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Carcase competition winners - six Red Poll steers, all over 300kgs dressed weight scoring 20/20 for EMA.

Red Poll Continue to Excel

Red Poll cattle continue to show their ability to produce the red meat carcase demanded by the modern meat trade.

At the Southern Grassfed Carcase Competition held at Teys Bros. abattoirs, Naracoorte, South Australia in November 2011, a Red Poll carcase took out first place in the 261 - 340kg class.

This highly contested class attracted 45 entries of all breeds and crosses. Steers are required to be delivered to Teys Bros over a designated time period and are assessed using the ABCAS system.

Scoring a massive 90.10 points this carcase, gained 54 out of 55 points for Market specifications and Saleable Meat Yield and 36.105 points for MSA specifications.

The steer was a pure bred Red Poll entered by the Oakwood stud of RM Wilson & Son, Brentwood, South Australia. Raised and fattened on mainly clover and ryegrass pasture this 24 month old steer dressed 306 kgs. He was sired by Martinvale Zulu Chez A5 and out of Oakwood Cheddar Pizza H153.

The 12 steers entered by Oakwood all achieved MSA grading after spending 10 hours travelling the 500kms to the works. Six of the steers entered were over 300kgs dressed weight with all six gaining the maximum 20/20 points for EMA.

At the presentation dinner held in the Lucindale football clubrooms a cheque for \$3600 was presented to the Royal Flying Doctor. A percentage of the proceeds was set aside and donated to this worthy and valuable cause.

Eye Muscle Area

Comparison of breeds with 10 or more entries of designated breed

Average point score out of 20 (maximum)

Purebred Cattle

Red Poll	12 Entries	18.63
Murray Grey	23 Entries	14.52
Shorthorn	11 Entries	13.6
Angus	88 Entries	13.02
Hereford	27 Entries	12.86

Carcase

Average carcase points score of breeds with 10 or more entries of designated breed

Average Carcase point score out of 100

Purebred Cattle

Red Poll	81.82
Murray Grey	78.04
Hereford	75.71
Angus	74.80
Shorthorn	64.29

The RED POLL Effect!

Outstanding Performance

In the 2009 ANCARE/CRT National Steer Competition the one entry of Red Polls from Ian and Jill Coghlan's Eurimbla stud again proved the functionality and efficiency of Red Polls in competition with various other breeds and cross bred cattle.

The Red Polls were clearly the most successful entry and out pointed all breeds and cross bred cattle in relation to the efficient production of quality beef. The highest scoring individual steers for weight gain on grass, carcass quality and yield of saleable meat from the 104 in the competition came from the Red Poll pen.

The competition is renowned for the tremendous feedback that it provides to all exhibitors who can use the data to benchmark their steers against others and assess the growth and carcass performance of steers sired by different bulls.

Average Steer Results

Breed	Weight Gain on Grass(kgs/day)	Carcass Score excluding carcass wt.	Yield of Saleable Meat
Red Poll	.62	92.4	69.8
Angus	.35	81.6	66.4
Droughtmaster	.46	82.4	66.6
Murray Grey	.29	76.7	65.9
Poll Hereford	.26	80.1	66.2
Santa Gertrudis	.22	78.6	66.8
Shorthorn	.06	80.9	67.2
Angus/Charolais	.44	92.4	68.4
Angus/Santa Gertrudis	.45	79.9	67.0
Angus/Shorthorn (Blue E)	.28	87.8	67.7
Brahman/Angus	.58	76.0	65.8
Charolais/Angus	.35	92.65	68.9
Charolais/Santa Gertrudis	.29	87.2	68.1
Charolais/Shorthorn	.45	89.3	68.1
Santa Gertrudis/Devon	.42	77.2	66.8
Simmental/Poll Hereford	.00	84.5	68.7



Red Polls win again

The single entry of Eurimbla Red Polls won



• 1st pen and single steer weight gain on grass



• 1st pen and single steer saleable meat yield



Lardner Steer Trial

The 2009 Lardner Park steer trial had a good representation of Red Poll steers, including steers from Brooklea Red Poll Stud, Ketlang Red Poll Stud and from commercial breeder, John Fowler.

The trial began in June of last year with the steers initially weighed empty, after a one week settling in period, and then monthly to monitor their progress. The grass fed trial is run in two turn-off sections: the first for the standard domestic market where the steers need to meet a carcass specification of 210 - 270kg hot standard carcass weight (HSCW) with 5 - 14mm fat at the P8 site and the second for the heavy domestic market with carcass specifications of 270 - 310kg HSCW with 6 - 12mm fat at the P8 site. All Red Poll steers were entered in the standard domestic class.

A pair of Ketlang steers, sired by Ketlang Monarch and Waroona Vale Metric, led the weight gain for much of the competition, but finished in 2nd place to a pair of Simmental/Angus Optimizer steers. The Monarch sired steer missed out on having the highest overall gain of any steer by a mere 1 kg. The average daily weight gain for this pair of steers was 1.28kg, compared to the average for the trial of 1.15kg. After the carcasses were evaluated and points for weight gain and carcass scores were added together, the Ketlang steers finished 2nd place overall.

Results!

Combined Weight Gain and Carcass Award:

1st SimAngus Optimiser 218.5 pts
2nd Ketlang Red Poll 214.2 pts
3rd Bazadais-Angus 213.5 pts





The carcass competitions, held throughout Australia, provide a benchmark for all beef breeds to compare their carcass attributes against each other.



Red Poll Steers Carcass Triumph

At the 2010 Adelaide Show carcass competition a steer, bred by JK Graham and Co. of Virangra Red Polls, Androssan, S.A. and exhibited by Naracoorte High School was placed first in the Heavy Domestic 240.1 - 300 kg class from a field of 67 with a total score of 89.343/100 as assessed under the Australian Beef Appraisal System (ABCAS).

The steer, initially awarded the title of Champion Domestic Steer, went on to be assessed as the Grand Champion Steer Carcass of the Show from 190 entries. The liveweight Judge had awarded the steer Reserve Domestic Heavy Weight Led Steer but, as usual, when the beast was dressed it was obviously the best carcass of the show.

The Red Poll team of three was placed third with one steer dressing 59% which pushed the animal into another class by 51kgs reducing the overall point score.

Even the breeders of Red Poll cattle underestimate the potential of these consistent over achievers.

Two Champions at 2008 Adelaide Show - Moyle Park Steer, Schools Heavy Domestic Champion with a score of 86.495 and Breeders Heavy Domestic Carcass Champion with a carcass score of 83.995, bred by JK Graham & Co of Virangra Stud.



Results!

Purebred Cattle Carcass Score

Red Poll	89.343
Poll Hereford	86.573
Angus	86.277
Red Angus	86.064
Red Angus	85.807
Angus	85.735
Murray Grey	84.968



Moyle Park Steer, Schools Heavy Domestic Champion, 2008 Adelaide Show, with a score of 86.495.