



AGA Galloway News

Autumn 2023

From the President...

Hi Fellow Galloway Family Enthusiasts,

We are becoming a bigger family with a number of new members being approved on a regular basis. This is great and we all have a responsibility to welcome new members, to sell them good stock, get all the admin done in a timely fashion and follow up contact to ask how they are going.

To new members welcome and we all hope you enjoy taking up the Galloway Challenge.

To all that are contemplating selling or purchasing Galloway cattle, please read the Purchasing and Selling Guidelines which can be found on the the AGA Website, in the Cattle for Sale pages.

Canberra Show has just happened and other shows and field days are happening around the country and hopefully there will be AGA members participating. Wishing you all success and a good time.

Other ways of showing off the attributes of our cattle is carcass competitions and the Gippsland Grazing Trials. In these, Galloways have a distinguished record over many decades. Why not pick out a couple of steers and have a go, or get Galloways to a school to show them! but I would suggest asking for some advice if

you are new to it. YouTube Webinars could be a good place to start.

For more information on marketing the whole Galloway Breed first and your stock second, I suggest reading the AGA Marketing Plan, available from the AGA office. The Members are the best people for marketing and the AGA is there to help where it can.

The AGA AGM weekend will be upon us very soon. The field day, dinner and the Members' Forum are the main events along with the AGM. It should be an enjoyable weekend and I look forward to seeing friends and meeting new members.

For 'The Breed of Choice'
Mal Cock



AGA Field Day, Dinner AGM and Members' Forum Programme 25th and 26th March 2023

All members, family and friends are welcome at the Australian Galloway Association's Annual General Meeting and Field Day being held at Yowani Country Club, 455 Northbourne Avenue, Lyneham, ACT, and Hanwa Park Stud, Gunning, New South Wales.

Saturday 25th March

Field Day

To be held at Warwick and Ellen Bennett's Hanwa Park Stud, 76 Pedell Lane, Gunning NSW.

9.30 am Registration and Welcome
10.00 am Start of morning session. Following a break for lunch and
until refreshments the afternoon session will take place. There will be
4.30 pm plenty of opportunities for participants to ask questions.

Dinner

6.30 for Dinner and drinks (drinks at your own cost) at the Yowani Country Club 455
7.00 pm Northbourne Avenue, Lyneham, ACT. Catch up and relax with fellow members.
Our guest speaker Mark Burgess, DMB Stud, will speak about this journey with
Galloways, and is sure to keep you entertained.

Sunday 26th March

Annual General Meeting and Members' Forum

Venue Yowani Country Club 455 Northbourne Avenue, Lyneham, ACT
9.30 am Annual General Meeting
10.30 am Morning Tea
10.45 am Members' Forum
12.30pm Close

Your RSVP is required for catering purposes and must be made to the Executive Officer, Sallie Wadley by Friday 17th March 2023. Phone 0400 952 510 or email office@galloway.asn.au.

Please advise if you have any special dietary requirements.

Cost for the weekend is \$100.00, which covers morning and afternoon teas, Saturday lunch and Saturday dinner. Drinks at the dinner are at your own expense.

Please make payment with your RSVP.

Payment can be made by cheque, or direct credit to the Association's account:

BSB 067013 Account 10020578

Accommodation

Accommodation is available at the Yowani Country Club www.yowani.com.au/cms/the-club/accommodation, or phone 02 6241 3377. If the Country Club is full, accommodation can also be found at the Pavilion on Northbourne, <https://pavilioncanberra.com.au> which is a short drive from the Country Club.

Be COVID Safe Please practice physical distancing where practical to do so, and practice good hygiene. If you are feeling unwell or have COVID like symptoms, please do not attend.

New Members

A warm welcome is extended to the following new members who have recently joined the Association. We wish you all the best in your journey with the Galloway Family and many years enjoyment of your Galloway cattle.

