

Newsletter - Turihau Angus

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Turihaua has been breeding Angus Cattle for over 100 years and one of its main selection criteria has always been phenotype. This has never changed. The other selection tools we now have available to us is a multitude of EBV figures for specific traits; the main ones being Calving Ease, Maternal, Fertility, Growth and Carcase Traits and DNA profiling for genetic gain. We are very mindful of the importance of these tools but believe they are a reflection of the genetic potential of any given animal and therefore should never be used without considering the phenotype and general structure of any animal.

East Coast Angus Bull Walk

Wednesday 30 April –
Thursday 1 May



A selection of R2 sale bulls will be on display on Thursday 1 May 10:30am - 12pm. Herd sires will also be on display, Lunch will be provided.



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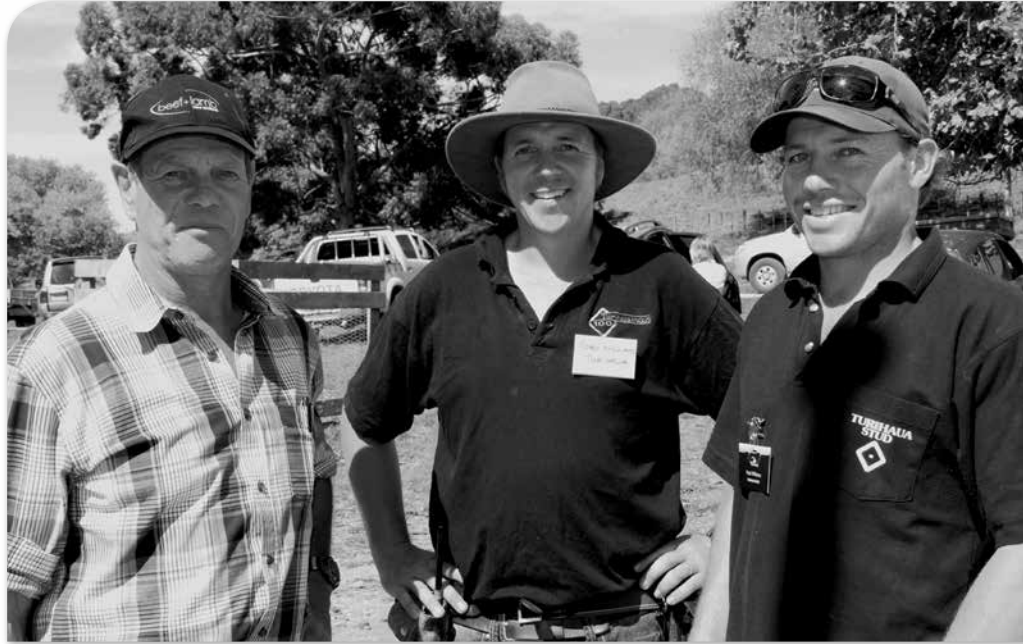
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Turihaua ANGUS

Breeding Excellence since 1906



The team



The boys

Hamish, Toby and Paul

Turihaua is now under the guardianship of the next generation. We are really enjoying having both Toby and Paul at home. For the time being, Toby is the Commercial Stock Manager and Paul is the Stud Stock Manager. You may well ask where Hamish fits in now. He is still the

overall BOSS but is now happy to step back and let the boys take a lot more responsibility. It's a real team effort as we move forward through the options and challenges that Farm Succession offers.

2013 Bull Sale Review

The 2013 R2 sale was steady with 81 bulls averaging \$7100.00. 30 averaged \$9700.00 and 51 averaged \$5560.00. One stud bull sold to Cricklewood Stud Lot 3, Turihaua Allblack G248. His grand dam is Turihaua Q263 a donor cow and sire is Turihaua Black Emperor.

We sold 29 Yearling bulls for an average of \$3320.00. The sale was well

supported again by Montrose Station and our regular local clients.

It is important to note that we are selling up to 110 bulls at auction each year.

