

DUNLOP PARK

Angus Stud

NEWSLETTER

January 2013



To our friends, clients and fellow Angus breeders,

Once again we are pleased to share with you the news from the Dunlop Park Angus stud, a review of the past year and what is in store for 2013.

Our two major events in 2012 were our field day and annual sale. The field day was well attended, the speakers were interesting and informative and we believe that most attendees got something useful from the day. We will be holding a field day again this year and you are most welcome to come along. (Details over the page)

Our Sale was also very pleasing being one of our best ever. The top price for our bulls was \$4,250 and they averaged \$3,344, and the females also sold well averaging \$1,162. The top priced bull was a son of Netherton Lord Jordan who has bred some superb bulls for us. This year we will be offering the first grandsons of Lord Jordan, 7 magnificent bulls that we are sure will impress you. We can also report that the son of Zulu, Dunlop Park Falcon F7 who had a reserve of \$10,000 at our sale, has grown into an outstanding bull and he will be in use at Dunlop Park for a few years to come.

We do hope that you can make it to at least one of our events this year, but if you can't you are always welcome to call in at any time.

Best wishes for 2013

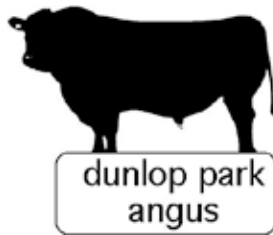
Patricia, Brian and Dorothy, Ian and Judy Stewart

Dates

Dunlop Park Beef Field Day: Wednesday February 20th, 10.50am

Dunlop Park Annual Bull Sale: Tuesday March 26th, 11.30am

Annual Beef Field Day



We cordially invite you to attend our annual field day on Wednesday February 20th.

The field day is a joint effort with the MLA “More Beef from Pastures” program and we are extremely grateful to Peter Ball of TIAR for his help in organising the field day.

Speakers

The speakers for this year’s field day will be;

Dr. Stephen Lee: Stephen works in the School of Animal and Veterinary Science at the University of Adelaide, and has conducted research within the Beef CRC’s maternal productivity program. Stephen is now part of the CRC’s beef champions network charged with taking the key outcomes from the CRC’s research and assisting the beef industry to apply them.

Dale Grey: Dale is former co-owner of DCA (Devonport City Abattoir) and has extensive experience in the beef industry. He currently farms at Lower Barrington.

Peter Ball: Peter will be familiar to many of you, his knowledge of and enthusiasm for the beef industry is enormous. Peter is attached to TIAR and runs the MLA “more beef from pastures” program.

Robin Thompson: Robin is the Manager of the Agricultural Policy Group with DPIW (Department of Primary Industries, Parks, Water and Environment).

The Day

We are delighted to have Dr Stephen Lee as the keynote speaker for the day. Stephen will give two talks; in the morning he will discuss MSA compliance and dark cutting, and how breeding for muscularity and temperament can affect this; then in the afternoon he will discuss maternal productivity in relation to heifer conception, re-conception in the cow and the efficiency of producing weaner kg’s.

To make the day more interesting and practical several talks will be given in the stockyards with Dunlop Park cattle. In the morning Dale Grey will be talking about a pen of steers and in the afternoon Stephen’s talk will focus on a pen of heifers.

Robin’s talk will also be of interest, he will be discussing how to discern whether the agricultural advice you are given is reliable or not.

Draft Program

10.50 am	Welcome - Brian Stewart (Dunlop Park Angus Stud)
11.00 am	Stephen Lee, MSA grading and dark cutting
11.30 am	Dale Grey, in stock yards, with steers
12.00 am	Lunch: Latrobe Lions Club
12.50 pm	Peter Ball
1.10 pm	Stephen Lee – CRC’s maternal productivity program
2.00 pm	Robin Thompson – Science or Science fiction
2.30 pm	Close

The day is free and open to all beef producers regardless of which breed you run. Morning Tea and Lunch will be provided. You are welcome to turn up on the day if you make a last minute decision to come along, however it would help us to know how many to cater for if you could let us know that you are coming beforehand.

