

South Devon World Association 9th World Congress and Tour • USA

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"We would like to thank you all so very much for welcoming us into the group and for making the trip such a memorable one for us, we had a wonderful time."

John & Julie Miller, president South Devon Cattle Breeders Society of South Africa

"Yes, truly epic. Many thanks for all your commitment and hard work – you must be well pleased with the result – well done."

Richard Camp, United Kingdom

"Thanks again for such a wonderful tour - we really appreciate the effort you put into the organization."

Graham & Heather Lindsay, Australia

"We can't begin to thank you enough for a wonderful trip for which we will have lasting memories. We loved America, its beauty and its hugeness. We felt so welcome everywhere we went."

Peter & Belinda Owen, United Kingdom

"We too enjoyed the North American World Tour having a wonderful experience seeing many operations, some great cattle, wonderful scenery and wonderful like-minded folk. Thank you to Dar & Lynn for all your hard work that went into providing us with a very memorable trip indeed."

Brian & Ann Thomson, New Zealand



Thank you . . .

Express Ranches
Express Clydesdales
Bollenbach Cattle Company
Joplin Stockyards
Triple Crown South Devons
Walnut Grove Farm
Kansas State University
US Meat Animal Research Center
Nichols Farms
Hillcrest South Devon
JVM Cattle Company
KNN Farm

Valley Hill Farm
White Farms
Thompson Land & Cattle
RP Farms
Popken South Devon
Schiefelbein Farms
DLCC Ranch
Wulf Cattle
T/K Ranch
Daybreak Ranch
Dahl Land & Cattle Company
Diamond Plus Cattle

MJB Ranch
Midland Bull Test
4J Ranch
George Farms
Elkington Brothers & Sons
Leachman Cattle Co. of Colorado
Colorado State University
Kuner Feedlot
Josh White
Lisa Bard
Lee Leachman



2014 World Tour an 'Epic Event'

The 2014 World South Devon Tour and Congress was an epic event, with absolute success, said David Corker, immediate past president of the World South Devon Society.

The tour began in Fort Worth, Texas and traveled through 14 states to the final conference destination of Estes Park, Colorado. Representatives from Australia, New Zealand, United Kingdom, South Africa, Canada and the U.S. participated.

"All of our friends are amazed at how far we traveled and how incredible to see 14 states of America, such wonderful people, beautiful scenery and so much knowledge gained," said Leonie Daley, president of the Australian South Devon Society.

Hosts rolled out the red carpet for the tour group and provided hospitality, food, refreshments, entertainment and great cattle to look at.

Along with visiting the U.S. Meat Animal Research Center, South Devon purebred and commercial operations, seedstock operations, feedlots, dairy and horse operations, stops were also made in three National Parks.

Delegates met during the two-day conference to discuss the future of the South Devon breed globally. Speaker Lee Leachman, Leachman Cattle of Colorado talked about the necessity of all societies to work

together to gather performance data to obtain a global coordinated selection system. The goal is to establish South Devon as the British breed alternative to Angus. "The breed works, we know that," said Leachman. The consensus among the delegates was to coordinate groups of breeders in each country to provide updated genetic information, performance and carcass data that would develop a larger base of information worldwide.

The South Devon Cattle Society of New Zealand agreed to share their promotional phrase, "More Beef, No Grief" with other countries.

Elected to the World South Devon Society Council at the 2014 conference, Brian Thomson, New Zealand, president; Mervyn Rowe, United Kingdom, vice president; James Moon, United Kingdom, secretary/treasurer; David Corker, Australia, past president. Council members: Daphne Lines, Australia; Margaret Northey, United Kingdom; Dar Giess, USA; Teresa Walker, Canada; John Miller, South Africa.

The 2017 World South Devon Tour and Congress will be hosted by the South Devon Cattle Breeders Society of South Africa.

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