

Jersey Highlights - April 2021 -

In addition to the usual annual update of the genetic base and the Pro\$ formula, more variation in genetic evaluations is experienced this round due to the implementation of composite indexes for the four major scorecard traits and Conformation, which also affects LPI and Pro\$ values. The LPI formula was also modified in accordance with the request from Jersey Canada.

Major Reshuffling Among Top 10 LPI Sires

The revised LPI formula and new type composite indexes have significantly changed the list of Top 10 LPI sires with only half being the same as last December and there are now only two sires that achieve Top 10 status for both national indexes. Golden GDK Vivaldi experiences only a 2-point change in LPI and stays at the helm in #1 position for both LPI and Pro\$ (#3 Fat) and benefits from the new type composites to now be tied at #8 Conformation with +11. Ahlem Headline Pharoah 21795 (Headline x latola) is the second sire making double Top 10 status with significant gains for both indexes, as he catapults from #19 to #5 LPI and from #12 to #8 Pro\$ (#3 Milk). One newly proven sire manages to accomplish Top 10 status as Dodan Dew-Z Dewey-ET (MacKenzie x Valentino) arrives at #4 Pro\$ (#24 LPI, #8 Fat, #7 Protein).

The rest of the bulls on the Top 10 lists have quite divergent LPI and Pro\$ rankings. Following Vivaldi for LPI are two sires that were already Top 10 last round, namely River Valley Cece Chrome-ET now at #2 LPI (#31 Pro\$), and Sunset Canyon Dazzler-ET at #3 LPI (tied #68 Pro\$). Two sires that jump into the Top 10 for LPI this April are Dutch Hollow Chavez-ET (Santiago x Valentino), who reaches #4 LPI (#61 Pro\$) and Wilsonview IF Matt-ET (Irwin x TBone), who climbs to #6 LPI (#33 Pro\$). Bushlea PN Viral ET experiences some LPI slippage to land in the #7 spot but holds on to his #11 Pro\$ ranking. Two sires share the #8 LPI position this round, namely Hawarden Impuls Premier (#25 Pro\$) and DJ Zuma (#60 Pro\$). The Top 10 LPI list is rounded off by Reyla Barnabas Channing, who drops significantly for both indexes but holds on at #10 LPI (#13 Pro\$).

On the Pro\$ side, most of the current Top 10 sires are the same group as last round with Sun Valley Jive now following Vivaldi at #2 Pro\$ (#41 LPI, #9 Fat, tied #4 Protein) and Glynn Valentino Marcin next in line at #3 Pro\$ (#36 LPI, #1 for Milk and Protein). Tied at #5 Pro\$ this round are River Valley Pfennig Perfect Fit (#17 LPI) and Ahlem Megatron Windstar-ET (#29 LPI, #4 Fat, tied #10 Protein). Hawarden Dimension Pilgrim-ET stays firm in his #7 Pro\$ position (#19 LPI, #2 Fat, maternal brother to Premier) and now ranks ahead of Sunset Canyon Megatron-ET at #9 Pro\$ (#87 LPI, #1 Fat, tied #10 Protein). The Top 10 Pro\$ list is rounded off by Ahlem Axis Bancroft (Valentino x Renegade), who stays quite strong for both indexes after being newly proven in December, now taking #10 Pro\$ and #12 LPI rankings.

In addition to Dewey, there are three other newly proven sires that achieve Top 25 status for one of the national indexes. The highest of these is MFW Sparky Impish-ET, who is the first proven son of Sparky in Canada (dam is MFW Volcano Impress) that makes his debut at #14 Pro\$ (#84 LPI). He is followed closely by the first proven Isaac son, namely DP Nxlevel-ET, at #17 Pro\$ (dam is DP Daybreak Cassie 4-1540-ET). In a similar manner, Perkins Skyclass ET is the first proven son of Chrome in Canada (dam is Stornaway Valentino Pasta) and he makes his debut tied at #22 LPI (#50 Pro\$).

Three Newly Indexed Cows Infiltrate the Top 10 Lists for Both GLPI and Pro\$

Both lists of Top 10 cows based on the national indexes welcome an impressive group of young cows among their ranks. Lencrest Cocopuff stays firm at #1 GLPI and welcomes a pair of full-sister daughters by Bourbon, who join her among the breed's most elite cows. Lencrest Bourbon Cocopuff ET is the highest of these sisters as she makes headlines with her #2 GLPI debut and becomes the new breed leader at #1 Pro\$ (#3 Fat, #1 Protein), forcing her dam, Lencrest Cocopuff, to #2 Pro\$ (#2 Fat, tied #10 Protein). Her full sister, Lencrest Sweet Bourbon and Coco, follows their dam at #3 Pro\$ and also makes an impressive start in #5 position for GLPI (#4 Fat, #3 Protein). The third highest newly indexed cow also makes the Top 10 list for both national indexes as Unique Viral Marvel grabs #4 Pro\$ and #7 GLPI (dam is Redhot Matt Nova ET at #15 GLPI and #20 Pro\$). Two other cows achieve Top 10 status for both indexes this round, namely Guimo Rufus Jezabelle, who stays firm at #3 GLPI (#9 Pro\$), and Laitjoie Bourbon Lysa ET at #5 Pro\$ and #10 GLPI. Lysa's dam, Guimo Vivaldi Lysanne, adds high-ranking newly indexed daughters this round and climbs the GLPI list to land in the #6 position (#33 Pro\$). The highest of these daughters and full sister to Lysa is Laitjoie Bourbon Lysia ET, who arrives at #6 Pro\$ (#22 GLPI, tied #8 Protein). The other three cows achieving Top 10 status for GLPI include Island Vivaldi Julie at #4 GLPI (#16 Pro\$), Redhot Matt Tesla at #8 GLPI (#17 Pro\$, full sister to Nova), and Guimo Vivaldi Jezia, who climbs to take #9 GLPI (#19 Pro\$). The fifth newly indexed cow that achieves Top 10 status this April is JX Progenesis List Whisper {6}-ET at #8 Pro\$ (#3 Milk, #2 Protein), who is a daughter of Hillview Listowel-P out of JX Schultz Harris Winnie {5}. The Top 10 Pro\$ list this round is completed by two cows that maintain this elite status from December, namely JX Progenesis Zid Dramaqueen {5}-ET at #7 Pro\$ (#58 GLPI, #10 Fat, tied #8 Protein) and Progenesis Trillium at #10 Pro\$ (#17 GLPI), who also keeps hold of her #1 position for Fat.