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Sire Proofs German Brown Swiss April 2010 Top Sires well confirmed again!

Dear Brown Swiss Breeders,



right before the National Brown Swiss Show was held in Buchloe the new Interbull sire proofs were published. Many people including several foreign guests took the opportunity to make their own mind about progeny groups from five different sires besides the show. The new proofs confirmed very well the heavily used top bulls and brought up some newcomers such as Hussant, Payssli and Jubli. The basic adjustment due to the breeding progress caused a drop of -0,4 points in the total merit index (TMI) and -0,5 points in the index milk (MI) in comparison to the last estimation.

New # 1 in the top list is **Prohuvo**, who exactly met our expectations with a slight drop in milk yield but an enormous increase in fat and protein. Almost all fitness traits rose as well. These qualities can be traced back to Prohuvo's cow family which impresses with consistent high components on a medium performance level, excellent feet & legs and a very good fertility and calving intervall. We expect Prohuvo to sire easy handling, longlasting cows. He should be used on cows with sufficient milk yield and wide rear udders and is not recommended for heifer inseminations. Beyond the other Pronto-sons we can face a real revival of **Prossli** who gained once again caused by a performance increase in the second lactations. Prossli is the leader in the longevity index now. He confirms the impression that his medium sized daughters are lately matured and develop well in further lactations: Trouble-free cows, which perform well and can stay long! Also **Prontus** and **Proteus** kept their proofs very well. **Promoter** surprised with an increase of 5 points in the TMI. However he should be only used quite carefully, because of his very low calving ease index.



VASIR – Hilde (2nd lac.)



JULENG – Gräfin (2nd lac.)



PROSSLI – Ulana (2nd lac.)

2 in the top list is a late Hussli-son: **Hussant** is one out of three Hussli-sons from Currency-Pendant, a daughter of the well-known Collection-Polly. Hussant-daughters are extremely high performers with a favourable protein:fat ratio. The linear description shows a well balanced pattern with no weaknesses. In spite of the high production the udders show a sufficient attachment and milk out quite soon. Very impressive is the combination of paternal and maternal fertility. Hussant is unfortunately already dead and the semen stock limited. His half-brother **Huray** stays the most popular German Brown Swiss bull in the world. The first third lactations are completed on a very high level and Huray only lost slightly in the scale of the basis adjustment. During our farm visiting tours with foreign guests after the show in Buchloe we got again a very positive feedback concerning the development of the Huray-calves and heifers. At the end of this year we can expect the first second crop figures. **Husir** has already some second crop daughters included in his proof and they confirm the impressions from the auction-sales where Husir-daughters are sold for high prices. The performances are reliable and the udder quality is better as expected from the test results. **Husjet** stayed stable and can be used further on as a component improver for cows with a sufficient suspensory ligament and correct teat placements.



3 stayed **Vasir**, our milk yield outperformer who kept almost all traits on the same level. Only the calving ease index dropped 5 points as Vasir was also used a lot on heifers. However the absolute calving ease figures do not indicate severe calving problems. The finished second lactations of the Vasir-daughters are the highest of all our Brown Swiss bulls. **Payssli** is one of the first Payoff-sons in Germany. On the maternal side you will find the famous Even-Bounce as grand dam. Payssli who was co-sampled in Austria starts with TMI 127, a medium performance level and a favourable protein:fat ratio. All fitness characteristics are positive and in the fitness index Payssli gained 16 points. However his biggest plus is the udder transmission which was well confirmed by the daughter group in Buchloe: high attachments and good textures combined with correct teat placements. Payssli is a very attractive newcomer but should be used with some care in the beginning as the reliability is only 69% at the moment.



The heavily used allround sire **Juleng** kept his proof in the framework of the basis adjustment. His daughters have mostly completed the second lactations with a strong increase in milk yield and protein percentage. The index for productive lifetime and persistence increased slightly. The calving data from heifers indicate him as an ideal heifer bull. The April-estimation brought up another Jublend-son with very good allround figures: **Jubli**. He stems out of a cow family with high protein percentages and shows as well balanced breeding pattern without particular weaknesses. **Juwel** surprised with a strong performance increase in second lactations which led to a raised milk index. Like most of the Jublend-sons he can be used as an allround sire. However he is not recommended for heifer inseminations. **Jusuv**, a Jubelnd-son out of Prossli's dam Goldfee increased once again, due to improved fitness characteristics. The linear udder description looks much better as it could be expected from his UC. He is recommended for heifer inseminations, too. The list of Jublend-sons in second crop is completed by **Jubev** and the strong milk yield improver **JubleM**.



JUSUV – Helke (2nd lac.)



JUBLEM – Eva



JUWEL - Olli

The last straws of **Juhus** are sold out now. His half brother **Jockl** can be recommended to improve components as well as feet&legs. Further on the combination of fast milking speed and low somatic cell counts have to be pointed out. The daughter group in Buchloe didn't meet the high expectations in the udder quality (UC 125) but looking at his linear description it is obvious that the udders of the Jockl-daughters don't have show character but are functional enough for the daily work. The temperament should be taken into consideration while using Jockl. Like Juhus also oldstar **Hucos** is sold out now. Some special matings were made with him in the past years so that we hope to beware his precious genes. There were quite a lot of Jolt-sons tested in Germany as he offered an outcross pedigree for us but the variation of his daughters was extreme. The sons seem to go a similar way. The best Jolt-son at the moment is **Jonas** who started with a good allround proof, but he also shows some variation in the offspring as we could see in Buchloe.

A very positive development could be recognized at **Easton**: He gained 4 points in the TMI caused by a jump of +200 kg milk in his proof up to +1.267 and a good stayability rate on the farms (+5 in PL). Easton excels through his excellent udder transmission. Further recommendations are Even-son **Event** (still # 1 in Australia and +2 TMI in Germany), **Ellection** (sire: Emico), outcross sire **Savib** (Sam x Vineb), who surprised with a good daughter group in Buchloe, the President-sons **Prejula** and **Preferenz**, **Emerup** (sire: Emerald), **Achet** (sire: Ace), **Galpro** (sire: General), **Etvei** who lost some points this time and finally Ensign-son **Egiz** whom we took back on the list as his second crop daughters are doing very well.

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