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Bazadais cross take out top awards Callide Dawson Carcase Competiton

THIS year the Callide Dawson had an incredible 404 entries up from 314 head on last years entries. Only fourteen head of Bazadais cross cattle were entered, ten by Keith & Bev Lacey Capella and four by Eddie & Donna Wales Biloela.

The results from these fourteen head were very impressive.

The Grand Champion Carcase was a milk tooth heifer which had a hot standard carcase weight (HSCW) of 260.8kg an eye muscle area (EMA) of 94sq cm and a P8 and Rib fat of 9mm each.

Congratulations to our Members.....

- **Grand Champion Carcase**
- **Champion Grainfed Heifer**
- **1st & 2nd Single Grainfed Heifer**
- **Most Successful Exhibitor**
- **Champion Grainfed Steer**
- **Reserve Champion Grainfed Steer**
- **2nd & 3rd Pen Grainfed Steers**
- **1st & 2nd Single Grainfed Heifer**



Keith Lacey, Grenada Capella, with Don Large and Eddie Wales, Wales Grazing Biloela , winners with Bazadais cross cattle.

Major Win for Bazadais Cross Breeders

IT was a last minute decision by the Wales family decided to enter 4 Bazadais x Brahman cross steers into the Callide Dawson Carcase Competition. They had never entered a carcase competition before and were just wanting some feed back on the Bazadais cross cattle they were breeding. Eddie & Donna Wales, their daugh-

ters Stephanie and Kirby and Donna's parents Don & Jan Large breed & fatten cattle at Tornbrook and Biloela.

They could not believe it when they were told they had won the Champion and Reserve Champion Grain Fed Steer. Also two 2nd places with a Single Grainfed Steer and the Pen of Grainfed Steers.

Eddie said the competition was a new experience for them as all their cattle are grass fed for the butchers and this was our first experience with a feedlot, carcase competition, getting data back and the first time at winning anything.....

2011 Gympie Carcase Classic - Update

Carcase with Highest Eye Muscle Area

Chris and Marianne Wyllie pictured below of Wyllie Bazadais at Gympie have been entering the Carcase Classic for a couple of years and this time they were ecstatic to find their Bazadais cross steer had won the Highest Eye Muscle Area (EMA) from all entries in the competition.

The steer a second cross Bazadais with one quarter Simmental had a live weight of 368 kg dressed out at 230.4kg with a dressing percentage of 62.61% and EMI of 115 sq cm.



"We were just so excited to have our first carcase win"

2nd Best Weight Gain in Feedlot

Alan and Jeannette

Penney

Jenalan Bazadais Stud Mulgildie won a second prize in the recent Gympie Carcase Classic for Best Weight Gain in Feed Lot out of 100 head with a second cross Bazadais heifer.

The cattle were on grain for 70 days. She had an arrival

weight of 265 kg, a starting weight of 270kg and her finish weight was 420kg. This gave her a 2.08kg per day weight gain for an overall total weight gain of 150kg. She had gained 55.56% of her original start weight. The heifer was a second cross Bazadais.

Maleney Show - Update

Ian and Bev Heading of Maleney commercial breeder recently entered Bazadais cross cattle in the Maleney show.

Two 1st cross steers (by full-blood Bazadais bull out of Limo-Bos Indicus cross cows), the one on the right was the candidate for the 'Guess the steer weight competition' at the recent Maleney Show.

Alan and Bev bred, presented and organised the well patronised competition for the show Society. The 'mainly' grass fed steer (a little grain in the weeks prior to the show!) at ~22 months weighed in at 530 kg out of the paddock and

510 kg after the rigours of 3 days at the show. The hind quarter definitely exhibits the trait popular with butchers and processors alike!

1st cross heifers from the same breeder (8-9mths old). Steers of the same batch (grass fed) won second prize at the Woolooga Weaner Show and Sale for a Pen of Steers, Suitable for the local trade.

Our 1st cross heifers by the same bull as in are showing some nice butts!!!!

