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Ross Poultry Breeders recently acknowledged top achievers from Goldi and Festive, who excelled in broiler production with production efficiency factors (PEFs) of 400 or higher, proving once again those good genetics produce great results under dedicated management. The awards ceremony took place during the Goldi and Festive contract farmers' information days held in Standerton and Delmas respectively in mid-February.

Stanbury congratulated the new Club 400 entrants on their exceptional achievements, noting: "A PEF of 400 or more is truly superior performance, and an achievement to be very proud of and to celebrate. To put it into perspective, you should know that fewer than 1% of all broiler flocks across the globe achieves that. "It takes hard work, dedication and top performance every single day." Entry into the Ross 400 Club is afforded to

COO of Ross Poultry Breeders, Ray

400 or more for all houses on a farm in a single cycle. For that reason, growers can only receive the 400 Club award once. Goldi growers new to ROSS 400 Club

producers who achieve an average PEF of

and Contract Grower Manager Central Region for Astral is confident that entry into the 400 Club will not be an outlier performance for the Goldi and Festive growers:

However, Basson Viljoen, Regional Broiler

"We have already achieved a PEF of 432 in the group, and we are now aiming for 450." According to Stanbury, this is not an

unrealistic goal, given the genetics of the

Ross 308, as flocks in South African test facilities are already realising PEFs of 500, and this is also being achieved in commercial flocks elsewhere in the world.

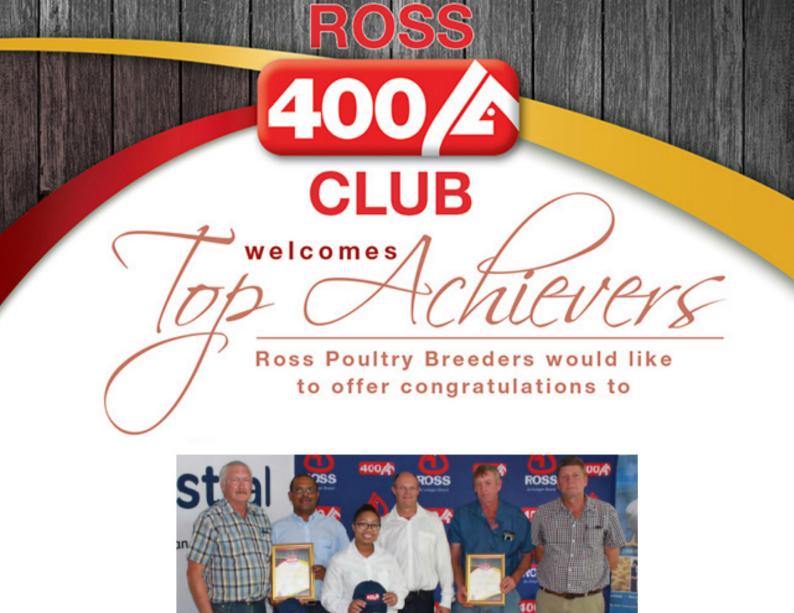
Contract growers who were unable to attend the event were recognised in absentia for their achievements on the following farms:

 Loutjie Wasserman of Wasserman farm, realised a PEF of 403.7. Weilaagte, owned by Kobus Oelofse and managed by Henry Gerlach, achieved a PEF

of 412.6. Bobaas, also owned by Oelofse, achieved a PEF of 418.01.

- Simon Nkuna's Siya Khulisa, managed by Joshua Nkuna, realised a PEF of 405.81. Rietkuil Kuikens, managed by Yolande Schoeman, achieved a PEF of 401.6. Owner Callie van der Linde and manager Zack Nortjé of Eike Boerdery achieved
- a 404.07PEF.
- Hazel Haus of owner Corné Basson achieved a PEF 402.32. Joubertskop, managed by Marius Janse van Rensburg, realised a PEF of 401.46.

Amajuba, managed by Jacques Horn, realised a PEF of 409.54.





Biochix Gumtree (left), and

Siyabulela Jingose, manager of Biochix Groenfontein.

William Maswanganye

accepted the 400 Club award for the Veritas.

The team from Nuway Poultry earned their entry into the Ross 400 Club with a PEF of 424.9 on Nuway 1 and 409.98 on Nuway 2. Pictured here from left to right is Sampie van Heerden, owner of



Ubuhle Siyasenzela farm.

Peet Wasserman, manager of Grootdraai.

Coert Odendaal, manager of

Odendaal farm.

Jacob Mokoena, manager of

Zenzeleni.

Andre Van Rensburg, manager

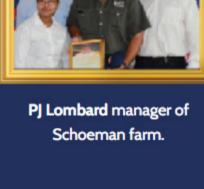
of Thunderflex.

Lourens du Toit, manager of Bloukops.

Petri Davel, owner of Dafel.



Lukas de Klerk, manager of







Sakkie Matsaung, manager of

Pax Jonkersdam.



Festive's new 400 Club members



Tonkin.

Nico van Straaten, manager of HM Trust



with Johan Lombard, manager of Rietfontein.

Manager, Jaco van der Merwe received the award on behalf of his team at Van Rensburg farms.



Frans Kasselman, manager of

Langspruit.

Johnny Cameron, owner,

Metacine's owner Pieter Buitendag and owner/manager Riaan Buitendag could not attend the function, but were recognised in absentia for their PEF of 403.74, as were the owner Pieter

Florie Bezuidenhout (second

Guy Greaves, manager of Swartkop.



Left to right: Donovan Sucks; Wilhelm King, Latoya Beyer,

Hans van Rensburg (owner) and Ray Stanbury (right). Van Rensburg 2.

Manager, Jonathan Roets of Shannon,

receiving the award for their 400.97 PEF



Club PEFs on the following corporate farms: Groenfontein 7 (410.42), Bayview 1, Bayview 2 and Bayview 6.



Festive Broiler Operations Manager, Andreas

van Rooyen received the 400 Club award on behalf of his team for worthy PEFs on

the following corporate farms: Tedstone 1, Tedstone 2, Hekpoort 1, Hekpoort 2, Woodlands, Fairview 1 and Doornkloof.

Congratulations



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