

Australian Belted Galloway Association Inc

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Only current LPA NVDs accepted from November 2015

SAFEMEAT, the body responsible for safety and hygiene standards in Australia's red meat industry has announced that from November 16 2015, producers will need to ensure they are using the most current version of the Livestock Production Assurance National Vendor Declaration (LPA NVD) form.

The decision has the approval of peak industry councils such as the Cattle Council of Australia and the Sheepmeat Council of Australia, and is in line with the expectations of international markets.

SAFEMEAT chair Ross Keane said he was confident that over two-thirds of Australia's livestock producers are already using current LPA NVD forms but it's important all producers are ready for the November phase-out.

"With 54% of lamb, 97% of sheep meat, 70% of beef and 95% of goat meat being exported, the decision was necessary to meet domestic and importing country requirements," Mr Keane said.

"This decision means the small number of producers who are still using old forms will need to obtain the latest LPA NVD version to ensure our system consistently delivers what international customers require."

LPA NVD's are required for movements of all LPA accredited livestock (sheep, lambs, goats and cattle) including property to property, through saleyards, direct to processors, feedlots, and to the live export trade.

From November 16 2015 producers should only use LPA NVD's labelled 0413, and for bobby calves forms labelled 0412.

Producers will receive an email or hard-copy letter outlining the changes and providing information on how to purchase a book of the current LPA NVDs if they are not using them.

Producers can order a new hard-copy LPA NVD booklet online, or purchase electronic NVDs, at www.lpa.ausmeat.com.au

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Welcome to new members

To new members of the Association, on behalf of the Council, we wish you a warm welcome, should you have any queries, questions on procedures you do not understand or know, please do not hesitate to either contact any of the Council members in your vicinity or the Secretariat direct. (Council names and contact numbers are listed on the front page of this newsletter or on the ABGA web page which is available on the web at www.beltedgalloway.org.au).

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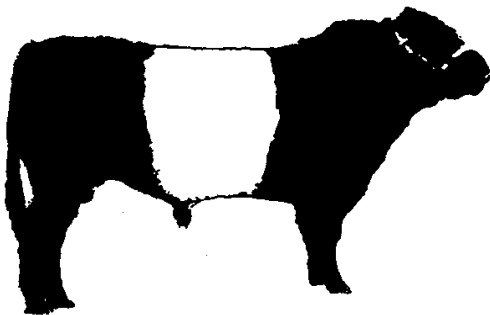
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Belties Breed Better
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Royal Adelaide Show – 4 – 13 September 2015

Well-known UK Galloway breeder and exhibitor Jim Ross was the judge for Belted Galloway in Adelaide. There were 10 exhibitors with 7 coming over from Victoria for the occasion of the 40th birthday celebration show and dinner of Belted Galloway being registered for 40 years in Australia but also 40 years of continuous showing of Belted Galloway at Adelaide with a total of 26 exhibits plus calves presented to our esteemed judge. A huge thank you to every exhibitor for making Adelaide Show the great show that it was. Everyone had a wonderful time. Anne Wilson who was



Most Successful Exhibitor also went home with an extra animal with her exhibit Grandview Jamilah giving birth to a lovely heifer during the Grand Parade. The picture above shows our judge “feeling the females” as one of our guests at dinner said so eloquently when thanking Jim Ross. Jim placed his hands on every

exhibit which is something every exhibitor respected. There were drinks – champagne supplied by Shane Smeathers and Will Brigham of Romani Galloways, soft drink supplied by Judith McKinnon of Clanfingon – and nibbles – supplied by Pam Brown and John Maiolo of Red Ochre – which all went down a treat. It was during drinks and nibbles that Jim Ross was presented with his thank you gift, RM Williams ugg boots, appropriately made of Australian sheep skin trimmed with kangaroo hide sponsored by Clanfingon, and every Adelaide exhibitor presented with their exhibitor plaques which were sponsored by Kerry Heazlewood representing Pine Gully Park and Lorna Andrew (who also made the birthday cake) of Koralea. The stewards for the ring were Robbie Davidson of Karandrea, Kevin Lintern and on the microphone Denise Rendel who all did a mighty job in keeping things flowing smoothly and keeping things interesting for the spectators. I would like to thank all the spectators particularly the interstaters. It was wonderful to see so many faces in the stands. Pam Brown of Red Ochre is the face behind the photos that have been used in this newsletter and we are very grateful for the work Pam does in taking these photos and allowing us to use them to promote the breed. Thank you, Pam. Just so that everyone knows, we