Information supplied by George Riding of Maleney.



Hughenden Show 2011 - Update

Trevor Mitchell from the Junction Bazadais Stud entered 12 Bazadais at the Hughenden show on 4th, 5th and 6th June 2011.

We have only ever entered one bull into the show a few years ago.

We had no preparation feeding of our cattle just mustered them and trucked them to the show. It certainly was a good learning curve for us! Other major studs from the area were competing with their Droughtmasters and with Red Brahmans. These

studs have many hundreds of cattle to choose from and are volume bull breeders.

They have had many years breeding and showing cattle and their cattle were fed and groomed, our looked pretty good but were straight off

grass. We entered three cows in the fat section in the show. We didn't think they had much of a chance of winning as we had just taken big weaner calves off the cows. Even so two of the cows weighed in at 610kg, and 614kg and they were out of Genevieve by Jupiter the

other at 646kg was out of Jamel by Decor but they still turned a few heads.

Those who attended the show now know Bazadais and The Junction Bazadais Stud exists as we advertised in the local newspaper that we were displaying Bazadais cattle at the show.

We were also paid for show Sponsorship.

There are no led cattle classes at the Hughenden show the cattle are only moved out into another ring for judging and then back to their pens.

It was a great few days.....

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Photo Left :
Cow Jamel x Decor

Photo Right:
Billy - 9 month old
Bazadais x Brahman
Won 1st place
**'Any bull under
24 months.**

Judges comment
“ He was just too good”



Open registered bull any breed class 1st -Belrosa Arrow

Commercial bull under 24 months any breed 1st -Billy un reg. 1st cross by Belrosa Arrow X Red Brahman cow

Pen of 3 commercial bulls under 24 months any breed 2nd -by Belrosa Arrow X Red Brahman cows all red factor bulls

Registered cow and calf any breed 2nd -Natoma Venus & The Junction Fielex

Registered Cow any breed 2nd -Garbrook Genevieve **Registered Cow any breed 3rd** -NM Pastoral Simone

Froikey Bazadais Stud - Update

Sue Rutter and Ian Wright of Coulson near Boonah have had a few trials of late. Our update is that our 3/4 bull Garbrook Brody went to our friend's farm and his Full blood bull, Saint Dominion is now here with us. David as he is affectionately known now has 7 calves to Santa Gertrudis cows from our bull and one of our cows is now starting to spring and that will be our first calf with his bull. We have 2 registered Bazadais cows that will also have calves to him soon we hope.

We have had a bit of bad luck. We were flooded for several months, not just a few days like Brisbane was. We

had our whole herd above our house and not even able to use a tractor to feed them as it would get bogged everywhere. It just rained and rained and rained and rained, so much so that we lost our Lucerne crops.

We were rolling round bales by hand through the mud and unrolling them for them every day. It was such a mess. We could not use a truck to get any beasts out to sell. Bring on the next drought!!!!

With the cattle 'starved' above the house, 46 of them Bazadais calves, you can really see a difference between those beasts with Bazadais in them and those without.

The ones with Bazadais you can see no rib cages. Those without Bazadais you can! The rain has stopped. The fences are back up and not washed away again. Which happened at least 4 times to me. One time I had the fences back up, let them out and 4 hours later we were flooded again and once again the fences washed away and the cattle back above the house.

It was so frustrating. The Lucerne paddock is seeded again. Let's hope the frost they are predicting in the next couple of days doesn't kill it.

Jenalan Bazadais Stud - Update

At Jenalan in the past 12 months at an have had some highs and lows. We had great interest in our bulls last year, with them all selling right through-out Qld which was good to see that several of the bulls went to first time buyers. So the good word continues to spread.

This year was a very trying year for the Jenalan Bazadais Stud. With the floods in Dec/Jan. We have 700 acres here at Mulgildie of which 680ac went under water (as you can see from the photo's). We had all the cattle around the yards for weeks, then a kind neighbours offered us a couple hundred acre paddock to put our cattle on to get them out of the mud which was really appreciated.

