

The Manitoba **MAINSTREAM**

by Jackie Mitchell

CATTLEMEN'S CHOICE SPRING CLASS ALL BREED BULL SALE

It was standing room only at the Killarney Auction Mart on Tuesday, March 5 for the second annual Cattlemen's Choice Spring Classic All Breed Bull Sale. An excellent selection of Hereford herd sire prospects from the herds of Roselawn Polled Herefords (Wally & Jackie Mitchell), Killarney; DTHF Herefords (Doug & Jayne Troop), Brandon; Thornbank Farms (Dean & Deah Buchanan), Crystal City; and WLB Polled Herefords (Bill & Nancy Biglieni), Douglas were among the offering together with a growthy group of purebred Hereford commercial heifers and Hereford/Angus cross heifers. Overall, 15 yearling and two-year-old Hereford bulls averaged \$2,707. Roselawn Polled Herefords topped the Hereford sale with a thick two-year-old bull selling to repeat buyer Kelvin Nichol for \$3,400. Nichol also paid \$1,500 for a second bull out of the Roselawn herd. WLB sold a deep-bodied September 2001 bull to K. Perrin for \$4,050 and Thornbank Farms sold an excellent March 15, 2000 bull to Jake Enns for \$3,000. A yearling bull out of C & T 2E Hunter 7H from the Roselawn herd topped the yearling sale going for the price of \$2,800 to Francis Poulson. Bob Richards of Killarney, also a repeat buyer, bought two Hereford bulls this year, purchasing a Sept. 13, 2000 stout Federal bull from the WLB herd for \$2,900 and \$2,500 for a yearling Odyssey son out of the Roselawn consignment.

A terrific group of 46 Hereford and Hereford cross open replacement females averaging between 733 and 884 pounds were also on offer at this sale and sold for an average price of \$1,020 each with the top sellers going for \$1,100.

PRESIDENT'S CUP GOLF TOURNEY

The annual President's Cup golf tournament will again be hosted by returning president Albert Rimke and family on June 16 at Oak Lake Golf Course followed by supper at the Rimke farm. If you missed last

year's tourney, here's your chance to make up for it and join us for a fun time and an excellent meal.

TV ADVERTISING

The Manitoba Hereford Association Board of Directors is busy putting together some TV ads to promote our breed and upcoming sales. Watch for these on your local Manitoba stations.

NEW PROVINCIAL DIRECTORY

The Board is also in the process of compiling a new Breed Directory. The directory will include every breeder in the province of Manitoba. We do, however, still need your advertising. Various pages will be auctioned off at the Golf Tournament and at the Lundar bull Sale. If you cannot attend one of these events, contact Grant Moffat and he would be glad to look after your bid for you. The Directory is viewed by many, many breeders from all over the country so don't miss out on your chance to get some affordable advertising for your operation. For more information, contact Jackie Mitchell at 204-523-8713. The deadline for advertising is nearing so get your ads in today.

HEREFORD TOUR

Jay Fox, one of the newest members of our Board, is busy putting together ideas for a Hereford tour in his area this summer. If you live in that area, give him a call. He would appreciate your input.