

Wingham Beef Week 2022 awards top gong for led steer

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It was a hard-fought competition when St Josephs High School took out the grand champion led steer at Wingham Beef Week.

The 12-month-old Limousin cross Angus steer, bred by Neil Nelson, that weighed 508 kilograms was a stand out for its “softness, muscle content and growth potential”.

St Josephs High School teacher Lisa Bright said it was great to be back showing after COVID-19.

“It has made a difference getting kid back into the ring... success breeds success, if kids see what you can do then they want to emulate that and be part of that team,” Ms Bright said.

Ms Bright said the winning steer was only fed on 80 days of grain due to floodwaters.

“The floods kept them up in the hills and we couldn’t get them down,” she said.

“But when I looked at these I said to Neil we had to take this one as he was soft already before he was put on feed and he hasn’t looked back since.”

In 2019, the school took out grand champion steer and reserve in the same competition.

Wingham Beef Week president Merv Presland said it was great to be back after two years with 450 students participating.

“As it always is, the older kids that have been around the showing are really professional, the top line is outstanding, but even those young kids in their first show are putting up a strong performance,” Mr Presland said.

Results

Class 1 (300kg to 335kg)

1. **AJ & M Scrivener, Angus 318kg**
2. Tamworth High School, Droughtmaster 312kg

Class 2 (336kg to 370kg)

1. Kempsey High School, Charolais x Brangus, 351kg
2. St Paul’s College, Kempsey, 366kg
3. Tamworth High School, Limousin x Murray Grey, 346kg
4. St Gregory’s College, Murray Grey, 346kg

Champion: Kempsey High School

Class 3 (371kg to 405kg)

1. Kempsey High School, Charolais, 387kg
2. Kempsey High School, Charolais, 397kg
3. St Catherine’s Catholic College, Murray Grey x Limousin, 398kg
4. Manning Valley Anglican College, Charolais x Shorthorn, 400kg

Class 4 (406kg to 440kg)

1. Scone Grammar School, Limousin x Angus, 417kg
2. St Paul’s College Kempsey, Charolaise x Hereford, 422kg
3. St Joseph High School & N Clydsdale, Limousin x Angus, 420kg
4. Calrossy Anglican, Charolais, 410kg

Champion: Scone Grammar

Class 5 (441kg to 475kg)

1. Armidale Secondary College, Speckle Park x Angus, 475kg
2. St Mary’s College Gunnedah, Silver Angus x 447kg
3. Calrossy, Shorthorn x, 470kg
4. St Paul’s College Kempsey, Charolais x, 457kg

Class 6 (476kg to 510kg)

1. St Josephs High School and Neil Nelson, Limousin x Angus, 508kg
2. Calrossy, Limousin, 487kg
3. St Marys College Gunnedah, Angus x, 489kg
4. St Catherine’s Catholic College, Angus, 506kg

Champion: St Josephs High School and Neil Nelson

Class 7 (511kg to 550kg)

1. Calrossy, Hereford x Angus, 514kg
2. Armidale Secondary College, Angus x Limousin, 532kg
3. New England Girls School, South Devon 522kg

Class 8 (551kg plus)

1. **Calrossy, Charolais x Angus, 668kg**
2. **Calrossy, Charolais x Angus, 678kg**
3. Armidale Secondary College and S&K McDonald, Limousin x Angus 610kg
4. **AJ & M Scrivener, Angus, 620kg**

Champion: Calrossy



Above and below: stock bred by the Scrivener Family.

