

Trade and Export Cattle Competition 2023/24

The 40th annual hoof and hook competition has been very well supported with 87 entries, a quality field of 54 yearling steers and heifers, and 33 heavy prime beef steers, entries being accepted in pens of three. Again our competition hosted the best line-up of 100% grass finished cattle in Australia.

Prizes this year total over \$9000 in value, with thanks to our many sponsors for their continuing generosity that makes the competition possible. We also appreciate the extensive support of Greenham Tasmania, and the time taken by Peter and his staff to make this competition a success.

The other valued sponsors are Impact Fertilisers, Elanco Animal Health, Gallagher Australia, Chemvet, Zoetis, Incitec-Pivot, Datamars, Coopers Animal Health, Red Angus Australia and the Frankcombe family, Rabobank, Nutrien Ag Solutions, and Virbac Australia. Also, local sponsors Perry's Quality Meats, Smithton Vet Service, Medwin Enterprises, Jaeger Electrical and the Wells family, Leon and Diana Gee, Anthony's at Highfield, Roxene Kingston and Western Plains Beef.

The hoof judge this year was Dayna Grey, the third generation of the Grey clan to judge our hoof competition. Her grandfather and father have both given their time for our Show over many years, and Dayna's choices were well received by the knowledgeable crowd.

Winners from the huge field of great cattle in the Yearling Class were local stalwarts Milton and Gaylene De Jonge. Second place was Brett McGlone and third was Bayswater Red Angus from Somerset.

The Prime Beef Steer class and the Fergus Medwin Memorial Trophy was won by Troy Porteus, with young entrant Bridie Payne second and another Troy Porteus entry third.

The Champion Show Group was also won by Troy Porteus, which gained the experienced Porteus family the prestigious Cyril Wells Memorial Trophy.

Those watching on were able to participate in the judging, and this year an old hand and former judge Scott Frankcombe, and Jordan Hingston scored the chocolates sponsored by Roxene Kingston in Class 2, with Daniel Randall and Jane Bruce picking the winners in Class 3.

Results of the judging of the carcase section were announced at the Smithton Community Centre Smithton, on January 11, 2024, combined with the Greenham Beef Updates, and with the data compiled and results determined by Matthew Scott from R&D and Integrity Systems at MLA.

Winner in the Yearling class was the Woodiwiss family from Sunnyside, which came with the Rex Frankcombe Memorial Trophy. Second was Bayswater Red Angus with the entry selected as third place on Show Day, and third was Brett McGlone, selected as second on Show Day, an example of great live judging by Dayna Grey!

This continued in the Prime Beef Steer class, with Bridie Payne gaining first place, from Waterfall Farm (placed fifth in the live judging), and Bayswater Red Angus third.

Livestock Manager Darryl Pearce was impressed with the majority of the carcases this year, highlighting the high scores for marbling and market suitability, and he congratulated the winners.

The committee look forward to a prosperous and productive season for Tasmanian beef producers and hope to have another impressive line-up of cattle at the 2024 Circular Head Show later this year.

Prize Presentation HOOF

Class Two

1st 16,17,18 Milton and Gaylene De Jonge RABOBANK Ribbon2nd 19,20,21 Brett McGlone3rd 40,41,42 Bayswater Red Angus

Class Three

1st 84,85,86 Troy Porteus FERGUS MEDWIN Memorial Trophy2nd 75,76,77 Bridie Payne3rd 87,88,89 Troy Porteus

Champion of Show and CYRIL WELLS Memorial Trophy

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HOOK RESULTS

Class Two - Yearling 280-360kg HSCW

1st 7,8,9 Woodiwiss Family REX FRANKCOMBE Memorial Trophy,
2nd 40,41,42 Bayswater Red Angus
3rd 19,20,21 Brett McGlone

Class Three - Prime Steer 360-420kg HSCW

1st75,76,77Bridie PayneGREENHAM TASMANIA Trophy2nd69,70,71Waterfall Farm3rd72,73,74Bayswater Red Angus

Highest Scoring animal in the competition

Woodiwiss Family for tag number 8, body scored 85.69 points wins the Perry Quality Meats prize

Junior Development Prize for the best performer under 18 years of age, Bridie Payne, for second place on hoof and first on hook in Class Three

Beef 24 Expo May 2024

Congratulations to all the Tasmanian winners in the AMPC National Beef Carcase Competition announced at Beef 2024, Rockhampton, May 2024. In particular local producers who entered through the Circular Head Show Trade Cattle competition and featured in 6 out of 12 places. A wonderful achievement in the pasture fed classes on a national scale.

Class 2: Pasture Fed – Pen of Three Heavy Trade Chiller Steers or Heifers 280.1-360kg

- 1st India Williamson Glen Innes, NSW
- 2nd Royston Shorthorns (Woodiwiss Family) Sunnyside, Tas
- 3rd India Williamson Glen Innes, NSW
- 4th Borrowah Pastoral Co (Brett McGlone) Smithton, Tas
- 5th Milton & Gaylene de Jonge Stanley, Tas
- 6th Milton & Gaylene de Jonge Stanley, Tas

Class 3: Pasture Fed – Pen of Three Export Chiller Bullocks 300-420kg

- 1st Roger Wilkinson Bathurst, NSW
- 2nd William Payne Smithton, Tas
- 3rd Skipworth Family Trust Yarra Creek, tas
- 4th Joe Elphinstone (Waterfall Farm) Lileah, Tas
- 5th DL&EM Hill Clarke Creek, Qld
- 6th Rose Grange Pastoral Inverleigh, Vic