

I would like to thank Angus Australia, ABIF and New Zealand Angus Association for allowing me to experience an amazing scholarship.

Attending seminars, dinners, and conferences, sales and experiencing royal shows was an eye opener with an enjoyable yet educational outcome. I was able to enter into abattoirs, attend the Bull Evaluation Unit at Palmerston North with the New Zealand Angus Association president, John Murray, where Roger Evans of NSW was providing structural assessment lectures. I was also able to judge the paraders at Kerwee Show.

Staying with nine different families was a great way to interact with other breeders to see what they are producing and how they approach the beef industry in New Zealand and I have been able to remain in contact with many producers and businesses.

I was provided with knowledge regarding production, feed rations, cattle selection and different markets that each family aims towards. I have returned with an experience that will remain with me for a long time and knowledge that will hopefully help me to become a better beef producer.

You can never learn enough in the beef industry. I highly regard this scholarship and encourage all young beef enthusiasts to apply.

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