

## Murray Greys Continue to Perform in Hoof & Hook Competitions

Murray Greys once again found themselves well placed in the 2009 Royal Melbourne Show Hoof & Hook Competition.

Overseen by Judge Gary Noller, Murray Grey Steers began the hoof judging with a second placing in the highly sort after Borthwick Trophy. The judge described the Borthwick team steers (*pictured right*) as steers that will each easily reach the specifications of their individual market requirements and most importantly they will each be steers that will yield well.

In the carcass judging the Murray Grey Borthwick Team found themselves mirroring the results in Adelaide with another respectable third place overall.



In the hoof judging, one of the Borthwick team members, a 323kg silver steer exhibited by the Nawarra Murray Grey Stud took out the first champion award of the day, winning Champion Light Weight Steer. The steer (*pictured left*) was sired by Southern Cross Fearless.



For their troubles, the Keen family has won \$250 from the MGBCS, as part of our ongoing conditional sponsorship of Hoof and Hook competitions around Australia.

The carcass judging saw a purebred Murray Grey steer exhibited by the Mt Compass Area School SA, walk away with the Champion Export Carcass. This steer was edged out for the Grand Champion Award by the smallest of margins.

The 540kg live weight grey steer was bred by the Tarlina Murray Grey Stud and was sired by Monterey Talent Scout. His measurements on the hook were an EMA of 91cmsq and rib and rump fats of 10mm and 12mm respectively, with a dressing percentage of 64%.

On top of their winnings from the RASV, the Mt Compass Area School will walk away from the Melbourne Show with an extra \$500 in their pockets from the conditional sponsorship provided by

the MGBCS, \$250 for winning the Champion Export Carcase with a steer sired by a registered Murray Grey bull and \$250 for being the highest scoring Murray Grey carcase by a registered Murray Grey bull.

To cap the carcase judging off, a Murray Grey steer by The Glen Silver Design B261 won the Highest Scoring School Bred and Prepared Carcase. This 420kg steer was bred and prepared by the Yanco Agricultural High School, long time supporters of the Murray Grey breed.



*Champion Export Carcase, bred by Tarlina Murray Grey Stud & exhibited by the Mt Compass Area School*