



110 BULLS SELL

This years catalogue has increased to 110 bulls reflecting the continued growth in the Stern herd and increasing demand for Stern bulls. The bulls display easy fleshing and power right through the catalogue, it's that consistency of our catalogue that many clients really appreciate. Consistency gives buyers plenty of bulls to select from.

We aim for a balance between a drive to pure EBV based breeding and lower performance phenotype breeding programs. Bulls such as Braveheart of Stern typify the classic Angus type coupled with strong EBVs that form the core of our breeding program.

Record Stud Bull



Stern 15815 was the highlight of the 2017 sale when, after a hard fought tango he was knocked down to Tangihau Station, Gisborne for a Stern record of \$47,000. We used 815 as a yearling and look forward to his first progeny coming through the ring in 2020!

Front Line Proof of Performance

It's difficult to keep up with the results and the best results are often simply the 180-220kg calves, however here's a summary of some of your recent highlights. Congratulations to all clients.

Blenheim Lance and Di Rudd, Summerlands Station: steers 304kg \$1,125 and heifers 211kg \$844

Cheviot Allan and Emma Calder, Glencoe Downs, 29 March fair: steers 304kg \$1,250 and heifers average 245kg for an average of \$967.

Culverden Lance and Di Rudd, Summerlands Station 28 March: steers 317kg \$1,230 and heifers \$1,010

Wanaka Matukituki, Alhaburn, Hillend Stations with West Wanaka Station topping at \$1,060 for steers and heifers at \$1,035.

Mackenzie Glenmore, Braemar, Glenrock, Single Hill Stations with Grays Hills Station topping steers at 319kg for \$1,270 and heifers 239kg at \$1,015.

Fairlie Laurie and Teresa Williams, Fox Peak 247kg steers to \$1060 and 209kg heifers to \$860. Paul Johnson 274kg steers at \$1,030.

Oamaru John Dodd steers to \$1,155, and heifers \$1,090.

Bull Walk May 22, 1pm - 4pm,
All welcome to inspect 2018 bull teams.

Client Profile

Simons Hill

Station

Simons Hill Station is situated in the middle of the Mackenzie country on SH8 between Lakes Tekapo and Pukaki. Owned by the Fastier family since they shifted from Central Otago in 1994 the property once consisted of 6000ha running 2000 stock units but it now comprises 3000ha running 11,500 stock units.

Glenn and Sarah Fastier with their four young children and two staff operate the property. It currently runs 6500 super fine merino ewes, 4000 mixed sex merino hoggets and 200 cows and replacements in what is the crucible for heat and cold. Temperatures can peak over forty degrees and drop to minus twenty, rainfall is low and variable but the West and Northwest winds are the constant. It's what they call home and there's no doubt they and the stock thrive there.

'Stern Sponsors Charity Ride!'



James and clients Mark Hawkins and Mark Robins again completed the South Island Charity Bike Ride in February. It's a 400km three day ride that raised \$150,000 through individual sponsorship for local charities including Hospice, Cystic Fibrosis and Alzheimers. One hundred and twenty riders from across the Island enjoy a well organised three days. Join us next year!! www.csibikeride.co.nz



Glenn Fastier and R2 heifers.

Glenn and Sarah have been able to develop the property installing kilometers of electric fencing, stock water reticulation and 150ha of irrigation, increasing to 300ha next year. Approximately 1000 ha has been drilled with fescue and lucerne being the favoured permanent mix, 1000 ha is of marginal carrying capacity and the balance is semi developed hill country.

The cows are a relatively new class of stock on Simons Hill. It wasn't until Simons Hill hosted the Merino Benchmarking Group and someone suggested you could hide 50 cows here and never notice them, that cows were even really considered says Glenn. Before that we had considered the summer dry that scorches this part of the country would mean it would be too tough on the cows. That was 2007.

The first cows were bought with calves at foot and the plan was to buy in replacements but the difficulty in getting suitable calving dates led to retention of replacement heifers. The plan now is to calve 250 and finish all progeny but it may still be difficult to hold the cow numbers in those tough years.

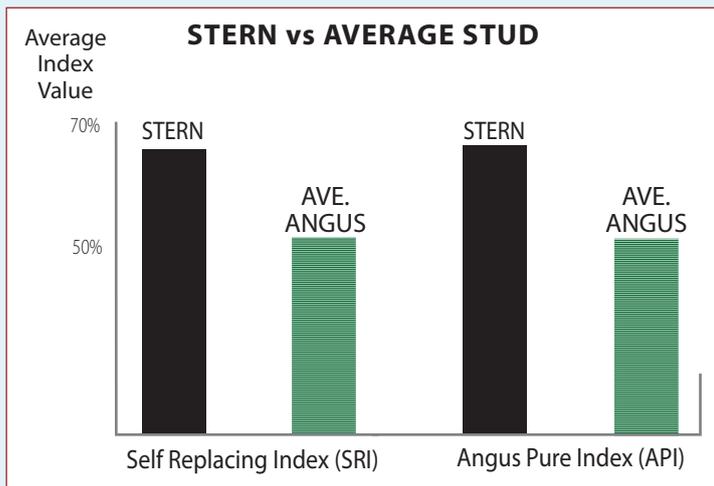
Stern bulls have been used at Simons Hill since the first cows arrived, they've been great says Glenn. We've had outstanding results at the Mackenzie Section calf sales in the past with last years calves weighing 270kg and selling for \$1100. This year we have had a change of policy and will sell the calves later.

It's great to see Glenn's enthusiasm for the cows and rewarding to see the performance he's getting from them, Simons Hill is clearly in good hands.



The Stern team at Simons Hill.

Dollars in Your Pocket!



The above graph illustrates how the 2018 Stern offering is again way ahead of the average Angus stud in delivering dollars in your pocket! Our average index values are in the top third of the breed, in fact the top bulls are in the top 5% of the breed. The SRI combines EBV's into a single dollar value for a herd breeding its own replacements and killing surplus stock and API for a pure fattening operation.

Thomas Up River



BW	200	400	600	MLK	SC	EMA	IMF	SRI
3.2	+57	+112	+134	+25	+3.0	+3.5	+1.4	+190

Exciting 2018 Genetics Mackenzie of Stern



BW	200	400	600	MLK	SC	EMA	IMF	SRI
+4.4	+3.7	+79	+96	+17	+2.2	+9.9	+1.5	+134

Stern Trump



BW	200	400	600	MLK	SC	EMA	IMF	SRI
+4.5	+37	+74	+99	+16	+3.3	+4.7	+0.2	+126

MF Chisum



BW	200	400	600	MLK	SC	EMA	IMF	SRI
+6.4	+48	+8.5	+106	+13	+3.0	+6.3	-0.3	+137

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Mackenzie of Stern



First sons on offer this year.

An outstanding Stern bred sire named after the iconic Mackenzie country for his immaculate structure, powerful growth, huge EMA and strong Fats/IMF.

49th Annual Sale **110 Bulls**

Thursday 21 June, 12.30pm

Sterndale, Pleasant Point.

View bull team videos online mid-May.

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