

Joining Simmental Australia



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Membership Benefits

The Australian Simmental Breeders Association is responsible for the promotion and development of the Simmental and associated breeds. The information, services and assistance available to members are detailed below. They are targeted to enhance breed and breeder performance and boost the profitability of members' cattle enterprises.

Operate a Simmental Stud

Stud and junior members may establish and operate a stud herd with a unique stud prefix. The Association maintains the registered herdbooks of the Simmental, Black Simmental, Red Simmental, SimAngus and Simbrah breeds. Ownership transfers are recorded and members receive registration certificates for all registered progeny.

Commercial Cattle Breeders

Become a Commercial member and enjoy the wide range of services available. While unable to register cattle or enjoy a voting right, Commercial members may record their herds in Simmental Group Breedplan.

Technical Services

Whether a newcomer to the cattle industry or an experienced cattle breeder, you can benefit from the Association's Technical Support and Advisory Service.

Genetic performance of animals throughout the breed is regularly evaluated, providing members with invaluable information for their selection and marketing programs.

Simmental Breedplan

All members may have their cattle recorded and analysed in this powerful and valuable genetic evaluation program.

Production Trials

All members are offered opportunities to participate in a range of pasture and feedlot productivity trials to help guide their breeding, management and marketing programs.

Marketing Support

The Association assists members with their marketing programs by organising sales and shows, providing promotional support and advice on marketing and advertising. The Simmental Website provides powerful marketing features.

Simbeef Program

Members may use the Simbeef trademark, including the distinctive yellow Simbeef ear tags, to more effectively market their Simmental infused cattle. Higher prices often result from use of these tags.

Carcase Competitions

The Association promotes involvement of Simmental infused cattle in live cattle and carcass competitions.

Continuous Breed Promotion

All areas of publicity are utilised. Detailed reports backed up by advertising in major rural newspapers, radio, television and the internet. This means that the Simmental breed is kept constantly in the public eye, with the breed's achievements made known to the widest possible audience.

Publications

All members receive regular copies of SimNews, Simmental Annual, the Simnote series and numerous other publications. These are designed to keep members up-to-date with developments within the breed and the beef industry. Members are advised of all known forthcoming sales throughout Australia. The diary of events also includes judging dates for all royal shows, feature shows, seminars and field days.

Overseas Marketing

As a constant activity, the Association promotes Australian Simmentals both in Australia and overseas. It organises overseas market development and study tours, including the World Simmental Congress, staged every two years at varying localities. These tours are available to anyone with an interest in the breed, with group travel concessions and the provision of excellent industry contacts.

Progressive Council

The ASBA Council consists of eight directors elected by Simmental breeders from all states. Their job is to advance the breed's strategic position in the beef industry and keep abreast of modern trends throughout the world.

Simmental Australia Welcomes You

Join the Australian Simmental Breeders Association
and enjoy the many benefits listed overleaf.

The Association provides for the following memberships

- ◆ **STUD** membership is available to any person owning one or more registered Simmental animals.
- ◆ **JUNIOR** membership is available for those up to 21 years of age. There is no requirement to own cattle, but junior members may operate a stud herd, if desired. Junior members do not have a voting right.
- ◆ **COMMERCIAL** membership enables beef producers interested in the breed to participate and receive the benefits and privileges. Commercial members do not have a voting right, but they are welcome to attend all meetings and functions. Commercial members may not register cattle, but may record their herds in Simmental Group Breedplan.
- ◆ **ASSOCIATE** membership allows members to remain aware of the progress of the breed by receiving copies of all Simmental publications.

Stud Membership

Stud members may operate a stud herd, enabling pedigree recording and marketing of registered cattle. To join as a Stud Member, you need to own one or more head of cattle registered in the Association's herd books.

Application Guidelines

Application for membership can be made either on your own behalf or in the name of a company or partnership. For stud membership, this name will represent the owner of the stud. In the case of a company or partners, one person should be identified to act as the representative or agent. For a stud membership, this nominee enjoys voting rights.

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Application form

Please complete this application form and return it to:

Simmental Australia
ABRI, University of New England
ARMIDALE NSW 2351

Tel: 02 6773 3341
Fax: 02 6772 5376
Email: simmental@abri.une.edu.au

Name: _____

Address: _____

Tel: _____ Fax: _____ Mobile: _____ Email: _____

If company or partnership please nominate representative: _____ ABN No: _____

If applying for Junior Membership, please show date of birth: _____

NLIS PIC No: _____ Herd Johnes Disease Status: _____

I agree to the Association publishing the above details on the Simmental Website: YES _____ NO _____

I wish to become a member (state whether stud, junior, commercial or associate) of the Australian Simmental Breeders Association Limited. I agree to pay the relevant fees and to conform to the rules and regulations of the Association.

Signature _____ Date _____

The stud prefix (stud name) I would like to use is: (twelve letters &/or characters maximum)

1st choice _____ 2nd choice _____ 3rd choice _____

Membership Fees inclusive of 10% GST. (to be enclosed with this form)

| Type | Joining Fee | Annual Subscription | Total |
|------------------------|--------------------------------|------------------------------|-------|
| STUD | \$66 | \$264 | \$330 |
| JUNIOR | FREE | FREE first year \$11 ongoing | \$11 |
| COMMERCIAL - ASSOCIATE | : (Joining fee not applicable) | | \$33 |