Full Members

Caine Hancock
Cooranbong NSW
Cajulah CJH
Miniature Belted Galloways

Loretta Filliponi
Kilmeny Vic
Billmaur LAH
Miniature Galloways

Guy and Rochelle Noble
Oallen NSW
Faffalot Minis FAB
Miniature Belted Galloways

Robert &Tania Santamaria
Candelo NSW
Stoney Creek SCS
Belted Galloways

Loretta Filliponi
Kilmeny Vic
Billmaur LAH
Miniature Galloways

Michael Cushing and Belinda Burley
Yenden Vic
Moonlight Park MLP
Miniature Galloways

Maree Livermore
Tantawangalo NSW
Tantawangaol TMF
Miniature Galloways

Phillip and Peta Cock
Tarcutta NSW
Amberley Park Mini's APM
Miniature Galloways

Jonathan Mewett
Landers Shoot Qld
Old Pecan Farm OPF
Miniature Belted Galloways

Joshua Thornton
Townsville Qld
Razorback RAZ
Miniature Galloways

Angela Baxter and Zenia Pearl
Gundaroo NSW
Rainbow Micro Farm RMF
Miniature Belted Galloways

Kristy Derrig
Bargo NSW
Craggy Glen KCG
Belted Galloways

Mitchell Connett and Tiani Dederer
Muswellbrook NSW
Adarose ADR
Galloways

Fiona Hargraves
Belangelo NSW 2577
Faraway FFS
Miniature Galloways

Hettie Biersteker
Murrindindi Vic
Silvan Park SP
Belted Galloways

Jenni Phillips and Greg Bolster
Echunga SA
Skyview SKV
Galloways

Heidi McFarland and Steven Gander
Groomsville Qld
Groomsville GGM
Miniature Galloways

Commercial Members:

Glenn and Cheryl McLachlan
Maffra Vic

Webinar 12th April

We are very pleased to advise that Ali Hilli, Jalaway Belted Galloway Beef, will be presenting the next information webinar, on Wednesday the 12th April 2023. Ali has been breeding and showing Belted Galloways for many years and will be discussing breaking in of cattle.

Webinar details will be available closer to the date but in the meantime please mark this date in your diaries.

Website

The Association's website is in the process of being renewed, so we are looking for good, fresh new photos, stories and videos, for use on the new site. Please email them to the office for consideration.

Committee Information

Committee

The Committee has met several times since the last newsletter was issued, as well as holding a workshop in Melbourne where all but two of the committee were able to meet in person, with one attending via Zoom.

Regional Groups

A regional group meeting will be held on Sunday the 16th April for South Australian members to have an informal catch up. The venue is at Whola Hut stud, the home of Judith McCallum, at Mt Torrens. Judith will supply a barbecue lunch and looks forward to meeting you then.

An email will be sent to all South Australian members with further details, but please mark the date in your diaries now.

Herdbook Errors

If you see an error in the herdbook in relation to your cattle, please contact the office and we will organise to have it fixed. Similarly, you should check your certificates when you receive them after your cattle have been registered and if there are errors please let us know so they can be fixed.

Transfers

Recently there have been many transfers received which have not been completed correctly. **Please remember to sign the reverse of the registration certificate to authorise the transfer.**

If you don't have the registration certificate of the animal to be transferred, a transfer form may be completed in its place. If the sections to complete the details of the sale have all been used, a transfer form should be completed to accompany the original registration certificate, and in the case of calves being sold at foot which have not yet been registered, an Application for Registration form must be completed and forwarded to the AGA office with the transfer details, using a transfer form

to notify of the sale. Don't forget that all miniatures must be measured and the hip heights recorded on the Miniature Height Recording form. The animal will be transferred as a Miniature providing it falls within the specified heights for its age on the Miniature Height Chart.

If you are selling cattle to a non member, it is still important to transfer the registration. Quite often we see cattle that have been onsold and then purchased by an AGA member, so transferring to a non member makes it simple to trace the chain of ownership and then easy to transfer to the AGA member further down the line.

DNA SNP Testing

Currently the DNA SNP testing has blown out to around eight weeks, so if you need registrations for shows, please send in your tail hair samples early. Please note we can also organise testing for red colour genes as well as sire and dam verification.

Members' Forum

The next Members' Forum will be held following the Annual General meeting on the 26th March at the Yowani Country Club, Northbourne Avenue, Lyneham, ACT. It's a good opportunity to discuss ideas and opportunities with other members and if you'd like a topic for discussion circulated to members to have a think about prior to the forum, please contact the office. Zoom will be available if you are unable to attend in person.

