

What changes took place over time?

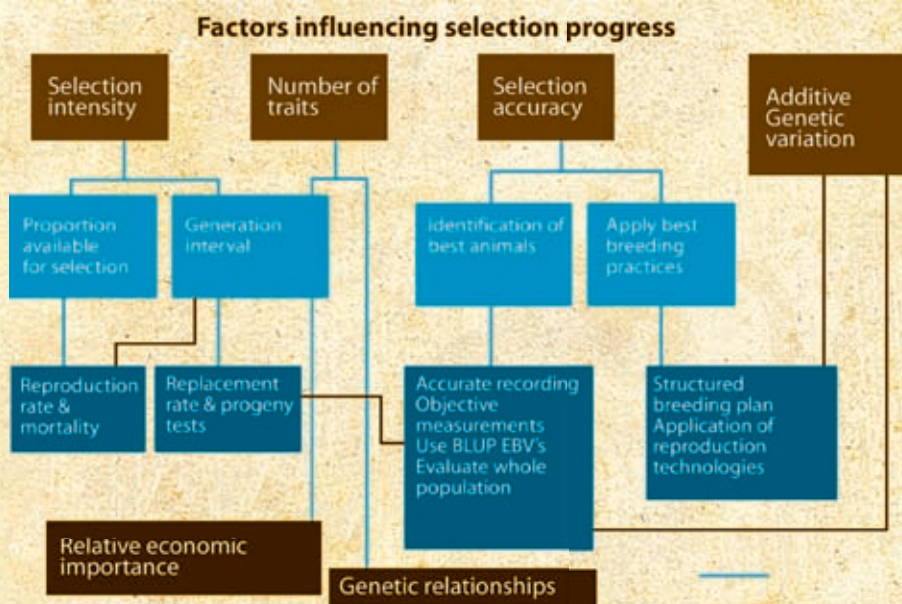
1. I think for you – you are part of my family. My wealth is you wealth.
2. You have to become part of a collective group. The systems rule – you have to go with the flow to survive.
3. Knowledge is at your fingertips. You can do your own thing. Individuality in satisfying a sophisticated market. I determine my own family.

Era of accessibility and informed decision making for beef farmers

- Recording to take place at source
- Data uploaded onto centralised systems
- Derived values downloaded in real time
- Immediate decisions possible
- Possibilities for systems and areas never before possible

Reasons for inclusion of a trait in a breeding objective:

- Economic importance
- Genetic variation
- Measurability / Cost of measurement
- Biological importance
- Genetic relationship with other (important) traits



Relationship between breeding objectives and selection criteria

Breeding Objective/Goal	Selection Criteria
Fertility	Scrotal size, Days to Calving, Gestation Length, Age 1st Calving, Calving Ease, Stayability, Calf Tempo
Growth Efficiency	Pre and Post Wean Growth Rate, FCR, Nett Feed Intake, Feedlot Growth/profit
Maternal Ability	205 day Maternal EBV, Birth Maternal
Carcass Quality	Eye Muscle Area, Fat Thickness, Dressing %, Marbling

A Structured approach for achieving objectives

- Set up a breeding objective
- Find out what is do-able (breed and herd profiles)
- Analyse herd against norms
- Set up selection criteria (standards)
- Cull non-conformers (young animals, active females and bulls not making it)
- Find the best (affordable) bull
- Set up and implement mating plans and practices

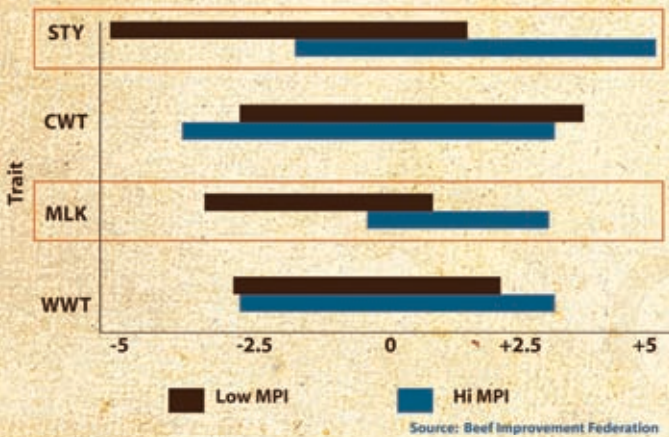
Questions to ask before setting up (or evaluating) your objective

- What is important to my customer's customer?
- What are the minimum and essential? requirements for my product?
- How should I package my product?
- What makes my product more desirable?
- Is my market sustainable?

