

**Spring 2023**

**SDCS Newsletter**

**BEEF 2024** You will have received many bulletins regarding Beef 2024 from Elizabeth, thank you for sending them out to the members, another reminder that the AGM will be held during this busy week and accommodation is at a premium, so if you are intending to attend make your accommodation bookings post haste! A great week of education with countless seminars and lectures, trade displays and sore feet!

For your interest, we booked a caravan site in June, only 10 sites left and no Cabins at the Big 4

### **Royal Adelaide Show Led Steer Competition**

Ten Purebred were entered into the led Steer Competition at the Royal Adelaide Show by breeders and schools. All were presented in a professional manner.

Ebenezer Park and Davelle contested in the breeders heavy Domestic and Pure Export class, and Davelle was a ribbon winner in the carcass section of the Crossbred Export (hook) with a score of 84.87

Eight schools showed steers in the Light and heavy domestic and the School Export classes. Competing Schools were Gladstone High School ( highest scoring domestic steer 81.30 ) Coomandook Area School, Burra and Jamestown Community Schools, Faith Lutheran (Tanunda), Wudinna Area School, Bordertown High School and Tennyson Woods College, Mt Gambier.

The students are to be Congratulated on the presentation of these animals and the preparation dedication and interest shown by them is highly commendable

The team of 3 entered by live assessment on the hoof scored a total of 90.67 , added to the carcass score of 222.53 place t the South Devons in 8<sup>th</sup> position over all

## RETIREMENT

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John and Sue Harvey on the cusp of their retirement are delighted with the news that a son of Torr Down Marvel 3, A I Z Providence Dr Octopus has won Supreme exhibit, at the recent U. K. National Show.

Warmest Congratulations to the Tucker Family of West Prawle Farm, East Portlemouth South.Devon.

John and Sue would like to take this opportunity to thank past and recent clients, for their faith in The Torr Down Bloodlines and wish them all the very best with their future breeding, whilst enjoying the many wonderful attributes of The South Devon and meeting and making new friends along the way, as we have done.

With gratitude to our lovely cattle we will miss you and bless you for a memorable lifetime. It has been an Interesting and wonderful ride .

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## FROM THE PAST

With the Retirement of John and Sue Harvey I browsed through some old newsletters (Spring 1998) and found this photo along with some text that reads “ Poll South Devon bulls involving 4 exhibitors were dominant at this years Royal Adelaide and Melbourne Shows. John Harvey”s Grand Champion Bull at Melbourne show was a son of Galaxy 11 called Torr Down Zenith 10. He is out of one of John’s most productive cows Snowdrop21 and is ET bred He weighed 1108kg at 3 years of age”

Do you remember that moment John and Sue? This photo on the following page might help

**FROM THE COUNCIL;** plans are being made to print the next Review, to be ready for Beef 2024. To make this successful there will need to be articles and advertising. Put on your thinking caps regarding articles and start to prepare your adds.



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# ***Poll South Devon Bulls Dominate Shows***

(see story page 4)



*Torr Down Zenith 10 (P, ET), Grand Champion Bull and Supreme Exhibit at Royal Melbourne Show was one of 4 Poll South Devon Bulls prominent at Spring shows. T.D. Zenith 10 was exhibited by John & Sue Harvey.*

*Others successful with their Poll Bulls were Roy & Joy Scragg, Richard & Kaye Arnold and Ernie & Debbie Bright.*

## **TIME TO TAKE IT EASY**

It's time for the Huppatz's to hang up the Drizabone and scrape the mud off the boots and take on urban living in Millicent.

Garth and Shirley have been long time members and supporters of the South Devon breed, registering their stud with the prefix Gadara in the mid 70's. With his quiet nature the presence of his stock at local market always drew attention and Garth took a pride in the presentation of his herd, frequently topping the Millicent market with his weaners.

We wish you well Garth and Shirley in your retirement and know that the friends that you have made within the Society value the connection as we are sure that you value theirs.

