

Top Five Active Sires – December 2020

1. **Golden I London** has maintained his reign as the #1 Active Sire thanks to high-quality production and type traits. As a high Milk bull, London also ranks #3 for Fat and Protein pounds, while maintaining a +0.1 DPR. London also excels in several type traits, ranking #3 for FLC at +2.5, with the top Foot Angle at +0.9. He is also #5 for UDC, with a #1-ranked Rear Udder Width of +2.3 and Udder Cleft at +1.2. He will also add strength and width throughout. London is a Vigilant son of the #10(T) CPI cow, Golden I Sunrise Leora EX-90 GSD, then an EX-93 Natural. He is also A2A2. Out of 18 appraised daughters, 16 are GP-80 or higher, including a VG-89 91FL first lactation daughter. London was bred by Idle Gold Associates and limited semen is available from Idle Neer Sires.
2. A veteran of the Active list, **Moziers Spider Kingston** holds his own at #2 thanks to well-proven extreme components. Kingston is the #4 bull for Milk, and #1 for Fat and Protein Pounds thanks to positive component percentages. He also maintains a respectable +214CM\$, the highest on the active list. Look to Kingston to also sire high dairy form, lower pins slightly, and add height and width to rear udders. The Spider son is the highest genomic-tested active bull available, and is out of a VG-88 Challenge with over 115,000M lifetime production. Kingston now has 60 appraised daughters, with over half scoring 80 points or higher, including three Excellent. He was bred by Dr. John Mozier, and semen is available from Golden State Breeders and Guernsey Marketing Service.
3. **Ripley Farms Jag Newton** is a comparatively younger bull on the active list and comes in at #3 with a strong pedigree and well-balanced traits. Newton's +2.2 DPR ranks him #2 among active AI bulls, and Livability of +1.5 in the top five, making him an excellent choice for those looking to improve health traits. He is also positive for milk, fat and protein pounds with a desirable 2.96 SCS, ranking him #2 for Net Merit and Cheese Merit. Newton also shows promise for siring a modern Guernsey cow, with youthful, strongly-attached udders and smaller frames. The A2A2 bull is sired by Jaguar and out of a VG-86 Alstar daughter of Lang Haven Les Nicolette-ET EX-91 GSD. Newton only has eight appraised daughters to date, but so far five have scored above 80 points. He was bred by Daniel E Ripley, and semen is available from Select Sires.
4. **Coulee Crest Conqueror Logo** remains a top choice for production breeders looking for balanced and modern health, type and production traits. Logo ranks highly for SCS at 2.80 and livability at 2.1, making him a good choice for easy-keeping cows. Logo also ranks in the top five bulls for FLC and UDC, siring strong, functional feet and legs and mammary systems. Logo is A2A2 and sired by Guernsey Island bull, Conqueror, out of Coulee Crest AP Lorilee EX-90, well-known as the breed's only third-generation 40,000M cow. Logo's strongly-proven pedigree is accompanied by a strong proof for himself, with 68 appraised daughters, half of which are 80 or above, including one Excellent. Logo was bred by Coulee Crest LLC and semen is available from Genex.
5. **Dairyman Legend Richard** is another young bull making a splash on the active list, with high production traits and strong type. Richard is a top bull for Fat pounds at +17 and Protein at +22, contributing to his top-five CM\$ of +155. The A2A2 Legend son also adds strength and will work to drastically lower pins. Look to Richard to also sire shallow, youthful udders with strong attachments and teat placement. Richard is out of an EX-90

Spider, then a GP GSD Rueben with over 173,000M lifetime production from the heart of one of Hoard's Dairyman's strongest cow families. A quarter of Richard's very young appraised daughters are scored 80 or higher, with an average F&L score on the entire group of 81. Most of the daughters are located with his breeder, Hoard's Dairyman Farm, but widespread use is now being seen thanks to his additional distributor, Guernsey Marketing Service.