have Stanley Robinson to thank for the name suggestion and contact details of Jim Ross as our Belted Galloway judge at Adelaide this year. Thank you, Stanley, everyone thinks your suggestion was excellent.

Class 48 – Cow or Heifer, 10 months and under 16 months.

- 1 – Bonnibelt Kaylana, Rachel Alexander
- 2 – Wilkamdai Krystal, Twin Peaks Belted Galloway
- 3 – Glenmerriitt Kamilie, A Hilli & N Vorbach

Class 49 – Cow or Heifer, 16 months and under 20 months.

- 1 – Grandview Kerry, Grandview Belted Galloways
- 2 – Knockando Phoebe Pickles, Stephen Vivian
- 3 – Clanfingon Xanadu, Judith McKinnon



Junior Champion Belted Galloway Cow Or Heifer

Grandview Kerry, Grandview Belted Galloways

Reserve Junior Champion Belted Galloway Cow Or Heifer

Bonnibelt Kaylana, Rachel Alexander

Class 50 – Cow, 20 months and under 30 months

- 1 – Grandview Jay Keira, Grandview Belted Galloways
- 2 – Jalaway Jewel's Girl, A Hilli & N Vorbach
- 3 – Cumbria Branthwaite Countess 15th, Cumbria Partners
- 4 – Cumbria Bewaldeth Lass 17th, Cumbria Partners

Class 51 – Cow, 30 months and over

- 1 – Pine Gully Park Gwendolyn, Stephen Vivian
- 2 – Grandview Jamilah, Grandview Belted Galloways
- 3 – Clanfingon Venus, Judith McKinnon
- 4 – Jalaway Princess Georgene, A Hilli & N Vorbach



Senior Champion Belted Galloway Cow

Pine Gully Park Gwendolyn, Stephen Vivian

Reserve Senior Champion Belted Galloway Cow

Grandview Jamilah, Grandview Belted Galloways

Grand Champion Belted Galloway Female

Pine Gully Park Gwendolyn, Stephen Vivian

Class 52 – Bull, 10 months and under 16 months.

1 – Cumbria Branthwaite Kirkland, Cumbria Partners

2 – Silvan Park Tucker, Hettie Biersteker

Junior Champion Belted Galloway Bull

Cumbria Branthwaite Kirkland, Cumbria Partners

Reserve Junior Champion Belted Galloway Bull

Silvan Park Tucker, Hettie Biersteker

Class 54 – Bull, 20 months and under 30 months.

1 – Cumbria Branthwaite Jock, Cumbria Partners

Class 55 – Bull, 30 months and over

1 – Grandview Joshua, Grandview Belted Galloways

Senior Champion Belted Galloway Bull

Grandview Joshua, Grandview Belted Galloways

Reserve Senior Champion Belted Galloway Bull

Cumbria Branthwaite Jock, Cumbria Partners

Grand Champion Belted Galloway Bull

Grandview Joshua, Grandview Belted Galloways



1 - Grandview Belted Galloways

2 - Cumbria Partners

Class 57 – Breeders' Group

1 - Grandview Belted Galloways

2 - Cumbria Partners

3 - Biersteker, Hettie

Most Successful Belted Galloway Exhibitor

Grandview Belted Galloways



Scan results and weights

Exhibit	DOB	P8	Rib	EMA	Weight
Cumbria Branthwaite Kirkland	24.9.2014	3	3	65	370
Silvan Park Tucker	3.9.2014	2	2	55	400
Cumbria Branthwaite Jock	17.12.2013	5	3	100	555
Grandview Joshua	22.2.2013	5	4	96	640

