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## Brown Swiss news

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Season's Greetings



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## A great Brown Swiss run with the first bull over 200 ISU points!

With this last run of the year, genomic values of our Brown Swiss line up are reaching the top. PACTOLE is now 202 in ISU, gaining 8 points, still leading the pack! There are also 6 more bulls over 180 pts ISU that combine great volumes of solids, fitness and complete type: OPTIMAL, LBB RALICE, RULLY, PISTON, ROCKY and the newcomer SATURNE:



Madmoiselle, SATURNE's dam

### **SATURNE, a top new Optimal son**

Optimal x lfeeling x Vigor

Born at Gaec Brast in Aveyron, SATURNE will appeal to dairymen looking for a high level of production without sacrificing components and fitness traits. lFEELING Madmoiselle, his dam, has just completed her 4th lactation in 305 days at 10,318 kg with 4.75 %F and 3.89 %P. In her pedigree we find Vigor lGELLE VG 86 and Jolt CHANTELLE VG 87, going directly back to the famous Hussli TIGELLE EX 90 and its 130,000 kg lifetime production! SATURNE is the worthy heir of this extremely reliable family which has already delivered the proven bull ISOLD and more recently NO DECIBEL, which daughters are entering into production with stunning udders. He is one of the rare bulls to combine a high milk potential with very positive components while improving longevity and fertility. The udders will be high and well attached, with perfect teats in size and position. His daughters will be of a more moderate size, and he will also bring good feet and legs. He ranks very well in Switzerland at 1437 GZW CH and in Germany at 126 GZW. He has the sought-after BB and A2A2 caseins, available only sexed from January.

### **Other Top Genomic bulls**

#### **LBB RALICE**

O Malley x Vigor x Juleng

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He remains the best son of O Malley for milk at +1688! Associated with a flawless linear morphology, it will bring dimensions in the body and rump, with very good feet and legs. The udders will be very good with a strong ligament and a high rear attachment.

He is also a daughter fertility improver and BB A2A2 enhancer. LBB RALICE ranks well in Italy at 961 ITE with +1147 milk and 118 type and udder. He is available conventional and sexed.

#### **SKYFALL**

Optimal x Loustic x Anibal

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He ranks at the top of several genomic lists, with 1486 GZW CH he is in the top 5 in Switzerland and number 7 of foreign bulls in Germany at GZW 133. He comes from the family of Zeus CH ZEA EX 94, dam of Fun ABF, she produced 117,943 kg in her career at 4.68 %F and 3.62 %P! SKYFALL is a complete bull on all traits, and which presents an interesting milk potential, along with improving fertility and longevity. He will also sire excellent top lines and good feet and legs. The udders will be high and very well attached, the teats with a short tendency will have to be taken into account in the mating. An interesting asset is the good muscularity combined with high production. He offers the sought-after BB and A2A2 caseins, available sexed semen.

#### **SINEL**

Opinel x Narcotic x Glarus

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SINEL hails from the VERTUE VG 89, SISSIE VG 88, OCEANE EX93 family, true brood cow from France. The type is strongly anchored in the pedigree with an average of 87.5 pts over 6 generations.

The dairy potential is not to be outdone, like his father Opinel. He is also one of the best bulls for improving fertility! BB and A2A2 caseins make him a bull of choice for quality milk producers. Its complete profile on all positions makes it easy to use on all any bloodlines because it is free of BIVER and ANIBAL blood.

The bulls NICE GP and O MALLEY are still on top and ready for next year development as proven bulls.

More information :

<http://www.evolution-int.com/en/catalog/21/isu>



Brown Swiss - With a great bull offer through the winter!

At this December breeding value assessment, Santa Claus had brought nice presents and so the Brown Swiss bull offer can be presented well. It is broadly diversified in the pedigrees and high class in performance, fitness and conformation.



AG Vpower is an absolutely exceptional bull with the highest breeding values. The young bulls AG Dancer, AG Salvador, AG Dallas, AG Bonanza, AG Dixiland and AG Bismark have a very complete transmission pattern and in the polled sector the bulls AG Vidibus P\*S and AG Danger P\*S complete the program. Very positive is the new entry in the daughters' tested bulls. Here, AG Sidence is starting his second season. He transmits a high milk yield with very good fitness and conformation values. It is worth mentioning that all ten new entries have a different sire and only Antonov is represented twice as dam sire.

