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L-R: Brian Jones, Chad Mader, Werner Grundke, Wayne Sereda, Travis Depalme missing: Gerald McGee

### On the cover...

Reynolds-Alberta Museum, a collection of antique modes of transportation, was the site of the 35th Anniversary AGM & Conference in June. Like transportation, the Salers breed has seen some changes.

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SC Polled Legacy 23L

# n and Goals

### **Bad News**

Like everything, cattle get older. Our Herd Sire, SC LEGACY 23L has reached the end of his productive life. Legacy's progeny was amongst the largest volume-sellers in the breed in 2007 such was the demand for his pedigree. While his bloodlines will be available there will be no more direct offspring, because there is no more semen in storage.

### More Bad News

Our other herd sire, PGJ Mack 5M, has also reached the end of his great productive life. When we bought his sire, Mr. Polled Herc 65M, little did we know of the greatness he possessed and would reproduce. Mack and his siblings have all exceeded all our expectations. A Calgary Stampede Grand Champion, his offspring are all stamped "Champion" on their own.

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### The Good News

We, alone, will have a handful of LEGACY sons and a few daughters available for purchase. This is your last opportunity to invest in your future and have the benefit of this legendary bull in your program. A very stylist bull he has sired many show champions. Don't wait and miss out.

We, alone, have a good selection of MACK sons and daughters available as well as semen on Mack and Herc. If you want muscled, large volume, fleshy, easy keeping cattle this bloodline should be your choice. MACK, similar to his sire, worked on cows or heifers as an easy calving bull. MACK has been used in purebred operations and extensively in crossbreeding programs and his consistency is proven. Our gentle giant, 2500 lbs this spring despite his small frame, has a disposition, as do his offspring, second to none.

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In 2008 as Windrush celebrates its 20th year as a SALERS member and a producer of the best breed of cattle, SALERS, we congratulate and wish the Salers Association of Canada all the best with its 35th anniversary activities. We look forward to a long and profitable future for all our members and industry friends. Thank you for your support

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# **Open House**

# November 22, 2008 at the ranch

14 Bred Purebreds to be sold by Dutch Auction.
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Congratulations: Taylor Isley w/Sparkles won Reserve Grand Champion at 4-H on Parade out of 141 steers

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# President's Message



Fellow Breeders, I'm almost afraid to say it, but it

appears that there may be light at the end of the tunnel for this industry after all! The value of our dollar appears to be stabilizing, our cattle exports are increasing, and there is some optimism as we approach the fall calf run. There is no doubt, however, that we still have a long way to go, both as an industry and as the Salers breed. I look forward to the 35th Anniversary celebrations in Edmonton, as it should be a great opportunity for breeders to share thoughts on how we can move our breed ahead. Whether you are an exhibitor, a volunteer, or just a spectator, I encourage everyone who can to attend to see the cattle

and meet with your Salers colleagues. I would also like to remind you that your Board of Directors is always happy to hear from members with questions, concerns, ideas, or suggestions, and that you do not have to be a board member to be involved with breed activities and committees. We are always happy to hear from members that want to help. Let's get this breed the place it deserves in the future of the beef industry.

> Sincerely, Chad Mader

# From the Office



We owe a debt of gratitude to a group of cattlemen who, over 35 years ago saw the potential benefits of introducing the Salers breed to the Canadian beef industry. Their foresight, courage, patience and willingness to commit their time, energy and a considerable monetary investment has enabled Salers breeders today to celebrate the 35th Anniversary of Salers cattle in Canada and of the founding of

the Association.

Much of the effort behind the celebrations taking place in Edmonton at Farmfair International on Nov. 6 & 7 is being provided by a handful of Alberta members who have really gotten into the spirit of hosting the 35th. The Alberta Salers Association held their AGM jointly with the SAC Convention early in June, at the Reynolds-Alberta Museum in Wetaskiwin. It was a cool rainy weekend but the attendees were supportive, engaged in discussions during both meetings, and thoroughly enjoyed the speakers at a wonderful evening banquet.

Roy Prevost presented an interactive session on branding, promotion and marketing Salers in today's world. Roy is a much-requested motivational speaker from Oakray Marketing Services in Burnaby BC. Don Wudel is an Alberta cowboy poet and humorist; he presented his very entertaining views on 'the Lighter Side of Farming' and had everyone in stitches during the evening.

I've been researching past issues of Salers Country and Salers magazine for articles in this issue and I've come to appreciate, even more than I did before, this breed and the wonderful people who continue to come forward to work for the betterment of the breed itself and the Association. Not surprisingly, the names who appear most often throughout the years belong to the group of people who have gotten behind the 35th Anniversary in a big way. Without them, this celebration would not have gotten off the ground – now we need everyone else to come out and make it a huge success.

I would request that all of you make sure the word gets out to previous members, directors, past-Presidents and Salers royalty (Queens & Princesses) – some of whom have lost touch with the SAC office. Addresses and phone numbers change, youngsters grow up and move away, names change due to marriage......and before you know it, the link is lost. It's not unrecoverable though, if you know some of these people, have them contact me at the office to update their contact info - and I'll send them an "official" invitation!

We will need a 'head count' for the banquet, so make sure to RSVP me before October 31st with how many of YOUR family will attend. Looking forward to seeing you all in Edmonton in November! Good luck to all Salers exhibitors at livestock shows across Canada this fall - Happy 35th Anniversary!

> Kathy Adams Secretary/Manager

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# Congratulations from the American Salers Association

# Milestones

Congratulations to the Canadian Salers Association in celebration of your 35th Anniversary. The American Salers Association (ASA) is pleased to be able to celebrate with you in honor of this great breed of cattle coming to North America. We would like to extend our great appreciation to your membership that played such a pivotal role in bringing Salers genetics to North America. Those breeders had the foresight to recognize what this breed had to offer the beef industry of Canada and all of North America. To many, I'm sure the attributes that this breed offered seemed too great, yet they were true and the breed has made great strides in contributing to the profitability of farms and ranches across the country.

In putting this note together, I pulled out the old history files and made a few phone calls to some of the founding members of the Salers breed. One such member was Pat Effertz from Effertz Key Ranch in Velva, North Dakota. Pat reminisced about the initial Salers cattle. He remembered when Jonas and Big Jim came to Canada in 1975. In visiting with Pat, you could still feel the "Salers Spark" when he talked about those two bulls selling in Canada. He remembered the excitement of sitting on the seats at the sale just like it was yesterday.

