 350K invested into main ABBA BDO Account and another 130K into the McCamley portfolio
- In the process of changing over to NAB
- Overdraft account isn’t used but it is there in case – with Commonwealth Bank $700 a qtr with NAB deaf it reduces to $600 a year and it is no longer mortgaged to the building – minor building repairs

**Motion:** The statement of Income and Expenditure reports, Balance sheet, Supplier Payments and Overdue accounts list be received and the ‘Treasurers’ report be accepted

**Moved:** Brett Coombe **Seconded:** Paul Herrod

**Managers Report**
- Anastasia Fanning gave verbal report
- Brahman News was in good time this year
- Beefup Forum – Spyglass – Positive outlook on reto project – Live export etc – David Johnson great display and we have him lined up for the Narayan Field Day

**Northern BIN Project Update December 2018.**
Current number of steers at Narayan is 763 project steers and 80 non project steers.

**Treasurers Report & Financial Statements**
- #17 Brian Pastures 143
- #18 Brian Pastures 169
- #17 Spygass 216
- #18 Spygass 235

**NFI – Net Feed Intake**
- Brett Coombe verbal
- 60 head - 30 Brahmans and 30 Droughtmaster steers to Gatton to do feed efficiency trials. Have CSIRO EzyGraze collars for calibration with GrowSafe feeders not doing it in 19 pushing it out to 2020
- Measuring how much grain they are eating - they can compare it to when they are eating grass – need to start measuring it somewhere – biggest cost of the budget is the actual reading of the collars
- NFI will be in 2020

**Imported Animals**
Application to register imported animals

**Motion:** Accept applications for registration of imported semen as tabled

**Moved:** Paul Herrod **Seconded:** Peter Chiesa

**Meeting Closed:** 3.43pm
**Next Meeting:** At Gayndah 5th March 2019

**Edgar Hudgins Scholarship Update**
- Committee to be formed to coordinate the American Exchange Student and the Edgar Hudgins Scholarship winner
- Committee to be “Youth Liaison Committee”

**Edgar Hudgins Scholarship trips with contacts in the USA. Anyone who is interested please contact the office.**
New Member List January - December 2018

The following new membership applications have been received, any members wishing to object to these applications are asked to contact the Association Manager no later than 18th January 2019.

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DNA SIRE VERIFICATION - ** TESTS REQUIRE APPROXIMATELY 4-6 WEEKS TO COMPLETE AND RETURN **

"Tick Box" to be included in all ABBA sponsored sale catalogues.

This "Tick Box" is to be included so buyers know the animals have been tested and as per that test this animal's sire has been checked as correct.

Notification in sale catalogues will be included below the animals list of injections given. Vendors need to submit samples a min of 4-6 weeks prior to relevant sale catalogues being printed - approx 1 month out from Sale date.

BRAHMAN COMMERCIAL BREEDING FEMALE SHOW & SALE

Date: 21st May 2019   Where: CQLX Saleyards, Gracemere

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Brahman Commercial Breeding Female Show & Sale Committee reserves the right to cancel this show and sale should weather not be favourable.
BRAHMAN Feature Shows 2019
A Feature Show Double
Rockhampton & The Ekka

Rockhampton Brahman Feature Show
12 - 14 June 2019
For further information
Contact Wendy Cole
Phone 0429 131 966
Email wendy@kenrol.com.au

Royal Brisbane Brahman Feature Show
Thursday 8 August 2019
For further information
Contact ABBA Office
Phone 07 4927 77 99
Email abba@brahman.com.au
ABBA would like to thank our valued sponsors for their support during the 2018 year.
Igenity® Hair Sample Instructions

1. Pull (do not cut) hair from the tail switch, not tail head. Pull hair in the opposite direction from which the hair is laying. This results in less breakage than pulling straight out from the tail.

2. Make sure hair is free of fecal material and dirt.

3. Roots must be clearly visible. Approximately 30 hair roots are needed. For animals with finer hair, a minimum of 50 to 60 hairs is desired. For animals younger than three months, blood is recommended since hair roots will likely not be visible.

