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COMBINATION POUR-ON FOR CATTLE



Nev Condon

PROPERTY:

Tully, QLD

MAIN FARMING ACTIVITIES:

Brahman Cattle

SIZE OF THE ENTERPRISE:

Approx 10,000 Acres

NUMBER OF CATTLE:

2,000



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Where Nev Condon farms it doesn't rain, it pours. And often. Tully River Station, near Tully in Far North Queensland, has an average annual rainfall of 2 metres on one side of the property and 3 metres on the other.

"We live in paradise here. But the trouble is the parasites love the warm, wet climate as much as everything else does and that's a huge problem for the young cattle." Nev, who runs the 10,000 acre property with his brother and father, explains.

"The whole size of the property is about 10,000 acres, we grow cane on about 3,500 acres and run cattle on the rest. We have leased some land to banana growers but do not have any banana sheds on our place. We do put over 2,000 head through now."

"It's all about the amount of time it takes to get the animal up to that critical weight of 400 kilos. The only way we can make money is to reduce the amount of time it takes to get that weight on."

No matter what drench he used on his young cattle or when, Nev says he always wondered if he could do something better. "It's a huge problem keeping on top of parasites because they thrive in young cattle and it can be really hard to keep them under control. It's always held us back and the young cattle have struggled."

At a field day Nev discovered dual acting ECLIPSE, with its combination of 2 active chemicals to help avoid potential

problems with single active drench resistance.* "I'm very sceptical with new things but we said 'Why not give it a go' and ECLIPSE is the one that has certainly made a huge difference to our operation."

"I'm not a scientist but I can say that we just weren't getting the performance we wanted, until we used ECLIPSE."

"The cattle are now performing really well. We have plenty of weight gain, especially in the young animals. Since we've been using ECLIPSE the animals just seem to perform a lot better, so we're certainly going to keep on using it."

"We're way ahead now. Everything else is the same; it's only the drench we're using that's changed and I reckon they're the best young cattle that have ever gone through our place. Using ECLIPSE has made a huge difference; it's that obvious even to the naked eye let alone putting them on the weight scales."

"It's the one product that gives you the best performance that will make you the money! Without a doubt for me, that's ECLIPSE," Nev says. "At the end of the day it's the weight of the cattle that determines what goes into your pocket."

