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LRF New/LRF Nuus

The LRF has the mandate to be the umbrella body for those societies in South Africa whom have decided to be their own registering authorities.

Part of this mandate is to ensure that we have good relations with both the industry and the National Department of Agriculture and the Department of Agriculture, Forestry and Fisheries (DAFF). For our societies to continue to be progressive and consistent with new genomics programs the LRF board and a few leading producers undertook a trip to Australia to visit research institutes, leading farmers, leading stud producers and also visited two of the main genomics programs currently being run by the Angus and Brahman Societies. In the first week our time was divided at ABRI (developers of Breedplan) and AGBU (Animal Genetics and Breeding Unit) in Armidale. Armidale is considered to be the centre of excellence in beef research in the world. The Animal Genetics and Breeding Unit; has but one of its beef units in Armidale with about 20 scientists working on cattle breeding research. ABRI has over 100 staff servicing breed societies clientele worldwide. Not only were we given an overview of the developments currently happening in Breedplan and associated technologies, but were also given an insight into new developments that, are in the pipeline. Our visits to leading stud producers were also of tremendous value and it is clear that all leading producers use a dollar / rand index to select cattle, (this index describes the profit value of every animal). Mr Christopher Sparks, chairman of the LRF is adamant that the LRF will continue to create funding models that will allow board and society representatives ongoing opportunities to visit leading institutes and producers in other parts of the world.

Special prices for webpages have been negotiated with Mia de Sousa from 123Internet. She will do webpages for new breeders at a cost of R2500 per webpage consisting of 3 pages that include a Home Page, about us and Stud Sires. Breeders can negotiate with in her if you require a bigger webpage. This price also includes a 30 minute Teamviewer session to train you how to manage your webpage.

Breedplan

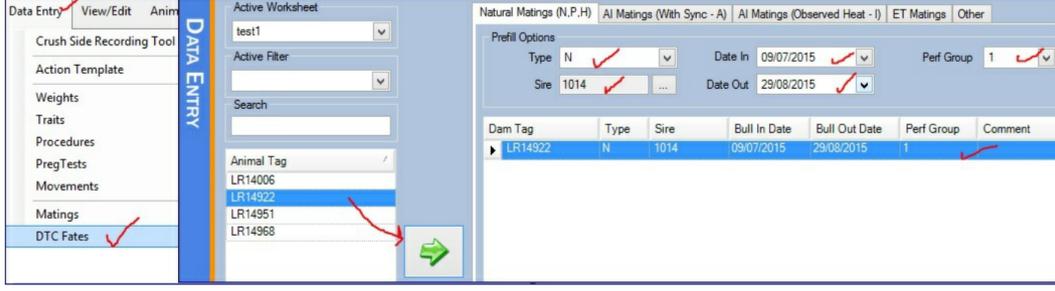
Het u geweet van die Breedplan diagnostiese dienste wat toelaat dat jy die teelwaarde van enige dier se data van sy voorgeslag of nageslag kan bevestig. Hierdie dienste is by u genootskap beskikbaar. Die Breedplan stelsel is nie 'n toe "boks" wat net die statistiek uitdruk nie, maar 'n oop stelsel waar elke dier tesame met sy stamboom op die internet besigtig kan word. Die rekenaar stelsel is so ontwikkel dat 'n diagnostiek vir elke eienskap uitgedruk kan word. 'n Diagnostiek kan selfs die melkteelwaardes op aanvraag bereken. Telers moet egter onthou dat die melkteelwaarde slegs in die nageslag van 'n koei se spengewig bereken kan word. Dit wat dus 'n addisionele dier om vir 'n bul 'n melkwaarde te kan beraam.

Herdmaster

Data van beide die integris/logix asook genootskap data kan moeite vry in die stelsel ingetrek word. Skakel ons kantoor by 012 667 5258 indien u problem hiermee ondervind. Ons will ook graag Lee Ann Alexander gelukwens met die koms van hul nuwe baba. Sy is terug na haar kraamverlof en sal aanvanklik van die huis af werk.

Days to calving (DTC)

Producers can drastically improve their completeness of performance rating by updating their historic days to calving (DTC) information. It is important to provide a reason code for a cow not being in calf. Whilst producers maintain that reproduction is the most important trait in the herd. The tragedy is that few producers in fact record this important information.



New FAQ-(<http://www.agribsa.co.za>)

Namibian Draughtmasters, update to herdmaster version 4.4.7.2 to load NamDraughtmaster

Contact Jacques- Else at the NSBA, jacque@iway.na; Tel: + (264 61) 235168

Byvoegings



Vleisbeeskool

Stockman school (14-16 October)

Its only the beginning of the year and 18 participants have already confirmed that they will be attending this year's stockmanschool. The theme for this year is "Growth and Fertility" and forms part of the overarching theme of getting African producers to understand the beef value chain. We will be finalising our program in the next few weeks and will provide the final program in the next Newsletter.

Dit is skaars die begin van die jaar en 18 kursusgangers het reeds bevestig dat hulle hierdie jaar se vleisbeeskool gaan bywoon. Die tema vir hierdie jaar is "Groeï en Vrugbaarheid" en vorm deel van die oorkoepelende tema om Afrikaanse produsente die vleisbeeswaardeketting te laat verstaan. Ons sal ons program in die volgende paar weke finaliseer en sal die finale program in die volgende Nuusbriëf verskaf.

Contact Charmaine 051-8211783

<http://agribsa.co.za/FAQ/index.php?sid=538421&lang=en&action=artikel&cat=10&id=120&artlang=en>

Kursusse

2015 Calendar	
BREEDPLAN courses in 2015 will be presented as workshops between stud and commercial clients throughout the year with guest speakers. Contact us on 012 - 667 5258 or via e-mail for more information and entry forms.	
18 August	Breedplan Training - Botswana
19 August	Herdmaster Training - Botswana
21 August	Herdmaster Training - Eastern Cape
26 - 28 August	Jacaranda Pretoria Show
9 September	Herdmaster Training (Beginner) - Bloemfontein
10 September	Herdmaster Training (Advanced) - Bloemfontein
17 September	Herdmaster Training - Pretoria
28 Sept - 2 Oct	Namibia Show - Windhoek
28 September	Herdmaster - Sluit in module vir BGP projek deelnemers - Namibië
13 October	LRF Board Meeting
14 - 16 October	Aldam Stockmans School
20 - 21 October	Zimbabwe School

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