Facebook Pages

The AGA has only one Facebook page and has no control over, or input into, the content of other Galloway Facebook

pages. If you or require clarification, or are unsure of the content of other pages in relation to AGA matters, please contact the office or committee for correct information.

Miniature Galloway Hip Height Recording

Members are reminded of their current obligation under the By-Laws to submit hip heights of miniature Galloways at the age of 2 years and 4 years.

This year we are requesting all 2019 born cattle, those with tattoos commencing with a "Q" are measured and their height charts forwarded to the office for recording their mature heights, and all 2021 born cattle, tattoos commencing with "S" for recording their two year old heights.

AGA Merchandise

Shows and field days seem to be full steam ahead across the country.

If you'd like some Annuals to take with you to a show or field day, get in touch with the office, and we can post some to you to distribute to interested people who you see and talk to at your event.

A way of identifying yourself is the use of the AGA woolen vest. The vest is also part of the AGA's show uniform, which includes denim jeans, a chambray shirt (pale blue colour) and either a Galloway tartan tie or scarf. There are now ties and scarves in stock and a wide range of sizes in the vests. If you need a vest, here is an example of the sizing (please note the sizes are not generous):

	Chest measurement
Size 16	95 cm
Size 18	100 cm
Size 20	105 cm
Size 22	110 cm

Stud Beef Victoria Cattle Handlers Camp

This camp is open to all ages and will run from Thursday the 20th to Sunday the 23rd April 2023, and is being held at the Royal Geelong Showgrounds. **Entries are now open and close on the 3rd April 2023.** See the website for more information and to make an online entry: <https://www.studbeef.com.au/handlers-camp#camp-information>

The camp has instruction and activities around cattle handling, grooming and presentation and is a fantastic opportunity to learn skills, and is open to, and suitable for, all ages. For more information contact Sue Boland, Handlers Camp Administrator
Phone: [0408 766 206](tel:0408766206)
Email: sbvchc3@gmail.com



PULLED GALLOWAY BEEF IN BBQ SAUCE

Pauline Dunk has provided this delicious recipe for the family to enjoy.

Ingredients

1 tbsp olive oil
1.1 kg of Galloway Brisket or Chuck

Sauce

1 onion, finely chopped
3 cloves garlic, finely chopped
1 red chili, deseeded and finely chopped
1 tbsp tomato paste
100 ml white wine vinegar
Juice 1 orange
Pinch ground cloves
1 tbsp demerara sugar
1tbsp runny honey
300ml passata
150 ml hot vegetable stock
Salt and freshly ground pepper

Instructions

Pre heat oven to 160 C
Mix all the BBQ sauce ingredients together in a bowl, season well with salt and pepper.
Heat the oil in a large flameproof casserole over a medium – high heat. Season beef with salt and pepper and sear for 4-6 minutes on all sides until the beef is browned evenly.
Add the BBQ sauce and let bubble for a minute.
Cover and place in the oven for 3-4 hours checking regularly that it does not dry out, you can top with a little hot water but not too much.
Remove the beef from the oven and shred with two forks remove any excess fat if any!

Pour the sauce over the beef and serve with bread roll and a leafy salad or on a baked potato and sweet corn.

Galloway Plan

With thanks to Joanne Tesoriero for supplying the following:

It's the month of March of a new year already. Now we are approaching a new financial year. Getting ready for new budgets and plans.

Most of our newsletter readers are Galloway breeders. Whether we breed Galloways for pleasure or profit (hopefully both), we need to plan our year as detailed as we possibly can.

Let's meet Farmer Bob. He plans his year on a spreadsheet. Month by month, day by day.

Farmer Bob does not have an off farm job and the children have left the nest. For Farmer Bob health and family come first, so when planning your year consider:

1. Health
2. Family
3. Off farm job
4. Finances
5. Farm

Items 1,2 and 3 (don't forget to include yourself) are probably your priorities, so record these commitments on your year planner first.

Finance and farm planning should be planned together. The success of your farm will influence your finances and vice versa.

There is no set template for a farm plan. There are so many environmental variants between regions.