Are you looking for bulls with specific transmission traits? Here is a list of our bulls according to their specialties:

**The highest bulls in the GZW** should bring the highest economic benefit to the farms. The young bulls AG Vpower (143), AG Volkwein (143), AG Dancer (143), AG Sepp Pp\* (143), AG Salvador (140) and AG Benz (140) have a GZW of at least 140.

**Strong milk-yielding sires** with over 1,100 kg are seven bulls on offer. They are named AG Vagabund (+1,392 kg), AG Sepp Pp\* (+1,278 kg), AG Volkwein (+1,221 kg), AG Sidence (+1,177 kg), AG Bonanza (+1,171 kg), AG Vpower (+1,146 kg) and AG Booster (+1,139 kg).

**Positive components** are important for many farms. The list includes bulls that transmit positively in fat content and protein content. These are AG Danger P\*S, AG Vpower, AG Dallas and AG Bismark. AG Booster, AG Vagabund, AG Dancer, AG Vidibus P\*S and AG Varianz transmit at least one positive component. AG Dixiland, AG Volkwein, AG Salvador, AG Benz, AG Pukari, and AG Jakarta transmit almost neutral components.

The **milking speed** has to be taken into consideration for AG Pukari (89). Clearly above average are AG Danger P\*S (114), AG Volkwein (114), AG Salvador (114), AG Vidibus P\*S (114) and AG Jakarta (109).

According to the Bavarian State Research Center for Agriculture (LfL, ITZ Grub), Brown Swiss cows are getting larger, or are already too large. Smaller cows (height of the sacrum) produce bulls like AG Volkwein (94), AG Sepp (97), AG Pukari (97) and AG Jakarta (96). Medium-framed transmit the bulls AG Booster (108), AG Danger P\*S (107), AG Dancer (107), AG Salvador (108), AG Benz (103), AG Vidibus P\*S (109) and AG Sidence (108).

**Longer teats** are in demand. This is transmitted by bulls like AG Volkwein (114), AG Dancer (113), AG Bonanza (107), AG Varianz (107), AG Dallas (105), AG Vpower (104) and AG Booster (101).

**A high udder breeding value** of 110 and more is shown by the eleven bulls AG Dallas (121), AG Varianz (120), AG Bismark (118), AG Dixiland (118), AG Vidibus P\*S (116), AG Vpower (114), AG Benz (113), AG Jakarta (113), AG Bonanza (112) AG Dancer (111) and AG Volkwein (110).

**Polled** is in strong demand, but unfortunately the supply is not yet available in sufficient quantity. Nevertheless, we have with AG Sepp Pp\* (GZW 143) the number 1 polled bull in our barns. AG Danger P\*S and AG Vidibus P\*S are good balanced alternatives to get forward in this segment. Other polled bulls are available on request.

**Sexed semen** is available from more and more bulls. In addition to the bulls in the list, female semen is also available from AG Bachelor, AG Campari and AG Hagrid AG Valentino, AG Västeras and RBG Hacker.

Alpengenetik wishes you a lot of fun with the selection of the bulls and good luck with their offspring. For the complete Brown Swiss offer, please check the table below. On [www.rbgmm.de](http://www.rbgmm.de) you will find all important information about the current offer under the category Brown Swiss.

RBG Memmingen





# Complete bulls

Once again, RBW and its partners dominate the top list of the Brown Swiss breeding value estimation December 2022. The complete bulls with high milk yield and good conformation will continue to determine the coming AI season.

With **Piaggio**, **Portland**, **Piccard** and **Piemont**, a variety of different piano sons can be offered. While **Portland** (TMI 143) is the breed's highest milk yield sire, **Piemont** (TMI 136) is a type enhancer who will bring very harmonious udders and **Piccard** is a bull who inherits positive components.