Following the show the 40th birthday dinner was held at the Cork & Cleaver, one of Adelaide's best steak houses, with over 40 Belted Galloway enthusiasts, past and present and of each Association, attending. The dinner was a noisy, joyous occasion with lots of laughter. Shane Smeathers of Romani certainly contributed to the



noisy outbursts particularly when he loudly announced for all to hear that the judge was busy feeling up all the females – this of course was referring to his handling of the cattle in the ring – but did contribute to the merriment of the evening. I think that possibly the noisiest table of all however was Alison Hilli and Neale Vorbach. I think we could all do with a little of whatever they were having – I know I could. Not only was it the ABGA's 40th anniversary but also Tania Borowsky's birthday and her husband gave her a surprise trip to Adelaide and to the 40th celebration dinner. Happy Birthday, Tania, and I do hope you enjoyed your birthday dinner even though you had to share it was such a raucous mob. It was a pleasure to have Athol Malseed and his wife, Sue, there. Athol was the very first classifier for the ABGA and during his fun talk recounted a couple of the more amusing situations he encountered during his time as a classifier. Hume Macdonald in his

capacity as a committee member handed out various awards to various members. During the dinner there was an auction of items donated by breeders raising just over \$600 toward the 2018 World Galloway Conference. Congratulations and thank you to all the successful bidders, who will in due course receive an invoice from the ABGA on behalf of the WGC 2018, and thank you to all those members who donated such wonderful items to get the fundraising started. The ABGA is a privileged association to have such supportive members within its ranks. Thank you to Shane Smeathers for being the voice of the auction and a big thank you to Di Burgess for the work you did in recording who bid on what item and how much. We were fortunate to have Carole Johns, the ABGA secretary, at Adelaide Show and the 40th dinner to meet so many members and for members to be able to put a face behind the emails and to the voice they hear over the phone.



At Adelaide there was one Belted Galloway steer exhibited by Birdwood High School supplied by Bonnibelt Belted Galloway. Kaiser's weight was 44g kg. Kaiser's EMA (eye muscle area) scanned 70, P8 (rib) 6 and rump 9. Kaiser was exhibit 63 in Class 503: Schools heavy domestic 435 kg to 455 kg. Well done, Birdwood High. There were 206 steer entries in total at Adelaide Show.

Perth Royal Show

The Greatley Stud provided Cunderdin Agricultural College with a steer to prepare and show at the Perth Royal Show.

This is a photo of Ashlee a cattle student from Cunderdin Agricultural College in the grand parade at the



Perth Royal Show where only four breeds of all the cattle breeds were chosen to parade. T-bone our Belted Galloway steer was one of the four. He went on to get the second highest price at the auction for his class selling for \$1,400.00 live-weight, an average of \$3.70 kg. T-bone's P8 was 6 and he was 16 months old. He weighed in at 377 kg. The Greatley Stud is proud of the job the Cunderdin Agricultural cattle students did looking after and preparing T-Bone for the show.

Royal Geelong Feature Show *submitted by Rachel Alexander*

It had been two years since I last took animals to Geelong Show, it is such a well-run and welcoming show. It was a pretty exciting show for me as it was the first Royal show I have taken my own home-bred heifer to, the first time my mum Ros was willing to step into the ring and the first time I've been brave enough to put clippers onto an animal myself (even if it was only lightly!). I was not very well organised for Geelong at all! One of the heifers had a show halter and a show cane put on them for the first time the hour before we set off, luckily she loved it, but I might not leave it that fine again!

