



Murray Grey Newsbrief

President's Message

Dear Fellow Members

Welcome to the August newsletter. I am sorry about the delay in not having a newsletter since April. I hope the winter has been treating everybody well but as usual just as calving starts the weather turns rough. Enquiries have already been strong for bulls to the dairy industry and in the South Island we have not been able to meet the demand. There have been good sales of bulls throughout the country into the beef industry which bodes well for the future.

Cheers

George Climo

Annual General Meeting

This was held in Marlborough on the 16 & 17th May including three very interesting farm visits. The first was to the Pattie family farm just south of Seddon, one of the driest areas in Marlborough. Stock were in great condition as can be seen in the photos. Herd sires on this farm are often sourced from Haywards Oakview Stud in the Waikato. The Pattie family started breeding Murray Greys in the early 1970s. Next on the farm visit was to Amanda and Simon Tripe at Koromiko, near Picton. Dairy farming is their main activity with the family farming on the property for over 100 years. They have now become involved in breeding Murray Greys and started their stud with cows purchased from Torrisdale. They have also taken to showing their Murray Greys with success in both Canterbury and Marlborough.

The third farm we visited was Leov's in the Wairau Valley (another very dry area of Marlborough). They are also new young breeders with plenty of enthusiasm for the breed. Their original stock was sourced from Sea Spring and Kourawhero Studs. Since then they have added Torrisdale, Waimak and Chequers bloodlines to their herds. I would like to thank the three breeders for allowing us to visit their properties. It's really great to see how well Murray Greys do in all climate conditions. Thank you.



Website

Have you visited our website lately? This has been updated and is much improved. A big thank you to Pivot Design, Sue Clarke for their work on this and the Southern North Island Breeders Club who financed the upgrade. Looking great. Thank you.

While on the subject of the Murray Grey Breeders Club taking on board projects, a big thank you should go out to the Waikato Club who made a sizable donation to the area's rescue helicopter service. As those in farming realise, you never know when you may need help. So, thank you Waikato – what a great gesture.



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On Farm Sales

Stud	Sale Date	Contact No.
Filmaree Murray Greys	9th September	07 871 0524
Paradise Valley Murray Greys	17th September	07 873 8115
Mangaotea Murray Greys	19th September	06 927 3565
Torrisdale Murray Greys	9th October	03 236 2736
Silver Fern Murray Greys	14th October	03 225 5884

Welcome to new Members

Terry Edwards

Waihi

Zaire Brake

Whakatane

Peter & Marion McIntosh

Tuakau

Celebrations in 2020



Next year the Murray Grey Society will celebrate 50 years of Murray Greys in New Zealand. The first meeting was held on the 21st July, 1970. The Council would like members feedback on where to hold the AGM next year and what activities to hold to coincide with this. We would welcome your ideas. Also, next year is elections for Council members so please, we need your nominations.



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