

Brahman carcass sets new record

CHAMPIONS

Commonwealth Bank Agribusiness Most Successful Exhibitor: Robert and Donna Rea, Lisgar, Home Hill.

Bankwest Grand Champion Carcass: Dave and Marie Simpson, Solo Brahmans, Morinish – Brahman.

Warmould Marketing Highest Lean

Meat Yield Carcass: John Atkinson, Glenavon, Yaamba – Droughtmaster.

CQCC Champion Grainfed Pen: Peter and Melisa Hill, Clements Creek, Marlborough – Charolais/Angus cross.

Charbray Society Reserve Champion Grainfed Pen: David and Elizabeth Hill, Clarkwood, Clarke Creek – Charbray cross.

Landmark Champion Grassfed Pen: Joe and Jill Atkinson, Sanders, Dingo –

Brangus.

Couti-Outi Brangus Stud Reserve Champion Grassfed Pen: Rob and Donna Rea – Droughtmaster.

ANZ Champion Grainfed Carcass: David and Elizabeth Hill – Charbray cross.

Rabobank Reserve Champion Grainfed Carcass: Stuart and Brenda Chapman, Lowville, Marlborough – Droughtmaster.

Virbac Champion Grassfed Carcass: Dave and Marie Simpson – Brahman.

Rural Supplements Reserve Champion Grassfed Carcass: David and Julie McCamley, Palmal, Dingo – Brahman cross.



Donna and Robert Rea, Lisgar, Home Hill, accept the Commonwealth Bank Agribusiness Most Successful Exhibitor award from Commonwealth Bank's Ian Mills.

A BRAHMAN steer carcass has set a new record in the history books of the Central Queensland Carcass Classic competition by recording the highest-scoring carcass of the event to date.

The two-tooth trade steer was a single entry in the competition from first-time exhibitors, Dave and Marie Simpson, Solo Brahmans, Morinish.

It proved an astute choice, going on to win both the Bankwest Grand Champion Carcass and Virbac Champion Grassfed Carcass at the



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awards presentation on Friday night in Rockhampton.

All processing and scoring was conducted by Teys Bros, and the grand champion carcass finished with a total score of 161.88 points, with its figures including a hot standard carcass weight

(HSCW) of 286kg, P8 rump fat of 12mm, rib fat of 10mm, and eye muscle area (EMA) of 103 square centimetres.

The swag of awards won by the champion carcass was accepted on Friday night by Dave and Marie Simpson's daughter, Fiona Noakes, Marlborough, who said the win would put a spring back in her father's step.

"Dad has just had surgery for two shiny new knee replacements and is still in Brisbane, so this will be a big boost in his recovery," Fiona said.

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to Rockhampton proved worthwhile for Robert and Donna Rea, Lisgar Droughtmasters, Home Hill, with the performance of their purebred grassfed Droughtmaster cattle winning them the coveted title of Commonwealth Bank Agribusiness Most Successful Exhibitor.

"It's great to win because on the hook is where we get paid," Mr Rea said.

"I like carcass competitions because it's where you can put your cattle up against everybody else and see where they come up to."

Both commercial and stud cattle are run on the Rea family's 10,800 hectare coastal property – its eastern boundary is the Pacific Ocean – with commercial cattle produced to target the MSA market.

Droughtmaster carcasses also claimed a number of other champion titles, with a Droughtmaster heifer exhibited by John Atkinson, Glenavon, Yaamba, winning the



Bob Kayes, Bankwest Rockhampton, presents the award for Grand Champion Carcass to Fiona Noakes, Marlborough, who accepted on behalf of her parents, Dave and Marie Simpson, Solo Brahmans, Morinish, for their outstanding Brahman steer.

Warmmould Marketing Highest Lean Meat Yield Carcass.

The two-tooth grainfed heifer had an estimated lean meat yield (ELMY) of 64.63 percent, and figures of HSCW of 258kg, P8 rump fat of 8mm, rib fat of 4mm and EMA of 93 square centimetres.

A Charbray-cross heifer carcass exhibited by David and Elizabeth Hill, Clarkwood, Clarke Creek, won the ANZ Champion Grainfed

Carcass, with a final points score of 159.15 and HSCW of 282.5kg, P8 of 13mm, rib fat of 7mm, and EMA of 93 square centimetres.

Rabobank Reserve Champion Grainfed Carcass went to a Droughtmaster heifer carcass exhibited by Stuart and Brenda Chapman, Lowville, Marlborough, with a final points score of 156.44 and HSCW of 277.5kg, P8 of 10mm, rib fat of 9mm, and EMA of 94 square

centimetres. Rural Supplements Reserve Champion Grassfed Carcass was won by a Brahman-cross heifer carcass exhibited by David and Julie McCamley, Palmal, Dingo (part of the Lancefield Brahmans family) with 153.46 points, HSCW of 292.5kg, P8 of 11mm, rib fat of 9mm, and EMA of 86 square centimetres.

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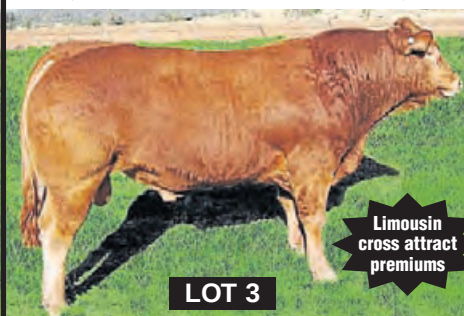
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