



Murray Grey Newsbrief

President's Message

Dear Fellow Members

Hi All,

The Council held their first meeting in June in which Micheal Phillips was elected Vice-President. Each Council member has been given areas of responsibility in an endeavour to keep the Murray Grey Society running smoothly. After each Council meeting a newsletter will be put out to keep members up to date with what's happening in the Murray Grey world. These will be emailed out to everybody who has an email address and the few that don't will receive a copy in the mail.

Life Members

I also wish to apologise for missing out the list of life members in the magazine.

They are as follows:

TM Beer, Mt Maunganui

JE Gray, Tokoroa

AR & PA Hayward, Oakview Stud, Cambridge

Council Portfolios

FINANCE/BY-LAWS

Tony Powell

GENETICS & HERD RECORDING

Peter Stachurski

SALE

Micheal Phillips

MAGAZINE

Carolyn McIntosh

AI & PROMOTION

Michael Gray

NEWSLETTER & WEBSITE

George Climo

In addition to these Sue Clarke has been brought on board to help with Genetics, herd recording and the website. Wayne Allerby will assist in the area of finance.

If any members have any questions please do not hesitate to contact any of the above.

Stock Sales

Micheal Phillips is looking into the way we run our National sale. We are thinking about an autumn bull sale (2yrs or younger) and a female sale which may also be run in the autumn. Rules will need to be set in place for the sales. If any members would like to contribute ideas please do not hesitate to contact Micheal.

Genetic Update

The Society has been gathering information on Genomic testing and we will probably go with the SNP programme. This is 50K testing which is far more accurate than the present 10K which we have at the moment. Australia and England are doing this now and we will probably follow. PBBnz are looking at different costings for us.

Female Fees

ADL's have been mailed out and are due back in the office by 31st July.

After a lot of consideration by council over the last 12 months, at their meeting in March it was unanimously agreed that Female Fees would increase by \$2 per head.

This is the first increase for a number of years and council did not make this decision lightly. With increases in all areas of the business it was felt to be a necessary step.

Mycoplasma Bovis

To keep up to date with information keep checking out the MPI and B+LNZ sites. B+LNZ have published a good article for beef farmers.

www.beeflambnz.com/news-views/mycoplasma-bovis



AGM 2019

This will be held in Blenheim (Marlborough) at the end of April or early May 2019, so mark this in your calendars please as we would like as many members to attend as possible. A date will be set shortly.

Murray Grey Website

We are looking at a new set up for this site and hope to feature more news and articles on this site. If any members have cattle to sell, or are wishing to purchase, this can now go on the website for no fee. Tony Powell is also looking into improving the facebook page.

PGG Wrightson

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New members

We welcome the following new members

David & Jackie Nicolls - Glen Kowhai Ltd

George & Bruce Black - Clifton Downs

Caitlin Brooks - Stonybrook

Happy Murray Greying

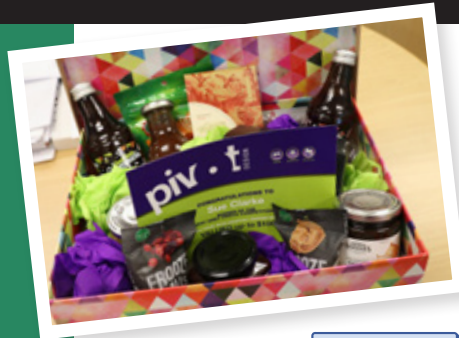


Photo Competition

Congratulations Sue Clarke whose cover photo of 'Paradise Valley cows' won her a delicious gift pack and graphic design voucher from Pivot Design.



NZ Murray Grey Breeders

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