They have some cattle for sale and would welcome enquiry as they need to be sold before Christmas.

## **WORLD MEETING**

It has become traditional for a Power Point presentation along with a verbal report to be part of the member Country reports at the World Convention.

I will be preparing both for presentation for the Conference in Wellington in November so am inviting you to forward photo's and reports to me by **October 20<sup>th</sup> please**. After that date I can not guarantee that they will be included. Three or four photo's and up to 50 words per member would be great. Even if our physical presence is low let's make a visual and verbal one!

I have some great photo's from the Ekka and Adelaide Shows, thanks James McUtchen, David Leese and Sarah Bolte for these



## 2023 Royal Queensland Show – Ekka

This years Ekka saw Jambili and Kildare South Devon Studs fly the breed flag in Brisbane. The studs arrived on grounds on Saturday 5<sup>th</sup> of August before beginning a week of washing, weighing and waiting for their turn in the Main Arena.

Wednesday saw the first of the judging days where Jambili exhibited 4 South Devon Cross steers along with Tenterfield High exhibiting another 3 in the open section.

All steers performed strongly on the Hoof Day but proved to be very unlucky and were placed out of the ribbons.

Thursday was Stud Junior Handlers day, the McUtchen boys opted out of the Led Steer handlers held on Monday due to weighing of bulls and washing of steers. They paraded their South Devons proudly along with their Younger sister Alannah (9)

Callum and Alannah were in the under 13 age group and Rory was in the 14 – 16 age group. Callum and Alannah were against 35 other children, Alannah paraded well with Kildare Dianna, she didn't catch the judges eye, however Callum won his class.

Rory paraded against 65 others in his age group and came away with a Highly Commended which was no mean feat given that he was one of the youngest in his age group at 13.

Callum paraded well in the final against the 4 other class winners but was out gunned by the 2 older class winners.

Saturday was the big day for Jambili and Kildare studs with the Led Steer Carcass results being announced at 9am and Stud Judging at 12:30pm. Word is that James had to make a quick trip from one side of the Ekka grounds to the other to get back in time to finish prepping the cattle for stud judging.

That quick trip was made that much sweeter with the goodies he had to carry back. McUtchen Family's only light weight steer 'Noodles' won his class (class 3) with a score of 96 points and had a 102cm EMA, this score was enough for him to secure the Light weight Champion Carcass and then be named Grand Champion Carcass. A striped Ekka Led Steer ribbon is the only colour which has eluded the McUtchen Family since James started showing there 31 years ago.

The excitement from this win continued onto the stud ring with Jambili Turinui being named Champion South Devon Bull and Grand Champion Exhibit. Kildare Special K was Res Champion Bull, Jambili QP regained her Champion Female ribbon and Kildare Dianna Res Champion Female.



McUtchens', McDoualls' and (Mc)Lindsays will now look towards their JAK Production Sale in September

