

The 39th annual Greenham Trade and Export Cattle (hoof and hook) competition saw a yarding of 75 entries with a quality field of 48 yearling steers and heifers, and 27 heavy prime beef steers, entries being accepted in pens of three. Each year this competition hosts the best line-up of 100% grass finished cattle in Australia.

The hoof section was again unable to be held due to the unfortunate cancellation of this year's Circular Head Show due to Covid-19 regulations.

Prizes this year totalled over \$8000 in value, with thanks to our many sponsors for their continuing generosity that makes the competition possible. We also appreciate the extensive support of Greenham Tasmania. The disruption to the daily routine of the plant to cater for the competition is considerable.

Valued sponsors include Rabobank, Elanco Animal Health, Gallagher Australia, Chemvet, Zoetis, Incitec-Pivot, Datamars, Coopers Animal Health, Impact Fertilisers, Red Angus Australia (Tas Members) and the Frankcombe family, Nutrien Ag Solutions, and Virbac Australia. Also thank you to local sponsors Perry's Quality Meats, Smithton Vet Service, Leon and Diana Gee, Anthony's at Highfield and Western Plains Beef.

The judging of the carcase section of the competition was held at Greenham Tasmania, Smithton, with the data compiled and results determined by Janine Lau at R&D and Integrity Manager MLA.

Winner in the Yearling class was Brett McGlone, which came with the Rex Frankcombe Memorial Trophy. Second was Milton & Gaylene De Jonge and third was new entrant Clint Lette from Jetsonville.

Prime Beef Steer class was won by Les and Troy Porteus, winning the Greenham Tasmania Trophy, with Red Pasture Beef second and another Porteus entry third.

Livestock Manager Graeme Pretty was impressed with the carcases this year, reflecting a very productive pasture season and congratulated the winners. There were several outstanding animals, with Joe and Robyn Elphinstone presenting the highest Index Score of 67.50, a magnificent carcase. All of the Class Two entries returned over \$3000 a head, a figure no-one predicted possible.

The committee look forward to the continuation of a prosperous season for Tasmanian beef producers and hope to have another impressive line-up of cattle at the 2022 Circular Head Show next year.

HOOK RESULTS

Class One - Yearling 220-360kg HSCW (Local Trade)

1st Brett McGlone (Rex Frankcombe Memorial Trophy)

2nd Milton & Gaylene De Jonge

3rd Clint Lette Dalgety

4th Isabella McGlone

5th Banna Holdings

Class Two - Prime Steer 360-440kg HSCW (Japanese Export)

1st Les Porteus (GREENHAM TASMANIA Trophy)

2nd Red Pasture Beef

3rd Les and Troy Porteus

4th Smart Brothers

5th Crighton Horton

Highest Scoring animal in the competition (Perry's Quality Meats)

Body 95 scored 89.36 points, Isabella McGlone

Greenham Junior Development Prize for the best performer under 18 years of age Isabella McGlone for 4th place Class One

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