Top Five Genomic Young Sires – December 2020

1. A tie for the top remains, with one of the contenders being **Ripley Farms Network C Theo**. Theo is a fantastic component bull with promising health and type traits to match, being the #3 young sire for SCS at 2.71 and #2 for Productive Life at +4.4. His achievements in components include the #1 Fat % of +0.23 and top Cheese Merit \$ of +354. In addition to these traits, Theo is also in the top group for FLC at +1.5, siring ideal set to the leg with straight-tracking rear legs. Also look to Theo to sire youthful udders with strong fore udders and correct teat size, shape and placement. Theo is an A2A2 son of the rarely-used Net Worth bull out of a VG-88 GSD Double L sister to former #1 active sire Toby, tracing back through the Conny family at Ripley Farms. Out for about a year at the time of writing, Theo's oldest daughters were born in late August 2020. He was bred by Kyle Ripley and semen is available from Guernsey Gold Sires at usguernsey.com/ggs-1.
2. Tied for the top spot is Theo's older and distant relative, **Ripley Farms Sunrise Rival**. Rival is a strong production bull with +811M, +38F and +32P, all ranking him in the top two young sires for those categories, and contributing to his +227CM\$. Rival is also low SCC, and excels in vigor and longevity type traits, including +1.3 Strength and the breed-leading +0.9 Foot Angle. Rival also will add dairy form and wide rear udders, relating back to his production traits. The A2A2 Sunrise son is out an EX-91 Garrett daughter of Conny EX-90 herself. An older bull collected and distributed later, Rival's "second crop" daughters are beginning to freshen and show signs of promise. He was bred by Dan and Shari Ripley and very limited semen is available from Dr. George McKenna.
3. Former #1 sire **Coulee Crest Toby Keith-ET** took a hit to PTI this run, but remains among the top sires thanks to consistent production and health traits and desirable type. A well-rounded sire, Toby Keith isn't extreme for many traits, but does offer quality +0.14%F and +0.06%P, making him +268 in NM\$. He also has a low 2.82 SCS and positive DPR and PL. When it comes to type traits, Toby Keith should reduce frame size while siring youthful, functional mammary systems. Toby Keith is an A2A2 son of Toby (making him the third sire of three on the list tracing back to Conny!) and out of a GP-84 Novak who made over 20,000M with a 5.9%F at 2-00. The next dam was a VG-88 GSD Copper from AP Lorilee EX-90. Toby Keith's earliest daughters turn a year old in Spring 2021, and some have already been spotted on the Tanbark Trail. He was bred by Coulee Crest LLC and semen is available from STGenetics.
4. Adding some diversity to the young sire list is **Knik River Kakadu Snowman**, a unique bull with a unique, yet quality profile. Snowman is a top Milk bull at +553 and Protein at +20. He also shows desirable SCS and PL and is A2A2. Snowman gives a slight, yet not

extreme, increase to frame traits and should sire functional feet and legs and quality, hardworking mammary systems. He is a rare A2A2 son of the Australian bull Kakadu, a Prada from the repeated International Dairy Week Champion “Koala.” Snowman hails from the state of Alaska, where classification and DHI is not accessible – however, high-chip genomic testing has given a good picture of his genetics. His dam is a Grumpy daughter with extreme DPR and PL, and the next dam was a Neon – we did say he was unique! Snowman only has a handful of Alaskan daughters at the time of writing, but has seen heavy use in the lower 48, and more daughters should be hitting the ground soon. He was bred by Dr Sabrieta Holland, and semen is also available from Guernsey Marketing Service.

5. Rounding out the top five is another young bull, **Springhill James Dean-ETV**, a well-rounded individual backed by a world-class pedigree. While James Dean excels in Type from his pedigree, his production is nothing to sneeze at, with a top-five +0.07 Protein % rating. He is also strong for Fat %, CM\$, PL at +3.1 and low SCS at 2.86. He is amongst the top five PTAT bulls at +1.2 (accompanied by maternal brothers in this group) and is the #1 genomic young sire for UDC at +1.8, boosted by leading Fore Udders and Udder Depth. James Dean is an A2A2 son of Herald and out of the EX-95, multiple All-American, Springhill Mentor Jazzy-ET, with the legendary Joke EX-93 as the next dam. Look for the first James Dean daughters to hit the ground relatively soon. He was bred by Springhill, with semen available from STGenetics.

Top Five Genomic-Tested CPI Cows – December 2020

Although our CPI lists feature those genomic-tested and not, we are once again choosing to highlight those whose owners took the time to genomic test their top cows and achieve new heights with the additional information. Genomic testing is now more accessible than ever, with the cost reduced to \$35 – now including beta casein A2 results for no additional fee! Contact the office TODAY to get your herd on the program!

