BREEDPLAN COURSE

09:00-09:45	A gentle introduction to EBV's	5
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09:45-10:00 Break

10:00-10:45 The Breedplan EBV analysis

10:45-11:15 Tea

11:15-12:00 Fertility and fertility EBV's

12:00-12:15 Break

12:15-12:45 Practical use of EBV's in bull selection

12:45-13:30 Lunch

13:30-14:15 Supertool-The Selection Index

14:15-14:30 Break

14:30-15:00 Genetic progress in R / c

15:00-15:15 Break

15:15-15:45 Questionnaire, discussion

15:45-16:00 Closure





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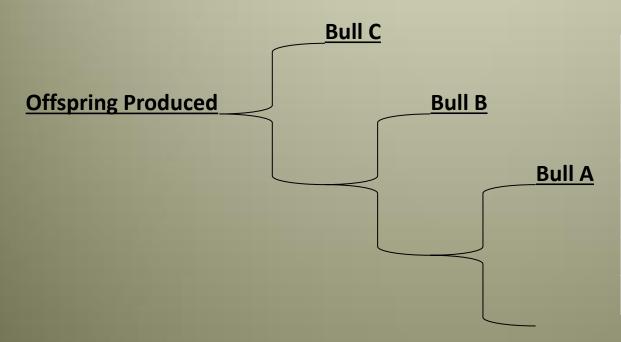






Importance of Bull Selection

- Two primary goals:
 - Produce live calves
 - 2. Make genetic improvement in economically relevant traits



Bull	% Genes Contributed to Offspring
A	Produced 12 ½
В	25
С	50
Total:	87 ½ %

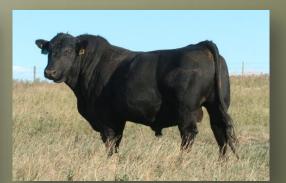
Source: Colorado State University

Importance of Bull Selection

- U.S. Meat Animal Research Center
 - Studies demonstrate 80-90% of genetic improvement originates from bull selection
- Heavily influences genetic merit of cow herd
 - Daughters stay in the herd 10+ years
 - Inferior genetics culled no upward selection pressure on cow
 - Bulls sire ~100 calves in their lifetime

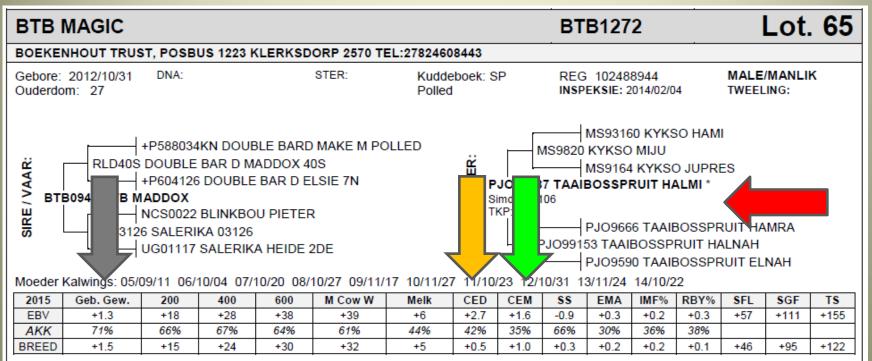






Thoughts before you buy

- Know your production BENCHMARK
 - Weaning weights
 - Conception rates
 - Mature cow size
 - Cow longevity
- Establish your production/breeding goals
- Determine what traits will help meet your production goals
- Develop a budget
 - Assumptions
 - Lifespan of bull
 - Bull/Cow ratio
 - Bull maintenance costs
 - Salvage value
 - Cost of getting a live calf
- Does your marketing program reward you for paying more for higher quality genetics?



Verkoper se kommentaar / Seller's remarks:

Poena skoubul. Pryswenner op Nasionale Kampioenskap 2014 uit een van die beste koeie op die plaas, wat nou met haar 10de kalf loop. Om lanklewendheid en vrugbaarheid te verbeter.



EBV Bull selection

- 1. Calving ease bull?
- 2. Weaner production system bull?
- 3. Ox production system bull?
- 4. Bull for female retention?



