

# Noted bloodstock breeder dies

Well-known Taranaki stockman and horse breeder Mr Ned Mahony (68) of Hawera died at his home on Saturday.

A farmer by occupation, Mr Mahony bred a large number of horses during the past 12 years at his Kerry Lane property.

He also had New Zealand's top three dairy cows in 1952, collecting three gold medals.

Mr Mahony held a trainer's licence and was a keen member of the Egmont Racing Club. A fortnight ago he was able to cheer a horse he owned and had bred, Irish Charger, to victory at Awapuni.

Mr Mahony bought two foundation broodmares in 1968, Tipperary Gold and Kerry Gold, and from them bred many good horses including Pan For Gold, Courageous Mahony, Irish Charger, Kerry's Gift, Mahony's Mountain and Get The Rent.

Mr Mahony was a patient at the Hawera Hospital for three weeks due to ill health and was returned to his home last week.

Mr Mahony was survived by his wife, Catherine, and sons Laurence, Jim, Ted and Patrick and Daughters Mary, Catherine, Joanne Rolley, Margaret Ball, and Nora Watkins.