



WISP-WILL
Simmentalers & Simbras
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balanced breeding

SIMMENTALER TEELDOELWITTE 2009

1. VRUGBAARHEID EN RETENSIE

Dws. gereelde kalwing is by verre die belangrikste teelddoelwit. Tot 90% van die winsgewendheid van 'n koeikudde word deur koeivrugbaarheid bepaal. Retensie van kalwers na speen is ook baie belangrik.

2. "BALANCED BREEDING"/ BREED OBJECT

Die teelwaardes waarna gestreef word kom nou ooreen met die Genootskap se ideale TW's. Het gevind dat die winsgewensde diere gewoonlik gem. kalfgrootte, bogemiddelde groei en gem. finale massa met gem. na effe bog melk het. Dit is die diere wat makliker weer dragtig raak. By Simms is Breedobject klaar in plek wat 'n gesamentlike \$ of R waarde gee gebaseer op teelwaardes MET VRUGBAARHEID DIE BELANGRIKSTE. Kan nie wag vir Days to Calving teelwaardes nie! By Simbra kom Breedobject hopelik gou.

3. DNA TESTING

This is becoming more and more important as new marker genes are being found. In 10 years DNA testing will be more important than measuring and weighing for traits. A combined EBV will also be available incorporating measurements, eg weights and scrotal size, with DNA markers. This is revolutionary!! Then obviously eyeballing will still take place to check for structural correctness. This will be the third most important selection criteria.

4. THE POLLED FACTOR.

Our cattle are steadily becoming a predominantly polled herd. This is what the market wants. Yet we will not sacrifice the above points just for the polled factor. They must be good cattle in their own right.

5. "STRUCTURALLY SOUND ANIMALS SUPPLIED TO THE MARKET"

Vanselfsprekend. Behalwe vir streng inspeksie by keuring word diere weer 'gekeur' voor verkoop.

6. "SUPPLY HARDY ADAPTED BULLS AND FEMALES TO THE MARKET"

Diere word wel afgerond vir veilings maar nie in 'n voerkraal situasie nie. Fiksheid is baie belangrik. (sien my opsomming hieroor in die laaste nuusbrief). Selfs na speen moet jong bulle nie te goed opgepas word nie.

7. "PLANNED MATING RESULTING IN SIMMS WITH BALANCED EBV'S"

'n Mondvol maar eintlik redelik eenvoudig. Elke vroulike dier probeer onspas by 'n bul wat se TW's haar TW's sal komplementeer. Bedoelend die resultaat van die twee is 'n dier wat se TW's min of meer in die rasideaal pas.

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“PAYING SPECIFIC ATTENTION TO PHENOTYPE” pas ook hier bv. Sit .n donkerrooi bul by 'n ligte vroulike dier om by rooi uit te kom of bul met GROOT brille en baie in sy agtergrond by 'n koei met pienkoe. By Simbra kry mens natuurlik baie meer aftipe diere as by Simms en op fenotipe word baie meer afgekeur dws lyk nie soos Simbra nie. Simms is al lekker vasgeteel.

8 “IDENTIFY AND MAINTAIN COWLINES”

Het oor jare gevind dat koeilyne is baie belangrik. Kan baie hieroor gesels. Weet dat 50% van ma en 50% van pa af kom maar koeilyne is vir my belangriker as individuele bulle.

9. IMPROVE MEAT QUALITY AND CARCASS CHARACTERISTICS.

This is done by testing with Ultrasound scanning and also Genester DNA tests for feed efficiency, tenderness and marbling.

10. KEEP THE GENETIC BASE AS WIDE AS POSSIBLE.

Especially important in a developing breed like Simbra as inbreeding could so easily result if not checked. In Simm. still very important bur the base is wide so one doesn't easily run into problems. Did linebreeding in the past but be careful as it is actually a watereddown version of inbreeding. Keeping tabs on cowlines is something different.

IN SUMMING UP - THE ORDER OF IMPORTANCE IS MORE OR LESS FROM '1' TO '10'.

REMEMBER THE FIRST COMMANDMENT OF BREEDING – “THOU SHALT NOT SINGLE TRAIT SELECT” but also remember the more you select for the slower the progress . '1' and '2' have far more weighting than the rest.

Also refer to www.simmentaler.org/wisp-will.

Thankyou.

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