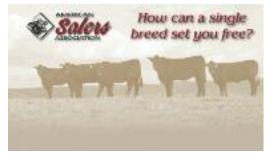
Pat also recalled many a late night and into the early morning when both Canadian and American Ranchers spent hours and hours at a cabin in Banff involved in heavy discussions regarding breed exposure, rules and registry. Some of the meetings lasted until 3 o'clock in the morning. The group knew that it would be a difficult task promoting the Salers breed as it was late getting to North America in relationship to other European breeds such as Limousin and Maine Anjou. Cattlemen had already been burned by empty promises. "Salers had to have something better going. Ranchers had already been down the "exotic fever" road." recalls Pat.

Another of the founders in the U.S., Roy Moore, called Pat often telling him of all the great attributes of the Salers cattle. Pat remembers, "I finally believed him and he was right." The momentum was so great that many of our members went to Canada and bought groups of females to bring in and start their own herds. These herds formed the foundation for the breed in the United States.

Current ASA board member, Bob Neben, remembers going to Canada in 1982 and purchasing his first Salers cattle. "We went to the Denver Stock Show in search for a breed of cattle that had small birth weights, livability, fertility, milk, and meat. We were tired of c-sections, pulling calves, and calves that were slow to get up. What we found was the Salers breed. What impressed us as much as the breed, were the people showing and displaying them. They were a sincere, honest, and down to earth group. Within a month we were on our way to Canada to observe the cattle in ranch conditions. We brought two fullblood bulls back with us. Later that year we returned and bought J'Aime Les Salers (which means "I love Salers" in french) from Stewart Robertson's AC Ranch. Many of our fullblood cows go back to those Canadian genetics."

Many milestones have been passed on the way to this 35th Anniversary. These are just a few of the highlights that are still told to this day of the discovery of Salers. As American Salers producers we value and welcome continued friendships with our fellow Canadian Salers producers. Congratulations, keep working to promote this tremendous breed of cattle!

Sherry Doubet, ASA Executive Vice President





# Congratulations from the New Zealand Salers Society

## Congratulations - 35 years

The New Zealand Salers Society wishes to congratulate the Canadian Salers Association on attaining 35 years of breeding one of the most exciting and profitable breeds of cattle---SALERS.

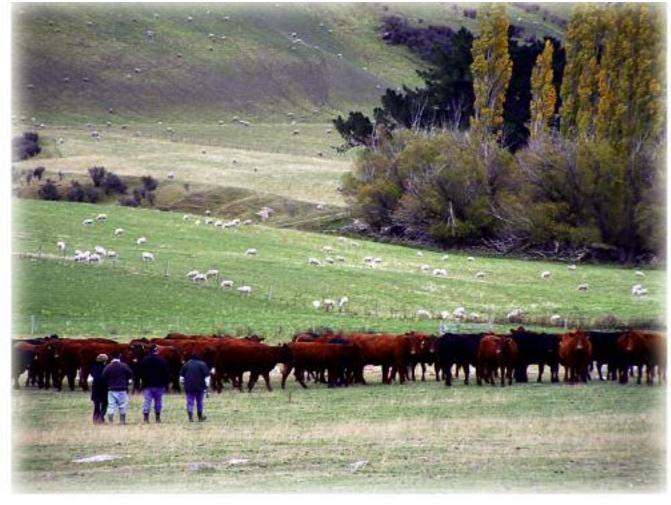
Canadian breeders were some of the first to recognized the special traits of this breed and introduce them, not only into Canada from France but also making them available to the rest of the world, including New Zealand. Imports

of semen, embryos and heifers from Canada had a big influence on the breed in NZ as breeders here became interested in the cattle. New Zealand Breeders today enjoy a close association with their Canadian counterparts with reciprocal visits between NZ and Canadian Breeders. Many of us have been welcomed into your homes and onto your farms and ranches to see your magnificent cattle and to discuss the

problems and successes that are common to us both.

We wish your breeders and your Association a successful season with your cattle and look forward to even closer association with you all in the future

> Myra Severinsen, Secretary of NZ Salers Society



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# The Salers breed: 35 years in Canada!

1973 : the first Salers bulls, Vaillant, Imperial and Ivanohé are imported to Canada.

At that time, some breeders have tried something completely crazy, even impossible by crossing the ocean and coming in the center of France only to find a breed still unrecognized: the Salers! The Canadian Salers Association members have been working for 35 years for the Salers breed's development.

A hard core of breeders have trusted in it, have been involved and have not wavered in their belief and dedication. We think about original breeders like Phil Tetrault, Rudy Enzman, John Moore and Eric Proppe....and others that came later like Ray and Doreen Depalme - they are still enterprising breeders.

Those Canadian Salers breeders had well understood that the Salers breed was indisputably the breed they needed, the breed which would adapt itself the best to the tough winters, the breed which would guarantee easy management and profitability.

The Salers Herd Book and the Salers Evolution Group of France really want to thank all the Canadian Salers breeders for their involvement, determination and vigour which contribute to the international extension of the Salers breed. Their current numbers and energy prove that the choice they made 35 years ago was the right one and is still going to be so. Congratulations and Best Wishes for the future!



La Salers: 35 ans de présence au Canada

1973 : les 1ers taureaux Salers français Vaillant, Imperial et Ivanohé sont importés au Canada.

35 ans que l'Association Salers Canadienne travaille au développement de la race.

A l'époque, certains éleveurs ont tenté l'insensé, voire l'impossible en traversant l'océan et en venant dans le centre de la France pour venir chercher une race encore méconnue : La Salers...

Un noyau dur d'éleveurs y ont cru, se sont investis et n'ont pas lâché prise. Nous pensons à Ray et Doreen Depalme, Phil Tetrault, Rudy Enzman, John Moore et Eric Proppe.... qui continuent à être des éleveurs Salers actifs.

Ces éleveurs canadiens avaient bien compris que la Salers était incontestablement la race qu'il leur fallait, la race qui s'adapterait sans problème aux hivers rigoureux, la race qui leur apporterait facilité de conduite et rentabilité économique.

Le Herd Book Salers et le Groupe Salers Evolution tiennent à remercier tous les éleveurs Salers Canadiens pour leur implication, leur détermination et leur dynamisme qui contribuent au rayonnement mondial de la race. Leur nombre et leur vitalité actuels prouvent que leur choix qui fut le bon il y a de cela 35 ans, est toujours d'actualité...

