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Youth members with studs...

Left: Sarah Meszaros, of Meszline Stud, shows her pleasure at with a new arrival....

**Sarah Meszaros, Meszline Stud**, intends to become one of Australia's finest Lowline breeders. In the meantime, she wants to help educate others on the care and maintenance of healthy cattle. Sarah's interest in agriculture was stimulated in 2005 when she was 13 by being part of her school's agriculture team. She even spent her lunchtime grooming and parading the school's cattle. Several shows later, Sarah convinced her parents, who had no idea about cattle, that a Lowline cow was the perfect animal to maintain their five acre property. Her first cow, Cebby, came from Allambie Stud. So did the second rather more expensive cow and in order to pay for it Sarah got a part-time job. Meszline now owns five heifers and one bull and Sarah has done workshops on clipping, show preparation, parading and showing skills, cattle care, weed maintenance, vaccination and drenching, nutrition, castrating and Artificial Insemination. She has even AI'd her own cattle. Promotion group workshops have been held at Meszline and last September Sarah, with Ashleigh Kuipers (12) from Wigram Lowlines and David Shaw (15) from Ashanvid Lowlines, organised and held a cattle camp attended by 31 children. Afterwards, two of the participants joined ALCA and will be showing with Meszline Stud this year. Sarah is always willing to help others and her younger sister, Monica, who admires her greatly, has also become involved in parading, cattle care and property maintenance.

**Hayden Hollis, Rivenmead Stud** got the idea of a Lowline stud from his family's association with larger cattle breeds. It was easier to start with a smaller breed and to "apply theory techniques to practical scenarios for my future plans within the Angus breed." He financed Rivenmead Stud by working through the family business, Global Procurement Solutions. Hayden has been showing cattle for 12 years and started his Lowline Stud when he was 14. He's a firm believer that research is the key to success and has learnt a lot just by watching and talking to others. Hayden has a mobile show cattle company based at his home but working at shows and cattle properties. "It offers people a cheaper way to have their cattle exhibited professionally and presented correctly," Hayden says. His support team includes veterinary staff, nutrition staff, AI and ET technicians and farm advisors. This year he is working in Australia until May, then heading to Hamilton Farms, Alberta, Canada, to show their Angus. He expects to work the Canadian show season on a regular basis. Hayden's ambition: "A commercial steer breeding operation incorporating multiple breeds and fine bloodlines to breed the ultimate show steer."

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