Powderfinger Rocks the Royal

COONAMBLE High's Bovine Appreciation Club has won its first on the Hoof blue ribbon at Sydney's Royal Easter Show.

Powderfinger, an eight month old 380kg Limousin steer bred by Coonamble High School and led by Leevi Baker took out first place in the School's lightweight class.

The win was particularly satisfying as this was the first purebred calf bred by the BAC to go through the showring, indicating that the breeding program is well and truly on the right track.

The team is also excited by the fact that he has numerous siblings in the paddock and on feed for upcoming shows.

Powderfinger continued his great form, partnering Brooke Elsley as she won her heat (of over twenty students) of the School's Parader class.

Brooke and Powderfinger then stepped out for Champion against the other two heat winners for Champion School Parader.

Pipped at the post by a student from NEGS for Champion, Brooke took control and steered Powderfinger smack bang into a Reserve Champion ribbon- another first for the BAC.

Another great result was achieved with an Angus Calf from Michael, Annie and Tom O’Brien of Come-By-Chance. Tumbles, led by Bobby Presnell, claimed sixth place in the Open lightweight section.

This was a great achievement for Tumbles, displaying the performance genetics of the O’Brien herd.

Finally, among the biggest and most competitive class of the competition, Whitesnake, a Charolais X steer from Old Nardoo Charolais, Gilgandra picked up sixth from sixty five steers in the Trade Steer Class.

Whitesnake made it through the heat of over twenty steers, into the final and to the excitement of the BAC team rocketed into the ribbons in a very tough class.

This capped off the best ever Sydney Royal campaign for the BAC, which the students have worked extremely hard for.

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