

# THE BECKTARDER BRECKTARDER Apr. 2024 / Vol 8

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### Together, we achieve more

The same heading appeared in the April 2023 edition of The Specktator and it appears even more relevant now than it was then.

With the new 5-year Strategic Plan will be finalised next month. This will see SPI turn its focus to the implementation of the Strategic Plan, in line with our Key Performance Indicators.

SPI's new Vision and Corporate Goals are ambitious but, with the benefit of the superior offering that Speckle Park presents, and with the support and commitment of our members, SPI is confident in its ability to deliver on this Strategic Plan, together.

'The secret of change is to focus all of your energy, not on fighting the old, but on building the new.'

~ Socrates

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### A NOTE FROM OUR CHAIRMAN

Dear Speckle Park Community,

What an exciting time to be part of this community! SPI has been incredibly fortunate to have had the benefit of Graham Truscott's impressive knowledge and experience to guide us through the strategic planning process. As a Board of Directors, while we are very proud of the (draft) Strategic Plan and are confident in its application, we have a heightened sense of enthusiasm as a result of the encouraging level of participation in the Member Consultation Sessions held earlier this month and the demonstrated support for the Strategic Plan and its implementation.

Thank you to those who have provided formal feedback on the Strategic Plan; we appreciate the time and consideration that has gone into these comments. By way of reminder, there is still time (just!) to provide your feedback on the Strategic Plan. As set out in Heather's email to members on 19 April 2024, please submit any feedback by 30 April 2024 to ensure there is sufficient time for it to be considered prior to the finalisation of the Strategic Plan in May. This can be done by email to any Director or to Heather (mso@specklepark.org). Otherwise, if you would like to discuss anything more generally relating to the Strategic Plan, please feel free to reach out to any Director by telephone.

As indicated in the Board Report issued earlier this month, submissions have been sought from marketing and communication agencies to work with SPI to formulate and implement a marketing strategy, consistent with the Strategic Plan. We are very impressed with the calibre of the submissions received and are currently seeking further detail before appointing the successful agency, which we expect to occur by no later than mid-May.

Beef 2024 is now less than 2 weeks away! As Supporting Partners of the event, SPI is operating a trade site to showcase the Speckle Park breed to industry participants from across Australia and overseas. As the premier event of its kind in the Southern Hemisphere, this presents incredible promotional and networking opportunities. In addition to the purebred animals on ground for the stud championship events, we are excited to be displaying F1 Speckle Park steers and heifers from the site as visual representations of the positive attributes Speckle Park add to commercial programs. Our sincere appreciation goes to Minnamurra Speckle Park for generously agreeing to supply the cattle for the site. Thanks must also go not only to our Marketing and Events Sub-Committee for the enormous amount of time and effort that has gone into this project but to our Technical and Youth Sub-Committees for their support and to those members who have volunteered their time to assist with the set-up, operation and pack up of the site across the week-long event. For those attending Beef, you will find SPI at sites 086-088.

With the year in full swing, please don't forget SPI's Carcase Competition Support Program which offers \$220 including GST per member, per eligible carcase competition. The Program is designed to provide members with a contribution toward the cost of participating in eligible carcase competitions while assisting SPI in gathering data critical for promotional activities. Further details about the Carcase Competition Support Program as well as the Data Warehouse can be found under the 'Forms and Resources' section on the website, under the heading 'Commercial Initiatives'.

The MESC, with the support of the Board of Directors, welcomes the involvement of the Speckle Park community in this and other SPI publications by submitting content, ideas or suggestions for consideration. This can be done via email - marketing@specklepark.org.

As always, our appreciation goes to the MESC for the time and effort that goes into preparing this publication. Happy reading!

Kind regards Stacey Jones SPI Chairman





Where to find us ...

Sites 086-088 in the Cattle Precinct



Scan the QR code

Find us on the official Beef 2024 Site Map



# Speckle Park judging/events

5 - 6 May - Commercial Cattle Championship 7 May - Speckle Park Stud Championship & Carcase Competition Awards Dinner 9 May - Parade of Champions & Interbreed Championship

ROCKHAMPTON

AUSTRALIA **MAY 5-11** 



# Breedplan Q&A

9 May @ 3.30pm - ABRI Extension Services join us for a member Q&A session together with a presentation on interpreting BREEDPLAN EBVs and Selection Indexes



#### **SPI DNA - LINES OF COMMUNICATION**

Important Reminders!