I ended up taking just two heifers (12-16 months), Windon Park Kaytafa, my home-bred heifer, and Bonnibelt Kaylana, a heifer I bought off Tony and Jo Kreher (Bonniebelt) earlier in the year. We started off on the Friday night with the All-breeds heifer show. Kaylana has clipped professionally and we went into the ring quite excited and hoping we had a chance. Sadly, another example of a judge that didn't look at the Belted Galloway, but he also skipped over another 6 animals, out of around 25 animals. But I did catch a few spectators calling out that Kaylana should have won... If only!

Saturday morning was the judging of the belties. We were lucky enough to have Trevor Hatch judge, and he was a fantastic judge who spoke to every handler individually on their animals, and was consistent with his decisions. While I clipped away, mum was busy organising the neck numbers, halters, canes, food and water (thanks mum!). Mum has helped me at a few shows never been one to take that extra step into the ring, but after two handlers pulled out on me at the last minute she came to my rescue.

Kaylana came first in the class, followed by Kaytafa, the judge was disappointed that Kaytafa wasn't clipped (oops) and that she was a miniature. I had already guessed that most judges would prefer standard sized animals, but it's good to be able to show spectator's the differences you can get.

Kaylana went on to be sashed junior champion and when it came to the Grand champion female, AnneWilson's senior female with calf at foot (Grandview) and myself really put the judge to the test as he described the girls as 'two peas in a pod', so after a long time of contemplating, Grandview Kerry was chosen.

The girls didn't perform very well in the pair of females as the two are so different, but people were able to see the differences that belties can have.

Our time at the show was cut short when Kaytafa became sick, so we missed out on showing in the interbreed, but we had a fantastic time taking out the Best Maintained Team and the Junior Herdsman awards as well.

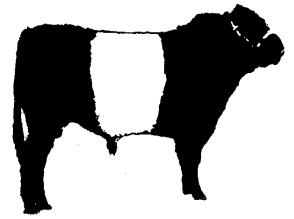
Big thank you to Anne Wilson for organising and to all the other studs for bringing animals along, it was fantastic to see such strong classes in a feature show.

Bull 12 months to 16 months

1 - Hettie Biersteker - Silvan park Tucker

Junior Champion Belted Galloway Bull

Hettie Biersteker – Silvan Park Tucker



Bull 2 1/2 years and over

- 1 – Anne & Adele Wilson – Grandview Joshua
- 2 – Alison Hilli & Neale Vorbach – Clanfingon Valentino

Senior Champion Belted Galloway Bull

Anne & Adele Wilson – Grandview Joshua

Reserve Senior Champion Bull

Alison Hilli & Neale Vorbach – Clanfingon Valentino

Heifer 9 months to 12 months

- 1 – Helen Daly – Tarxien Hill Lilly
- 2 – Alison Hilli & Neale Vorbach – Jalaway Bonnie Khamelion

Junior Champion Heifer

Rachel Alexander – Bonnibelt Kaylana

Reserve Junior Champion Heifer

Helen Daly – Tarxien Hill Lilly

Cow 2 1/2 years and over

- 1 – Anne & Adele Wilson – Grandview Jamilah
- 2 – Alison Hilli & Neale Vorbach – Jalaway Princess Georgene
- 3 – Helen Daly – Wilkamdai Faith

Senior Champion Belted Galloway Cow or Heifer

Anne & Adele Wilson – Grandview Kerry

Reserve Senior Champion Belted Galloway Cow or Heifer

Anne & Adele Wilson – Grandview Jamilah

Mixed Pair

- 1 – Anne & Adele Wilson – Grandview Belted Galloways
- 2 – Alison Hilli & Neale Vorbach – Jalaway Belted Galloways
- 3 – Hettie Biersteker – Silvan Park Belted Galloways

Group of Three

- 1 – Anne & Adele Wilson – Grandview Belted Galloways
- 2 – Hettie Biersteker – Silvan Park Belted Galloways

Supreme Belted Galloway Exhibit

Anne & Adele Wilson – Grandview Kerry

Sponsors

The exhibitors would like to thank the sponsors for the Royal Geelong Show and ask that if possible members support those sponsors if at all possible.