## Bison sons

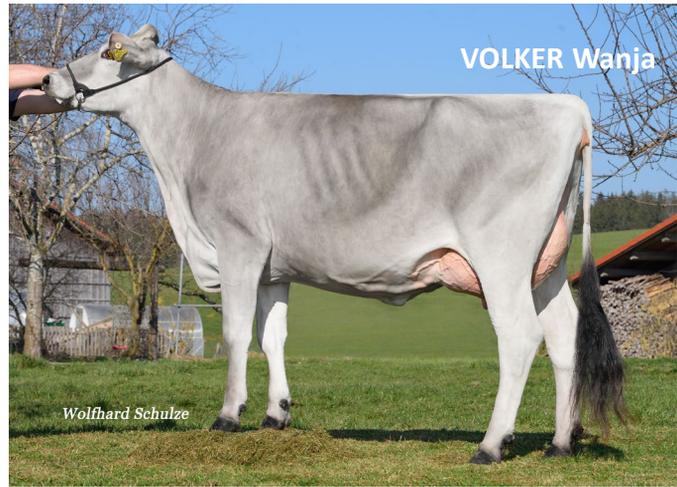
With **Barbour**, **Botticelli** and **Boxer P**, RBW is also well positioned among the Bison sons. **Boxer P** (TMI 138) remains the most interesting polled bull of the breed. **Barbour** (TMI 139) and **Botticelli** (TMI 137) promise very good udders at the highest level.

The Natural son **Nathan** is confirmed with TMI 143 as well as his full brother **Nabucco**, who has meanwhile started well with TMI 139. With **Arezzo**, **Akkon**, **Varese** and **Cuneo**, four new bulls are also coming into the edition. The Amorie-son **Arezzo** (TMI 142) goes back to a solid Vasir Hucos pairing, has high production with +1,400 kg milk, a lot of format and very good rumps. **Akkon** (TMI 140) is already a generation further with Austria as father, has positive components and brings daughters with strong format and complete udders. **Cuneo** (TMI 136) is a Capone son and therefore a Canyon grandson traces back to a Vortex dam and has a Julau granddam. In this unusual mating, he produces medium-sized cows with good feet and legs and reliable udders in all traits. As a Ventura son, **Varese** (TMI 135) goes back to a Vorsprung dam and, due to his strong and deep cow family, will leave daughters with good type and body, good feet & legs and the best udders, which he also combines with more than +1,000 kg milk.

## Daughter proven bulls

Among the progeny proven bulls, **Husold** remains the No. 1 in the breed. However, with further information, **Volker** now comes up with a TMI of 136 and confirms the good impression of the offspring from the dairy show Waldseer Braunviehtag 2022. **Valid** (TMI 134) and **Canyon** (TMI 128) can also clearly confirm this. **Helau** also keeps his high component inheritance with +0.40% fat and +0.15% protein.

RBW



Wolthard Schulze



Canyon progeny group

## Huge SG – a very convincing entry

Martin Rust, Braunvieh Schweiz

**Components, Fitness, Type, Blood alternatives – four new classified BS-Stiere to AI are covering a big spectrum. Especially Huge SG is making an impressive start with high production and excellent udders. The offer of progeny proven sires is large and offering a lot of option for targeted matings.**

Visor P was published for the first time with the pure Swiss offspring result. He was able to increase both in milk and in the fitness traits. With GZW 1415 he is now the number 1 of the progeny tested bulls. Pete is turning ever more into a complete bull. The Calvin son increases his breeding value for milk for the third time in a row and now has a GZW over 1300. At the same time, he remains the clear leader in the udder block with an extreme index of 143. Pete makes medium statured cows (KBH 96), which makes him interesting for matings on large-framed cows.



The daughter group of Pete at Expo Swissgenetics has underlined the enormous udder quality of the bull.

Photo: Braunvieh Schweiz

### Exciting new entries among the BS bulls

Four progeny tested bulls were selected for second crop use with the December breeding evaluation. The highest newcomer, GoldHill Bender Huge SG, starts very convincingly with GZW 1342. He combines a lot of milk with an excellent conformation. With index 126 Huge SG is currently number 1 in conformation. The cow family around Huge SG is currently used very intensively in the breeding scheme. With his half-brother Nice GP Calano SG (GZW 1413) as well as the sons of Huge's full sisters (Caviezal, Clem SG, Mane SG and Celio) a whole series of bulls from the Caluna family are already in use. Also, as bull sire Huge SG has already left clear traces with his five sons Aiven, Adee, Luano, JJ-P and Bonitto.

