WORLD CONFERENCE REPORT AND RECOLLECTIONS

Eight members of the Australian Corriedale Association attended the 12th World Corriedale Conference in September 2003, held in Montevideo, Uruguay, South America.

Among the ACA attendees were Jim Venters (the Australian delegation leader) and Shirley Foster, who said the World Conference started with an excellent five-day bus tour of stud properties.

Mrs Foster said the conference was also attended by representatives from Peru, Paraguay, Argentina, Chile, Brazil, the US, New Zealand and Uruguay.

Mr Venters said the Australian delegation was looked after

magnificently during the 10 days of its visit and that the committee is to be congratulated on a wonderful job.

Bob Pettitt wrote to the ACA after talking to Mrs Foster and Jim Venters on their return from the World Conference to recall some of the fond memories he has of five World Conferences he had previously attended.

"A few things I remember well were that in 1935, five per cent of sheep in South America were Corriedales, but by 1965, Corriedale or Corriedale cross made up 85 per cent of sheep in South America," Mr Pettitt wrote.

"Most of the breeders I knew have now passed on and their sons are

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now in charge of the breed in most cases. In past years, the World Bank gave developing countries money which had to be spent 50 per cent on agriculture and 50 per cent on animal improvements.

"I remember visiting a Mr McLean at Punta Arenas, which included a visit to a property run by an English firm where they shore one million sheep in three sheds 20 miles apart," Mr Pettitt recalled.

"I could go on with all sorts of stories and history but wish to express to all Australian breeders best wishes for the future of the breed which is on the up and up.

"I am over 90 years old, having lost my wife Doris in September after 65 years of married life together and while I do not attend meetings or shows now I am still very interested in Corriedale sheep."



Pictured above: Judging of the two-year-old ram class at the Prado Show, Montevideo in Uruguay during the 12th World Corriedale Conference.

Bendigo ASBA Reminders:

- Federal Council meeting and AGM, Friday, July 16.
- Corriedale Judging Saturday, July 17.

Around the Shows



Above: John Savage with his Supreme Champion Longwool Ram at the RAS 2003 Show in Melbourne.

Below: The Champion two-year-old Ram from the 2003 Prado Show at Montevideo, South America (during the World Conference).



CAMPBELL TOWN 2004

Judge of the Corriedale section at the 2004 Campbell Town Show, Tasmania, in June was Mr Don Walker, Meander Rise, Carrick, Tasmania.

JM Savage, Gambier View, Derrinallum, Vic., took out both the champion ram and champion ewe awards while JA Nicolson, Streanshalh, Campbell Town exhibited both the reserve champions.

Other breeders in the awards included IM MacKinnon & Co., Glen Esk, Conara; Compton Archer & Son, Quamby Plains, Hagley, Tas. and PAC. Taylor, Great Western, Green Hill, Campbell Town.

Detailed awards were:

Unprotected ram, over 1 $\frac{1}{2}$ years; Streanshalh, 1 & 2; Great Western, 3.

Ram under 1½ year: Glen Esk, 1 & 3; Gambier View, 2.

Pair of rams under 1 ½ years: Streanshalh, 1 & 3; Great Western, 2.

Ram 2 ½ - 1½ years: Quamby Plains, 1 & 3; Gambier View, 2.

Pair of rams 2 ½ - 1½ years: Quamby Plains, 1.

Ram over 2 $\frac{1}{2}$ years: Gambier View, 1; Streanshalh, 2;

Quamby Plains, 3.

Unprotected ewe, over 1 $\frac{1}{2}$ years: Streanshalh, 1 & 3; Great

Western, 2.

Ewe under 1½ years: Great Western, 1 & 2; Streanshalh, 3.

Ewe 2 ½ - 1½ years: Gambier View, 1; Streanshalh, 2;

Great Western, 3.

Ewe over 2 ½ years: Gambier View, 1.

Champion Ram: Gambier View.

