

Unbelievable! Five Newly Proven Sires Achieve Top 10 Status for LPI and/or Pro\$

Never has the Ayrshire breed welcomed such an elite group of five sires achieving full proven status, until this December release! In addition to penetrating the Top 10 list for both LPI and Pro\$, two sires actually reach the summit and become the breed-leading duo for both indexes. In top spot, at #1 for LPI and Pro\$, is the Finnish sire, Sammatin Valpas (Okke x Kelli), who is clearly an extremist as he combines his #1 status for all production traits (2092 kg Milk, 124 kg Fat and 92 kg Protein) with outstanding persistency and fertility ratings but is also significantly below breed average for Conformation and some associated traits. Des Fleurs Parrain-ET also makes an outstanding debut, taking #2 spot for both LPI and Pro\$, and therefore his maternal grandsire, Orraryd, is forced down a notch to occupy #3 position for both indexes this round (#5 Milk and Fat, #2 Protein). Parrain is a Rockstar son out of Des Fleurs Orraryd Pardon-ET (tied #11 LPI and also #11 Pro\$, #6 Milk) and he achieves #10 Milk, #2 Fat, #5 Protein rankings. Des Coteaux Rubicom-ET (Jumper son out of Kamouraska Poker Rubis-ET) follows close behind at #4 LPI and #5 Pro\$ (#7 Milk, tied #10 Protein, tied #6 Conformation), landing just ahead of his maternal brother Des Coteaux Revolution-ET at #5 LPI and #6 Pro\$ (#6 Fat and Protein). Two newly proven sires, with dams that are maternal sisters out of Duo Star Amour-ET, also achieve Top 10 status for at least one national index. Ruisseau Clair Adidas is the first proven son of Bigstar (dam is Duo Star Athena-ET, by Oblique) who arrives at #6 LPI and #7 Pro\$ (tied #10 Fat) while Ruisseau Clair Arbitr-ET is the first proven son of R Facet (dam is Duo Star Amicale-ET, by Reality) that grabs #10 spot for LPI (#16 Pro\$, #8 Milk).

After this incredible flood of newly proven sires into the top lists, the only other proven sire to maintain Top 10 status for both indexes is Peterslund, who now occupies #7 LPI and #9 Pro\$ positions (#8 Fat and Protein). The LPI list is completed this round by Du Petit Bois Animate, now at #8 LPI (#21 Pro\$) and Kamouraska Bigstar-ET, now in #9 LPI spot (#20 Pro\$, tied #2 Conformation). On the Pro\$ side, the Top 10 list is now completed by Des Fleurs Patriote-ET at #4 Pro\$ (#11 LPI, #3 Milk, #4 Fat, tied #3 Protein), Mardel Miajup-ET at #8 Pro\$ (#33 LPI) and T-Bruno in #10 Pro\$ position (#12 LPI, #9 Milk, #9 Protein).

For cows, there is much more stability in terms of the breed leaders for GLPI and Pro\$. In fact, there are no changes for the Top 5 GLPI cows and only minor reranking among the six highest Pro\$ cows. Going down the GLPI list, Kamouraska Diva-ET stays solid at #1 for both GLPI and Pro\$ (#1 Milk, Fat and Protein) and is still followed by her full sister, Kamouraska Dounia-ET, at #2 for both GLPI and Pro\$ (#2 Milk, Fat and Protein). Their dam, Kamouraska Orra Xuby, also stays firm at #3 GLPI but moves to #4 Pro\$ this round (#5 Milk, #3 Protein). La Sapiniere Facyriss maintains #4 GLPI and climbs to #3 Pro\$ position (#4 Milk, #3 Fat, tied #4 Protein) while Visserdale Selena 33 takes the #5 spot for both GLPI and Pro\$ this round (#7 Milk, #4 Fat, #10 Protein). Two other cows achieve Top 10 status for both indexes, namely Des Fleurs Valpas Parapluie-ET at #6 GLPI and #8 Pro\$ (tied #10 Fat, #6 Protein) and Mardel Valpas Marilou 51 at #7 Pro\$ and #8 GLPI (tied #7 Fat, tied #4 Protein). The maternal sister to Diva and Dounia, Kamouraska Divine-ET, continues her strong showing at #6 Pro\$ and #11 GLPI. The only newly indexed cow to penetrate the Top 10 lists is Visserdale Selena 11-ET, who is a Valpas daughter out of Visserdale Selena 3 that makes her debut at #7 GLPI (#12 Pro\$, tied #7 Fat). The final two spots on each of the Top 10 lists are now occupied by Des Fleurs Valpas Patchoulie-ET (#9 GLPI, tied #16 Pro\$, tied #10 Fat, tied #8 Protein), Kamouraska Erica-ET (#10 GLPI, tied #16 Pro\$, Bigstar daughter of Xuby), Du Murier Valpas Binette (#9 Pro\$, #24 GLPI, #9 Fat) and Kamouraska Calliope-ET (#10 Pro\$, #29 GLPI, Virgile daughter of Xuby). Also of interest this round is Red Zone Bigstar Emily-ET (dam is Red Zone Poker Vanille), who is a newly indexed cow that makes her debut tied at #1 Conformation with +17.