

Zambian Tuli Report for 2019

SA Tuli AGM

- Unfortunately I regret being unable to attend this South African Tuli Cattle Societies 2019 AGM, therefore I have written this report on behalf of the Zambian Tuli cattle breeders to be read out as a record for this AGM.

- Regrettably the Zambian economy continues to struggle and as a result the beef industry like every other sector of the economy “labours to keep its head above water”! As a result farmers are unable to move forward in making the huge strides they made eight years ago. As I reported before the current incumbent political party has continued to be reckless in its spending, therefore the value of the Zambian kwacha has declined against the USD\$ which has affected like so many farmers to not be able to import further stud stock from South Africa as they had hoped.

- What does this mean about the Tuli cattle that were imported into Zambia? Well it has caused two of the six stud breeders to de-register their stock from the SA Stud Book but they have continued to breed them as though they were registered and like the rest of the stud breeders, have spent very little in terms of feeding them to be productive but rather to bring out the breeds true characteristic of being hardy and still be productive, culling anything that has not produced.

- As I believed and reported before there continues to be interest in using Tuli bulls for crossbreeding both in commercial and indigenous herds – I continue to be contacted by farmers from large commercial operations to small scale who want to know more about the breed and seek bulls and heifers which is good news for the breed. I truly believe, although cattle breeding is slow, I have no doubt more and more stock farmers will use Tuli genetics in their herds in years to come.

- The Best Is Yet to Come for Tuli's in Zambia!
- Thank you for your attention.

Chris Rogers - Zambian Representative.

Tuli x Weaners



Tuli x Boran Weaner Steer



Boran Dam with to be weaned Tuli steer calf