Please remember, PBB is the appointed DNA service provider for SPI. Accordingly, please direct all DNA enquiries to the PBB DNA team by email - dna@pbbnz.com.au or by phone 1800 221 271. To the extent PBB does not have the required information to hand, they will liaise with Neogen on your behalf. Members are asked not to contact Neogen directly.



#### **REGISTRATION PROCESS - DNA BATCH PAPERWORK**

Members in Australia must NOT send DNA samples direct to Neogen without the necessary batch paperwork from the PBB DNA team. After the DNA application form is submitted to the PBB DNA team, the batch paperwork will be emailed to the member, which then must be printed and enclosed with the samples for couriering to Neogen.



#### **CHANGE OF POSTAL ADDRESS**

By way of reminder, Speckle Park International's new postal address is:

**PO Box 1359 ARMIDALE NSW 2350** 

Please update your records accordingly.





We are excited to announce the next Speckle Park Education Day will be held on 6 & 7 September 2024, hosted by our friends at Nether Grove & Luja Speckle Park in Kempsey NSW. We are very much looking forward to our first ever 2 day event. Please note, these Education Days are designed and suitable for people of all ages. There will be a variety of educational sessions over the 2 days, including Junior Judging and Paraders, Show Preparations, Live Assessments and Industry Insights. We will have some fantastic presenters from within the Speckle Park breed and other cattle enthusiasts. More information, together with details on how to get your tickets will be released closer to the event.



SPI Youth will have a display in the SPI trade site at Beef 2024. If you are attending the event, please make sure you drop by and say hi!

At last year's Sydney Royal Easter Show, Jaxson Dolinski (pictured) was the successful winner of the Herdsperson Scholarship offered as part of the feature breed events. Jaxson was selected as the Grand Champion Herdsperson by the overall judge, Dale Humphries, who said 'Jaxson was a standout right from the start of the week with him helping everyone around him and completing all tasks to a great standard in the show scene.' Jaxson was awarded a scholarship sponsored by Wattle Grove Speckle Park and M&M Show Steers and Fitting which provides Jaxson with the opportunity to attend Beef 2024 and to work with both the sponsors throughout the week learning new skills and gaining invaluable experience. We greatly appreciate the generous support of our sponsors and look forward to hearing about Jaxson's Beef experience.



### IMPORTANT ANNOUNCEMENT Animal name changes

It is common practice for some members to adopt naming conventions for their animals that include references to that animal's sire and/or dam. This presents difficulties for members who adopt these naming conventions where the pedigree of the relevant animal is not known with certainty without DNA results because registration applications (including animal names) are required to be submitted before DNA samples are sent off for testing.

As an interim measure to address this challenge for members pending review of the Rules and Regulations and SPI budget for the new financial year, SPI confirms any fees otherwise associated with the changing of an animal's name consistent with the results of parent verification will be waived, provided an email is sent to mso@specklepark.org requesting the relevant change/s within 30 days of parent verification results being provided.



# A BREEDPLAN Guide to Interpreting EBVs



## TIP SHEET

BREEDPLAN Estimated Breeding Values (EBVs) provide estimates of the genetic merit of an animal for a range of economically important traits. BREEDPLAN EBVs allow beef producers to assess and compare the genetic merit of animals.

This tip sheet provides an overview of how to interpret BREEDPLAN EBVs. For the purposes of demonstration, please consider the set of EBVs shown at the bottom of this page.

#### WHAT DOES THE EBV MEAN?

EBVs are expressed as the difference between an individual animal's genetics and the genetic base (historic genetic level of the population) to which the animal is compared. Furthermore, each EBV is reported in the units in which the measurements are taken (e.g. Weight EBVs are reported in kilograms). On average, half of this difference will be passed on to the animal's progeny (the other half will come from the dam).