RSVP

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Bruce Stewart 1925-2012



**Bruce (right) at
our Field day
Feb 9th 2012,
with Eliza Wood
(ABC rural radio),
and Kees Schuurin
(Smithton)**

We were saddened this year by the passing of Bruce, husband, father, grandfather and friend and role model to us all here at Dunlop Park. We are extremely grateful for the kind tributes sent by many of you following Bruce's passing.

Bruce had many achievements in his life, he was warden (now called mayor) of Latrobe for 14 years from 1972, he was President, then treasurer and finally a life member of the Tasmanian Farmers and Graziers association and he was a long serving Board member and life member of Angus Australia.

Bruce and Patricia Stewart founded the Dunlop Park Angus Stud in 1975. For many years as they showed our cattle at the major Agricultural shows in Tasmania. They also had a strong involvement with

Angus youth, helping to run national events such as the national judging competition held in Wodonga and the Angus youth Roundup. In recent years they were proud to take some of their grandchildren along as participants. In 2001, in honour of their work Angus Youth instigated the Stewart Award, which is now a major award at the National Angus Youth Roundup.

Bruce was also an accredited national judge of Angus cattle and judged at many of the shows in Tasmania and some interstate.

Patricia, in partnership with Brian and Dorothy, Ian and Judy are continuing the Dunlop Park Angus Stud, breeding along the lines that Bruce liked.



Bruce and Patricia

The Dunlop Park Cow Herd

Over the past few years we have collected information from sources such as old Angus society herd books to create a database of the Dunlop Park cow families. We can trace the history of many families back as far as the early 1950's. It is interesting to see their origins in some of the great herds of the past 60 years such as Springvale, Creekton, Victoree, Terinallum, Kahlua, Currawidgen, Wallah and Wambanumbah. A description of each of our cow families appears on our website and is also placed in our catalogue.

In selecting and breeding our females we have tried to retain the features of the Australian cow herd, which have been the strong foundation for the success of the Angus Breed in Australia. These are ease of calving, fertility and low maintenance requirements (the ability to "do" and produce a calf on grass).

Dunlop Park Annual Bull Sale

Tuesday March 26th - 11.30am

On property Helmsman Auction

Viewing from 10am on sale day or prior to the sale any time by appointment

We may have some females in the sale however this has yet to be decided

A BBQ lunch will be available after the sale.

Features 25 outstanding Dunlop Park Bulls
 7 grandsons of Netherton Lord Jordan
 Some of our best ever carcase scan results
 Currently the average daily gain is 1.39 kg/day and from birth it is 1.12 kg'/day

Featured Sires

Dunlop Park Ambassador A82 He is a grandson of Jake of Turihaua (NZ) His progeny scanned exceptionally well, with one son recording our highest ever EMA (111cm at 519 days). A82's progeny had a gain of 1.45kg/day at scan and a gain from birth of 1.12 kg/day

Talooby Zulu Z98 His calves continue to impress, they have frame, growth and excellent muscling.

Dunlop Park Direction D50 Direction has Woodbourn, Chale, Creekton and the Dunlop Park Stardust family in his pedigree. A classic Tasmanian Angus pedigree.

Dunlop Park Dean D92 A low birth weight heifer bull and a good example of our policy of preserving Australian bloodlines.

Our two Netherton Lord Jordan sons:

Dunlop Park Emperor E18 His dam is from the Glisper family, which also produced another of our current stud sires Dunlop Park Falcon F7

Dunlop Park Edinburgh E31 His sons have the highest average daily gains. He has a wonderful temperament.

Some examples of our sale bulls

You can tell by the green grass that the photos were taken in November ☺



Dunlop park Gordon G34 (E31 son)
Used as a heifer bull due to his low birth weight



Dunlop Park Galahad G10 (Zulu son)

Catalogues will be available mid February and can also be viewed on our web-site
<http://www.dunloppark.iinet.net.au>

**The Dunlop Park Angus Stud
is now on Facebook**

**We regularly post photos of
and information about our
cattle.**