Sophie Bargy







# Congratulations from the Salers Cattle Society of the UK

Congratulations to the Salers Association of Canada from the President, Chairman, Council of Management and members here in the UK on your 35th Salers Association Anniversary.

We here in the UK are in our 28th year and continue to increase our membership and Salers continue to grow in numbers. We have an increasing demand for Salers and Salers cross cattle as more farmers in the UK are seeing the benefits of Salers. Unfortunately many of these cattlemen are purely commercial and do not join our Society, but nevertheless create a market for pedigree and commercial Salers. We continue to push for members to have HI Health status herds and there are several schemes available to members .

The livestock industry seems to have a succession of problems around the world and blue tongue was initially found during pre-movement testing. Restrictions here in the UK have caused considerable difficulties with movement restrictions of cattle and sheep although we have had no outbreak. Vaccination has taken place in England and Wales now vaccine is available. The movement

difficulties arose because vaccine was not available in large quantities but as it became available areas were vaccinated. It seems like only yesterday that we were at the last ISF Convention in France, when we here in the UK agreed to host the 2009 Convention. It is ten years since we last held the ISF Convention in the UK. This time it will be bigger than before with a fifteen day tour of the UK starting in England, into Wales and then to Scotland to the Royal Highland Show. We will start on Saturday 13th June at London, Heathrow, and will finish at the Royal Highland Show, Edinburgh on Saturday 27th. June. Most of the visits are now in place and all Breed Societies will receive booking forms and programme soon. We hope you can join us for the tour and spend some time in England, Wales and Scotland. We have some excellent cattle to show you and many places of interest. If there are any places you would like to see that are not in the final programme this can be arranged through our travel agency. Also if you want to extend your visit before or after the Convention dates this is also possible through our tour agency. The cost of the complete tour will be £1,744

sterling . I think this is good value at £116 per person, per day, per person. This will include all hotels, breakfast, evening meals, coach, entry and guides to place of interest , entry to the Royal Highland Show, Convention Dinner etc.and at least ten midday lunches or barbecues. There will be free time at some locations for example the walled city of Chester where there are a selection of traditional English cafes, restaurants and pubs where members may like to make their own choice.

We look forward to welcoming Salers members and friends here in the UK to what I am sure will be a memorable occasion.

Regards, John Crowe Secretary Salers Cattle Society of the UK

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# Come celebrate 35 years of Salers in Canada Everyone is invited!

The Alberta Salers Association is excited to host special 35th Anniversary events open to all breeders and the public. Come and join the celebrations!

Farmfair - October 31 to November 8, Edmonton. As feature breed we will host special events.

November 6 - 11 a.m. - UFA Show Hall Jackpot Pair of Purebred Salers Bull Calves Show

Salers Cattlemen's Classic Salers Sale Cattle Parade

Lunch

November 6 - 2 p.m. – UFA Sales Ring "Cream of the Crop" Salers Sale

November 7 - 9 a.m. - UFA Show Hall Salers National Show | Salers Big Bull Classic Show

November 7 – 6:30 p.m. International Room - Salers 35th Anniversary Banquet with guest speaker Fred Mertz speaking on farm succession and tax planning. Ben Crane, western singer/songwriter and entertainer. Contact Kathy at 403-337-5851 for details.

This is your opportunity to view and purchase Salers cattle from across Canada and visit with the breeders. Ladies are invited to stop by the Salers booth in Salers alley for a special gift.

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Congratulations and best wishes to the Salers Association and to all Salers breeders, on the 35th Anniversary of the Salers breed in Canada.

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HBS Miss Pld Ursula 86U

Sire: Top Pld Legend 97L, son of LWS Blk Pld Moderater 81J Dam: HBS Miss Maggie 11P, daughter of WRN Blk Pld Upgrade 30L

Thanks to our 2008 buyers: Gary Shaver, Bengough Al Myren, Ogema Harvey Miller, Ogema

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# **Anniversary Promo Items**

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# Performance Information Extremely Important

According to geneticists in 1980, gathering performance information is extremely important to seedstock producers because:

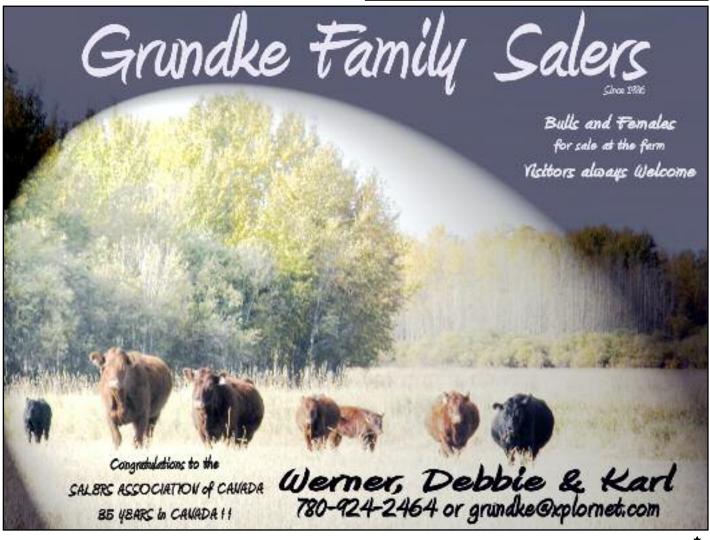
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Efficiency of gain	is 40 percent heritable
Final feedlot weight	is 60 percent heritable
Weaning conformation score	is 25 percent heritable
Slaughter conformation score	is 40 percent heritable
Carcass grade	is 40 percent heritable
Ribeye area	is 70 percent heritable
Tenderness	is 60 percent heritable
Fat thickness	is 45 percent heritable
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Retail product, pounds	is 65 percent heritable
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# Can You Help Us?