1. After a period of circling the top, **Coulee Crest Pilot Lava-ET VG-88** has once again assumed the throne of #1 CPI cow, both on the genomic list and overall. Lava is a household name and a powerful brood cow, being the dam of nearly half the top 20 CPI heifers, including the top six! Lava’s phenomenal +122 GCPI is backed by production GPTAs including +817M, +52F and +27P, for a +322CM\$. She is also positive for Livability and low for SCC at 2.95. She is, of course, also a fantastic type cow at +1.1 PTAT, +1.5 UDR and +1.9 FLC, backed in proof by her Junior All-American Nomination in 2019. Lava has a best record of 2-11 305D 3X 23,490M 5.6% 1,311F 3.5% 828P. She is a Pilot daughter of a GP-84, GSD Laredo with over 142,000M, then Flambeau Manor Decision Lori-ET EX-90 GSD, making her a unique offshoot of the Lori family. Look for Lava sons to be available soon from STGenetics and Semex. She is bred and owned by Coulee Crest LLC of Cashton, Wisconsin.
2. **Rozelyn Aaron Villa EX-94** is another familiar name and a truly time-tested one at that. Villa’s +112GCPI is backed by GPTAs of +0.24%F, +0.09%P, and +2.1PL, putting her CM\$ at +367. She has an exceptionally low SCS of 2.87, and age hasn’t hampered her type traits, with +1.1 PTAT, +1.5 UDR and +2.0 FLC. Longevity may be her best trait yet, with six lactations amounting to

153,810M 5.3%F and 3.7% lifetime to date. Villa is a three-time Total Performance winner at NGS-Puyallup, and also a quality brood cow with an EX-90 Gotcha daughter and VG @ 2-05 Ladys Man daughter, with another daughter by Beau ranking in the top 50 CPI heifers. She is bred and owned by Rozelyn Farm of Lynden, Washington.

3. Two cows are tied at +110GCPI, the first being **Ripley Farms Kakadu C Tea** VG-85. A younger cow, Tea is supported by a strong pedigree and great first lactation, making her +976M, +27F AND +28P, with a +2.3PL. That lactation at 2-00 in 305 days, 3x per day, was 20,920M 4.4% 913F 3.1% 648P. She also has a very low 2.77 SCS and is amongst the top Type cows at +1.6 PTAT with +1.7 UDR and an extreme +3.1 FLC. She is a Kakadu daughter of Ripley Farms DL C Tillie-TW VG-88 GSD, dam of the top young sire Theo, tracing her pedigree back to the Conny family. Tea was bred by Kyle Ripley and is owned by Elizabeth Ripley of Moravia, New York.

3. Also at +110GCPI is **Dairyman Novak 3311 Dinero** GP-84, another young cow with a strong first lactation of 2-08 305D 3X 23,770M 4.5% 1,058F 3.6% 864P. She is one of the top Milk CPI cows at +1,005, giving her +33F and +36P, and Yield Deviations of over +4,000M +120F and +130P. She is also a great type cow at +0.9 PTAT, +1.4 UDR and +2.7 FLC. Sired by Novak, she is out of a Superman and then a Nacho. Dinero is bred and owned by Hoard's Dairyman Farm of Fort Atkinson, Wisconsin.

5. **Dairyman Ernie 3436 Jumbo** VG-85 rounds out the top GCPI cows at +100. Even stronger in her first lactation than her herdmate Dinero, Jumbo made a record of 2-01 305D 3X 27,590M 4.6% 1,272F 3.0% 840P, giving her extreme Yield Deviations and GPTAs of +1,307M, +52F and +30P. She is also high for Net Merit at +296 and has a quality SCS and positive PL. Jumbo is also positive for PTAT and has a strong +1.9 FLC. She has one daughter by Built who ranks in the top 40 CPI heifers. Jumbo is an Ernie daughter of a GP-82 GSD Geo with over 138,000M lifetime production, then a VG-88 Conrad with over 126,000M lifetime. She is also bred and owned by Hoard's Dairyman Farm.