Efficiency is the name of the game

- Cow consumes 90% of energy in the cow-calf pair up to weaning (75% to end of feedlot of her calf).
- Cows represents 95% of breeding herd
- Cows make up >50% of total herd numbers
- Efficient cows = efficient herds
- Efficient herds = profitable herds

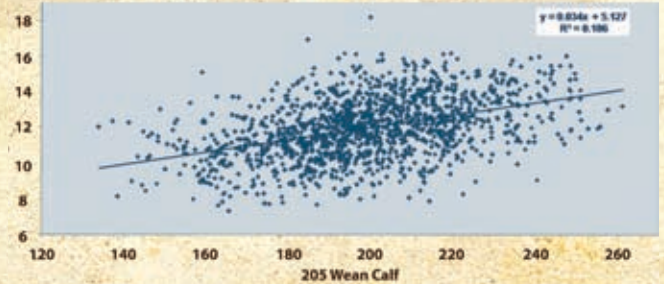
Relationship between Maternal Productivity and Breeding Values



Differences in Kg calf/Kg cow^{0.7}

Weaning Rate	60%	70%	80%	90%
Best 30%	134	156	179	201
Average	127	148	169	190
Worst 30%	119	139	159	178

Relationship between estimated dry matter intake of beef cows and weaning weight performance



Kg eaten by cow/kg calf weaned

Weaning Rate	60%	70%	80%	90%
Best 30%	16.14	14.99	13.84	12.68
Average	17.36	16.17	14.88	13.64
Worst 30%	18.54	17.21	15.89	14.56



The best cow?

Cow wt	Cow nrs	Calf/ Cow%#	Calf wt	Kg calf weaned	Price/ kg live*	Total income
280	100	50%	140	11 900	R11.20	R 133 280
340	86	48%	163	11 915	R11.65	R 138 810
400	77	46%	184	12 043	R12.00	R 144 516
460	69	44%	202	11 847	R12.00	R 142 164
520	63	42%	218	11 674	R11.75	R 137 170

@ 86% Weaning rate # based in cow wt₆₄

*www.samic.co.za



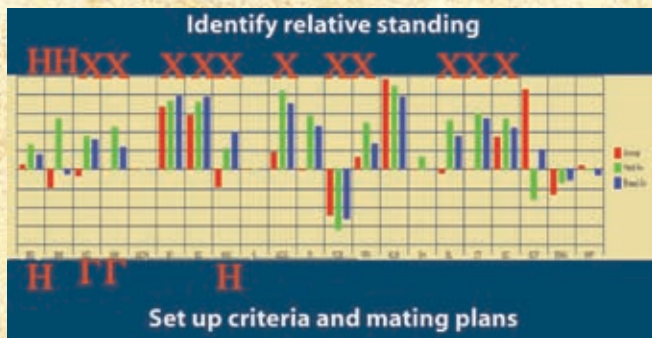
The profile of an efficient animal

- Fertile • Low birth weight
- Growth • Utilization of milk pre-wean
- Efficiency of growth post-wean
- Feedlot efficiency*
- Mature weight restriction
- High retention of progeny