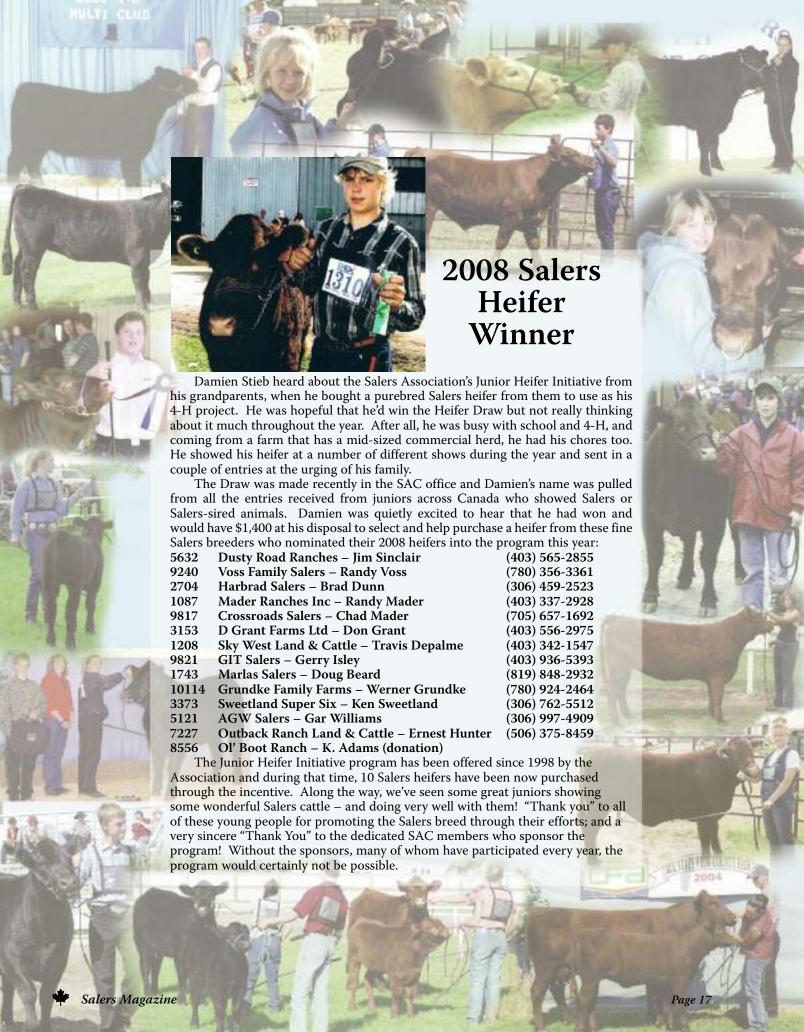
The SAC and AB Boards request your assistance in contacting past SALERS members, Presidents, Directors, Queens and Princesses who may not have their addresses or phone numbers on record at the SAC office. There are a number of people who have been instrumental to the breed's history in the past 35 years, but I can find no record of current contact information for some of them.

I would appreciate you contacting any of the early Association members and breeders that you may still be in contact with – invite them to attend the 35th activities AND then please let me know how to send an "official" invitation to them. I'm sure you'll agree that it would be GREAT to see as many past and present Salers people out to these events as possible.

Thanks – Kathy



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# Mastering the ranges

# Salers-cross solves steep land limits

Reprinted from "The Land" the leading weekly publication in NSW Australia

By Amy Lewer

Selection for excellent foraging ability is making previously inaccessible grazing country productive for Hanging Rock district grazier, Jim Robinson.

For the past 20 years, Mr. Robinson has found by crossbreeding his Angus with Salers, he has created a profitable way to utilise the partially inaccessible areas on his property.

Mr Robinson's 3238-hectare aggregation, including "Nundle Downs" and "Head of the Peel," runs 1300 Angus and Angus-cross breeders with 63 purebred Salers and Salers/Angus Rangemaster bulls.

"I needed to put in place a breeding program where I would be able to produce cattle with little calving difficulties simply because the country is steep and rugged and Salers were my first choice," Mr Robinson said.

His initial Salers purchases certainly produced the low birth weight calves he desired, in fact only one heifer from the large herd died in the first year.

"I've heard stories up here where people are losing up to 20 heifers or calves out of just 60 simply because they're using the wrong bulls - we don't have paddocks suitable for constant surveillance so this is a high priority," he said.

In the past seven years Mr. Robinson has been purchasing Salers and Salers/Angus Rangemaster bulls from Ron and Wendy Coomber, Cairo Salers stud, now at Moree, for growth and temperament.

"We yard the cattle every three months on horseback and treat them for pulpy kidney and I wasn't game to go into the yards with the (previous) bulls and decided to source quieter, bigger sires from elsewhere," he said.

As well as breeding Salers, the Coombers produce Rangemasters, which is their registered trademark used to develop black Salers/Angus.

Mr Robinson said he was thrilled

Mr.Robinson is pictured with his wife, Sue, and a line of their Angus-cross cows.



# Cattle-wise at Hanging Rock

With no cropping land or desire to pay for grain, Hanging Rock's Jim Robinson relies on his strong breeding program and farming methods to gain profitable returns.

More than 1000 weaners are sold each year straight from his adjoining 3238 - hectare properties, "Nundle Downs" and "Head of the Peel", to buyers in the Liverpool Plains and Northern Tableland regions.

"If you can get a buyer to purchase the cattle on-farm you save the commission and transport cost of selling to a saleyard and sometimes gain a better price," Mr. Robinson said

His cattle's reputation has enabled him to sell a large proportion of his Salers/Angus weaners on-farm for \$500 to lotfeeders for finishing, a practice he's overwhelmed with.

"I wean most of the calves into yards at between six and nine months with hay and then after 10 days I'm usually left with none - they've become high in demand," he said.

The calves are about 300 kilograms when weaned and lot feeders keep the cattle until almost 12 months or 550 kg.

"I can't see how people can spend massive amounts on their breeding cows and bulls, then spend bucketloads on grain, transport and commission, to only make small amounts for their offspring - it's absurd." he said.

with both types, but the latter had been popular at sales because the weaners were all black in colour.

"Nobody had ever asked what they are, there's a salad bowl of cattle breeds up here, but I've found the black crossbred bulls fantastic over the Angus cows and the calves are highly marketable," he said.

In just seven years Mr. Robinson has purchased a staggering 86 Salers and Salers-cross bulls exclusively from the Coombers with plans to increase his herd to 1500 by January next year.

"I need an abundance of sires out here, I run the bulls with the cows nearly all year and if a proportion goes into an isolated pocket of land, at least one bull can still get to them," he said.

The property is almost 100 per cent improved pasture and Mr. Robinson believes in spelling part of the country each year and letting it go to seed before he puts the cattle back on for grazing.

"You've got to be careful out here with bloat and pulpy kidney, the cattle can't have too much rich grass, so I shut up half the farm and then shut the other half when the first part is ready - that way they're not walking to much and the country doesn't get tired," he said.

Although the Hanging Rock and Nundle regions experience cold winters, Mr. Robinson hasn't lost any cows or calves and believes the Salers influence in the cows and calves has helped them adapt to adverse weather condition.

