Tailor Made Success

Alastair and Jayne Day have just returned from their annual Sydney Royal Easter show trip where they again took a small team of Allendale Poll Herefords.

The difference this year was that their team of six head were all youngsters under 12 months of age. The objective was to show off their first progeny of Harvie "Tailor Made", the Canadian sire that Allendale used for the 2012 calving and purchased the Australian semen rights.

Despite their young age the Allendale Sire's Progeny Group entry of three young "Tailor Made" calves came through against teams of much older and more mature cattle to win this important class. Allendale also gained a second in the Breeders Group class.

"Naturally we are really pleased with this result. We didn't take them with expectations of winning anything because of their immaturity, but rather to just show others the "Tailor Made" quality. Alastair Day said.

The three in the winning group were heifer Allendale Cora H49 and bulls Allendale Ambush H19 and Allendale Cowboy H23. The Harvie family sold a third share in 'Tailor Made" at their Harvie Ranching Fall sale in 2009 for \$80,500 Canadian.

"While that is a standout result and he is certainly a wonderful bull by any measure, it was the consistent elite performance of his dam Harvie Firefly 51F that attracted us to purchase rights to him. She has had 13 progeny sell at Harvie Ranching that have averaged \$34,000 Canadian," Alastair said.

Besides the many proven top performing sires in service at Allendale, Tailor Made's progeny in particular are likely to attract interest from other cattle producers.

"It looks like we will have around 10 of his male progeny in our annual bull sale team next year and by their quality at this stage we'll hopefully have a couple to go to Dubbo National as well," Alastair concluded.



Pictured is Allendale's winning Poll Hereford Sire's Progeny Group at the just completed Sydney Easter Show. They are progeny of the Canadian sire Harvie "Tailor Made" and are held by Jonathon Spence, Andrew Wilson and Allendale principal Alastair Day.