Search the “ideal” bull



Identify relative standing



Setting up criteria

Identify animals not conforming to your criteria

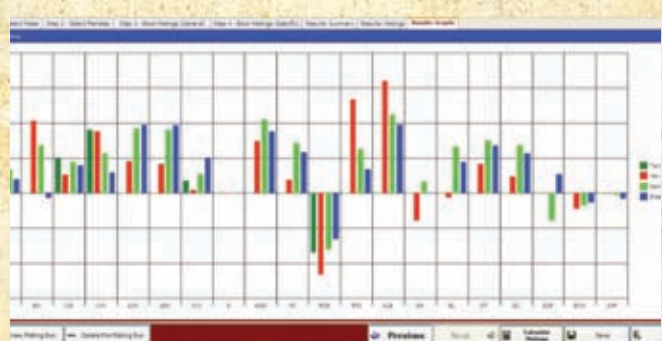


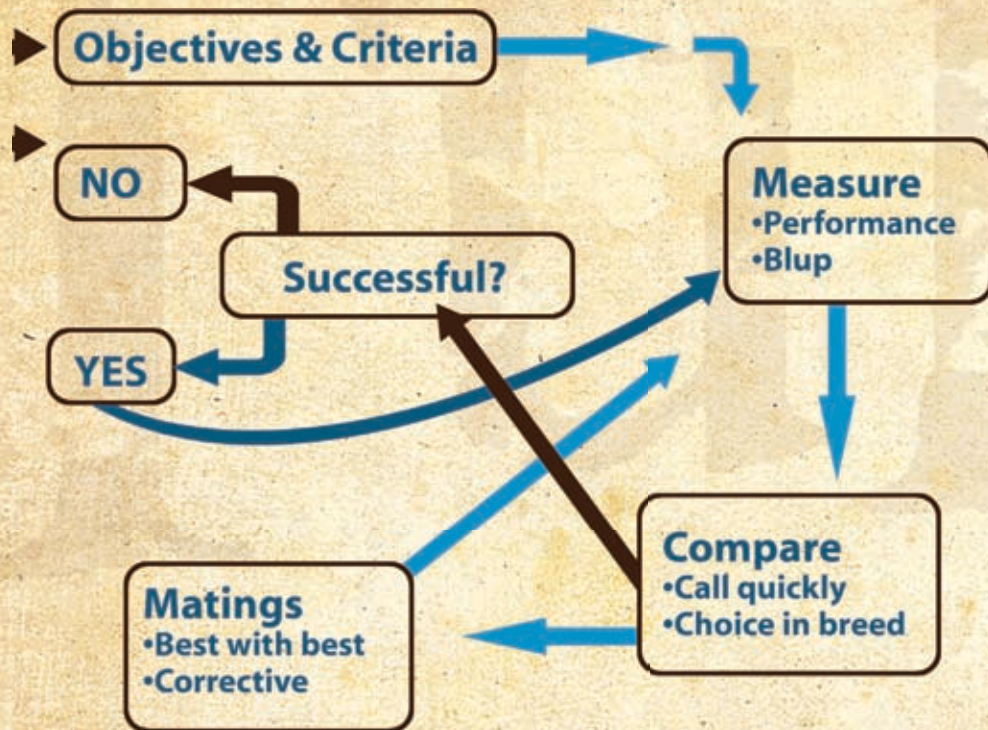
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30 Mar 2008 SP	1	1	90	0
31 Mar 2008 SP	1	1	85	0
1 Apr 2008 SP	1	1	80	0
2 Apr 2008 SP	1	1	75	0

Logix option

Prepare matings and analyze results

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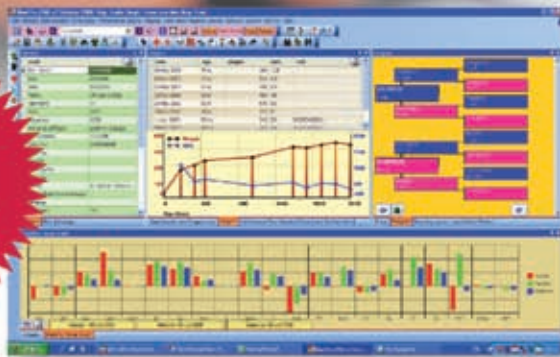
Can it be achieved?

- Use objective performance recordings for economically important traits
- Set up clear breeding objectives and criteria based on economic importance
- Use BLUP breeding values in selection
- Use all the resources available
- Mating plans to achieve economic objectives



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BESTE PRODUSERENDE KOEIE TOEKENNINGS - VEREISTES

A. Geregistreerde rasse:

1. Koei moet lewendig wees op lopie datum (normaalweg op 1 Junie jaarliks) van die Beste Produserende Koeie verslag.
2. Koei moet in besit wees van 'n aktiewe Vleisbeesskema lid op lopie datum van die Beste Produserende Koeie verslag.
3. Koei moet minstens vyf natuurlike kalfdatum op rekord hê op lopie datum van die Beste Produserende Koeie verslag.
4. Koei se ouderdom by eerste kalwing mag nie hoër wees as 1187 dae (39 maande).
5. Koei se gemiddelde TKP (vir alle natuurlike kalwings) mag nie hoër wees as 425 dae.
6. Koei moes 'n normale kalwing gehad het binne 548 dae (18 maande) voor lopie datum van die Beste Produserende Koeie verslag.
7. Na die eerste kalf met 'n geldige speengewig, mag die koei maksimum twee kalwers hê sonder 'n speengewig of met 'n ongeldige speengewig.
8. Teelwaarde vereistes:
 - 8.1 Slegs koeie met LNR beraamde teelwaardes van 'n BLUP ontleding nie meer as 18 maande voor lopie datum van die Beste Produserende koei verslag, sal oorweeg word.
 - 8.2 Speen direkte teelwaarde in die beste 50% van die aktiewe vroulike diere in ras.
 - 8.3 Speen maternale teelwaarde in die beste 50% van die aktiewe vroulike diere in ras.
 - 8.4 Geboorte direkte teelwaarde in die laagste 99% van die aktiewe vroulike diere in die ras.
 - 8.5 Geboorte maternale teelwaarde in die laagste 99% van die aktiewe vroulike diere in die ras.