This equates to well over half the male calf drop for each particular year.

World Angus Forum Roundup

This was a spectacle on many levels. Turihau played their part. We had an exhibition stand that Ian Smail helped us design and construct. We met many new people and formed a lot of new friendships from around the globe. Turihau semen and embryo packages were available and we have had several sales from this exposure. We showed a video during the forum that gave everyone an insight into our cattle and breeding philosophies. You can watch this video from our website.

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Turihau Exhibition stand
At the World Angus Forum



Turihau H203
Led by Patrick Crawshaw

We had a team of heifers there. Paul began their training and then Alan Haywood very kindly prepared them for us just prior to the Forum. They looked magnificent in the hands of the Youth Team, NZ Black. The heifers went under the hammer and H203 sold to Allan and Trish Haywood at Oakview Angus for \$6000.00. The 150 year Celebration Dinner was a very special celebration, especially the introduction with the convergence of the Scottish Pipe band and the Maori haka group. You had to be there to feel the mood of the occasion. Many old acquaintances were rekindled and many more new friends made.



Farm Information Day. Tuesday 20 May

Included with this newsletter is an invitation to join us for an informative Field Day hosted by Abron Fertilizer and Eastland Veterinary Services.

The theme for the day is...

Healthy Soils

Healthy Plants

Healthy Animals.

There will be a practical soil analysis component to the day. We have been using Abron fertiliser systems for the past 4 years and have already noticed better soil health, improved pastures and less scouring in livestock. We hope you can come.

You can register by calling
Abron; ph. 0800 722 766 or us ph. 06 8688421.

2014 Bull R2 sale prospects

We have some quality bulls for sale in June. Sons by Turihau Rex E297 and Turihau Foreman B235 are looking particularly impressive.

Many of the top bulls are out of donor cows. If you are looking for good commercial bulls that will handle any conditions the Turihau Foreman and Turihau Universal sons will perform well. Turihau Caesar is leaving sound stock with plenty of fleshing. We know there will be something there to suit all budgets.

All bulls have been Blockey tested, Vet inspected and independently inspected.



GISBORNE ON A PLATE

Gisborne's hospitality sector – our finest cafes, restaurants and their leading chefs will take part in this regional signature dish competition showcasing the best of the regions food. The event runs through May. There are three categories the chefs can enter – Lunch, Dinner, Dessert.

Along with Darryn from the Gisborne Deli, we have entered the Lunch category. Darryn will be serving up the following lunch dish through the month of May. Darryn is also presenting Manuka Smoked Lamb Cutlets in association with Ovation New Zealand.

Get behind this exciting competition. Treat yourselves and whenever you are in town during May have lunch at the Gisborne Deli and order the Slow Smoked Turihaua Beef Slider.

You will be the judges and will be asked to score the dishes you taste.

Slow-cooked Turihaua Beef Slider

Tender aged Turihaua Angus Beef Skirt Steak is slow cooked in a rich beef jus, and served in a soft white bun, moistened with sweet mustard onions, roast garlic aioli and fresh, crisp Rocket salad. Our Aged Turihaua Angus Beef, is grass fed from the coastal hills north of Gisborne, we believe the salty crust on the grass eaten by our beef is one of the reasons why it taste's so good. The other is the effort to age the beef, air drying the beef body, on the bone to retain moisture and flavour.

A Slider is the new hip word for a small designer burger!



East Coast Angus Cross Country Cattle Tour

Last month we held the Annual Angus Ward Tour in the East Coast Region. It was a tour with a difference. Everyone travelled in 4x4 vehicles allowing the tour to

travel through some of the Stud Breeders properties. This gave everyone an opportunity to see first hand the type of contour and pasture that East Coast livestock are bred and grown on. We hosted the group for lunch at the airstrip and they were able to drive through part of the Stud block on the way. Paul had a great array of cattle on display including 300 mixed age cows, yearling heifers and bulls, a selection of sale bulls and the Donor cows with their calves at foot. We had very positive feedback about the tour and I think Cross Country Angus Cattle Tours might be here to stay.