It will take us 12 months to get back on track, but I'm sure we will be all better off for the huge rain event in the future.

In July this year Keith & Bev Lacey, with ourselves had a site at the Emerald Ag Show.



Emerald Ag Show Display

The response and interest in the Bazadais cattle was astounding . We took 4 Full blood bulls up for the show and sold 3 of them at the show and looks like the 4th one we bought home is sold as well. This is the first time we have taken cattle to a show like this and it was good to hear such good remarks and reports back about our bulls was very fulfilling . It's good to know your on the right track with your breeding programme.



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DNA submissions need to be forwarded to Marianne Wyllie 147 Pailing Road Gympie Qld 4570
If you need a copy sent to you please call Marianne on 07 5483 2920

Grenada Bazadais Stud - Update

Keith and Bev Lacey celebrating another win for their Bazadais cross cattle after taking out the major placing in the Callide Dawson Carcase Competition. Keith entered his first Carcase competition in 2009 and is of the opinion that carcase judging out shines Hoof judging as it is not just one persons opinion/ Carcase competitions are judged with a lot of measurements from MSA using their grading system. It is very interesting to get back your carcase competition results and know your doing and achieving exactly what you had planned to achieve.



'Bazadais are putting extra meat where meat should be', says Keith Lacey

Keith attributes a great amount of success to the introduction of Bazadais Beef Cattle into their Brahman and Droughtmaster herd. He says you get extra length, more beef and more profitability. Over looking the ribbons and trophy won at the Callide Dawson Valley Carcase Competition 2011.

- **Grand Champion Carcase**
- **Champion Heifer Carcase**
- **Most Successful Exhibitor**
- **1st & 2nd Single Heifer**

Keith & Bev Lacey
Grenada Bazadais
Phone : 07 49856199

The Cull Cows



Keith and Bev Lacey sent these cows off to market in March 2011 and were very please with the results. The photo shows 2 1st x cows on the outside and the backend of 2nd x cow in the middle. Five 1st x cross cows, Bazadais/Brahman, average dressed weight, 323kg. Graded H1 had average fat 12ml and 6 teeth. All have had one calf each. One 2nd x cow a Bazadais/ Brahman dressed weight of 371.5kg. 8ml fat, 8 tooth and graded C2.

"The cows had been grazing on natural blue grass, flinders grass and summer grass on old cultivation, with no special treatment to reach this weight"

Emerald Ag Show Stud - Update

The outstanding display of Carcase competition ribbons from Callide Dawson Carcase Competition and the Gympie Carcase Classic on show was a real talking point for promotion of Bazadais cattle at the recent AG Show at Emerald held over 3 days. A number of full blood and cross bred cattle were sold by breeders at this event. Pictured Left—right: Grant Brown Valeria Bazadais Stud, Lindsay Penney Lindana Bazadais Stud, Bev Lacey, Keith Lacey Grenada Bazadais Stud & Alan Penney Jenalan Bazadai Stud.



Big Ben Bazadais - Update

At Big BEN we continue to proudly produce our quality Bazadais cattle and supply superb butcher calves. During the last couple of years we have supplied Vingh Hung butchers in Sydney and Nathan Fathers Meats also of Sydney who are wholesalers supplying butchers and restaurants who have been delighted with the Bazadais meat. Follow up on the story from Nathan below is a copy of the reference from Nathan Fathers. The reference was faxed to us on 19/01/2011 from Nathan Fathers Meats Pty Ltd, Dural NSW.

We have also sold several Bazadais cross bulls, one going to repeat buyers Des and Glenda Gray from Condamine Qld, who bought a 75% Bazadais x Angus black polled bull to cross with their Angus cows. They have been producing very high quality calves. Chris and Robyn Murphy bought a 75% Bazadais x Angus bull several years ago, still have him, they call him their truck bull as when moving him between properties they park their truck and he loads himself.