4. Open the collector and peel back the plastic cover. Insert the root end of hairs in the middle of the collector. Seal the plastic cover over the hair and then close the collector cover tab.

5. Trim excess hair extending from the collector. Write animal ID and other information in the spaces provided.

6. Properly record animal IDs on the collector cards and correctly enter that information on your testing order form to ensure you are matching the right DNA to the right animal.
Putting TSUs To Work For You

Collecting DNA while working heifer calves

1. Rancher separates cows from heifer calves.
2. TSU loaded into applicator.
3. Heifer calves in chute are weighed, vaccinated, wormed and DNA sampled.
4. Heifer calf ID noted on TSU vial container. Weight data collected.

When is a good time to collect cattle DNA?
Any time cattle are handled. Samples can be taken at birth, branding or calf processing, vaccination, weaning and breeding soundness exams. Earlier DNA collection helps producers take greater advantage of DNA test findings.

Can TSUs be stored?
When processing DNA, Neogen reseals and stores the vial for future use. Some breed associations get them back from the lab and archive the samples. Producers can store vials out of direct sunlight at room temperature for one year and after that freeze them.

What is the bottom line?
Seedstock producers using GeneSeek® Genomic Profiler™ and commercial cattle producers using Igenity® Profiles can take full advantage of the benefits of TSUs to collect DNA.

Where can producer purchase Allflex TSUs?
Purchase Allflex TSUs from Neogen at Igenity.com. They also can be purchased from animal health suppliers, breed associations or Allflex.
The Association is calling for applications from young people aged between 21-25 years interested in applying for the 2019 Edgar Hudgins Memorial Scholarship.

The successful applicant will receive a return air fare from their nearest airport to Houston, Texas and the Association will make arrangements for the person to be placed with members of the American Brahman Breeders’ Association. The successful applicant will gain experience in the activities conducted on the Brahman ranches of the host family and live in the normal family environment.

PLEASE NOTE APPLICATIONS CLOSE ON THE 22ND MARCH 2019.

The scholarship will run under the following guidelines:

1. Applicants be 21 (at time of travel) - 25 years of age.
2. Applicants be able to demonstrate a connection with the Australian Brahman breed.
3. Applicants must be free to travel during the year the scholarship is awarded (or by 30th June 2020).
4. Applicants are asked to (1) complete the reply form below; (2) state briefly on a separate sheet the reasons for wanting to win the scholarship together with a resume of their qualifications and experience and (3) provide written references.
5. Final selection of the successful applicant will be made by an independent panel appointed by the ABBA Executive Committee following personal interviews.
6. The scholarship will be restricted to return airfares from the applicants closest airport to Houston, Texas and return.
7. The ABBA shall make arrangements through the American Brahman Breeders’ Association for placement with families in America who are members of AMBBA, who will provide laundry and meals. Applicants may need to provide some funds.
8. The scholarship shall be of 12 weeks duration.
9. Extensions of time in America shall not be permitted without approval from the ABBA.
10. Applications close on the 22nd March, 2019.

Yours faithfully

Anastasia Fanning  Association Manager

Mail to: The Manager, Australian Brahman Breeders’ Association Limited, PO Box 796, Rockhampton  Q  4700

RE: EDGAR HUDGINS MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP

I wish to submit an application for the 2019 Edgar Hudgins Memorial Scholarship.

Name: .................................................................................................................................................................................... Date of Birth: ............................................
Address: .................................................................................................................................................................................................................. Phone No: (       ) ..................................................................
Email: ..........................................................................................................................................................................................................................

My connection with the Australian Brahman is: ........................................................................................................................................................................... 

I am free to accept the Scholarship to be by 30th June 2020.

Yours faithfully  ..........................................................................

Congratulations to Blake Chiesa of Ingham. He has been awarded the 2018 Edgar Hudgins Memorial Scholarship. Blake was interviewed by three judges during BEEF 2018 and he is pictured with judge Ken Murphy. The other two judges were Martin Pentacost and Chrissy Arthur.