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Sire Proofs German Brown Swiss April 2011 Huray confirmed in second crop!

Dear Brown Swiss breeders,



HURAY – Fey 4th lac.

the new Interbull run was awaited with a lot of excitement as the first second crop daughters of the popular German top sire Huray would affect his proof – and the high expectations have not been disappointed! Huray did not only confirm his proof but even gained one point in his total merit index (TMI) in spite of the basis adjustment which caused a reduction of – 1,0 points in the total merit index (TMI) and -07 points in the index milk in comparison to the December estimation.

With a plus of 169 daughters and totally 308 daughters milking **Huray** gained one point each in his index milk and in the TMI. A slight decrease in milk yield was over-compensated by a raising protein percentage. In somatic cell counts (SCC), his only weaker point so far, Huray gained as well one point up to 91. Some additional daughters are scored now and the rump index climbed from 105 to 108. The figures are supported by a very positive feedback of the owners of Huray-daughters, high sales prices on auction sales and a very good progeny group at the regional show in Weilheim where three second crop daughters and two daughters from the test period in the fourth lactation were shown and impressed the visitors. In the coming months we will get a large number of new Huray-daughters in Germany and also in other countries the first second crop daughters start milking.

Good news can be also reported from **Payssli**, the most popular German Brown Swiss bull since summer last year: Payssli gained another two points in his final score up to 136 and leads the German type list! The TMI stayed at 127 and the productive lifetime index increased up to 116. Payssli is positive in all fitness traits and a perfect allrounder. At the regional show in Ilishofen in March two Payssli-daughters impressed very much. Whenever his daughters are just in second lactation Payssli has already reached a reliability of 94% by help of his wide international test with daughters in Germany, Austria and Switzerland.



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Padua, another Payoff-son going back to Even-Victoria on the dam's side, can be considered as winner of the new proof run as well. He gained two points in his TMI due to almost +100 kg milk in comparison to the past estimation thanks to a very good persistency during the lactation. Padua's uniform progeny group at the young breeders cup in Buchloe in March got a lot of attraction and showed impeccable udders with nice texture. Unfortunately the semen stock of Padua is extremely limited at the moment. Several other Payoff-sons are used in second crop: **Payout** lost three points but stays a good allround sire from a long lasting cow family who sires easy handling cows. **Payboy** is a new option and excels through the frame and the udder quality of his daughters. Like Payssli he is positive in all fitness traits. **Patriot** lost tremendously in his proof and should be only used carefully until we know if he could keep the performance. The league of Payoff-sons is completed with **Platin** and **Patron** who are both good type bulls with limited yields.

1 sire in the German list stays **Prohuvo** who sires a lot of components, excellent feet & legs and fertile, functional cows. With these outstanding qualities he can be recommended not only in purebred herds but especially in crossbreeding on Holsteins. Something similar could be said about **Prossli**, meanwhile already an



oldstar whose daughters have completed very high third lactation records now. Second crop daughters are coming soon to add more information to his proof. Prossli remains # 1 sire in productive lifetime (130). Further Pronto-sons to be recommended are **Prontus**, **Proteus**, **Provinz** and **Prostar**.



Hussant, Hussli-son out of Currency-Pendant kept his # 2 position in the German top list. **Husir** should be used carefully on cows with strong pasterns and good character. **Husjet** can be considered as an alternative as easy calving bull.

Vasir-semen is almost sold out now. Last straws are given to frequent customers. He remains the top performance bull beyond the German top sires with exceptional +106 kg fat and protein!

Looking at the Jublend-sons **Juleng** stays our favourite as perfect allround sire. Unfortunately the sexed semen of him is coming close to the end but he is still available with conventional semen what doesn't need to be a failure as also his bull calves have a certain value. A good alternative to Juleng is **Jubs** who is available with sexed semen too. Jubs had a successful proof run in April with +4 in the index milk and +2 in TMI which was particularly caused by a strong increase in milk yield and an impressive persistency improvement. **Jublem**, **Jubev**, **Jusuv** and **Juwel** are further options beyond the Jublend-sons.

Some newcomer give bloodline alternatives: For example several Player-sons have given a promising debut. **Passau** (dam sire: Prosim) is the most balanced choice of them and reaches a TMI of 126. Sons of Moiado very often don't sire enough stature but add components. Actually **Moris** (Moiado x Hussli) seems to be the best one with sufficient milk performance, positive components and good allround qualities except frame. **Presto** (Precise x Simvital) is a promising new sire who gained 5 points from his low pedigree index. He doesn't offer anything spectacular but do not show any weakness as well. Calvings seem to be easy so that we can recommend him for heifer inseminations.

Other bulls on our recommendation list are **Prejula** (126 TMI), outcross and performance sire **Ellection** (Emico x Collection), President-son **Preferenz** whose daughters please their owners as easy handling cows, **Event** who has a high proof in Australia, **Emerup**, our best Emerald-son, **Wachau** (Wurl x Blevig) who sires high performing type cows and finally old guy **Etvei** who is still used by several farmers who are satisfied with his daughters. But now it is time for his sons: A number of Etvei-sons already surprise with high performance figures what couldn't be expected. The most promising Etvei-son at the moment is **Ettal** who leads the complete list with 134 TMI. However the reliability (66%) is not high enough yet to use him in second crop. He doesn't have any type proof yet but the first 24 scored daughters give some hope as they are positive in all important traits.

Again we are very pleased with the proofs and especially with the confirmation of the most heavily used bulls. This gives trust in the breed, in the German genetics and in our proof system. The wide choice of bulls from different bloodlines offers a good selection for the Brown Swiss farmers.

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