Please note that as each BREEDPLAN analysis has its own unique genetic base, only EBVs produced in the same BREEDPLAN analysis can be directly compared. A more detailed explanation is available in the <u>Comparing EBVs from Different</u> <u>Analyses</u> tip sheet, available from the <u>Help Centre</u> on the BREEDPLAN website.

#### HOW TO INTERPRET BREEDPLAN EBVS

When considering BREEDPLAN EBVs, beef producers may:

- 1. Compare to the level of genetic merit within the current population.
- Compare expected difference in progeny performance.
- 3. Consider EBV accuracy.

#### 1. COMPARE TO THE LEVEL OF GENETIC MERIT WITHIN THE CURRENT POPULATION

Comparing against the current levels of genetic merit allows producers to understand where an animal ranks within the evaluated population. This is important as most breeds have experienced significant changes in their genetic merit when compared to their historical genetic level (i.e. their genetic base) for most traits.

BREEDPLAN calculates the current level of genetic merit from the calving drop born two years prior to the current year (e.g. in 2023, the 2021 drop calves are used to define the current level of genetic merit). The reasons for using the calving drop born two years prior are two-fold. Firstly, given that some BREEDPLAN traits are not collected until the animals are rising two year old, this cohort has had the opportunity to be performance recorded for most traits when compared to younger animals. Secondly, many of the animals available for sale will belong to this cohort.

jii	Calving Ease DIR (%)	Calving Ease DTRS (%)	Gestation Length (days)	Birth Weight (kg)	200 Day Growth (kg)	40D Day Weight (kg)	600 Day Weight (kg)	Mature Cow Weight (kg)	Milk (kg)	Scrotal Size (cm)	Carcase Weight (kg)	Eye Muscle Area (sq. cm)	Rib Fat (mm)	Rump Fat (mm)	Retail Beef Yield (%)	IMF (%)
EBV	+1,2	+2.9	-8.0	+1.5	+30	+52	+59	+45	+10	+1.7	+34	+2.7	-0.1	-0,1	+0.9	+0.2
Accuracy	48%	46%	72%	70%	65%	66%	67%	45%	39%	63%	46%	36%	51%	48%	39%	41%
Breed Avg. EBVs	+0.5	+0.8	-2.1	+1,7	+21	+35	+48	+49	+7	+1,1	+30	+1.7	+0.0	-0.2	+0.8	+0.0



Comparison of each EBV against the **breed average** allows you to quickly identify whether the animal is below or above the average genetic level for each trait. This is often an easy first step when considering an animal's EBVs as the breed average EBVs are displayed on both the web services area and in most sale catalogues.

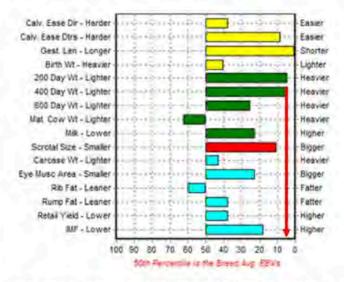
If we consider the demonstration animal from the previous page, comparison of its 400 Day Weight EBV of +52 kg with the breed average 400 Day Weight EBV of +35 kg indicates that the animal is 17 kg (i.e. 52 - 35) genetically heavier at 400 days compared with the average genetic level of the current population.

The comparison of each EBV against the **percentiles bands** allows for the identification of exactly where an animal **ranks** within the current genetic level of the population for each trait. There are two ways in which you can compare an animal's EBVs to the current percentiles. Firstly, you can use the current **Percentile Bands Table**.

Using the same demonstration animal, the Percentile Band Table shown below indicates that this animal, with a 400 Day Weight EBV of +52 kg, ranks in the Top 5% of the population for growth at 400 days.

The second way to compare an animal's EBVs to the current percentiles for the population is to

use the **EBV Percentile Graph**. This graph provides a visual representation of where an animal's EBVs rank within the population for each trait. Considering our demonstration animal once again, the EBV Percentile Graph shown below also indicates that this animal, with a 400 Day Weight EBV of +52 kg, ranks in the Top 5% of the population for growth at 400 days.



