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from the PRESIDENT'S DESK

The year 2012 dawned amidst global economic and political upheaval.
Never have I been happier to be in South Africa.



Christopher Sparks

“Keep it Straight and Simple” was the slogan of the 1994 “KISS” party; and may well be our key to sustainable stock farming in this country. Well adapted livestock will certainly ride the wave of unpredictable weather patterns.

Cattle numbers are growing and the Brangus Office appears to be running like a well oiled machine; with administrative structures now firmly in place and office staff as enthusiastic as ever.

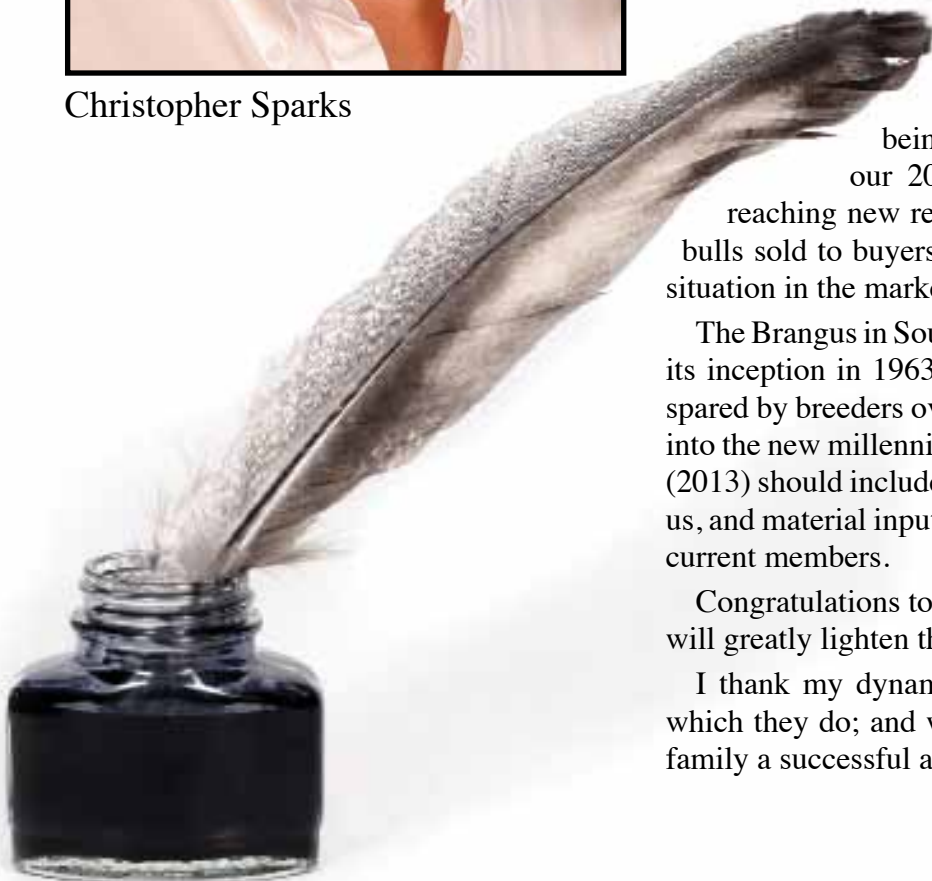
The ARC’s removal of their “Intergis” out from under the control of Studbook has led to the strengthening of its ties to “BreedPlan” and the “LRF”. Our contribution to the national database will increase as a result and shall require dedication from all with regard to data collection. Little do we realise how much our data bank has contributed to the growth of our Society. The upgraded “Breedplan” system with its monthly group runs and genomically enhanced EBV’s will surely put the Society in the forefront of livestock improvement in South Africa.

Production Sales are on the increase with very good prices being attained. Despite the fact that our 2011 National Sale saw bull prices reaching new record highs; there were also quality bulls sold to buyers with more moderate budgets. Our situation in the marketplace is indeed very healthy.