Royal Geelong Show Society prize money and ribbons

Pine Gully Park – Junior Champion Female \$50 prize money

Bacchus Marsh farm Supplies – Senior Champion Cow & Best Maintained Team (2 x trophy & 2 x Vouchers)

Harwood Grains – Grand Champion Cow & Grand Champion Bull (2 x trophies & 2 x Vouchers)

Nationwide Artificial Breeders – Junior Champion Bull & Pair of Bulls (2 x Trophies and 2 x Vouchers)

Cumbria Partners – Senior Champion Bull & Group of 3 (Tartan Ribbon & Trophy)

Montrose Cup for pair of females

Newsome Belted Galloways & Lytton Grange Belted Galloways – Pair of females and Senior Herdsman (Trophies & Money)

W Grigg & Son – Pair mixed (Trophy & Voucher)

Bob Wiltshire & Sons Pty Ltd – Most Successful Exhibitor (Trophy & Voucher)

Winton Park Belted Galloways – Best Junior Handler and Junior Herdsman (Trophies for both)

Anne & Adele Wilson – Grandview Belted Galloway Reserve Trophies

ABGA provided 2 x tartan ribbons, 3 medallions, a Silver Tray (\$100) for Supreme Exhibit

AGA free membership for the Supreme Exhibit

MELBOURNE ROYAL SHOW 2015

The weather gods were very kind to exhibitors for 2015, no rain, horrible winds, bitter cold or heat...so a win for all.

Sadly this year the entries were lower than previous years, with only 11 head plus calves. The following five studs exhibited – Windy Hollow, Karandrea, Jalaway, Twin Peaks and Pine Gully Park. Needless to say the quality of cattle from the five studs exhibiting was excellent, giving our judge, very respected ex-Galloway and Angus breeder, Jack Woodbourn from NSW, quite a challenge.

RASV made changes to the shed layout this year so the public and exhibitor's cattle did not share the same walkway area. We were lucky, the public were able see and talk to the Belted Galloway breeders from their designated walkway, many other breeds were not so lucky.

At the show, a raffle was organised, a bucket of cattle goodies, to the value of \$100, with all funds raised going to the World Galloway Conference in 2018. The very generous Daryl Holder from The Cattle Shop, once again, helped support our breed by donating some of the goodies. The raffle will be drawn at the Victorian Christmas party on 5th December. Tickets are still available.

Heifer 9 to 12 months

1 – Jalaway Bonnie Khamelion – Ali Hilli and Neale Vorbach

Heifer 12 to 15 months

1 – Pine Gully Park Kobee – Heazlewood Family

Heifer 15 to 18 months

- 1 - Wilkamdai Krystal – Di Woolfe
- 2 - Pine Gully Park Keeva – Heazlewood Family

Heifer 18 to 20 months

- 1 - Karandrea Park Karis

JUNIOR CHAMPION HEIFER

Wilkamdai Krystal – Di Woolfe

RESERVE JUNIOR CHAMPION HEIFER

Pine Gully Park Keeva – Heazlewood Family

Heifer 20 to 24 months

- 1 - Windy Hollow Koko – Rebecca Avery
- 2 - Windy Hollow India – Rebecca Avery
- 3 - Windy Hollow Ivory – Rebecca Avery

Cow or Heifer 24 to 30 months

- 1 - Pine gully Park Jess – Heazlewood Family

Cow or Heifer over 30 months

- 1 - Jalaway Princess Georgene – Ali Hilli and Neale Vorbach

Senior Champion Cow

Pine Gully Park Jess – Heazlewood Family

Reserve Senior Champion Cow

Jalaway Princess Georgene – Ali Hilli and Neale Vorbach

Grand Champion Female

Pine Gully Park Jess – Heazlewood Family

Bull over 24 months

- 1 - Clanfingon Valentino – Ali Hilli and Neale Vorbach

Senior Champion Bull

Clanfingon Valentino– Ali Hilli and Neale Vorbach

Grand Champion Bull

Clanfingon Valentino – Ali Hilli and Neale Vorbach

Supreme Exhibit

Pine Gully Park Jess – Heazlewood Family

Best three head, any age, both sexes to be represented and all owned by the Exhibitor