Trent Osborne from Kempsey has a 3 yr old 75% baz x Angus bull who loads himself in paddock into his stock trailer when he places a feed dish in the trailer. Trent also has cows he bought from us as heifers and recently bought very good Bazadais cross heifers with small calves from Mark Borger. Trent has just began supplying a Kempsey butcher. Glen and Lee Satchel from Glenreagh have a 75% Bazadais x Angus red bull which they bought from us

several years ago. They have buyers waiting for their weaners. They recently bought 3 springing heifers from us.

Janet Jones from Grafton has one of our 7/8 Bazadais bulls whose calves often top the Grafton sales.

As you can see the Bazadais breed are very trainable cattle who are so easy to handle

Roy & Dorothy Laverty

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From the Butcher's Block

Our company has taken Roy and Dorothy's Bazadais cattle over the past eight months and been very impressed with the standard of the bodies which has been processed at Eversons Food Processors & Refrigeration.

The cattle generally sell themselves with retail butchers wanting to buy them for the standard at which the cattle dress out at. Being from Euro cattle breeds their conversion of feed into muscle instead of bone and fat is outstanding with cattle reaching market specifications quicker than other breeds.

For the butcher, they would find on a body dressing between 200-240kg would gain up to 20kg more saleable meat yield and less bone and fat waste than the traditional British breeds of cattle would as well as producing a carcass which dressed as well as the best grain fed cattle do in appearance.

Most butchers would probably not know of the Bazadais breed and probably believe them to be Limousin or Charolais cattle with how they present when processed. I have been happy to sell the cattle and am sure most buyers would also speak highly of the beef they have sold.

The reference from Nathan Fathers. was faxed to BIG BEN Bazadais on 19/01/2011 from Nathan Fathers Meats Pty Ltd, Dural NSW.



Big Ben Roy

**Purchased by
Des and Glenda Gray
Condamine Qld**

From the Butcher's Block

BACK when times were good, we had four retail butcher shops, an abattoir and an 80,000 acre cattle property. Turnover was high, profits were good, but those days are long gone and gone for good.

My name is Treacy Teitzel, I'm a third generation butcher and with my 30 years in the industry, my father's, and his father's before that, our family has been in the meat industry for many years, I have seen many changes; some good and some not.

A modern butcher shop has to survive on much smaller margins, higher costs and better service and quality product than ever before.

These days I operate a mobile butchering service out of Townsville with my 17 year old daughter Elise. We travel about the back blocks processing animals for our clients. (I think the corporate term for this is downsizing) So when I received a call from Paul Walker at Reid River to process a Heifer, it was business as usual and I booked him into my diary. I arrived at Paul's place, introduced myself and we headed down to the yards.

On arriving at the yards, I was intrigued by the shape and bulk of his Heifer.

"What is it?" is asked him. "It's a Bazadai." He replied. "They are a French breed."

I soon had her hanging in the cold room. The quarters were extremely bulky, lean and heavy. Past experience told me an animal with such heavy muscle development and low-fat content will be tough. With that mind set I headed

home and told Paul "I'll see you tomorrow."

The next morning, Elise and I begin our routine. I asked Paul the usual questions; how many steaks per bag, how much mince in a bag, etc. "There will be no need to tenderise the round and topside." he said. (You've got to be @#&#& joking, I thought to myself) and we got to work.

I began to break down the quarters of beef, while Elise got to setting up. I soon realized my perception of this being a tough animal was way off the mark.

Muscle development of the cuts was almost freakish (remember this is a Heifer not a bullock). By the time we had the cuts all sliced, cryovaced, sausages and corned meat done, I felt confused. Indicators of the eating quality that have applied in the past seemed to be now outdated. To add to this, my wheelie bin of fat and bone was barely one third full, whereas normally, with an animal this size, it would be 75% full. At the end of

the day, Paul was kind enough to give me some rump steak to sample, we shook hands and I headed home.

Now, I always tell my customers to give their prime cuts a minimal of three weeks in the fridge to allow them to age, which greatly improves their eating quality. But curiosity killed the cat and I sat down with my wife that night to a meal of rump steak and vegies.