Reserve Champion Ram: Streanshalh.

Champion Ewe: Gambier View.

Reserve Champion Ewe: Streanshalh.

Junior Champion Ram and Whitfeld Trophy: Glen Esk.

Junior Champion Ewe (N.A. & J.R. Nicolson Trophy): Great

Western.

Ram and Ewe 2 $\frac{1}{2}$ - 1 $\frac{1}{2}$ years (A. MacKinnon Trophy):

Gambier View.

Ram and ewe under 1 ½: Great Western.

Ram with best head (Glen Esk Trophy): Quamby Plains.

Ram with best sires fleece (J.A.B. Finlay Trophy): Quamby Plains.

Sires Progeny Group: Glen Esk.

Most Successful Exhibitor (Ronald Lyne Trophy): Gambier View.

Corriedale Fleece Results

Champion Corriedale Fleece (R.V. Bowden Memorial Trophy): Quamby Plains.

Corriedale Ram: Quamby Plains, 1; Streanshalh, 2; Glen Esk, 3.

Corriedale Ewe: Streanshalh, 1; Glen Esk, 2. Corriedale Ram and Ewe: Streanshalh.

Group of three Corriedale Fleeces: Streanshalh.



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Wool Section

Two studs exhibited – Corralyn, Inlet Views. Champion Ewe Fleece: Inlet Views.

Champion Ram Fleece: Inlet Views.

Grand Champion Corriedale Fleece: Inlet Views.

Sheep Section

Three studs exhibited in 2004 – Corralyn Partnership, "Corralyn", Wagin, WA; Denmark
Agricultural College, "Inlet
Views", Denmark, WA; L. & T.
Hughes, "Shade Park",
Gidgegannup, WA. Judge –
Jan Hunt of Wye, S.A.

Ram, production class: Inlet Views.

Ram, under 1 year: Corralyn.

Ram, under 2 years: Inlet Views.

Pair of rams, under 1 year: Corralyn.

Champion ram: Inlet Views.

Reserve champion ram: Corralyn.

Ewe, under 1 year: Corralyn.

Ewe, under 2 years: Corralyn.

Pair of ewes, under 1 year: Inlet Views.

Champion and reserve ewe: Corralyn.

Group of Three (under 1 year): Inlet Views.

Group of Three (over 1 year): Corralyn.

Most points - Corralyn

Grand Champion Corriedale: Corralyn.

Interbreed Awards Won --Champion Long Wool Ewe: Corralyn.

EASTER SYDNEY ROYAL 2004

Judge of the Corriedale Feature at the 2004 Sydney Royal Easter Show was Mr. Richard Archer, Quamby Plains, Hagley, Tasmania.

Class 213 A – Ram, under 1 year old showing milk teeth only: A.R. & J.L. Hunt, 1; T. Manchester, 2.

Class 214 – Ram, 1 year old and under 2 years: T. Manchester, 1; H.J. & C. J. Prell, 2; C. Turner, 3; St. Gregory's College, 4; A.R. & J.L. Hunt, H.C.

Class 215 – Ram, 2 years old and over: C. Turner, 1; H.J. & C.J. Prell, 2; T. Manchester, 3; St. Gregory's College, 4.

Class 216 – Ram, 1 year old and under 2 years, closely and evenly shorn, wool to be not less than 12 mm and not more than 25 mm in length on judging day: A.R. & J.L. Hunt, 1; St. Gregory's College, 2; C. Turner, 3.

Class S206 – Grand Champion Corriedale Ram: T. Manchester, Roseville, Kinasvale, NSW.

Class S207 – Reserve Grand Champion Corriedale Ram: C. Turner, Campbell Springs, Mt. Gambier, SA.

Class 216A – Ewe, under 1 year old showing milk teeth only: C. Turner, 1; A.R. & J.L. Hunt, 2 and 3.

Class 217 – Ewe, 1 year old and under 2 years: A.R. & J.L. Hunt, 1; H.J. & C.J. Prell, 2 and 4; T. Manchester 3.