*Over half of the vehicles on tour were Toyota's.
Photo taken at Turihaua Airstrip with a group of sale bulls.*



Theileria Update

We are pleased to report that we have had no livestock affected with Theileria since the initial detection of the disease.

Calves, both Stud and commercial weaned well and stress levels at this time were kept to a minimum through careful management at yard weaning, then plenty of good

pasture for them following that.

We have been vigilant keeping good feed cover and good water supplies up to all stock at all times.

Tick control was done several times in the younger stock in the spring, early summer.



STAFF

Harry Murtagh

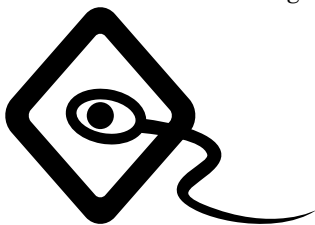


Harry started work here as a Stud Stock Shepherd in November. Harry did his apprenticeship at Waipaoa Farm Cadet Training Trust. He has become a valuable member of the staff and shows great aptitude with all stock and is having some success at the Dog Trials around the district.

Max Williams



There has been a new arrival. We welcomed Max Williams to the fold on 6 February. This is Paul and Sarah's first born. He's a chip off the old block and already giving us all great joy.



Get Ahead Experience Day

We place a lot of emphasis on encouraging the next generation into the Agricultural Industry. With this in mind we were very happy to host the Get Ahead

Experience Day for Gisborne students. This was run through Beef and Lamb NZ and NZ Young Farmers. The theme was on "Pasture to Plate" and focused on how every job in the agricultural industry contributes to food production in New Zealand. Over 100 students and teachers from around the district attended and were exposed to 10 agricultural industry related modules.

The day gave the students a great insight into vocations that are directly related to the New Zealand Agricultural Industry.



Portrait Exhibition

Frank Schwere, a German Photographer now living in Auckland approached us to do three portraits of one of our bulls, cows and a yearling. Portrait photography is traditionally of people but Frank wanted to portray the majesty and beauty of the Oxen. He captured these three

magnificent shots which were part of a Portrait Exhibition at Two Rooms Gallery in Auckland. As a city boy he was humbled by how quiet the cattle were as he was only metres in front of them when the shots were taken.



Turihaua H253



Turihaua Rex



Turihaua Z91

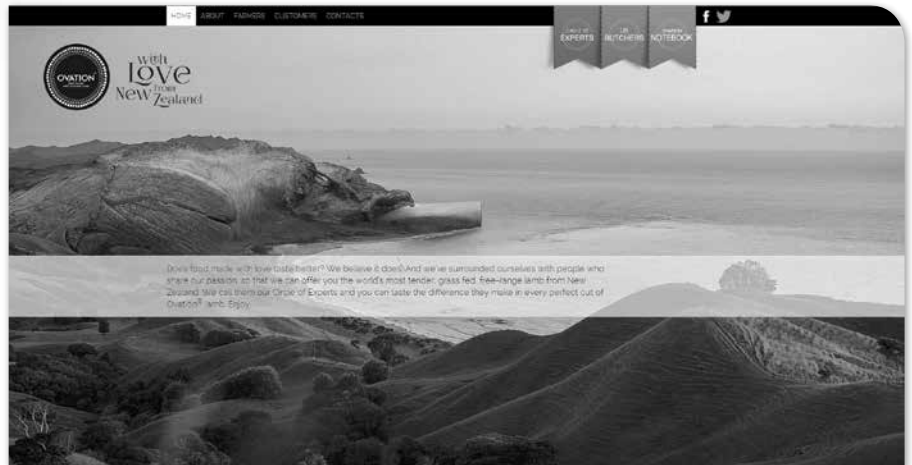
Ovation New Zealand and Turihaua – a partnership

Ovation New Zealand has had a website make-over and we are now part of their new look.

