

INTERNATIONAL DAIRY WEEK 2007 JUDGES

Holstein – Mr. Ken Empey



Mr. Empey is the owner and operator of KMP Global Sales, a livestock marketing operation dealing in commercial, show, and pedigree animals.

One of North America's most admired judges for all dairy breeds, Mr. Empey has officiated shows in close to 20 countries. He placed Holsteins at the Royal Agricultural Winter Fair in 1992 and 2001, and World Dairy Expo in 1991. As well, this Ontario Branch Director was awarded the 1988 Klussendorf award, and is the first Canadian to sit on World Dairy Expo's Board of Directors.

Mr. Empey is also a Director of the provincial branch in Ontario, Canada.

Jersey – Mr. Bob Jarrell



Mr. Bob Jarrell returns to Australia after having judged the Sydney Royal Easter show in 2005. Mr. Jarrell has judged numerous shows across Canada in the past several years, including the Royal Winter Fair Jersey Futurity, Ontario Spring Show, Calgary Spring Show, Pacific National Exhibition, the Canadian National Exhibition and the Stratford Championship show. Judging opportunities have also taken Mr. Jarrell to Guatemala and four times to Brazil, where he has judged their national show, Expomilk.

Mr. Jarrell was president of Jersey Ontario in 1990 and has served as a member of the Jersey Canada Type Advisory Committee, a past member of the International Marketing Committee and a past member of the Canadian Young Sire Selection Committee.

Mr. Jarrell and his wife, April, own and operate RJ Farms in Corbyville, Ontario, Canada, milking 65 cows (45 Jerseys and 20 Holsteins). Mr. Jarrell's three children are actively involved in 4-H and on the family farm. Eldest son, Bobby, has graduated from university and has returned to join the family farm.

Numerous Star Brood cows and All Canadian Nominated animals have been bred and developed at RJ farms. A few show ring highlights over the years have included champion cow at the World Dairy Expo in Madison, Wisconsin, USA, Royal Jersey Futurity Champion and Reserve Junior Champion at the Royal Winter Fair in Canada. Numerous All Canadian and All Canadian nominated animals have come from RJ farms.

Illawarra – Dr. David Chalack



Dr. David Chalack is a veterinarian who has specialized in large herd management and reproduction in private practice before joining Alta Genetics Inc. Mr. Chalack is currently the Canadian Sales and Marketing manager for Alta Genetics and has as his home office the headquarters for Alta in Balzac Alberta which is just North of Calgary Alberta Canada. Mr. Chalack has held this role for the past 5 years and before that was the European Sales and Marketing Manager for Alta Genetics.

Mr. Chalack has travelled extensively with business and Holstein judging throughout his career. Mr. Chalack is an official judge with Holstein Canada and is currently a

member of Holstein Canada's Show and Ethics Committee. Mr. Chalack has judged in approximately 12 countries and in fact judged the Holsteins at International Dairy Week in 1993. Other countries include Japan, England, Ireland, Scotland, Germany, Brazil, Iran etc.

Mr. Chalack has a passion for showing cows although does greatly appreciate the larger progressive commercial dairies throughout the world. Mr. Chalack has shown the Champion cow at the European Confrontation show in Brussels, Champion cow at World Dairy Expo and 3 times shown the Champion Cow at the Royal Winter Fair. The cow in this case was Acme Star Lily.

Additional interests include his participation in the world famous Calgary Exhibition and Stampede where he has been on the board of Directors for 10 years and is currently on the executive and will be Chairman of the Board and President in 2009 and 2010--in fact this year July 2006 he and the CE&S hosted many Livestock Show Directors and staff from Australia and 20 other commonwealth countries for the Royal Agricultural Society of the Commonwealth meetings in Calgary. Mr. Chalack is also on the Board of Directors of the Canadian Livestock Genetics Exporters Association.

