

# Royal Melbourne Show Report

## Magical Tabatha takes crowns

**A** FIVE year-old Simmental cow made the long trek to the Melbourne Royal from Mount Gambier, South Australia, worthwhile for the Muller fami-

ly's Rellum Farms stud. The top cow from their show team, Rellum Farms Tabatha 5, was senior and grand champion female and went on to win supreme Simmental exhibit.

It had been a rough night for Rellum Farms after Tabatha's six-month-old bull calf fell sick with a high temperature and put them on high alert.

However, by the morning of judging the calf had come good and the cow-calf combo was an impressive sight in the ring.

Judge Larry Cutler, Willow Grove, had high praise for Tabatha who he said had the potential to wean 60 to 65 per cent of her bodyweight – "and that's real productivity".

"I just think she's one of the best of any breed I've seen in a while," Mr Cutler said.

Rellum Farms' Grantley Muller said Tabatha had plenty of experience in the show ring and this year was supreme Simmental at National Beef in Bendigo.

Tabatha faced strong competition for supreme from the grand champion bull, a 12-month-old bull from Don Mathieson's Brenair Park stud at Drysdale with exceptional weight for age.

Brenair Park put in a phenomenal performance, winning both junior and reserve bull, junior female, reserve senior female and senior bull.



■ Nicole and Christopher Muller, Rellum Farms, Mount Gambier, SA, with their senior female exhibit Rellum Farms Tabatha 5 – who went on to snare the supreme exhibit crown – and her bull calf.

### Simmental

- ◆ **Judge:** Larry Cutler, Willow Grove
- ◆ **Supreme:** Rellum Farms Tabatha 5, Rellum Farms, Mount Gambier, SA
- ◆ **Junior female:** Brenair Park Wilcannia D92, Brenair Park, Drysdale. **Res:** Gelora Park Trinity, Gelora Park, Portarlinton
- ◆ **Senior and grand female:** Rellum Farms Tabatha 5, Rellum Farms. **Res:** Brenair Park Hannah C62, Brenair Park
- ◆ **Junior and grand bull:** Brenair Park Dynamo, Brenair Park. **Res:** Brenair Park Dusty, Brenair Park
- ◆ **Senior bull:** Brenair Park Cougar, Brenair Park. **Res:** Auscan Captivate, Rellum Farms
- ◆ **Most successful exhibitor:** Brenair Park

## BRENAIR PARK SIMMENTALS



Junior and Grand Champion Bull  
Brenair Park Dynamo (Polled)

Also paraded:-

- Most Successful Exhibitor
- 11 x 1st Prizes
- Senior Champion Bull - Brenair Park Cougar
- Res. Senior Champion Female
- Res. Junior Champion Bull

**Enquiries welcome at all times**

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Junior Champion Female  
Brenair Park Wilcannia