"They've got an enviable reputation right across the world, in hot climates and the snow of Canada - "I've also found I'm weaning calves at 300 kilograms off just pasture which is another bonus," he said.

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## 2008 Beef Improvement Federation

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IF THERE WAS ONE KEY POINT at this year's BIF meetings in Calgary, it was that DNA based selection technology will be transformational to our industry. DNA technology is going to have an impact; whether it is low cost sire or parent verification that empowers the commercial industry, identification of genes for hard to measure traits (such as dry matter intake or longevity), examination of new traits such as health (animal) and healthfulness (people), or improving the accuracy of EPD traits on young animals. It also has the potential to impact management, for example, in feedlot screening and in targeting specific branded programs.

It's important to note that, as with any new technology, some caution is in order in applying it to industry and that DNA technology does not replace the standard features of an animal breeding program, at least at this point. Breeders will still have to collect weights, ultrasound scans and record other data such as temperament and calving ease. The recommendation from BIF is that DNA results be incorporated into and presented as part of an EPD; the potential benefit is to dramatically increase accuracy on non-parent animals, thereby reducing risk and increasing the pace of selection. Results could be presented for many more traits which will present challenges for many producers as they work to interpret and integrate these values into their selection programs.

ANOTHER KEY POINT rising from the meetings, is the importance of selection for traits that will have direct profitability impact in the commercial industry. It will be important that breeders use selection index technology as well; this technology defines a structure and outlines the tradeoffs in a consistent manner, allowing for rapid sorting through reams of criteria. This is identical to the approach when a breeder uses their "eye", but it introduces a level of consistency to help achieve overall goals.

The potential for cooperation and its' importance between organizations and

between levels of the production chain was emphasized repeatedly in both scientific and producer presentations. In the industry of the future, seedstock suppliers and their customers will be working together rather than simply selling or buying bulls.

ONE JOINT EFFORT FOCUS, is Whole Genome\* Scanning or WGS, this involves running a DNA sample through a SNP\*\* chip that can identify 50,000 or more SNPs. This means that one animal, in addition to its traditional performance measures, will also have 50,000 individual pieces of information on its DNA structure and each of these pieces of information may be associated with a particular trait of interest. This has several implications, including issues with data handling and storage, interpretation of the information, reporting and implementation of the results.

PERHAPS THE MOST EXCITING developments are those that are cost effective for the commercial industry. This includes models for low cost sire verification (and/or parentage) and use of DNA in management; this has the potential to dramatically increase information available for management and genetic evaluation. For example, commercial producers can now run multi-sire pastures with divergent sire lines and keep only those replacements sired by maternal lines; or they may readily determine the breeding effectiveness of specific sires, or which sires are producing calves that net the most money through the production chain. This relatively simple tool provides an avenue for commercial producers to more accurately match genetics to their production and marketing scenario. Further, the technology has the potential to increase the amount of data available for genetic evaluation. This can be seen as a threat (the seedstock user knows more than the seedstock supplier) or as an incredible opportunity for collaboration (the seedstock supplier can leverage more data and improve their selection process).

IT WILL BE INCREASINGLY CHALLENGING, to keep abreast of the technology, since it is developing at a pace far in excess of any selection tools we have seen before. Already there is mention of 100,000 and 1,000,000 SNP chips. The USDA MARC

noted in one presentation that they have collected more genotypes in the last 18 months, than in the previous 15 years.

Listening to the presentations and talking in the hallways leads one to the conclusion that we have just scratched the surface of what DNA technology can do. This creates very real opportunity and some potential threats to our traditional manner of doing business. Canada currently has quite a good infrastructure to apply these technologies in industry, for example, we have a backbone structure for national identification across which the technology can be linked through the chain.

IT IS IMPORTANT TO MAINTAIN a healthy skepticism regarding technologies and the value they provide. In the case of DNA technologies it is fair to say that the technology is very good, the challenge remains in the deployment and application in industry. One very subtle example is the difference between a test that provides information on a trait and one that results in additive genetic change (eg. long term increase in breeding value for weaning weight).

PRODUCERS AT ALL LEVELS will have to seek out relationships that help them to stay abreast of the technological advances and employ the right technology in their operations to add value. The challenge is not whether to use the technology or not, it is how and in what form to use it to add value for everyone.

\* Gene – both a unit of inheritance and an encoded message for the creation of a functional unit in a cell (usually a protein). Genome – refers both to the full set of genes carried by a single organism and to that carried by that organism's species. The precise ordering of As, Ts, Cs and Gs in organisms' genomes is the foundation of life's diversity.

\*\* SNP – a single nucleotide polymorphism – pronounced snip – is a DNA sequence variation occurring when a single nucleotide – A,T,C, or G – in the genome (or other shared sequence) differs between members of a species (or between paired chromosomes in an individual). The differences are referred to as alleles.

# What I Can Do To Promote the Salers Breed in 2008

By Ellen Hondl Alberta Junior Salers Ambassador for 2008



Ellen showing at the Olds Junior Salers show in 2007.

My name is Ellen and I am 17 years old. My family runs a commercial herd and we have always believed in the positive effect of Salers bulls on our cows. In 2005 I went to Farmfair in Edmonton to help a friend with his purebreds. I realized that this was something that I really liked and wanted to pursue. It was a turning point for me. When I was to turn 16, my parents wanted to gift me something special. Although a car would have been awesome, I asked instead for a purebred Salers heifer. In March I purchased not one, but two heifers. I bred them to CMS Phoenix 10P. In the fall I purchased a bred heifer and two heifer calves. This past winter (2007), I became the proud owner of three baby Salers and in March, my very own herd sire. It has been exciting for me these past years to purchase and breed my own cattle.

I chose the Salers breed for many reasons. They are the oldest and most genetically pure breed of all the European breeds which makes them excellent candidates for cross-breeding. Salers cattle can be traced back 7000 years to drawings in caves. Females are known for their high, well placed udder that gives rich and abundant milk. Their 200 day weaning weights are the highest in the industry compared to other breeds. Montana State University (USA) found that a Salers pelvic area is 15 cm greater that Herefords, and 10 cm greater than Angus cattle. They're excellent mothers, who never seem to stop breeding. They mature fast, breed quickly, calve easily, and rebreed again in record time. They're known for their high fertility. The bulls are vigorous and have a lot of stamina. I've seen them prove themselves many times. I like the solid colours and the moderate birth

weights. The calves are typically long and narrow with small heads that make calving a pleasure. Almost as soon as they're born, they're up and milking. They grow quickly and fill out well. Salers carcasses yield good marbling and minimum back fat. Because they are a smaller breed (average mature cows weigh 1300-1600lbs and mature bulls weigh 2300-2600lbs), it is possible to run more cattle and sell more high quality calves in the fall. Salers have had a few changes; there are now black and polled cattle available with increasing docility.