It is important to note that while for the majority of EBVs it is generally considered more desirable to rank higher in the percentile bands (i.e. on the right hand side of the graph), this is not always the case. Instead, the optimum EBVs will depend on your individual breeding objective(s), and the

Percentile Band	Calving Ease DIR (%)	Calving Ease DTRS (%)	Gestation Length (days)	Birth Weight (kg)	200 Day Growth (kg)	400 Day Weight (kg)	600 Day Weight (kg)	Mature Cow Weight (kg)	Milk (kg)	Scrotal Size (cm)	Carcase Weight (kg)	Eye Muscle Area (sq. cm)	Rib Fat (mm)	Rump Fat (mm)	Retail Beet Yield (%)	IMF (%)
Top 1%	+7.1	+4.9	-7.3	-1.1	+34	+58	+85	+87	+15	+2,5	+50	+4.2	+0.9	+1.4	+2.0	+0.8
Top 5%	+5.1	+3.5	-5.6	-0.1	+30	+52	+73	+75	+13	+2.0	+45	+3.6	+0.6	+0.8	+1.6	+0.5
Top 10%	+4.0	+2.7	-4.8	+0.3	+28	+48	+68	+70	+12	+1.8	+43	+3.2	+0.4	+0.5	+1.4	+0.3
Top 15%	+3.3	+2.3	-4.3	+0,6	+27	+46	+64	+67	+11	+1,6	+41	+3.0	+0.2	+0.3	+1.3	+0.2
Top 20%	+2.7	+2.0	-3.9	+0.8	+25	+44	+61	+64	+10	+1.5	+39	+2.8	+0.2	+0.2	+1.2	+0.2
Top 25%	+2.3	+1.7	-3.5	+1.0	+25	+42	+59	+61	+10	+1.4	+38	+2.6	+0.1	+0.1	+1.1	+0.1
Top 30%	+1.8	+1.5	-3.Z	+1.2	+24	+41	+57	+59	+9	+1.3	+37	+2.4	+0.1	+0.0	+1.0	+0.1
Top 35%	+1.4	+1.2	-2.9	+1.3	+23	+39	+55	+57	+9	+1.3	+35	+2.3	+0,1	-0.1	+1.0	+0,1
Top 40%	+1.1	+1.0	-2.6	+1.5	+22	+38	+53	+55	+8	+1.2	+34	+2.1	+0.0	-0.1	+0.9	+0.0
Top 45%	+0.8	+0.9	-2.3	+1.6	+22	+37	+51	+53	+7	+1.1	+33	+2.0	+0.0	-0.2	+0.8	+0.0
Top 50%	+0.5	+0.7	-2.0	+1.7	+21	+35	+49	+50	+7	+1.0	+31	+1.8	+0.0	-0.3	+0.8	+0.0
Top 55%	+0.2	+0.6	-1.7	+1.8	+20	+34	+47	+48	+6	+1.0	+30	+1.7	-0.1	-0.3	+0.7	+0.0
Top 60%	-0.1	+0.5	-1.4	+1.9	+19	+32	+44	+45	+6	+0.9	+28	+1.5	-0.1	-0.4	+0.7	-0.1
Top 65%	-0.4	+0.3	-1.1	+2.1	+19	+30	+42	+43	+5	+0.8	+26	+1.3	-0.1	-0.4	+0.6	-0.1
Top 70%	-0.8	+0.1	-0.8	+2.2	+18	+28	+39	+40	+5	+0.8	+24	+1,2	-0.2	-0.5	+0.6	-0.1
Top 75%	-1.2	+0.0	-0.5	+2.3	+17	+27	+37	+37	+4	+0.7	+22	+1.0	-0.2	-0.5	+0.5	-0.1
Top 80%	-1.7	-0.3	-0.2	+2,5	+16	+25	+34	+33	+4	+0.6	+21	+0.8	-0.3	-0.6	+0.4	-0.2
Top 85%	-2.2	-0.6	+0.1	+2.7	+15	+23	+31	+30	+3	+0.5	+19	+0.5	-0.3	-0,6	+0.4	-0.2
Top 90%	-2.9	-1.0	+0.4	+2.9	+14	+21	+27	+26	+3	+0.4	+17	+0.2	-0.4	-0.7	+0.2	-0.2
Top 95%	-4,3	-1.7	+0,9	+3,3	+12	+18	+23	+21	+2	+0.2	+15	-0,2	-0.5	-0.9	+0.0	-0.3
Top 99%	-6.9	-3.Z	+1.8	+4.1	+7	+13	+15	+12	-1	+0.2	+9	-2.5	-0.8	-1.3	-1.4	-0.4



direction in which you are trying to move the genetic level of your own herd.