To cook steak off a beast that was killed 24 hours previously is not recommended, but I couldn't help myself.

The steak was very enjoyable; if I were to allow it to age it would be excellent.

I am not a cattleman, I am not saying this is a perfect breed of animal, but from butcher's point of view, I do hope more cattlemen include the Bazadai's bloodline in their breeding program. I really believe they will reap the benefits, as will the butcher and ultimately, the consumer.



Some well finished Bazadai X Steers

The Country Kitchen – Date Loaf

Put into a basin

4 crushed Weetbix, 3 tablespoons butter, 1 cup sugar, 1 cup chopped dates, 1 teaspoon bicarbonate of soda. Pour 1 cup boiling water over this. Let stand for 5 minutes, then add 1 beaten egg and 1 cup SR flour – mix well. Bake in a bar tin in a moderate oven for 3/4 to one hour. Moist cake and suitable to freeze.

This recipe is CWA approved!!!! Hana Penney Please forward any recipes you wish to share.

From the Butcher's Block

The butcher said “ The one breed that has impressed me, is the Bazadais” The van der Werf family have a small property in Tiaro and only just over 20 grey Brahman cows. In the past we have been looking for the perfect cross breeding to add a heavier body to the animal and a faster growth rate. We had been using a Blonde d’ Aquitaine Bull and had reasonably good calves. The word Bazadais has been brought to our attention first through a market report and a few months later it came up again talking to our butcher. “The one breed that has impressed me, is the Bazadais”, he said.

From there on it started rolling. A few months later our AI program was set into place and now we have our first cross calves being 12 month old. The newborn calves have impressed us in more than in one way. First the small birth weight and secondly we couldn't believe the liveliness. A remarkable growth rate and excellent at weaning are additional points to add to their superiority. It's like being in their nature to grow up as quickly as possible. Looking to the future; as the quality of the meat plays a more important role than ever before we believe that the Bazadais will be a wonderful breed to use. For us it is important to improve our breeders as best as we possibly can. With our first cross Bazadais heifers we believe we have found the beginning of a great herd and hopefully in years to

come it will develop into a small stud. We thank the Bazadais Cattle Society for all the hard work and effort towards adding new and better bloodlines into the upcoming Australian Bazadais Herd. We are certain that this breed has lots to offer. In 2011 Yes, we are still very happy with the results in the cross breeding! We are just having the first 2nd cross calves at foot. (Attached photo with new born 2nd cross calf) We even bought a few 1st and 2nd cross Bazadais heifers in calf to Bazadais Bull to get the herd on the way a little faster. Regards Margret van der Werf



1st cross Bazadais calves 3 to 5 weeks old



1st cross Bazadais cow and 2nd cross calf. Calf is one of their first crossbreds the AI Bull of the cow was Polux

The butcher said

“The one breed that has impressed me, is the Bazadais”

Lindsay & Hana Penney – News Update

Life on “Lindana” as certainly been busy since our last newsletter. Between a new baby and the floods life has certainly not been dull. Our property was completely flooded during the December/January. We lost over 120 acres of Lucerne, several fences and damage to our irrigation pumps and haysheds. We had to go away for a while chasing work as we lost our only source of income for nearly 10 months. We have been hard at work replanting and fencing ever since. The cattle lived in the yards and were moved to a “high and dry” paddock at a neighbours for several weeks. They are now

thankfully back to their usual dwellings! Apart from the obvious stressors of such events we have also had many happy times with our baby daughter Grace.

She is now 9 months old and full of life! For those who have not had the pleasure of meeting her she is a dead spit for Lindsay!



This was Lake Lindana Dec ‘09. Lindana just starts before the water line and goes back to the farm tree line.

Garbrook Bazadais Stud - Update

Bazadais Longevity, 18 Years Old and still going strong. Notre was born in November 1993 and was conceived as the result of an embryo flush. Her Sire Fuseau and Dam Esse

shown extensively from Beef 1997 to Sydney and Brisbane Royals in 1999 and beyond being used to promote the Bazadais breed at shows and field days for 4 years.