I truly believe in the quality and performance of Salers cattle and believe that I could do an excellent job promoting 'The Balanced Breed' for the coming year. I have an up and coming website to further expose our industry's best kept secret, and a four province reach (British Columbia, Alberta, Saskatchewan, and Manitoba) that expands to England to help me promote the breed.

In the late 1980's European exotic breeds became very popular. Since then however interest in Salers is no longer as prominent. We are the 11th breed out of 133 breeds in Canada. At this point, other breeds are taking credit for our cattle as hybrids because of our low profile. I would like the Salers breed to become more widely known and start receiving credit for the animals raised. I'd also like to see the Salers market become more developed and increase industry awareness. Hopefully we can at some point even increase our herd numbers because demand is so high.

Although I'm new to this corner of the beef industry, I have already begun my contribution towards increasing awareness and dispelling disposition concerns. I look forward to the opportunity of being awarded Salers Ambassador that I might meet new people within the industry while I develop my herd. In the past two years I have met many people who have offered their friendship and guidance, and I hope to spend the next year meeting even more people as their ambassador. Thank-you very much for taking time out of your busy day to read my entry.

# Yesterday

By Ellen Hondl

Written following the 2005 BSE case

I like to take walks through yesterday,

When the springs were muddy, And the rains came often I like to remember days less troubled,

Days when we laughed and played with hardly a care,

I like to take walks through yesterday,

When crops were green and lush, When the barley matured tall and yellow in October sunlight,

When the wheat fields became a majestic gold,

The days we played in big piles of leaves,

The days when we didn't have Mad Cow Disease

I like to take walks through yesterday

When the pastures were green and full of water,

When the snows were deep, And the days full of sunshine, I like to take walks through yesterday...

...when things were simple.

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# Calendar Of Events – Salers History In Canada



1972

Adrienne De Moustier of Quebec imported the first Salers animal into Canada, VAILLANT -1-. The breed was brought to Canada because of its track record in France of producing a growthy calf per cow per year.



Vaillant - first bull imported to Canada.

1973

In the spring, a Calgary based group called T.E.M.P. caught wind of stories about an outstanding exotic breed — Salers. They decided to gamble and

purchased VAILLANT -1- from Mr. Moustier while still in quarantine, for \$60,000; the men responsible were Phil Tetrault, Rudy Enzmann, John Moore and Eric Proppe. At this time, a group called Ten Star Breeders bought a commercial herd and used VAILLANT on them. Also in the spring of 1973, several commercial breeders around Carstairs & Didsbury AB were contracted to AI their cows to VAILLANT.

### 1974

The first Canadian born Salers halfbloods were on the ground. Salers halfblood heifers sold at public auction met with high demand, averaging \$2,824.25 for 79 lots. The Salers Association of Canada and the Alberta Salers Association were inaugurated in late summer. The registry was set up at Canadian National Livestock Records in Ottawa. IMPERIAL - 2- arrived in Canada and IVANOHE -3- was imported by E&P Salers Ranches.

### 1975

IMPERIAL -2- was bought by Pincher Creek Ranches out of quarantine in Quebec. The American and Canadian Associations set up an information display at the National Western Stock Show in Denver in January.

The excitement in the Salers breed was growing rapidly. A grand Ballroom Sale was held at the Calgary Inn in April. The cattle were on display in the Parkade and were brought up to

the sale on the elevator! Bred and open halfblood females were on offer; the prices were unbelievable, one halfblood heifer sold for \$17,000!

In September, a breeder tour was organized to France.

October marked the occasion of another Ballroom Sale at the Calgary Inn. VAILLANT was on display in the lobby and then sold at this great sale for \$90,000, and 7,000 vials of VAILLANT semen sold for \$56,000! JONAS -11- was auctioned sight unseen, since he was just coming through quarantine, for \$38,000. There were six fullblood heifers sold at an average of \$27,333.

JONAS and the other animals in this importation had quite a time getting here. They came via Japan and what a trip it was. They encountered a storm in which the ship lost its rudder,



Rudy Enzman, Ronda Mader (1st Queen), Stu Robertson, Ron Liesemer (1st President) 1975

they drifted for days and began to run low on feed. The Americans came to the rescue by bringing pelletized feed to get them through until repairs were complete. Fuel was running low but the ship was not allowed to dock due to the fear of disease; finally a tanker ship met them and replenished their fuel supply and they continued on to Japan. After a stay in Japan, the cattle were flown to Texas and then trucked to Canada.

### 1976

First Salers Bull Test held at Ellerslie AB.

April saw the arrival of the first Canadian born fullblood calf, a male.

Another 75 head of Salers cattle were imported from France, with one of the import females going to New Brunswick. This was a split importation with some cattle coming through Quebec and others coming via Japan, Texas and then Canada. Salers was the second largest European breed to be imported in 1976.

The Salers breed was accepted for a show and sale at Canadian Western Agribition; 52 head were shown and 32 head were sold, average price was \$1,431.

Salers Country magazine was started by Gerald and Deanna Dixon, Dixon Salers at Carstairs AB. Dixon's published the

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first two issues and the publication was then taken over by the SAC office.



Gerald Dixon and his family started the Salers Country publication.

1977

Salers were exhibited for the first time in Ontario. Sixteen more imports arrived in Canada.

### 1979

In January, 10 fullblood females and two fullblood bulls were purchased by the Mexican Government from Canadian breeders. This was the first time any females of the exotic breeds had been imported by Mexico.

The first edition of the Salers Herd Book was printed during the summer.

### 1980

An importation of three bulls and five females arrived in the spring. Organization for another importation began but was cancelled due to an outbreak of Foot & Mouth in Europe. It was reported that Salers bulls were now working in BC. First 15/16 heifer born in North America honors were shared by Dixon Salers and Black Jack Cattle Company. Both calves were born on the same day.

### 1981

The Semen Certificate Program was brought forward, accepted and implemented.

A few Alberta Salers breeders hauled cattle to Barrier ON to display at the International Plowing Match.

In the fall, a tour to France was organized.