A somewhat different profile is shown by H. Scherrer's Haegar Barca, who also fulfils the high expectations. He shows all-rounder qualities with strong components. Barca inherits excellent for productive life and is also number 1 in the new trait ketosis resistance (index 122).



Ackermann's Huge SG RAELYN

CH 120.1474.1247.3 LBE 86-81-85/88-84 VG85

1A5 1.11 7'664 kg 3.7 % 3.8 %

B/O: Matthias Ackermann, 9105 Schönggrund \_ Photo: Moy

### First Sinatra sons in second stakes

Sid and Dobry Byk are the first two Sinatra sons to enter the second crop use. Sid comes from an extremely long-lasting. The bull dam Dillinger Tabea EX92 from Andreas Eugster in Wald AR had a lifetime production of 111'329 kg ( $\emptyset$  11'278 kg 4.0 % fat 3.8 % protein) in eight lactations. Granddam Cower Orlanda VG89 even has a lifetime production of 120'929 kg with 4.4 % fat and 4.0 % protein. With his sire stack (Sinatra x Dillinger x Cower x Parko x Cedric) Sid has an exceptional bloodline and can be used very broadly. Sid convinces with a strong heredity in performance and fitness traits. Especially in fertility he is one of the strongest progeny tested bulls at index 112. Stöckligen Sinatra Dobry Byk B14C goes back to the well-known Vinozak-daughter Diva from the breeding farm of Herbert Babel. Dobry Byk inherits strong fitness traits with good service life, fertility, and ketosis resistance. In conformation Dobry Byk is exceptional in the block rump, where he currently tops the list with index 140. However, the still low number of daughters should be considered.



TGD-Swiss-Repro ULLA SG-ET (S: Barca) CH 12031518.1091.3

LBE 87-87-83/85-82 VG85 \_ 1A1 1.11 6'686 kg 4.8 % 3.8 %

O: Stefan Knecht & Adrian Arnold, 8714 Feldbach

B: Thomas Gerber, 6252 Dagmersellen \_ Photo: Moy



**BIRCHLER BS Sid BERNETTA**  
CH 120.1516.1579.2 LBE 83-84-86/84-86 G+84  
1. L. 2.04 305 7'311 kg 3.5 % 3.2 % (proj.)  
B/O: Gerold Birchler-Marty, 8840 Einsiedeln \_ Photo: Keleki



**SANDHOF'S Dobry Byk ROSMARIE** CH 120.1516.4508.9  
LBE 86-84-84/85-84 G+84 \_2.05 Ø 2 TD 26.4 kg 4.1 % 3.4 %  
B/O: Stefan Knecht, 8714 Feldbach \_ Photo: Keleki

### **Guy at the head of the young bulls**

The first sons of Noro are entering AI. Guy, who clearly exceeds the magic limit of GZW 1500, enters directly at the top of the young bulls. Guy transmits a lot of milk with a good fitness value and strong conformation (udder 144). Angel is also coming in very strong; he is number 1 by milk value. Together with Caviezel and Carel, Noro has a convincing quartet of sons.

Another exciting newcomer is Tell P, a polled Filomen son out of the Swiss branch of the Tammy cow family. Tell P is strong in components and with index 131 number 3 in conformation behind Juri and Adee. On par with him is the fitness specialist Advisor (Apple x Fact). Advisor inherits strong fertility and has an interesting conformation profile (medium size, strong udders with slightly longer teats).

### **Valsler works his way forward**

The top list of progeny tested Original Braunvieh bulls is again headed by Killy. With new daughters from the second crop use, Killy was able to improve almost all positions from milk and beef performance to fitness and conformation slightly. Valsler moved up to fourth place. The Valido son is a very strong performance sire with positive ingredients and thus the clear leader by milk value. Orbiter also improved considerably in milk and components. Harlei keeps the top position in overall conformation.

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