Jalaway Stud – Ali Hilli and Neale Vorbach

Best two females, under 20 months, to be bred by the Exhibitor

Pine Gully Park – Heazlewood Family

Most Successful Exhibitor

Jalaway Stud – Ali Hilli and Neale Vorbach



Supreme Exhibit – Pine Gully Park Jess

BALLARAT

Miniature belted galloways exhibited by Tarxien Hill (Helen Daly)

Female 9–14 months

1 - Tarxien Hill Lilly

Female 27 months and over

1 - Wilkamdai Faith

Belted galloways exhibited by Silvan Park (Hettie Biersteker) and Twin Peaks (Di Woolfe)

Female 15–20 months

1 - Wilkamdai Krystal - Twin Peaks

Female 21–26 months

1 - Silvan Park Tara - Silvan Park

2 - Cumbria Branthwaite Lady 26th – Silvan Park

Champion Female

Wilkamdai Krystal

Reserve champion female

Silvan Park Tara

Bull 9-14 months

1 - Silvan Park Tucker - Silvan Park

Champion male

Silvan Park Tucker

Group of three

1 - Silvan Park

Kai Bakker got first place in the junior handlers, which was a good result as there were 8 participants.

CLUNES**Female 20 months and over**

1 - Cumbria Branthwaite Lady 26th

2 – Silvan Park Tara

Champion Female

Cumbria Branthwaite Lady 26th

Bull 12-20 months

1 - Silvan Park Tucker

Champion Bull

Silvan Park Tucker

Group of three

Silvan Park

Kai Bakker got first place again in the junior handlers, this time only 1 other competitor but she was a bit older and very experienced!

BEAUFORT**Females 22-28 months**

1 - Cumbria Branthwaite Lady 26th

2 - Silvan Park Tara

Champion Female

Cumbria Branthwaite Lady 26th

Bull 16 months and under

1 - Silvan Park Tucker

Champion Bull

Silvan Park Tucker

Kai Bakker again won junior handlers!

Most successful Belted Galloway Exhibitor went to Silvan Park

Four tips for buying better bulls *(This article is courtesy the MLA)*

North Coast Local Land Services Senior Livestock Officer Nathan Jennings says the four areas to consider when buying bulls are:

- reproductive fitness
- temperament and structural soundness
- conformation and muscling
- estimated breeding values (EBVs)

“Other people may change the order of importance of these factors, but this is the order I like to consider them in,” Nathan said.

Here are Nathan’s top tips for buying better bulls:

1) Reproductive fitness.

The bull has to be reproductively sound so he can produce an adequate quantity of good quality semen and also have the willingness to serve cows. A good way to ensure this is through a Bull Breeding Soundness Evaluation (BBSE). This is not a genetic evaluation but a current physical assessment of the bull’s reproductive performance.

2) Temperament and structural soundness.

The bull has to be of good temperament and be structurally sound. Temperament is a no-brainer – if a bull is of poor temperament he will be a problem on farm and it’s very likely his progeny will follow in his footsteps.

3) Conformation and muscling.

A bull should be well muscled, which helps ensure their progeny will have adequate muscling as well. Better muscled cattle have heavier carcass weights, tend to have higher dressing percentages, meat yield will often be higher and there tends to be a more even fat distribution over the carcass.

Obviously muscling needs to be balanced with a farm’s environmental condition, however Beef CRC research showed that in British-bred cattle, increasing the muscle score of a cow from D to C had no adverse effects on her reproductive performance, even in times of nutritional stress.

4) Estimated breeding values (EBVs).

Any new bulls you’re looking to buy should have superior genetics to bulls you’ve purchased in the past. EBVs are the best tool available to help provide that genetic benchmark and, therefore, genetic improvement.