Class 218 – Ewe, 2 years old and over: T. Manchester, 1; St. Gregory's College, 2.

Class S208 - Grand Champion Corriedale Ewe: A.R. & J.L. Hunt, Wye, Mt. Gambier, SA.

Class S209 – Reserve Grand Champion Corriedale Ewe: C. Turner, Campbell Springs, Mt. Gambier, SA.

Class S210 – Best Corriedale exhibited by a secondary school, selected from exhibits in the general classes. Each animal must be bred or owned by said Secondary School: St. Gregory's College, 1.

Class 219 – Peter Taylor Group – consisting of one ram and two ewes, under 1 year old, showing milk teeth only, exhibited and bred by one owner and selected from exhibits in the general classes: A.R. & J.L. Hunt, 1: T. Manchester, 2.

Class S211 – Most successful exhibitor in the Corriedale Classes: A.R. & J.L. Hunt.

The Harold Prell Memorial Trophy for the ram with the best sire's fleece: T. Manchester. (This trophy has never been won in Sydney before).

Maluka Trophy (Best five sheep, 3 rams and 2 ewes in the wool): H.J. & C.J. Prell.



Pictured at the Sydney Show: Craig Turner (left), Campbell Springs, Mt. Gambier, SA with his reserve grand champion ram; Judge, Richard Archer (centre), Quamby Plains, Hagley, Tas.; and John Manchester (right), Roseville, Kingsvale, NSW, with the grand champion Corriedale ram. Photo-courtesy Southern Weekly.



TASSIE EWE SALE SETS A NEW RECORD PRICE

The Tunbridge Feature Corriedale Ewe Sale, conducted by Roberts Limited and Elders in January this year, was a triumph for the Tasmanian Corriedale generally and for the Burbury family in particular.

Despite the hot and windy conditions, which are invariably a feature, the sale is always a joy to attend for those who appreciate good sheep.

It has always been an arena for Sid Burbury of Glen Morey and his uncle Phil and cousin Philip of Kuranda to display their magnificent Corriedale ewes.

This was the last occasion for a third family member, Tony, to offer his ewes at Tunbridge as he has now sold his property, Cheam.

The Cheam ewes met with ready competition, two tooths selling to

\$124 and six tooths to \$92. However, the highest prices paid were for the Glen Morey and Kuranda August shorn two tooth ewes.

Glen Morey set a new all time record for Tasmania with a pen of 130 selling for \$147 a head and Kuranda close behind with a pen of 181 sold for \$138 a head.

Old ewes were also keenly sought after. Both Kuranda and Glen Morey reached \$85 for their top pens of five-year-olds.

Kuranda offered a line of East Friesian x Border Leicester x Corriedale ewe lambs that sold for \$120 each.

Pictured below: Andrew Nicolson, Phil Burbury senior and Sid Burbury at the Tunbridge sale in Tasmania in January where Corriedale ewes sold to a top price of \$147.



VALE DONALD MACKINNON

Donald MacKinnon of Dalness, who died in February this year, was the third generation stud master of one of Australia's oldest and most influential Corriedale studs.

Founded by his grandfather with sheep of his own breeding about 10 years earlier than the importation of Teviotdale ewes in 1908, Dalness probably reached its zenith in the show ring as a parent stud under the management of Donald's father Allan during the 1930s and 1940s.

Donald ran the stud on a lower profile but maintained the very highest standards – a ram from the last drop of lambs before the stud's dispersal in 2000 is the sire of the majority of top two-year-old rams at Streanshalh.

Donald served in World War II, being a rat of Tobruk. Keenly involved in church affairs and local government, he was an excellent and innovative farmer, always with the support of his wife Deidre, with whom he travelled to two World Corriedale Conferences.

The ACA and all its members will miss his influence.

Don't forget to visit the ACA website: www.corriedale.org.au