Do an assessment of your farm:

- Rainfall
- Soil type
- Vegetation
- Temperature
- Seasons
- Stocking rate
- Livestock diseases
- Finances

Determine when you need to:

- Plant crops and or pasture
- Harvest or make hay
- Join your cows (AI or natural)
- Calving
- Marking calves
- Livestock treatments
- Weaning
- Marketing/selling
- Showing

- Office work

For example Farmer Bob needs to consider that for calves born after September bacterial scours can be an issue.

Farmer Bob can then plan:

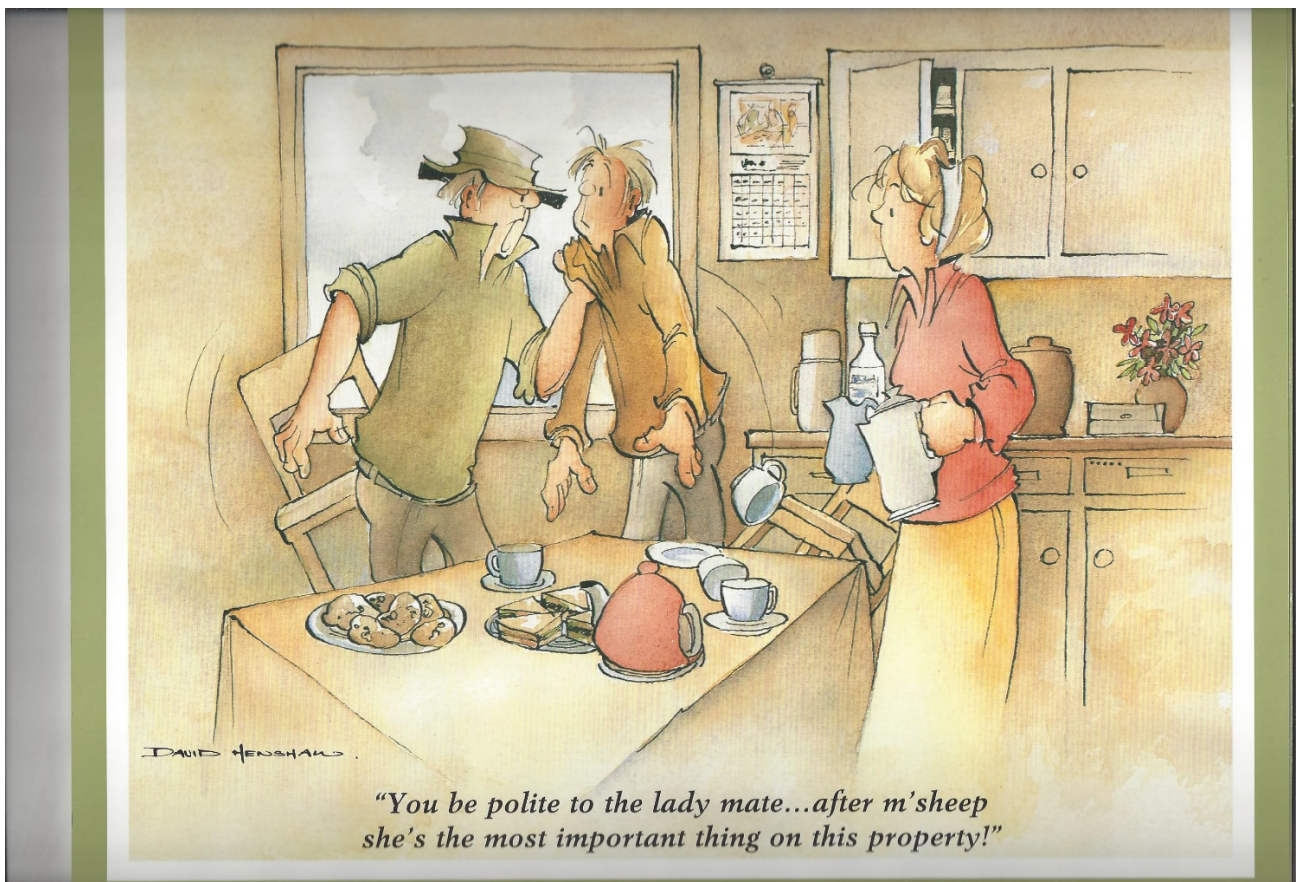
- Calving from July – September
- Joining will need to be October – December the previous year
- Mark calves early December before it gets too hot
- Weaning will need to be March – April of the following year (Weaners receive treatments)
- Sell steer portion to feedlot October – November approx. 6 months after weaning

Even this one little process of planning involves a lot of time - from joining to selling is a period of approximately 2 years.

