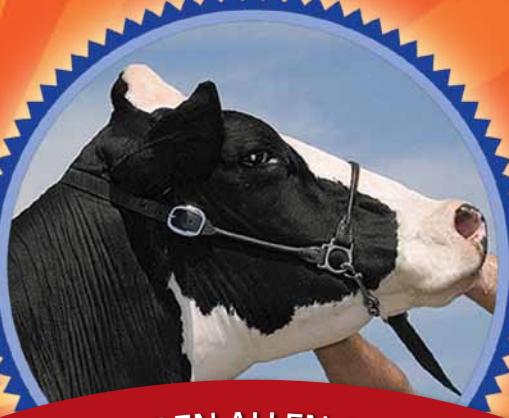


GILLETTE BLITZ 2ND WIND



SMITHDEN ALLEN ALISON

2011 COW OF THE YEAR



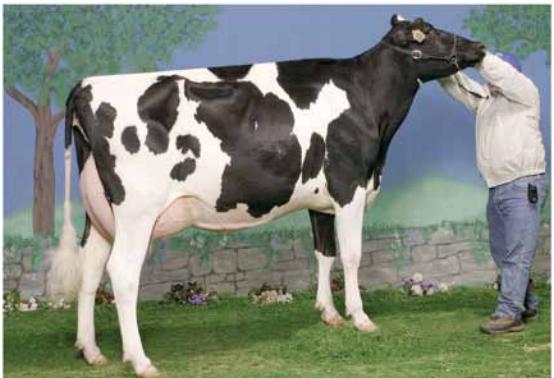
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STADACONA OUTSIDE ABEL



LINDENRIGHT MORTY DELICIO



Gillette Blitz 2nd Wind VG-88-3yr-CAN 34* (5/166)

- Breeder: Ferme Gillette Inc., Embrun, ON
- Owners: Ferme Gillette Inc., Embrun, ON; T-Wave Holsteins, Hokkaido, Japan
- Best 305: 2yr. 15,004 kg M 535 kg F 3.6% 449 kg P 3.0% BCAs 372-354-348 Dev. +123 +115 +105
- Lifetime: 2 lact.: 31,317 kg M 1,231 kg F 3.9% 981 kg P 3.1% Average BCAs 372-354- 348
- 1 Superior Lactation,
2nd Jr. 3-Yr.-Old Québec Spring Show 2005



Stadacona Outside Abel VG-88-4yr-CAN 25* (15/110)

- Breeder: Stadacona Holsteins, Notre-Dame-de-la-Paix, QC
- Owners: J Guy Thompson & Son, Frenchfort, PE; Lewisdale Holsteins, York, PE
- Best 305: 3yr. 14,753 kg M 696 kg F 4.7% 432 kg P 2.9% BCAs 317-407-292 Dev. +111 +184 +83
- Lifetime: 3 lact. 48,588 kg M 2,017 kg F 4.2% 1,480 kg P 3.0% Average BCAs 276-310-256
- 1 Superior Lactation, PEI Milk Champion 2004,
HM All-Atlantic Intermediate Yearling 2001

Gillette Blitz 2nd Wind has made a profound impact on not only the *Gillette* herd, but on the Holstein breed itself. Most recognizable for her ability to transmit, *2nd Wind* has become an influential bull mother. She is the dam of five Class Extra sires including *Gillette Windbrook*, *Gillette Windhammer*, *Gillette Stanleycup*, *Gillette Wildthing*, and *Gillette Willrock*. These five sires were among the top 30 in the December 2011 LPI listing with *Stanleycup* and *Windhammer* — identical split embryo Bolton sons — ranking as the number one conformation sires at +19. In Japan, where *2nd Wind* is owned with T-Wave Holsteins, she has three active proven sons who are extremely popular among breeders.

2nd Wind also has a number of chart-topping daughters and granddaughters including the well-known *Gillette Bolton 2nd Sleep* (VG-89-4yr) — a former #1 GLPI cow and now #8 GLPI cow from December 2011. This Bolton daughter not only possesses the same show-winning style as her dam, but has proven to continue on the family art of successful breeding as her daughter, *Gillette S Planet 2nd Snooze* (VG-86-2yr), is the #2 GLPI cow in December 2011.

2nd Wind also boasts a tremendous pedigree tracing back two generations to the 2003 Cow of the Year — *Braedale Gypsy Grand* (VG-88-5yr 37*). She has provided *Gillette* with a strong partnership with her co-owners and her presence will continue to be felt worldwide, as she continues to appear in a large percentage of the pedigrees around the world.

Stadacona Outside Abel has not only achieved personal success in the show ring, but her *show ring style* has transmitted exceptionally well to her many offspring. Global excitement generated by offspring and embryos continue to make *Abel* and her offspring one of the most recognizable and sought-after cow families of today. *Abel* is now the second highest cow in Canada to have the most Very Good two-year-old daughters with 26, in addition to the three Excellent daughters also classified.

