



## Auzred Xb / Coopex Montbeliarde update August 2011

Hi All,

The stand out results coming in about **SOLSTICE** daughters and how they are performing has been tremendous.

Fantastic udders, quite, heaps of milk and more dairy than most expected. Also, those farmers that are calving down maiden heifers in calf to him, have all been very pleased with no real problems.

You will note that **SOLSTICE** is not in this year's Auzred Xb sire guide, we had to cut one bull from the team in order to feature our new sires, UNCHOIX and UDOM .

SOLSTICE was selected after seeing his dam and progeny in France, I was super impressed with his daughters. His dam was in a pasture based system with only 0.8 tonne of grain and still produced 14500 lts at 3.66% protein.

Due to demand from producers wanting to re-use **SOLSTICE** we have more semen coming in for spring joining. At \$18 he is fantastic value given the results we are seeing. I am currently sourcing photos of some of the Australian daughters now in milk and they are impressive so look for them on our website: [www.ausredgenetics.com.au](http://www.ausredgenetics.com.au). Due to the changes, our site is currently under new structuring but I hope by the time you receive this it will be up and running, if not be sure to tag our site for future reference.

Great feedback is also coming in from those now milking **PAGANINI** and **RUSTY** daughters. Both have great udders, Paganini over HF x J cows is working a treat Look for photos of these daughters on our website also. PAPAYOU daughters are now in 3<sup>rd</sup> lactation, perfect sized cows for our pasture based systems. For 3<sup>rd</sup> lactation cows, the udders are impressive! You can source this sire from CRV who are now marketing him for us.

**Issues and Feedback** from producers is that bulls like Redon have big daughters and some are a bit slower on milking speed.

**Firstly on size;** There is still a bit of confusion regarding Body Composite Score and Overall Type Score.

To simplify it, the two are not related. Body Composite Score needs to be thought of as the best indicator as to the size of a bulls progeny. Rule of thumb is that if a bull has a Body Composite score of 120, then his progeny will be on average 20% bigger than the breed average for size, hence if a BCS is 80, his progeny will be on average 20% smaller than the breed average.

For mating over Holstein cows, don't go higher than 107 for BSC and you should be right. For those with semi or fully TMR systems, I would still not go above 120 for use over HF cows.

**Milking Speed;** French farmers have an average herd size of only 55 cows, so their interpretation could well be different to ours where workability's are concerned. Steve Noakes from Forrest Grove in Western Australia commented that his Redon daughters take 7 to 7.5 minutes to milk out whilst his HF cows take around 5.5 to 6 minutes. I have noted this issue and we have imported both UNCHOIX at 114 and UDOM at 118 to assist those who have concerns in this area.

**With regard to calving ease:** The best advice is still to avoid bulls with a calving ease rating below 88. Paganini, even with a calving ease of 91 still produces large bull calves when used over HF cows. I would advise to use him over HF x J cows for best results.

**Breeding Tips; What bull to use where for the best results.**

**For blanket mating over anything;** use UNCHOIX, TIMOR, SOLSTICE, RUSTY, UDOM or PAPAYOU.

On the results we are seeing, for the **best results over Holstein cows use**, Solstice, Unchoix, Timor, Udom, Rusty or Papayou & Ussage (also marketed by CRV)

These bulls plus Redon, Ubac and Paganini will work well over **Jersey and J X HF cows**.

**For maiden heifers;** Sexed semen from Unchoix and Redon, plus Solstice, Rusty and Papayou (CRV) with conventional semen, have all been used successfully.

**All Auzred Xb sires** are carefully selected from the COOPEX MONTBELIARDE sires that are performing the best in crossbreeding around the world. This gives you added insurance that when you select a COOPEX Monty for your crossbreeding program, you know you are getting **the world's best Monty**.

**UNCHOIX**, he is the perfect Monty for crossbreeding with a RRP of \$30, **he is on special at \$24**. This son of the famous MicMac is a high genetic merit sire.

- **Suitable to mate over any breed.**
- Medium sized cows with **High** Type and Udders at 115
- Fantastic Feet & Legs at 117
- Fast milking at 114
- Great health profile and Longevity
- High profit and Production with +0.21% protein
- Easy Calving
- In all, we believe him to be the perfect Monty for your crossbreeding program



**UDOM**, a fantastic MASOLINO son, RRP \$20

**We chose this** high genetic merit **young sire for his** great Longevity; Temp. & Milking Speed

- Great Temperament at 118 & Fantastic Milking Speed at 118
- High protein production with Type and well supported Udders

**We highly recommend this young sire and he is suitable to use in any crossbreeding program over any breed of cow.**

**REDON** The Phenomenon – with Extreme international demand he retains his high position in the rankings for good reason.

RRP \$35

**His Australian daughters are now entering second lactation with rave reviews.**

- Super Type (123)& Udders (121)
- **High components & Milk Solids**
- **Tremendous Productive Life (+1.5) & Somatic Cell Score (+2.0)**
- **Great Fertility**

**REDON, again an extremely high selling bull last season, no reported calving problems.**

**TIMOR** a Lecuyer son RRP \$22

**Very popular Coopex Monty sire now being used in over 30 countries. When in France I was extremely impressed with the Lecuyer daughters.**

The strengths of this High Genetic Merit sire are;

- **Medium sized animals for efficiency**
- **Great Type (109) & Udders (109)**
- **Fantastic Feet and Legs (111)**
- **Adds Teat length**
- **Super Health Traits; Fertility +0.8 , Somatic cell score +0.9**
- **Plus Easy Calving.**

**TIMOR is the perfect grazing type, and will suit any crossbreeding situation.**

**UBAC** RRP \$18.

**UBAC was the first son of the famous Mic Mac to enter Australia. UBAC has slightly better production than his famous dad and at just \$18 he was one of the most sort after Monty sires last season. UBAC is also an excellent all round sire with the added bonus of the BB kappa casein gene!!**

The strengths of this High Genetic Merit sire are;

- **Fantastic TYPE (115)& UDDERS (114)**
- **One of the best in the business for Feet & Legs (118)**
- **BB kappa casein, for those producers looking to the future.**
- **Great Health profile**
- **+0.5 Somatic Cell Score, +0.4 Fertility & +0.3 Productive Life**
- **Plus Easy Calving and his daughters calve easily.**
- **All round Great sire at a great price.**

**PAGANINI** RRP \$22

Extreme high demand sire last season **with a very high reliability proof that continues to increase!**

- **A2A2 & BB kappa casein**
- **Now with 95% reliability, 95% is the highest reliability a bull can receive in France.**
- **High production sire with +32 kgs protein and +0.10% Protein**
- **Milking speed (108) and Temperament (115)**

**We believe PAGANINI's best is when used over HF x J or other crossbred cows.**

**RUSTY** RRP \$16 Great value!!

- **Also selected for Australia as a Pasture Specialist**
- **A2A2 & BB Kappa Casein with High Components**
- **High wide udders**
- **Easy Calving, suitable for maiden heifers**
- **Great Feet & Legs (119)**

If you have any queries on our sires or on crossbreeding please contact us.

*Steve and Karen*