Remember your priorities Self and Family first.

HAPPY GALLOWAY PLANNING. If you would like Farmer Bob's template email Joanne Tesoriero.

wyanbah@bigpond.com



NB: The AGA hopes the above information is helpful. As with all information, please consider how it may relate to you and investigate other sources of information before making decisions.

Upcoming Events

March

25th and 26th

AGA AGM and Field Day

30th, 31st and 1st April

Toowoomba Royal Show

www.toowoombashow.com.au/royal-show/schedule/

31st and 1st and 2nd April

Seymour Alternative Farming Expo

www.seymourexpo.com.au

April

12th

Webinar – halter training cattle

16th

South Australian regional meeting

20th to 23rd

Stud Beef Victoria Cattle Handlers Camp

<https://www.studbeef.com.au/handlers-camp#camp-information>

September

16th to 22nd

World Galloway Conference, Bern,

Switzerland

Entries have been extended to 31 May.

[www.galloway.asn.au/Downloads/Intinerary & Registrations Switzerland 2023.pdf](http://www.galloway.asn.au/Downloads/Intinerary%20&%20Registrations%20Switzerland%202023.pdf)

Flood Information

Possibly a little late, but some useful information can be found here:

www.mla.com.au/research-and-development/dealing-with-natural-disasters/flood-recovery/

Out and About

Huon and Brighton Shows, Tasmania November 2022

Valley View Miniature Galloways made their show ring debut in Tasmania, attending the Brighton show in early November, and the next week doing it all again at the Huon Show. Sam reported: "We took Spring Blossom, Sleeping Beauty and Sapphire to the Brighton Show. For their first night trip away from home, they set the bar high! Both Sapphire and Sleeping Beauty were shown and both placed - Sleeping Beauty was awarded both Champion Female and Champion Junior Female. Sapphire was awarded reserve in both classes. Over the 2 days, literally thousands of people met and stroked our little cows and I couldn't be prouder of them and how well they stepped up to the challenge.



Sam Phillips, Valley View Stud, at
Brighton Show

The following week we packed Sleeping Beauty, Sapphire, Rustic Spirit and her

calf Toto into the trailer and trundled down to the Huon Show. Having a cow and calf made for a very different experience. Darling Toto wowed and delighted the crowds, especially when he was awarded his very own little rosette for attending, had a drink off mum and then proceeded to fall into a very deep sleep and snore his little heart out! Once again, Sleeping Beauty and Sapphire were shown and placed Champion and reserve as they did at Brighton. The girls would have had thousands of hands on them today and did not put a hoof out of line.



Sam Phillips with Valley View Toto.



Josh Keech with Windaroo Farm Quinn

Royal Canberra Show 24th – 26th February 2023

Josh Keech, Windaroo Farm stud entered the Miniature Galloway and Miniature Belted Galloway classes this year, as well as the Belted Galloway Classes. Amy Birch was the judge, and here are the results:

Belted Galloway

12 months and not over 16 months old:

1. Jameson Park Sultana; Kaelan Reed

16 months not over 20 months:

1. Jalaway Should I Show; Josh Keech

Junior and Grand Champion Female:

Jameson Park Sultana

Reserve Champion Female:

Jalaway Should I Show

Supreme Champion Belted Galloway-
Jameson Park Sultana

Miniature Galloway and Miniature Belted Galloway

16 months not over 20 months:

1. Windaroo Farm Spring Lady: Josh Keech

30 months and over:

1. Windaroo Farm Quinn: Josh Keech

Junior Champion Female:

Windaroo Farm Spring Lady

Senior and Grand Champion Female:

Windaroo Farm Quinn

Supreme Miniature Galloway:

Windaroo Farm Quinn

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