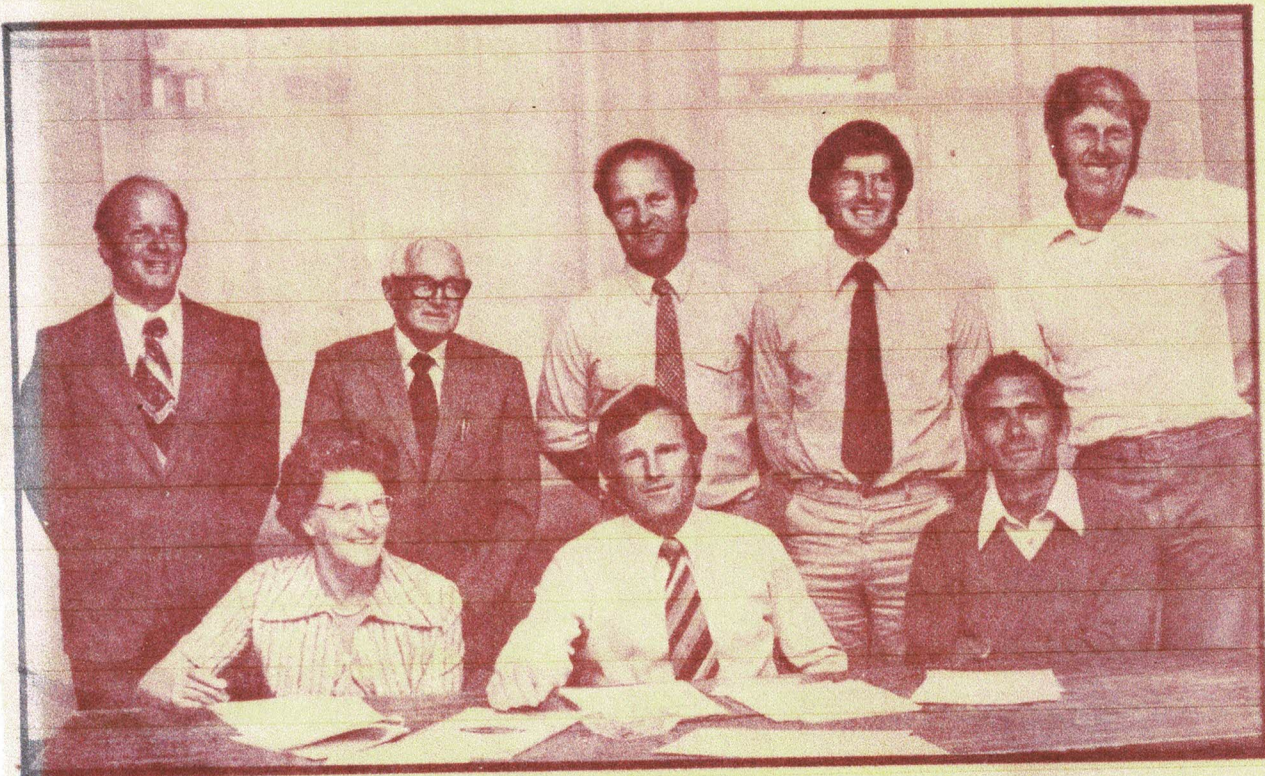
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**INAUGURAL COUNCIL MEETING OF THE AUSTRALIAN ASSOCIATION**



Standing: Stan Dorman (W.A.) Tom Walker (W.A., Secretary) Swegn Smith (N.S.W.)  
Bruce Ironmonger (N.S.W.) Stefan Spiker (Vic.) Seated: June Ironmonger (Hon. Sec.)  
Ross Thompson (President) John Brian (President Elect)

Secretary Treasurer: Mrs. June Ironmonger, P.O. Box 757, Orange, N.S.W. 2800 Tel. 0633 65 5265



## 2023 Farmfest, Kingsthorpe Park, QLD.

First week in June is the standard time of the year for Southern Queensland, 'Elders Farmfest' one of Australia's oldest continually running field days.

There were 3 studs represented on site. This year the South Devon Breed was on display thanks to the Kildare and Jambili Studs. Jambili and Kildare presented 10 head of stud and led steers and heifers over the 3 days.

The cattle were displayed on site and then in the show ring, Steers and Junior Handlers Competitions on Tuesday, Battle of the Bulls on Wednesday and Fantastic Females on Thursday. Stud competitions are judged in 2 classes a Junior and Senior and then British, Euro and Tropical breed groups with British always being the strongest.

The 2 Jambili Bulls Turanuni and Salakaia-Loto received 3rds in their respective Junior and Senior British Classes.

Led Steers proved to be a tough class with our 4 head narrowly missing out on the ribbons.

Junior Handlers proved to be an unexpected exciting time with both Rory and Callum McUtchen making the final for the under 15 age group, Rory (13) placing in the top ten and Callum (11) winning the class, being placed above of approx. 60 other students from various schools. Callum was then named Champion Parader being the older group winners, this is an amazing accomplishment considering there were approx. 120 students entered. Winning at Farmfest is considered to be a major highlight in the Queensland Showing Circles. Great efforts for both boys.