The website features their new strategy and food partners. Photographs of Turihaua landscapes, sheep and staff are used to portray their new “Circle of Experts” story. Have a look at the site I’m sure you will be impressed and informed.

Ovation quote from website home page...

“Does food made with love taste better? We believe it does. And we’ve surrounded ourselves with people who share our passion, so that we can offer you the world’s most tender, grass fed, free-range lamb from New Zealand. We call them our Circle of Experts and you can taste the difference they make in every perfect cut of Ovation® lamb.”



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Turihaua wins with Ovation NZ



Turihaua won the Ovation Supreme Champion Lamb and Champion pen of three lambs on the hook at the Poverty Bay A&P Show. Toby deserves all the praise for growing out the lambs and along with Steve Goldsbury selecting them to the criteria for judging.

Turihaua wins Ovation Supreme Champion Lamb and Champion pen of three lambs on hook at Poverty Bay A&P Show. From left; Steve Goldsbury (PGG Wrightson), Pat Maher (Ovation Commercial Manager) Grant Allen (Ovation Livestock Manager), Toby Williams, Hamish Williams

Generation Angus NZ

Generation Angus encompasses Youth Members of Angus New Zealand.

They held their first Workshop in Gisborne as a prelude to the Cross Country Cattle Tour. 20 young attended from around the country.

We hosted one the days at Turihaua. Hamish spoke to them about Turihaua studs longevity in the stud breeding industry and Farm Succession. . A workshop was held on Farm Succession which was hosted by Ian Blackman. He spoke about his book, “Keeping Farming in the Family,” If you would like a copy of this book give Ian a call on 07 343 1620 or email ian@rurallaw.co.nz It is an insightful read and if nothing else will get you thinking about your family’s future on the farm.

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2014 JUNE SALE

Tuesday 24 June - 3pm

2014 YEARLING SALE

Wednesday 24 September - 1.00pm



BEHIND EVERY GOOD BULL IS A GREAT COW

The foundation of the Turihaua Breeding Programme is its Cow Herd. Over the last 108 years the cow herd has evolved through continuous selection pressure and uncompromising breeding commitment. Emphasis is placed on fertility, easy fleshing and excellent udder quality. Structural soundness and phenotype are of utmost importance as the herd is run under commercial conditions on hill country.

These efforts have produced one of the strongest cow herds in the country.

The next generation of Donor Dams



Turihaua V113 V113 has produced 7 natural calves and 36 calves to date. 8 sons have sold and 12 daughters are in the herd. Embryos have sold to Vanuatu and Grampions Stud. A very fertile cow. Calf at foot is Turihaua J168 by Rennylea Edmund E11.



Turihaua Y93 Deep bodied very sound cow by Turihaua Hi Glow. Calf at foot is Turihaua J166. Exporting embryos.



Turihaua C128 A Turihaua Crumble daughter. Has had 5 calves in 5 years. 3 sons have sold. Structurally very sound cow, deep bodied with a great udder. Rearing J244 by Turihaua Universal D117.



Turihaua B165 Has reared 6 calves in 6 years. 3 daughters are in the herd. 1 son has sold. Rearing J254 by Turihaua Universal D117.



Turihaua Z28 Has reared 7 calves in 7 years. 1 son has sold and 2 daughters are in the herd. A lovely soft coated cow with constitution and is structurally sound.



Turihaua V256 7 natural calves in 7 years and 27 ET calves to date. 2 sons and 1 daughter have sold with transfer. 8 daughters contribute to the herd. Embryos have sold to Schaff Angus Valley, USA and Vanuatu. Predominantly NZ genetics.

Sons on offer this June by:

Turihaua Rex E297, Turihaua Liberation C27, Turihaua Scrum E123, Turihaua Universal D117, Waiterenui Theo C102, Turihaua Foreman B235

Selling up to 90 2 yr bulls - Tuesday 24 June 3.00pm

Selling 30 yearling bulls - Wednesday 24 September 1.00pm

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