When it comes down to choosing between two bulls with similar age, weight, muscle and fat scores, and both have passed their BBSE, then EBVs can show which is actually the more suitable bull for your enterprise. They also provide information on things that can’t be seen, such as marble score or the fertility of his daughters.

When using EBVs there are three criteria that need to be applied:

- the trait has to be of economic importance to the producer
- the producer has to be able to measure the trait in the progeny
- there has to be variation in the trait, so you can expect to make some gain

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CALENDAR

5 December 2015 at 12 noon – Victorian Christmas Pary, Tabcorp Melton (for more information contact Lorna Andrews on 03 5349 7321 or Kerry Heazlewood on 03 5167 1048/0431 144 347

7 February 2016 – Clanfingon taking part in SA Beef Field Days

26 – 28 February 2016 – Royal Canberra Show

7 – 30 March 2016 – Sydney Easter Show

31 March – Inventories due

7 – 9 April 2016 – Toowoomba Royal Show

8 – 10 April 2016 – Bathurst Royal Show

31 July 2016 – Membership subscription due

5 – 10 August 2016 – World Galloway Conference, Gretna Green, Scotland (for more information go to www.beltedgalloway.org.au)

3 – 11 September 2016 – Adelaide Royal Show

Items of interest for members.

1. 2016 World Galloway Conference at Gretna Green. See the March 2015 newsletter for more information or the ABGA website.
 2. Select Fitting have made the offer of supplying a semi and picking up cattle starting at Inverell and along the way to Adelaide for the World Galloway Conference in early September 2018. Select Fitting are a very experienced team of cattle fitters, trainers and transporters of cattle and steers preparing numerous show champions at most Royal Shows in Australia including Beef Australia 2015. This will offer is subject to numbers making up the load. There are animals already booked on the semi so it looks as though a load will be made. So, please, if you think you will come to Adelaide Show in 2018 make contact as soon as possible. Select Fitting have also offered to care for cattle at Adelaide Show, fit for the show ring and if needed lead in the ring. Contact details for Select Fitting are: PH: 0267236477 or 0429236477.
 3. Cattle inventories will be sent to members at the end of December/beginning of January and are due 31 March 2016. Remember to post your tail hairs and cheque separately to Zoetis at the same time or before you submit your inventory to the ABGA office.
 4. Council have approved a transport subsidy of \$50 per animal to a maximum of \$200 per breeder (ie 4 animals) with no limit on the distance travelled to the **Royal** show to assist with the transport costs of ABGA members showing cattle in any of the 9 **Royal** shows in Australia. This has been approved for the 40th Anniversary year of 2015. The form to claim the travel subsidy is on the ABGA website under "Forms". The travel subsidy applies to Royal Shows. The subsidy has been
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implemented in an endeavour to help members show off Belted Galloway in the 40th birthday year of the Australian Belted Galloway Association Inc to as many in the public arena as possible.