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The weekend after Farmfest finished saw the McUtchen Family travel to Toogoolawah with a very small team.

Toogoolawah is usually a final show for the McUtchens before Ekka and is a great little show for Led Steers and Heifers.

Jambili Princess (South Devon x) announced her arrival in the show ring by Winning her light weight Class in the Junior Led Steer or Heifer Competition and then being awarded the Res. Champion Ribbon much to the delight of Callum.

Recipes from "THE KARAN BEEF COOKBOOK" by Heilie Pienaar which I was fortunate to win in a Competition in South Africa in 2018.

These have become favourites in our household and a novel way to <sup>enjoy</sup> sure a tongue, if you are not sure about eating the tongue, give it a go.

## **RIBS** *baked in a sweet-and-sour sauce*

800 g short ribs, cut into portions

### **SWEET-AND-SOUR SAUCE**

- 2 Tbsp (30 ml) cooking oil
- 1 large onion, peeled and finely chopped
- 1 clove garlic, peeled and crushed
- 2 Tbsp (30 ml) tomato paste
- 3 Tbsp (45 ml) fresh lemon juice
- salt and freshly ground black pepper to taste
- 2 tsp (10 ml) chopped fresh rosemary or  
½ tsp (3 ml) dried
- ¼ cup (60 ml) light brown sugar
- ½ cup (125 ml) hot beef stock
- 3 Tbsp (45 ml) Worcestershire sauce
- 2 tsp (10 ml) mustard powder

- 1 Place the short ribs in a large ovenproof dish or roasting pan.
- 2 To prepare the sauce, heat the oil in a large frying pan over medium heat. Sauté the onion and garlic until soft. Add the remaining ingredients and simmer over low heat for 10 minutes, stirring frequently.
- 3 Pour the sauce evenly over the ribs. Bake in a preheated oven at 180 °C for about 1 hour, basting frequently with the sauce until the ribs are cooked. Serve with savoury rice.

*Serves 4-6*

## **PICKLED TONGUE** *with tangy apricot sauce*

- 1.2 kg tongue
- 1 large onion, peeled and quartered
- 1 carrot, peeled and cut into thick slices
- 10 black peppercorns
- bouquet garni (fresh rosemary, thyme, parsley, bay leaf)

### **SAUCE**

- 3 Tbsp (45 ml) light brown sugar
- ½ cup (125 ml) water
- 2 Tbsp (30 ml) seedless sultanas
- 410 g can apricots in syrup
- 2 Tbsp (30 ml) white vinegar

- 1 Rinse the tongue in cold water and place in a deep, heavy-based saucepan. Add the onion, carrot, peppercorns and bouquet garni. Cover with water and bring to the boil. Reduce heat and simmer for 2½-3 hours until tender.
- 2 Remove from heat and leave to cool completely in the cooking liquid. Remove the tongue and peel off the skin. Cut into slices of preferred thickness.
- 3 To make the sauce, dissolve the sugar in the water in a heavy-based saucepan. Add the sultanas and simmer for about 5 minutes. Add the remaining ingredients and heat thoroughly. Serve the sauce hot or cold with the tongue.

*Serves 4-6*



## **REFLECTION**

For the interest of World Tour travellers I have had recent news that Peter Owen has recently passed away. While not a South Devon breeder Pete was a keen promoter of the breed as through his contracting business he spent a lot of hours on properties owned by South Devon breeders and was never shy of a chance to promote the breed. Belinda, his wife with encouragement of "team Devon" will be travelling to New Zealand as she embraces life without Pete and is looking forward to the warm welcome that South Devon breeders on tours such as this are known for.

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## **NEWS PLEASE**

No News, No Newsletter.

I have had several technical problems trying to get this news together, apologies to James McUtchen, David Leese and Sarah Bolte that I have not printed your photo's however they will be included in the Presentation for the World Conference.

I am aware that Social Media fills in many gaps but not all news is appropriate for that medium. So please keep your news coming.

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