

# Registered Red Devon Breeder Info Pack

Welcome to our Association. Below is a number of topics to help you gain a better understanding of us. The Association endeavors to have at least one informal stud visit during the year, along with the AGM which usually has a stud visit as part of the programme. Please come to these, they provide opportunities to meet others and check out cattle.

You will find a lot of helpful information on our web site. <a href="www.reddevoncattle.co.nz">www.reddevoncattle.co.nz</a> In the newsletter is a membership list. Please contact other breeders in your area.

#### Stud name and cattle name

A name or Prefix as it is termed must be chosen for the stud and a herd number allocated by the Association. This number then becomes part of the Herdbook number of each animal that is registered in that herd.

Example: Red Rock Meteor 246812555

Stud Name: Red Rock
Animals Name: Meteor
Herd No: 2468
Year of Birth: 2012
Animal No: 555

Cattle purchased to establish new herds or add to existing herds must retain their allocated identification and cannot be changed to align with the herds they enter. Please do not use someone else's stud name as part of the animal's name.

### Registered and commercial cattle.

You can hold both registered and commercial cattle. You are able to maintain records for both classes of stock and performance record them. Some members find this a valuable tool. All progeny from a registered male and female will be recorded with a "R" (registered) status. All progeny from any commercial stock will be recorded with a "C" (commercial). They cannot be upgraded to registered status. For further information please refer to our By-Laws.

## **Performance Recording**

Our registry system allows you to performance record. Detailed information on this has been provided with this pack. We encourage you to use this tool. You are able to input weights directly into internet solutions through our website in the members section.

#### Membership Fee:

This covers expenses that are incurred on a per member basis, such as newsletters, mailing and general administration. It is charged on the 30<sup>th</sup> April each year.

### **Female Cattle Fee**

On 30<sup>th</sup> June each year you will receive an Animal Disposal List (ADL) where you update the records of animals which you own. You must return this by 31<sup>st</sup> July. You are responsible for keeping your records up to date. Your female cattle fee is based on the animals you own. These are charged on 30<sup>th</sup> September each year based on your registry records as at 31<sup>st</sup> August. We cannot give any credits as a result of you returning your forms late

- Two-year-old Heifers. There is an annual charge on all two-year-old heifers. This is determined each year when the annual budget is set.
- Cows; three years and older. There is an annual charge on all cows three years and older.

#### Transfer Fee -

When animals are sold to registered breeders, the Registration Declaration must be mailed by the Vendor to the office, so the change of ownership can be recorded and this fee covers the office time involved. If the breeder for some reason does not hold a Registration Declaration then they must send in the Registration Certificate for the animal.

### **Paper Flow**

**Animal Disposal List (ADL)** – These are sent out on 30<sup>th</sup> June and are due back by 31<sup>st</sup> July annually.

This is a list of all animals recorded on the computer as being owned by a breeder and will be mailed out in June/July of each year. The breeder must indicate on this list which animals are no longer in their herd and the code to match how they were disposed of.

This form should be returned promptly to the office so the Calf Entry sheets can be compiled and the electronic forms activated in Internet Solutions. Be sure to delete females no longer in your herd or they will automatically appear on the Calf Entry sheet at a cost to you.

#### Registration Certificates –

Any females/males that you have indicated to be registered on your ADL will receive a Registration Certificate.

#### Transfer Declarations -

If an animal is sold to another breeder, a Transfer Declaration must be completed and sent to the office within 30 days.

# Calf Entry Sheets -

These are sent to breeders who do not use Internet Solutions on receipt of a completed ADL and list all of the cows due to calve in age order. There are columns to enter Sire details, calving information.

There are two methods for the entering of this data.

#### Internet Solutions.

You can enter your calving information yourself via the Association website. On the home page is a link called member login. This is a simple process and is our preferred option.

### Manual completion.

You can fill in the calf entry sheet and return it to the Registry Dept of the office and they will process your information.

All of this paperwork should be kept filed in a safe place to build up history for the herd. If possible, only copies should be used in the field to ensure the data remains intact. For the efficient use of the information, it is advisable to add the current year's sheets to the previous year's in their categories ie. Dam listings together, Calf Entry sheets together etc.

### Charges by the Association.

These are reviewed annually. Please refer to the current fee schedule.