Currently Mr. Chalack is very active as a partner in one of the leading Holstein breeding establishments in Canada, Rocky Mountain Holsteins. Mr. Chalack's two partners are Mr. Doug Blair who is well known internationally in the Holstein industry and Mr. Glenn Hockley--at this breeding farm they develop both show cattle and index cattle which provide progeny and embryos for the AI industry and all breeders around the world.

Guernsey – Mr. Lou Seuren



Mr. Lou Seuren grew up on a dairy farm & branched out into Stud Guernseys in 1968, followed by Holsteins. Mr. Seuren has achieved champion cows at the Melbourne & Sydney Royal Shows, champion bull at the Adelaide Royal show, and awards at other feature shows & country shows from 1972 to 2002.

One of Mr. Seuren's great passions in life are cow, any form milking, showing breeding & judging. Mr. Seuren has judged twice at Melbourne Royal, Adelaide, Hobart & Launceston shows, also many feature shows & country shows throughout Australia.

Mr. Seuren still retains interests in Stud Dairy cattle, which he milks at Tui Glen Holsteins, Fish Creek, Victoria. Mr. Seuren also currently has a beef farm where he operates a live weight scale saleyard as an agent for Vicstock Pty Ltd. Mr. Seuren also operates as a livestock agent.

Day to day, Mr. Seuren is fully involved in the cattle industry either advising or purchasing dairy replacements.

Brown Swiss & Youth Show – Mr. Wayne Sliker



Mr. Wayne Sliker and wife Connie own and operate Top Acres Brown Swiss and Modern Associates Cattle Sales. Since their record breaking Top Acres Sale in 2003, Mr. and Mrs. Sliker have maintained an ET Donor herd of elite brood cows. They market special offspring and embryos from these genetics as well sexed semen from a new lineup of special pedigreed young Brown Swiss sires.

Top Acres has continued a show and promotion program that has resulted in over 200 All-Americans and Reserves which leads the all-time list for Brown Swiss exhibitors. Twelve National Total Performance Winners have been developed at Top Acres.

Modern Associates, the marketing arm of the business for the last 37 years, has managed seven of the top ten averaging Brown Swiss auctions to date including the all-time high Springhill/Starmark Sale at \$12,342.00.

Mr. Sliker received the National Dairy Shrine Distinguished Breeder Award in 1998 and is a recipient of the prestigious Klussendorf trophy. An active judge of all breeds, Mr. Sliker has judged more than 30 National Shows, fairs in nearly every state, as well as shows in Japan, Italy, Canada, Mexico, Costa Rica, Brazil and Colombia.

Ayrshire – Mr. Scott Culbertson



Mr. Culbertson was born and raised on a registered Holstein Dairy farm near Rochester, MN, USA. He is an University of Minnesota graduate, with a Bachelor of Science degree in Animal Industry Marketing with a dairy emphasis. Mr. Culbertson oversees all mating and marketing of cattle on his family farm, Macland Holsteins. The current herd average for Macland Holsteins is 27,670 lbs milk, 1020 lbs fat and 955 lbs protein with a BAA appraisal of 110.5% and currently house 16 excellent classified cows. Over the last five years alone, Macland Holsteins have bred or developed six All-American nominations and several All-State awards. Mr. Culbertson is actively involved in promotion, showing and exporting Holsteins.

Mr. Culbertson joined Select Sires, Inc in June 1990 as Holstein Sire Analyst and oversees Holstein contract matings and mature bull acquisitions in 16 of the United States. Currently, Mr. Culbertson has procured four of the top five type bulls within the breed in Damion, Lou, Advent and Fortune.

Mr. Culbertson has judged district, junior and state shows across the U.S. as well as international shows in Europe, Japan and South America.

Mr. Culbertson is a member of the state and national Holstein Association of America and is involved in various organizations both in the dairy profession and personally. He is married to wife, Tina who is a Senior Advertising Specialist for World Wide Sires Ltd., Visalia, CA, and has two daughters, Anna (12) and Emma (7).