

Tim Lloyd and family. Mrs Emma Freebairn, Simon, Tim and John Lloyd, Heitiki Droughtmasters, at the Roma Droughtmaster Bull Sale. Photo courtesy of Clare Adcock, Queensland Country Life.

LIFE MEMBERSHIP AWARDED TO TIM LLOYD, HEITIKI DROUGHTMASTERS

By Todd Heyman Droughtmaster Society President

TIM LLOYD, Heitiki Droughtmasters, Delungra NSW, was presented with Life Membership at the recent Roma Droughtmaster Bull Sale.

Tim was nominated by a number of life members, with the nomination supported by none other than our long term patron, John Gardner.

Tim and his family have made a great contribution, and many sacrifices, to the Droughtmaster breed particularly in NSW. Heitiki has been showing cattle at Agricultural Shows, particularly in the north of the state and in the Royal Show circuits, and participating in Field Days, particularly AgQuip for at least the last 35 years. They have often been the only Droughtie exhibitor promoting the breed and

extolling the benefits in a generally traditional British Breed area.

Tim has been involved on many committees and organisations, including Cattlemen's Union, NSW Farmers Assoc Cattle committee, Local Beef Promotion Committees and has been most generous with his time and cattle, supporting local activities and charities, always using the opportunity to promote the breed. He has been an integral part of the AgQuip committee which is the major promotional activity for the Far Southern Zone, in providing display cattle and his time.

The Lloyd family's Heitiki cattle have been the basis of many NSW studs with the Lloyds supplying suitable cattle but most importantly giving ongoing support and advice. Tim has also been generous in training young leaders/grooms and judges for both our breed and the industry and introducing many

young and aspiring cattle people to the showing and stud industry. He is well recognised as a role model in mentoring our younger and new breeders. He has been a sought after judge at many beef events, displaying valuable comments and advice in his assessments.

Tim has served the Society as the Far Southern Director and is always committed to representing the Breed and the Far Southern Zone. Heitiki is always one of the first breeders to supply suitable cattle for promotional activities in all areas including Victoria and the Sydney beef industry activities. Tim's cattle are always well handled.

Finally, Tim, let me say that there is a quiet dignity about you that has shone at difficult times, that I greatly respect. It is a strength that I am sure you and your family are extremely proud of. Congratulations.