### 1982

VAILLANT -1- died during the summer.

December saw the formation of the Saskatchewan/Manitoba Salers Association.



1st polled fullblood born in North America - heifer - born May 1982

### 1983

The entire year was a celebration of the 10th Anniversary of Salers in North America. In April, the Bull Test Sale averaged \$3,977 on 29 lots. In June, despite many hurdles, the first Salers calf was born from an embryo conceived and frozen in Canada then bused to the United States.

An August grand celebration was held in Red Deer to mark the 10th Anniversary; a steer show, percentage show, purebred show, junior show and a sale were held. Twenty-three French visitors attended and 275 head were shown. It was the "largest group of Salers cattle ever assembled for a show and sale in North America".

High seller at this sale was a half interest in a fullblood female - \$37,000; second highest was a fullblood female calf - \$35,000. 38 ¼ lots were sold for an outstanding average of \$7,648!

The National Salers Sale at Agribition averaged \$3,699. High selling fullblood bull - \$15,500 and high selling fullblood female - \$7,600.



Phil and Norma Tetrault of E & P Ranches hosted fantastic annual Field Days

E&P Salers Ranches' First Edition Sale in December had 82 lots grossing \$1,259,600 for an average of \$15,361.

It was a fantastic year!!!

### 1984

Salers steer wins began at Toronto CNE and Vancouver PNE. Two international Salers partnerships were formed: between Many Springs Farms of Canada and Cumbria Cattle Breeders of England; and between Gerry Isley Salers of Canada and Jean (Blondy) Beaurenaut of France. Salers Ontario Association was formed.

### 1985

BC Salers Association and Quebec Salers Association were both formed.

One fullblood bull, one purebred bull, two fullblood females, embryos and semen were exported to Australia. Since then, Australia has been a steady embryo market.

First Salers display held in the Maritimes.

International Salers Federation was formed in August, in the village of Salers in France; Canada was represented and became one of the founding members. Objectives of the ISF are to:

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- exchange & publish breed information
- carry out research on the breed
- exchange genetic selection information
- promote & further the expansion of the breed
- protect, through representation, the characteristics of the breed
- organize International Salers functions
- assist in the exchange of breeding stock, semen & embryos
- encourage contact between breeders of different countries



International Salers Federation (ISF) formed 1985

### 1986

Maritimes Salers Association was formed. 13 years after the breed's introduction, Salers now appear in Canadian provinces from coast to coast.

Largest importation to date was released from quarantine at Grosse Ile QC: 101 head in total, with 85 females and 16 bulls. Salers steers win classes at Edmonton Farmfair and Regina Agribition.

### 1987

Salers Association of Canada's registry officially moves from Canadian National Livestock Records in Ottawa to the Association office in Calgary. A computer system was purchased for the registry and SAC office now has four full-time employees.

A Salers-sired steer wins Calgary Stampede Steer Classic competition. Salers steers also were champions at Brandon AgEx.

### 1988

A gala July celebration held in Calgary during Stampede time to mark 15th Anniversary. Salers registrations to date were 9,580 head and 13,760 percentage cattle were "recorded" in the Canadian Herd Book. SAC had 300 active members.

### 1993

20th Anniversary – Celebrations across Canada included a Calgary Stampede Hoof to Hook Steer Show, Junior and Open Shows and Sale as well as ISF meetings and activities. Edmonton Farmfair was the location for the Alberta Convention with a \$10,000 Bull Futurity, pens of bull and heifer calves, bred heifers, an open and a junior show. Lloydminster's Prospect Steer Show, open show and a commercial Salers heifer pen show all led into the Canadian

Convention & the National Salers Sale at Agribition.

### 1998

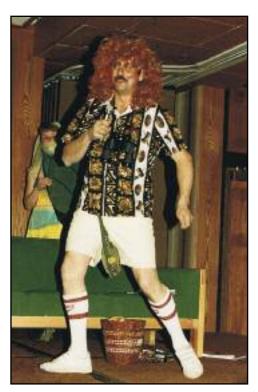
25th Anniversary – Calgary Stampede saw an International Junior Salers show, open Salers show and 25th Anniversary Sale; high seller was MWC GIFT WRAPPED a bred heifer for \$3,800. The week culminated in Canadian AGM & Convention in Red Deer. Farmfair – \$20,000 Salers Spectacular sale and lottery hosted by AB Association. Agribition - \$15,000 Bull Futurity and the National Salers Sale. SAC's Junior Heifer Initiative project incorporated into national breed promotions.

### 2003

30th Anniversary – Very few cattlemen felt like celebrating, as an Alberta case of BSE was discovered in May 2003 effectively shutting down the Canadian beef industry for the next five years. Anniversary activities were kept to a small scale as membership and registration numbers took a nose dive. National Sale at Agribition averaged \$2300 with SANDY LAKE NOBILITY 4N as high selling heifer calf at \$3400.

### 2008

35th Anniversary – history being written this year – Be a Part of it All!!



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# Canadians Host New Zealand Visitors – 2008





Enjoying the Calary Stampede parade.

Ken Bain and friends Murray & Heather Sheppard, and Colin & Lynn Gibson - all from the south island of New Zealand visited Canada in early July, to take in the Calgary Stampede and all of its internationally renowned activities. Ken, together with his wife Dawn, owns and operates Longview Salers at Millers Flat and got started in Salers when Murray, a cattle agent at the time, introduced him to the attributes of the Salers breed. Ken bought some embryos imported from Canada and has never looked back since then; he's just now calving out to some new French sires with semen that was imported after the 2006 ISF convention in France. The Gibsons are Hereford breeders and, while Ken & Murray were visiting Salers breeders, they toured some of the top Hereford farms near Calgary. Thanks to the following Salers breeders: Richard & Dianne Andersen, Werner & Debbie Grundke, Riley Isley, Brian & Pat Jones, Peter Watkins, Don Grant, Ray & Doreen Depalme, Travis & Dana Depalme and Reg Baldwin. Special "thanks" to Randy & Ronda Mader for hosting a BBQ for the Kiwi group before they continued their journey through BC and then a cruise to Alaska. Ken had never been to Canada before and was amazed by the quality of crops, the country in general and the top-notch Salers cattle herds. Ken is immediate past President of NZ Salers Society.



L to R: Ken Bain, Colin Gibson, Reg Baldwin, Murray Sheppard, Randy Mader

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Bill & Mary Harvie, Randy Mader & Ray Depalme checking out the French Salers website.



