

Jelly: The Third High-Impact Fa

The northern-New York based Coyne Farms has consistently featured on top bull lists over recent years. Brothers Dorcy and Dom come from the Coyne-Farms Bret Daffers family, while Massey and Yance carry the flag of their other well-know cow family, that of Milkworth Manfred Yadda. However, Coyne-Farms captured attention at the top of the Genomic sire list in latest sire summaries too with 2 in the top 4: Jabir and Jacey, both from a third family line, the home-bred Jelly family.

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The big, open ribbed Coyne-Farms Ramos Jelly VG-85 has a number of sons in AI. But it is her high-genomic grandsons, led by Jabir and Jacey, that have now put the family in the spotlight.

THE FREDDIE FLUSH

Jelly was flushed to Freddie when his semen first became available, resulting in 6 heifers including Coyne-Farms Freddie Jill VG-85, now the Nr.1 indexing Freddie daughter in the

US. Jill has already made the big-time via her two sons, Jabir (2498 gTPI) and Jetset (2467 gTPI). Both bulls are at Semex in Canada, and are sired by Marbri Facebook (Man-O-Man x Airraid). And to prove that these high genomic scores were by no means a fluke, a third grand-son of Jelly, Coyne-Farms Jacey CRI (2466 gTPI), also ranks among the top-10 genomic sires. Jacey is sired by Altalota and is out of a Massey daughter of Jelly. (Thereby combining two of the leading families of Coyne-Farms, the Jelly's with the Yadda family behind Massey.) And the latest star from

Coyne-Farms Dorcy Jean VG-86 combines the best of Coyne-Farms: out of Jelly and sired by Dorcy, who comes from the Daffers family.



- ♀ Coyne-Farms Skybuck Jello VG-86
(Hanoverhill Skybuck)
- ♀ Coyne-Farms Wade Jelly VG-87
(Parker Aero Wade)
- ♀ Coyne-Farms Bestow Jell EX-90
(Merit Bestow)
- ♀ Coyne-Farms Shottle Jam VG-88
(Picston Shottle)
- ♀ Coyne-Farms Ramos Jelly VG-85
(Ramos)

the family is a 3-month old Gillespy bull out of Jill, that has a gTPI of 2362 and is also destined for a career in AI.

SALE TOPPER

'Jill may be the best of our Freddie's, but in total we are milking 20 and we really like them,' comments Greg Coyne. 'Ten of them have mature-equivalents of over 35,000 lb. of milk. They are better than the O-Mans type-wise, and they grow into bigger cows than you expect at first. In fact I would say he's a better udder bull than the numbers suggest too. They make a lot of milk and do it without any fuss.' Of the 6 Freddie daughters from Jelly, 2 have sold to other herds. Coyne-Farms Freddie Jeven was purchased by Jeff Butler and produced a dozen Shamrock daughters with genomic indexes as high as 2562 gTPI. Jeven was then sold as a bred heifer to Rick and Tom Simon of Farnear in Iowa, where she went on to score VG-85 and is currently on an IVF program. She has younger daughters sired by such bulls as Robust, Facebook, Gold Chip and Uno. Her McCutchen son Farnear Jeven Jerry (2410 gTPI) is at Select Sires. Another of the Freddie sisters, Coyne-Farms Freddie Jell VG-85, is at Oakfield-Corners in New York, where she too has been on a flush program. At the

Jelly's daughter Coyne-Farms Freddie Jeven VG-85: dam of the McCutchen son Farnear Jeven Jerry.



The Coyne family at Avon, New York, have been breeding Holsteins since 1945 and today milk over 1,000 cows 3 times per day. It's the milk cheque that is the biggest source of income, but sales of genetics provide additional revenue and are a great source of interest and pride for the Coyne. (See also their herd report in HI 11/2012.) Cows have to compete in a large-herd environment, and it was not until the arrival of the genomic era that the key cow families at Coyne-Farms really attracted the international spotlight. While Yadda and Daffers have stolen the attention in the past, it's now the turn of the Jelly cow and her brood to grab the headlines. As a Ramos daughter, Jelly is just a little different from the typical North-American pedigree, and the high health trait scores meant the best Ramos daughters became popular attractions. She is a big, strong, angular cow and so can be mated with a wide selection of sires with perhaps her only limitation being that she carries CVM. Jelly has a Massey son Jake and a Freddie son Jaguar awaiting proofs in AI.

Family At Coyne-Farms



Both Jelly and Jill continue to be flushed extensively at Sunshine Genetics in Wisconsin.

New York Carousel Sale this spring, a Shamrock out of another of the Freddies topped the sale at \$70,000, selling to Jeff Butler.

MASSEY DAUGHTER

In addition to the Freddies, Jelly also has milking daughters sired by Million, Massey and Dorcy at Coyne-Farms. Another Massey daughter, Coyne-Farms Mass Jill, was flushed as a heifer before selling to De-Su Holsteins of Iowa. That flush was to Altalota, and the results included the young bull Jacey at Genex-CRI who was mentioned previously. At De-Su, Mass Jill was flushed extensively to such bulls as Shamrock, Uno, Observer and Layne among others, and has produced approximately 20 daughters, many with high genomic scores in-

cluding an Uno at 2519 gTPI. Two Snowman sons from Mass Jill, De-Su AltaJackman (2414 gTPI) and De-Su AltaJohnson (2397 gTPI), have been used as sires of sons at Alta, and their first calves are now being born. Unfortunately, Mass Jill calved prematurely and has never been classified.

PRODUCTIVE LIFE

The first cow in the family to attract bull-stud attention was the grand-dam of Jelly, Coyne-Farms Bestow Jell EX, who had sons go to Al. 'She was a strong, powerful cow, and there were not a lot of Bestow daughters around,' recalls Greg. 'We started selecting for Productive Life before most other people did, and that was the reason we ended up using Be-

stow. In fact, I recall one of the sire analysts inspecting our cows and remarking on the fact that we had used quite a few weird bulls, but I think it was mostly that we were chasing Productive Life before it became popular.' Bestow was a Holiday son, and so added another source of different bloodlines to the pedigree. Bestow Jell was flushed quite a deal, producing over 30 progeny, though the main impact comes via her Shottle daughter who is the dam of Jelly. The Jelly family has a much longer history at Coyne-Farms than either of the Yadda or Daffers families. It was in the mid 70s that a 6 month old calf was purchased from Philip Saunders of Dansville, New York. This calf, Sugarcreek-Vu King Jessie, was sired by Cotterdale Astronaut King (by Paclamar Astronaut), and developed into a VG cow that established the foundation of the Jelly family.

FLUSH PROGRAM

Both Jelly and Freddie Jill have calved only once, but continue to produce embryos. The daughter-dam pair is housed at Sunshine Genetics in Wisconsin. A few embryos have been sold to Canada, Germany and Japan, though most are being implanted to make pregnancies to further the Coyne-Farms breeding program. Coyne-Farms has established itself as one of the leading sources of elite genetics in the genomic era, with the Jelly family now firmly entrenched as their third outstanding cow family producing world class results. ●

Coyne-Farms Freddie Jill VG-85, the dam of Jabir and Jetset, is proving to be Jelly's most consistent transmitting daughter.



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