Abel's most distinguished daughter is no stranger to the show ring and is known by some as the ‘million dollar cow’ — *Eastside Lewisdale Gold Missy* (EX-95). Named Supreme Champion at both World Dairy Expo and the Royal Agricultural Winter Fair in 2011, *Missy* exemplifies the extreme dairy strength and excellent mammary systems that *Abel* passes on. Along with *Missy*, *Abel* offspring have a total of 11 All-Canadian and All-American nominations. Other *Abel* offspring include *Lewisdale Eastside Gold Amaze* (VG-87-2yr) and *Eastside Lewisdale G Perfect* (VG-87-2yr) — daughters, who like their dam, sell an abundance of embryos worldwide. *Abel's* ability to transmit consistent genetics does not stop at her daughters — she has many grandsons entering AI as well.

The legacy of *Abel* is already an assured part of the breed history today. With numerous daughters widely dispersed across Canada, *Abel* has displayed the ability to produce the kind of cows Canadian breeders want. This ability to breed the *Canadian kind* has propelled *Abel* amidst the elite star brood cows of Canada — ensuring that *Abel's* impact will be long-lasting.



Smithden Allen Alison VG-88-5yr-CAN 17* (0/86)

- Breeder and Owner: Smithden Holsteins Inc., Woodstock, ON
- Best 305: 7yr. 17,480 kg M 661 kg F 3.8% 551 kg P 3.2% BCAs 315-327-322 Dev. +68 +72 +68
- Lifetime: 3 lact. 72,284 kg M 2,887 kg F 4.0% 2,561 kg P 3.5% Average BCAs 290-301-301
- 2 Superior Lactations



Lindenright Morty Delicio EX-93-2E-CAN 8*(0/43)

- Breeder and Owner: Lindenright Holsteins, Antigonish, NS
- Best 305: 6yr. 18,761 kg M 733 kg F 3.9% 581 kg P 3.1% BCAs 375-396-365 Dev. +117 +142 +104
- Lifetime: 3 lact. 57,006 kg M 2,174 kg F 3.8% 1,862 kg P 3.3% Average BCAs 324-331-324
- 1 Super 3, 3 Superior Lactations,
Grand Champion Eastern Nova Scotia Expo 2007,
Tied for Total Performance Leader for 6 Yr. Old cows,
2010 Honour List

Alison is a family favourite at *Smithden*. Not only is *Alison* a gem to work with day-to-day, but she has left a lasting impression on the *Smithden* herd in terms of genetic advancement and the exposure that the herd has received both domestically and internationally because of *Alison*. A large portion of the Smith's second Master Breeder shield in 2010 was due to the success of *Alison* family members.

Alison has helped establish a *brand name* worldwide as many of her offspring have been top sellers at sales throughout North America and her bulls have topped the LPI charts. *Smithden Admiral* (VG-88-4yr EXTRA'11) was the #1 LPI sire in August 2011 and continues to dominate the LPI chart, along with *Smithden Aaron* (EX-91 SP'11), who ranked #18 on the December 2011 LPI listing. Her sons have now become sires of sons — proving what was transmitted from *Alison* will now be passed on to further descendants of her offspring. Popular daughters include *Smithden Goldwyn Alexandra* (VG-89-5yr), a Goldwyn full sister to *Admiral* and *Aaron*. *Alexandra* is the dam of *Smithden Bolton Alexandria* (VG-86-2yr) — the #3 GLPI cow in April 2011. *Dairyno Royal Goldwyn Pinta* (VG-89-3yr-ITA) has become a prominent bull mother in Italy — solidifying that *Alison*, the “*genetic giant*”, has contributed to the breed both domestically and globally through her sons and daughters.

Alison is an ambassador of the *Canadian kind* and exemplifies the balanced breeding philosophy — index, production, longevity, and genetic merit through offspring. This is what makes her an exceptional candidate for the Cow of the Year title.

A granddaughter of *La Presentation Daurel* (EX 55*) — Canada's all-time leading star brood cow — Lindenright Morty Delicio is exhibiting the same ability to follow in *Daurel*'s footsteps and become a prolific star brood cow. *Delicio*'s ability to not only transmit to her offspring, but at the same time produce incredible volumes of milk and so easily in a free-stall environment at *Lindenright*, makes her the Canadian breeder's dream to work with and breed from.

With the introduction of genomics, *Delicio* and her descendants have risen high on the genomic charts. She is currently tied for second as the highest ranking cow in Canada with the most number of daughters in the top 1000 on the GLPI list with 11. *Delicio* herself is currently ranked #253 on the GLPI list — making her the highest ranked cow on this list for her age group at nine years of age.

Lindenright Goldwyn Deluxe (VG-88-3yr), a Goldwyn daughter by *Delicio*, is the #41 GLPI cow in Canada with 2 Superior Lactations and numerous contracts for sons. *Deluxe*'s daughter, *Lindenright Planet Discovery* (VG-86-2yr), is the #19 GLPI cow in Canada and is also the #4 *Planet* daughter. The list continues with a multitude of daughters — all who have superior lactations, unbelievable genomic ranking, contracts, and offspring in demand.

Genomics, production, conformation, longevity, and the ability to transmit — this is the modern Canadian Holstein. *Delicio*'s demonstrated excellence makes her an exceptional ambassador for the Canadian Holstein breed and an outstanding choice for Cow of the Year.

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Voting deadline is Friday, March 23, 2012.

Announcement of the 2011 Cow of the Year winner will be made at
Holstein Canada's Annual General Meeting of Members,
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