For example, a higher percentile for Mature Cow Weight indicates a heavier Mature Cow Weight EBV. For those producers trying to moderate the mature cow size of their herd, this may not be desirable. Similarly, producers running their cattle in environments that do not support high Milk EBV cows may seek animals with more moderate Milk EBVs. Equally, in situations where beef producers are trying to limit or actively decrease the rib and rump fat of their herd, an animal with more moderate Rib and Rump Fat EBVs may be more desirable.

The Breed Average EBVs, Percentile Bands Table and the EBV Percentile Graph can all be accessed online via the <u>relevant web search system</u>.

#### 2. CONSIDER EXPECTED DIFFERENCE IN PROGENY PERFORMANCE

We have previously determined that the demonstration animal is ranked in the Top 5% of the population for 400 Day Weight. Using EBVs to compare the expected difference in outcome if two different sires are used in a herd gives us an understanding of what this means in real terms.

Consider the comparison of the demonstration animal to a second bull. The demonstration bull has a 400 Day Weight EBV of +52 kg, while the second bull has a 400 Day Weight EBV of +32 kg. Comparing these animals gives a difference in the 400 Day Weight EBV of 20 kg (i.e. 52 – 32). On





Demonstration Bull 400 Day Weight EBV = +52 kg

Bull 2 400 Day Weight EBV = +32 kg

Expected Difference in Average Progeny Performance at 400 Days of Age

= ½ x difference in 400 Day Weight EBVs = ½ x (52 kg – 32 kg) = 10 kg average, half of the EBV difference will be passed on to the progeny of each sire (with the other half coming from the dam). Thus, it would be expected that the progeny of the demonstration bull would be, on average, 10 kg heavier than the progeny of the second bull at 400 days of age. Extending this to a single year's drop of 50 calves, this difference equates to a potential production difference of 500 kg in live weight by the time the calves reach 400 days of age.

Please note that the above example assumes that both bulls are used over dams of similar genetic merit and breed, and that their progeny are run under similar environmental conditions.

#### **3. CONSIDER EBV ACCURACY**

EBV accuracy provides a measure of stability of the EBV while also giving an indication of the relative amounts of information at that point in time that have been used in the calculation of that EBV. The higher the EBV accuracy, the lower the likelihood that the EBV will change as additional information on that animal and/or its relatives is analysed in future BREEDPLAN evaluations. Every EBV that is published by BREEDPLAN will have a corresponding accuracy figure, as shown for the demonstration animal.

As a general rule, animals should be compared on EBVs regardless of accuracy. However, where two animals have similar EBVs, the one with higher accuracy may be the less risky choice, assuming other factors are equal.

In practical terms, most young bulls at a bull sale can be expected to have similar EBV accuracy levels, as they will have had similar levels of performance recording and no progeny. Older bulls, especially AI sires with many progeny, will typically have higher EBV accuracies. Whether you choose to use a young bull with lower EBV accuracies or an older AI bull with higher EBV accuracies will be influenced both by your tolerance for risk and the individual mating scenario (e.g. you may choose higher accuracy Calving Ease EBV bulls for first-calf heifers).

Further information is available in the <u>Understanding EBV Accuracy</u> tip sheet, available from the <u>Help Centre</u> on the BREEEDPLAN website.