Let wel: Die nuutste teelwaardes beskikbaar op INTERGIS op lopiedatum van die Beste Produserende Koeie verslag sal altyd gebruik word.

9. Minimum aantal kalwers met geldige speengewigte:

Elite toekenning	:	7 kalwers
Superieur toekenning	:	6 kalwers
Voortreflik toekenning	:	5 kalwers

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BEST PRODUCING COWS AWARDS – REQUIREMENTS

A. Registered breeds:

1. Cow must be alive at run date of the Best Producing Cows report.
2. Cow must be owned by an active Beef Scheme member on run date of the Best Producing Cows report.
3. Cow should have at least five natural calving dates on record on run date of the Best Producing Cows report.
4. Cow's age at first calving should not exceed 1187 days (39 months).
5. Cow's average ICP (for all natural calvings) should not exceed 425 days.
6. Cow should have had a natural calving in the past 548 days (18 months) before run date of the Best Producing Cows report.
7. After the first calf with a reliable weaning weight a cow may have maximum two calves without a weaning weight or with an unreliable weaning weight.
8. Breeding value requirements:
 - 8.1 Only cows with EBVs from an ARC BLUP run in the past 548 days before run date of the Best Producing Cows report will be considered.
 - 8.2 Wean direct breeding value within the best 50% of the active female animals in the breed.
 - 8.3 Wean maternal breeding value within the best 50% of the active female animals in the breed.
 - 8.4 Birth direct breeding value within the lowest 99% of the active female animals in the breed.
 - 8.5 Birth maternal breeding value within the lowest 99% of the active female animals in the breed.

Note: The newest breeding values available on INTERGIS on run date of the Best Producing Cows report will always be used.

9. Minimum number of calves with reliable weaning weights:

Elite award	:	7 calves
Superior award	:	6 calves
Excellent award	:	5 calves

OWNER	ID NO	COMP NO	BIRTH DATE	# CALVES	AFC	AV ICP	DLC	RI	AV WEAN IND	# WEANED	AV EFFIC IND	# EFFIC	BIRTH DIR	BD ACC	BIRTH MAT	BM ACC	WEAN DIR	WD ACC	WEAN MAT	WM ACC	MATURE WT	MW ACC	AWARD
AJ RAUTENBACH																							
0002927TUL	...AJR 940010	32346058	5-Aug-94	11	25	389	384	113	106	11	122	1	0.95	84	0.92	83	5.6	78	9.2	80	13	69	Elite
0002927TUL	...R 970052	38911749	14-Sep-97	8	35	349	388	113	108	8	109	1	3.33	75	0.05	78	13.7	73	1.7	75	8	75	Elite
0002927TUL	...R 980019	40402943	25-Jul-98	7	34	365	366	110	99	6	-	0	0.97	82	0.36	81	10.4	76	2.1	78	38	79	Superior
HP VAN NIEKERK																							
0050485TUL	...H 970046	39596028	19-Oct-97	8	35	364	245	110	103	4	94	4	0.44	82	-1.48	81	9.4	80	2.6	81	8	75	Excellent
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0050485TUL	...H 980036	42131490	26-Sep-98	7	36	396	62	104	116	5	110	4	1.07	81	0.81	80	6.3	74	2.9	73	40	68	Excellent
0050485TUL	...H 990050	42774828	21-Oct-99	6	30	395	242	109	104	4	94	3	-1.07	81	-0.1	80	5.5	78	8.5	79	15	79	Excellent
0050485TUL	...H 990069	42774984	10-Nov-99	6	32	390	200	108	115	4	102	4	0.53	81	1.03	79	7.5	76	2.8	78	38	76	Excellent
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RT CLARK																							
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COOK AND SON																							
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AD MULLINS																							
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TI & DT JANSE VAN RENSBURG																							
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WEST FRONT BOERDERY BK																							
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AJ MARX																							
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