

## **ROCKHAMPTON & MACKAY SHOWS 2008**

Three Squaremeaters studs (Wy-Knot, Top Hat & Southern Cross) exhibited at the Rockhampton & Mackay Shows in Central Queensland this year resulting in much interest and comment.

Rockhampton came first in early June. Many thanks from Southern Cross to Maurice & Shirley Lenz for their invaluable help and support during our first show. We have made many mistakes and had plenty of laughs along the path to “enlightenment”.

In Rockhampton, Squaremeaters achieved the following results:

Female under 12 months	1. Top Hat Candy
Bull under 12 months	1. Stonehill Ideas Man
Female 24 & under 30 months	1. Wy-Knot Berina
Female 30 months & over	1. Vesco Young Love 2. Warrill Creek Annie 3. Thurlool Park Zodiac
Bull 18 & under 24 months	1. Stonehill Silverado

It was fantastic to have such a great representation of Squaremeaters females in the Female 30 months and over class with a very deserving win to Vesco Young Love.



A hotly contested class – Female 30 months and over.

... and a great achievement for Stonehill Silverado to be awarded Grand Champion of the Squaremeaters Breed in only his second showing.

We were warned early on that “showing tradition” dictates that the stud who achieves Grand Champion has to shout at the bar. We were more than happy to oblige!

Two weeks later, the same three studs followed up with the Mackay Show which was judged as “All Breeds”. There was a slightly smaller turnout for Squaremeaters this time but no less enthusiastic with a special welcome from the Chief Steward as this was the first time Squaremeaters have been shown here.



Stonehill Silverado

Unfortunately, Stonehill Silverado was not there as he was sold the day after arriving home from the Rockhampton Show. We are happy to announce that he has taken up residence near Townsville and his new owner has expressed an interest in joining the Association.

Exhibits in Mackay were:

Female 9 to under 12 months	2 <sup>nd</sup> place - Top Hat Candy
Bull 9 to under 12 months	2 <sup>nd</sup> place - Stonehill Ideas Man
Female 24 & under 30 months	Wy-Knot Berina
Female 30 to under 36 months	Warrill Creek Annie
Female 36 to under 48 months	Thurloo Park Zodiac



Top Hat Candy – 2<sup>nd</sup> Female 9 to under 12 mths

Top Hat Candy took out 2<sup>nd</sup> place in the All Breeds Female 9 to under 12 months category.

A fantastic result for a wonderful Squaremeaters female who I’m sure will continue to enjoy great success at future shows.

Stonehill Ideas Man took out 2<sup>nd</sup> place as well in the All Breeds Bull 9 to under 12 months category behind the Charbray.



Stonehill Ideas Man and his Brahman and Charbray competition for Bull 9 to under 12 months

Wy-Knot Berina put in a credible performance on the day and Warrill Creek Annie and Thurlo Park Zodiac exhibited in their individual classes without competition.



Thurlo Park Zodiac & Warrill Creek Annie

The Squaremeaters claims of quiet temperament have been proven once again with the cattle standing calmly to be patted through the noise, excitement and fireworks of the Show.

We have had a great showing experience in Central Queensland this year and we strongly encourage all studs to join us in Rockhampton for Beef Week 2009. It promises to be huge!

Top Hat, Wy-Knot and Southern Cross Studs have started planning for Beef Week already so the challenge to all is out there!!



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