Pete Watkins cow/calf pairs.

Society.

Bill & Mary Harvie live near Palmerston North, on the north island of New Zealand and operate Nenthorn Poll Salers together with their son John and his wife, Trish. In April 2008, Bill & Mary came to Canada and dropped in to visit Randy & Ronda Mader family near Carstairs for a few days. During their stay, they also visited Ray & Doreen Depalme and Travis, Dana & their two lively boys for a wonderful afternoon. While there, Ray signed onto the French Salers website so everyone could check it out - there's also an English version, so translations are much easier now. Thank you to Sophie Bargy of the French promotion society for all her

work on the site! Bill & Mary are frequent travelers and both have participated in many ISF tours; Bill is a past-President of ISF and the New Zealand Salers



Spring coulee cows and calves near Carstairs.



Don Grant's version of "all blacks" (New Zealand rugby team)







# 2008 Mexico Winners

# - Nuevo Vallarta Bound

Earlier this spring, Ellen Hondl (our Alberta Salers Junior Ambassador) of Bowden AB sold a few Salers bulls in the Grant Farms and Sky West Land & Cattle bull sale and then became involved in the Mexico in December program. One of those bulls was sold and transferred to Steve Dangerfield from Vauxhall in southern Alberta, and Ellen entered his name to win an all-inclusive paid trip to Puerto Vallarta in Mexico. Neither one of them thought much more about it.

Until Ellen was asked to contact her buyer to let him know that he had won! What was Steve's reaction? "It must be a joke – you're kidding me, right?" Langdon Travel and the SAC office confirmed his win, so now Steve is working to get his harvest in and plans made in order to join the Salers group for the week-long holiday. Steve and Judy (his partner) are excited about the trip and both are looking forward to meeting and

visiting with other Salers breeders and supporters.

On the Salers breeders' side of the Draw, Travis Depalme's name was drawn and this has led to some interesting negotiations in the Depalme family. Travis will be taking time off work for the 35th anniversary celebrations during Farmfair and he'll need some time to go to the UK and judge the international Salers show being held in Edinburgh Scotland next June. So, in order to stay on the good side of his "help" – Travis offered the ticket to his dad, Ray Depalme. Ray thought it was a fine idea and now, Doreen (Travis' Mom) is going along to Mexico too!

We're sure everyone will enjoy themselves in Mexico – including our returning sponsors and Salers breeders who wouldn't miss this opportunity for a good time in the sun.

Thanks to our very special Mexico in

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# **Announcements**



Rayel Mader and Craig Walker were united in marriage on May 3rd, 2008 at Carstairs AB. The daughter of Randy and Ronda Mader, Rayel is a former Salers queen, a past Junior member and has always been involved in helping her family show and

promote the Salers breed. The happy couple own a contract welding business and live on their own quarter of hay/cropland west of town, close to Mader Ranches. Craig is also a professional bullfighter and both he and Rayel like to holiday, including camping with their Bichon Shih Tzu dog, "Austin".

Our sympathies to the Stan Smith family on their loss early in February 2008, of Lois: wife, mother, grandmother and great-grandmother. Lois was an integral part of the Caledon Farm operation at Carstairs and the Salers breed was a big part of her life, as was her family.



"Chad and Courtney Mader welcomed Evan Daniel Mader on April 15, 2008 at 9:14 am in Peterborough, ON. Evan is their first-born, already five months old and grandson of Ray and Wendy Mader of Sandy Lake Salers.

Ian and Kaela Liesemer proudly announce the birth of their first child, a son born August 27/2008. Donavon Mikal Liesemer is the first grandchild for both sides of the family and especially welcomed by Grandma - SAC Sec/Manager, Kathy Adams."



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Nov. 6, 11 a.m.	Pair of Salers Bull Calves, Salers Cattlemen's Classic
	Parade of Salers Sale Animals
Nov. 6, 2 p.m.	Cream of the Crop Sale
Nov. 7, 9 a.m.	Salers National Show, Salers Big Bull Classic
	(UFA Show Hall)
Nov. 7 - 6:30 p.m.	Salers 35th Anniversary Banquet with speakers &
•	entertainment (Northlands International Room)
Nov. 22, 2008	Open House at GIT Salers, Langdon, AB
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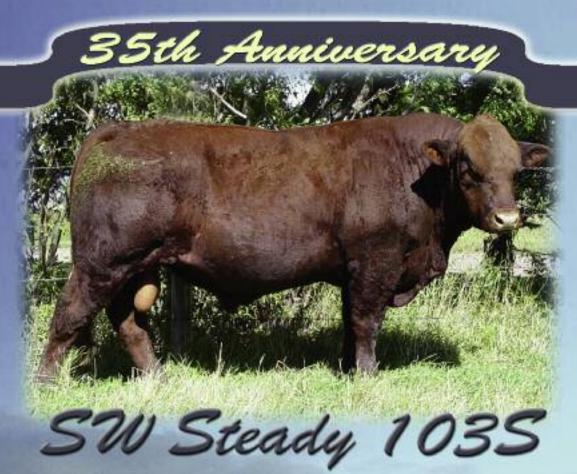
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Sire: SW Medicine Man 47]

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On this 35th Anniversary of Salers in Canada we would like to introduce to you this very special bull, SW STEADY 103S. He is pictured here just 3 weeks after breeding season with 70 cows. He bred 30 at Voss's this spring as well. He has the best disposition I have worked with, tremendous feet and legs with the ability to cover ground nearly effortlessly. He was developed on forage only until he was 16 months of age when we added supplement to get him ready for our bull sale. He is a major step in our movement towards spring/summer calving and forage raised breeding stock.

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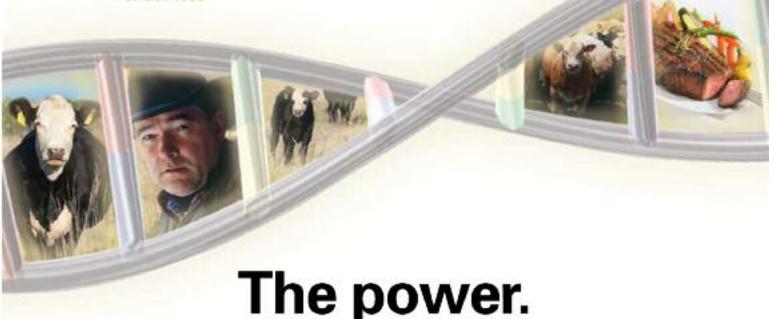
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