The Brangus in South Africa has come a long way since its inception in 1963. I believe that no effort has been spared by breeders over the years, in nurturing this breed into the new millennia. The 50 year edition of our journal (2013) should include tribute to those breeders preceding us, and material input will therefore be required from our current members.

Congratulations to our newly appointed selectors who will greatly lighten the current selection workload.

I thank my dynamic council for their efforts in that which they do; and wish every member of my Brangus family a successful and exciting year.



2012 BELANGRIKE DATUMS IMPORTANT DATES

April

- 17 Diamantland Veiling – Christiana
- 20 KZN Club Farmers' Day, Swinburne
- 24 Raadsvergadering
- 25 – 28 Lichtenburg Landbouskou
- 25 Totale Uitverkoping, Tetaan Brangus, Vryheid
- 25 – 5 Mei Bloem Skou
- 27 Per-Capita lyste sluit

Mei

- 6 – 11 6th World Brangus Congress, Rockhampton, Australia
- 15 – 18 NAMPO
- 21 – 22 Noordwes RPO
- 24 – 3 Jun Royal Skou, Pietermaritzburg
- 24 – 3 Jun Rustenburg Skou
- 31 Web per-capita sluit

Junie

- 14 RPO Kongres – Bloemfontein
- 19 Raadsvergadering
- 27 Eastern Cape Information Day, Mclear
- 29 AJV – Agenda punte sluit

Julie

- 2 Nasionale Veiling - inskrywings sluit
- 4 Noord Natal Ram & Bul Veiling
- 9 – 12 SASAS Kongres
- 12 Double B Produksieveiling – Standerton
- 20 KZN – Brangus Klub Veiling, Mooirivier
- 25 Ermelo Ram- en Bul Veiling
- 27 Greens Red Brangus Production Sale, Winterton

Augustus

- 2 Harmony Brangus Sale
- 6 – 9 Brangus National Sale – Harrismith**
- 6 Animal arrival**
- 7 Animal inspection & Board meeting**
- 8 Show, AGM, Meeting of new board members, Dinner**
- 9 National Sale, 11:00, La La Nathi, Harrismith**
- 15 Keeversfontein – Inligtingsdag, Ladysmith
- 16 Keeversfontein – Brangus Produksieveiling, Ladysmith
- 22 Belfast Ram & Bul Veiling
- 24 Production Sale Fairbridge Brangus, Mclear
- 23 Hilton Green – Production Sale, Ladysmith
- 30 Boertjie Kontreifees, Bultfontein

September

- 6 Oos-Vrystaat Veldbul Veiling, Vrede
- 7 Memel Brangus Veiling
- 12 - 15 Agri Mega Week, Bredasdorp
- 14 Eastern Cape Brangus Club Sale, Tarkastad
- 21 GeneLink Veiling, Winburg
- 28 – 6 Okt Windhoek skou

Oktober

- 3 Malherbe & Roberts Veiling, Hertzogville
- 11 Agri SA Kongres
- 12 Trio B Boerdery Veiling, Tierpoort
- 17 – 19 Stockman School
- 23 Raadsvergadering
- 24 Le Roc Veiling, Tweespruit

November

- 6-7 Junior & Senior Inspectors Course
- 8 Breeders Conference
- 15 Stoetvee Vereniging Alle Ras Bul veiling – Vryburg

Desember

- 21 Kantoor Sluit



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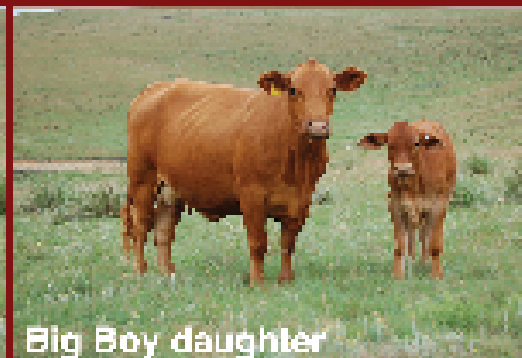
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