## USING BREEDPLAN INFORMATION IN ANIMAL SELECTION

Although BREEDPLAN EBVs provide an estimate of an animal's genetic merit for a wide range of economically important traits, they do not provide information for all of the traits that should be considered during the selection of functional cattle. Therefore, when making animal selection decisions, producers are encouraged to always consider BREEDPLAN information in conjunction with other traits of importance. These include pedigree, DNA test results, bull fertility results and visual assessment for structural soundness and temperament. The <u>A BREEDPLAN Guide to Animal Selection</u> tip sheet, available from the <u>Help Centre</u> on the BREEDPLAN website, provides a best practice guide to using BREEDPLAN information as part of a balanced animal selection strategy.

For further information on interpreting BREEDPLAN EBVs, please contact staff at your BREEDPLAN processing centre.



Scan the QR code or click <u>here</u> to view a short video on the BREEDPLAN Guide to Interpreting EBVs





# Recording Calving Difficulty Scores



## TIP SHEET

Calving Ease EBVs provide an estimate of genetic differences in the ability of calves to be born unassisted from two year old heifers. Calving Ease EBVs are calculated from three main sources of information, being calving difficulty scores, birth weights and gestation length records. Calving difficulty scores are by far the most important of these sources.

## WHY SHOULD CALVING DIFFICULTY SCORES BE RECORDED?

Calving difficulty can have a negative impact on the profitability of a herd as it can lead to increased calf, heifer and cow mortality, slower re-breeding performance and/or additional expense (which can be considerable) associated with increased labour and veterinary services.

While a number of studies have shown birth weight to be the most important genetic factor influencing calving difficulty, there are a number of additional genetic factors that also have an influence. These include calf shape, pelvic area and the calving "will" of the dam. Calving difficulty scores capture all of these factors, and therefore give beef breeders the opportunity to make more genetic improvement for ease of calving than is possible if selecting on birth weight alone.

#### CALVING DIFFICULTY SCORING METHOD

Calving difficulty should be measured at birth using a 1-6 scale as per the table below.

\* Note that a blank score will not be interpreted as "unassisted". Instead, it indicates that calving difficulty was not scored.

#### WHAT CONSIDERATIONS SHOULD BE MADE WHEN RECORDING CALVING DIFFICULTY SCORES?

- If you are checking your cows regularly during calving (e.g. on a daily basis), it is reasonable to assume that any cow who calves without assistance between visits is unassisted (no difficulty), even if you did not see her calve.
- Calving difficulty scores should be recorded for all calves, and not just those that had difficult or easy births. Calving difficulty scores should also be recorded for stillborn/dead calves; this information is useful for calculating the Calving Ease EBVs of close relatives (e.g. sire and dam).

Calving Difficulty Score	Calving Difficulty	Description
1	Unassisted	Cow calved unassisted (no calving difficulty)
2	Easy Pull	One person without mechanical assistance
3	Hard Pull	One person with, or two people without, mechanical assistance
4	Surgical Assistance	Veterinary Intervention required
5	Mal-presentation	E.g. Breech
6	Elective Surgical	Surgical removal of calf before the cow has the opportunity to calve



- If calving difficulty score is either blank or zero (0), it is interpreted as no score recorded NOT as a score of no calving difficulty (unassisted). All calves that are unassisted should be given a score of 1.
- There needs to be some level of calving difficulty in the herd for the calving difficulty scores to be used effectively by the BREEDPLAN analysis. That is, simply scoring all births in a herd with a calving difficulty score of 1 will not identify any genetic differences in ease of calving.
- As is also the case with birth weight, a birth management group should be recorded alongside the calving difficulty score if there have been different treatments of the females prior to calving that may have affected calving difficulty. For example, where cows have had different levels of feed availability prior to calving.
- When calculating the Calving Ease EBVs, calving difficulty scores of 3 and 4 are

grouped together. Calving difficulty scores 5 & 6 are excluded from the BREEDPLAN analysis as these are considered non-genetic in origin.

#### HOW DO I SUBMIT CALVING DIFFICULTY SCORES?

Calving difficulty scores can either be submitted to your breed society when submitting your calf registration details or directly to your BREEDPLAN processing centre. Please contact staff at your breed society or your BREEDPLAN processing centre should you have any queries about how to submit this information.