Top 12 GCPI Heifers – December 2020

As in August, the majority of the top GCPI heifers are out of the same cow - #1 GCPI Cow, Coulee Crest Pilot Lava-ET. A total of 12 heifers that rank 1-9 (with ties) will be highlighted. Of course, we do not wish to diminish the fantastic traits of these sisters, but rather economize space and recognize more animals.

1 – 7. Seven daughters of Lava comprise the top seven GCPI heifers of the breed, achieving from between +87 to +101 GCPI. All but one are sired by #3 young sire Toby Keith. The top GCPI heifer is **Coulee Crest FF Lavas Lindsey-ETV**, owned by James and Linda Van Patter of Beaver Dam, Wisconsin. Of these seven heifers, Lindsey is the second-highest for DPR, highest for NM\$, and is well-rounded for type and production, securing her spot. The Van Patters also own the #2 heifer, **Coulee Crest FF Lavas Lynn-ETV**, who is more extreme for production, but lower for DPR than her sister. The only heifer in this group not sired by Toby Keith is **Coulee Crest Logan Shakira**, sired by a full brother to the popular Beau, and owned by Ferme Imperiale Senc. The #3 heifer, **Coulee Crest TK Shawna-ETV**, bred and owned by Coulee Crest LLC, is the top of these siblings for DPR at +0.1 and Fat % at +0.06.

8. Breaking through the “flow of Lava” but with a similar background is **Coulee Crest TK Cindy-ETV** at +86GCPI. Cindy is a strong production heifer at +844M, +37F and +28P. The Toby Keith daughter is out of a GP-83 Logo who will have a son at Guernsey Gold Sires available later this year. The next dam is a VG-87 Yogibear with over 169,000M lifetime production. Cindy was bred by Coulee Crest LLC and is also owned by Ferme Imperiale Senc of Noyan, Quebec.

9(T). **Mar Gold Troubador Buttercup** is a unique top-10 heifer and an example of what you can find by taking a chance on a genomic test. Her quality numbers leading to +84GCPI include +0.5 DPR, +1.5 Livability, and strong Milk, Fat and Protein, giving her a +303 CM\$. Her Type is also quality, with +0.8 UDR and +0.8 FLC. There is no production or classification on her dam, and only one record and a VG-85 score on her granddam, meaning Buttercup would have no index information without a genomic test. Her sire was herd bull Mar Gold Big Bet Troubador, found to have +78GPTI through testing and out of a VG-86 Grumpy from the “Tami” family at Knapps. Buttercup was bred by Marlane Williams of Pierce City, Missouri and is owned by Kimber Bishop of New Franklin, Missouri.

9(T). **Dairyman Jordy 4396 Phiance** returns the list to heifers with strong pedigrees, but her +84GCPI, tying her at #9, well outstrips her parent average thanks to that genomic test. Her component-packed numbers include +0.22%F and +0.12%P, with +1.8DPR and +4.5PL, leading to +353NM\$. She also boasts a +2.0 Livability and positive type traits. Phiance is a Jordy daughter of a VG-86 Legend with three records above 1,000F, then Dairyman Spider Phame-ET VG-88, dam of popular component sire Phonze. Phiance was bred by Hoard’s Dairyman Farm and is owned by Pine Tree Dairy Farm of Marshallville, Ohio.

9(T). **GR-Dairyman Coin 4525 Lucena** joins the #9 ranking with another PA-smashing GCPI. She achieves this with a unique +359M and +0.6DPR, along with quality components, 2.70SCS, +1.5 Livability and +3.7 PL, as well as +1.1 UDR and FLC. She also is unique in being negative Stature, but positive Strength – a modern-day type combination. Lucena is sired by Coin and out of a Logo with over 19,000M, 5.2%F and 3.9%P at 2-01, and a VG-87 Vampire granddam with over 100,000M lifetime. Lucena is bred and owned by Hoard’s Dairyman Farm.

9(T). The final heifer at +84GCPI is **Dairyman Beaver 4607 Ladonna**, another heifer with strong production traits, and ranking nearly 25 points higher than her parent average! Ladonna’s numbers include +633M, +34P, +20P and +2.4PL. She also has a +1.0 FLC. The Beaver daughter is out of a young Logo, then a VG-85 Garrett with records to 6.0% fat. She is bred and owned by Hoard’s Dairyman Farm.