5. From 1 September 2015 to 31 December 2015 a member may apply to re-register/reactivate any lapsed animals for a fee of \$10 per animal
 6. From 1 September 2015 to 31 December 2015 a member may apply to register an animal which has not previously been registered for a fee of \$20 per animal
 7. A Certificate of Service must be lodged if the member registering progeny did not own the bull at the time of mating – this can be found on the ABGA website under “Forms”
 8. Registrations must be submitted on the assigned registration form. This form can be found on the ABGA website
 9. The ABGA FaceBook page and website are in need of new photos so if you have a photo you would like to share please, email photos of your Belted Galloway to Sally McPhie at the ABGA office
 10. For the Victorians and any member of any Association registering Belted Galloway, really any person interested in Belted Galloway anywhere, the annual Christmas Party will be held on Saturday, 5 December 2015 at 12 noon at Melton Tabcorp so please save the date. Lorna Andrews is the organiser so please let Lorna know if you are going. Lorna’s phone number is: 03 5349 7321. Kerry Heazlewood is Lorna’s assistant organiser so should you not be able to get onto Lorna for any reason please contact Kerry and advise how many are coming. Kerry’s phone number is: 03 5167 1048. Numbers are required for booking purposes so please advise as soon as possible. If you don’t want to come by yourself and have a friend who is not a Beltie breeder bring them along. Tradition has it that each person brings a \$5 Kris Kringle. Last year two members were lucky enough to pick a delightful sweets dish with Belties painted on it. A very cool Kris Kringle.
 11. There is a raffle doing the rounds at the moment which will be drawn at the Victorian Christmas Party. There is approximately \$100 of cattle goodies in the draw and tickets are available from Kerry Heazlewood. Kerry’s phone no: 03 5167 1048. All funds raised will go toward the 2018 World Galloway Conference in Australia. If you would like a ticket please give Kerry a call. The goodies in this raffle have been donated by Daryl Holder of The Cattle Shop and Kerry Heazlewood of Pine Gully Park. Daryl is a great supporter of Belted Galloway.
 12. Clanfingon is taking part in the SA Beef Field Days and will be open to the public on Sunday, 7 February 2016. Everyone is welcome and it would be nice to have other breeders call in and have a look at the cattle.
 13. The next newsletter is due out 1 March 2016 so if you have an ad or a function you would like advertised in the newsletter please get it to the ABGA office by 20 February 2016.
 14. There will be an annual for 2016. It is anticipated that this will be distributed at the end of January/early February. Advertising rates have not changed for the last few years and as a result the ABGA advertising rates are at the very lower end of any breed annual. Consequently it is a most reasonable method of advertising your stud and what you can offer to other members within the ABGA and elsewhere. The annual is sent to the other Associations as well as overseas Associations together with being handed out at various Royal and country shows, so it is well worth considering promoting your stud and/or business. It is also put on the ABGA website for the
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general public which means your stud receives great exposure. If you are interested in advertising, please contact mckinnonjudith@internode.on.net or phone 0410 840 827.

15. NLIS have a new website –

Key features of the new website include:

- A simple navigation system that makes finding information about the NLIS easy and intuitive
- New 'FAQ', 'NLIS Information' and 'News' content areas
- A more attractive, contemporary design suitable for producers to use on the go via their mobile phone or tablet
- A new login page which can remember your NLIS user ID and password, and help you to retrieve your forgotten login details

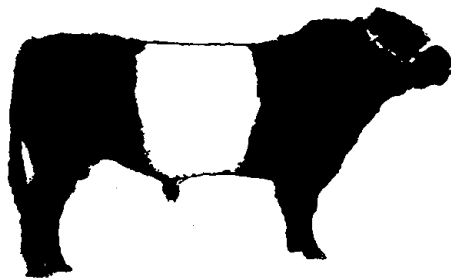
What should I do if I can't access the new nlis.com.au?

You should ensure that you are using an up-to-date version of your internet browser, as the new NLIS website may not be fully compatible with some older internet browsers, just like many other new websites.


To check if your current browser is up-to-date, visit www.whatismybrowser.com.

For assistance with upgrading your browser, contact your local IT provider.

If you have more questions about the new NLIS website, contact the NLIS Helpdesk at support@nlis.com.au.



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The Australian Belted Galloway Association Inc would like to take this opportunity to thank each and every member for their support during 2015 and to wish all members a very merry Christmas and a happy and safe New Year.

Victorian Belted Galloway Christmas Party 2015

To: On the fifth day of Christmas my true love said to me, please take me to the Victorian Belted Galloway Christmas Party.

At: Tabcorp Melton for a Christmas lunch – there is a children's playroom

Time: 12 Noon on Saturday, 5 December 2015

For: Kris Kringle please bring a \$5 gift each for under the tree

RSVP: 30 November for booking purposes to Lorna Andrews, 80 Woodnaggerak Road, Buangor Vic 3375 or ph: 03 5349 7321 or Kerry Heazlewood on 03 5167 1048/0431 144 347/

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