For more information regarding how to record calving difficulty scores or Calving Ease EBVs in general, please contact staff at your BREEDPLAN processing centre.



Scan the QR code or click <u>here</u> to view a short video on recording this trait





# DON'T MISS A THING! SPI UPDATES

Emails are SPI's main form of communication with its members and industry partners.

Make sure we have your current details to stay up to date with all things Speckle Park!





### ILR ONLINE

You can download and print copies of the registration certificates for your animals from ILR Online. This can be done by selecting 'Registered Animals' under the 'Animals' tab, clicking on your relevant animal and then selecting 'E-Certificate' from the bottom of the screen.

### MEMBER EVENTS

Members can have details of their upcoming event (sales, open days etc) shared in The Specktator, The Magazine, on the website and via social media by submitting details via the link at the top of the 'Events' page on the website or by scanning the QR code below.



### **BREEDPLAN DATES**

Suggested weighing dates, tailored to your registered animals, can be accessed via the 'Download Files' section in the Members Area of the Studbook.

"Give me six hours to chop down a tree and I will spend the first four sharpening the axe."

– Abraham Lincoln



#### Details subject to change - confirm with relevant parties prior to event

#### 2024

Apr					
27	Multi-Vendor	9th Invitational Scone Speckle Park Sale - Bulls, females & genetics	Scone, NSW - On site and via StockLive Elite		
29	Alinjarra Speckle Park	Annual Sale - Bulls, females & genetics	Hernani, NSW - On property and via AuctionsPlus		
May					
5-11	Beef Australia 2024	see www.beefaustralia.com.au	Rockhampton, QLD		
8	Wattle Grove Speckle Park	Rockin at Rocky Sale - Bulls, females & genetics	Rockhampton, QLD - On site and via StockLive Elite		
11	Hollycott Speckle Park	Hollycott Speckle Park Open Day	Jugiong, NSW - On property		
18-26	Casino Beef Week	Beef Cattle Events	Casino, NSW		
24	Multi-Vendor	The Blueprint Opportunity Sale - Bulls & females	Pine Lodge, VIC - On property and via StockLive Elite		
Aug					
2	JAD Speckle Park	JAD Speckle Park & Angus QLD Bull Sale	Rolleston, QLD - On site and via AuctionsPlus		
16	Oakey Creek Speckle Parks	Oakey Creek Speckle Parks Annual Bull & Female Sale - Bulls, females & commercial lots	•		
18	Beki Speckle Park	Tablelands Better Beef Open Day	Kairi, QLD - On property		

29	Multi-Vendor	Roma Spring Speckle Park Sale - Bulls	Roma, QLD - On site and online via TBA
31	Corndale Speckle Park	Corndale Speckle Park Sale - Bulls & females	Warwick, QLD - On property and via StockLive Elite
31	Rose Hill Speckle Park	Rose Hill Speckle Park Open Day - Bulls, females, genetics and commercial lots	Monivae, NSW - On property
Sep			
TBA	Adelaide Royal	Beef Cattle Events	Adelaide, SA
6	Minnamurra Speckle Park	Minnamurra Bull Sale	Coolah, NSW - On property and TBA
6	Wattle Grove Speckle Park	Triple Treat Sale - Bulls, females & commercial lots	Toowoomba, QLD - On site and via StockLive Elite & AuctionsPlus
13	Multi-Vendor	Upper Hunter Spring Speckle Park Sale - Bulls, females & genetics	
14	Hawthorne Stud	Hawthorne Stud Open Day	Coulson, QLD
21	Multi-Vendor	Hot Spot Speckle Park Sale - Bulls, females, genetics & commercial lots	Colinton, QLD On property and via StockLive Elite
TBA	Perth Royal	Beef Cattle Events	Perth, WA
Oct			
TBA	Melbourne Royal	Beef Cattle Events	Melbourne, VIC
4	Hillview Speckle Park	Hillview Speckle Park 2nd Annual Production Sale - Bulls, females, genetics & commercial lots	
TBA	Geelong Royal	Beef Cattle Events	Geelong, VIC
ТВА	Hobart Royal	Beef Cattle Events	Hobart, TAS