We are not sure how much longer Notre will be with us, but she can rest assured she is part of our family and we appreciate the great cattle she has produced for us while in our care.



were from the first and only live Bazadais cattle brought to Australia from France in 1991.

Ron and Sue Garrett of Garbrook Bazadais bought a couple of full blood bulls and Battage Notre as a very young heifer in 1994. She was their first and only female ever purchased. Effe as she is affectionately known has had weathered the good and bad seasons (8years of drought) without much in the way of assisted feeding until the last 12 months, which I think is only deserving for this grand old lady who has done an outstanding job in producing quality offspring for the Australian Bazadais breed.

Her first calf Garbrook Concierge (AI) by Battage Majesty (Express X Fauvette) Born on Good Friday 1996 and known as JC was a most impressive bull

Her last calf born in January is Garbrook Georgina by Marobbie Dyson (ET) X Gardon (FRA) and what a little ripper she is too.

If all goes to plan she will show her class at Rockhampton for Beef 2012, hoping to emulate the success of her sisters (by Battage Majesty) Garbrook Bijou who won Grand Champion Cow and Garbrook Genevieve who won Junior Champion Heifer both at Beef 2000.

Notre has 19 calves registered under her name. She was flushed 4 times with 8 embryo calves on the ground and more still in the tank for later.

She is also the Grand Dam of Garbrook Zenith (by Jindalee William ET Imp Fra by Norbert x NMP Dominique) 3 times Grand Champion Bull at Brisbane Royal Show 1995, 1996 and 1997.



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Vision - Bazadais Beef at its Best

Our prime motivation is to enhance the backbone of the Australian cattle industry by the introduction of superior and proven genetic qualities while maintaining the integrity of the breed and to educate meat buyers on the financial benefits of quality Bazadais cross-breds.

The Society will encourage the members to provide mutual assistance in growing the size of the pool of fullblood cattle through high flushing rates, embryo acceptance and best possible returns on cattle sales.

The Society is dedicated to making this a reality and is committed to the promotion of the breed at all times and in all places.

Is a future in which Bazadais are accepted as the premier beef breed in Australia, being retailed to discerning customers via a chain of devoted wholesalers and retailers.

Field Days, Promotions and Shows

- **BRISBANE EXHIBITION 2011**
Judging Day Friday 12th August 8.30am start—Main Arena
Look for the Bazadais up the back in the second cattle shed.
- **AG SHOW 2011**
Toowoomba Showgrounds 6th—8th September 2011
Members will have a display of Bazadais cattle and information.
- **BEEF EXPO 2012**
Rockhampton Showgrounds 7th May—12th May 2012
Australia's National Beef Exposition is one of the world's great beef cattle events.
- **AQUITANIMA 2012 FRANCE**
Bordeaux Show 12th—14th May and Bazadais Cattle Farm Tour
Regional competition Bazadais, Sunday May 13th.
Circuits of visit to the farms take place from May 7th.
For further details contact Liaison Officer on 0407758699.

Fullblood Bazadais Semen - New Imports



SIRE: Saturnin
By Janny
Out of Hueselle

DAM: Saga
By Nicou
Out of Loyaute

Heggyscale Adam (UK) has finally arrived in Australia from Goose Green Farm in Manchester. It was 2008 when our members first saw Adam and approached his owner about collecting semen for export to Australia.

Semen is available
from Agri-gene
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The Australian Bazadais Update is compiled by Lindsay and Hana Penney.

To submit an article or advertisement (including recipes for "The Country Kitchen") for the next newsletter please

email: lindsayandhana@bigpond.com or ph. 0407 736 648.

Article can be from non members of the society including if you have used a Bazadais bull with your herd and wish to share your story and experience.

Hana and I both hope to be active members of the Bazadais society in the future and promote the breed to its highest potential.

Your feedback and comments are greatly appreciated!