

Hi,

I hope everyone who read this is well and getting through this as best as possible. If you are going through hell, just keep going, for as there was a beginning there will be an end.

The outbreak of covid 19 has turned our world upside down, I doubt if it will ever be the same again. It has forced the whole world to completely alter what we consider normal. Mankind has reached a turning point, every 100 years or so the world has gone through an epidemic like the Black Plague or Spanish flu.

Perhaps we have gotten too arrogant and relied so much on our technological advancement that we believed this could never happen again, although for many years scientists and people such as Bill Gates have warned about such a disaster.

I believe life is a never ending repetition of history, but as for us we continue and as for our cattle, they do not know of all the outside changes. They continue eating; producing calves and do what they were meant to.

Through this drought and this searing heat they continued to produce at the same level. I am so proud of them, for the past 33 years they have been the corner stone of me and my family's life.

Sometimes I wonder, with all our measuring and scientific tools if we have forgotten to look and see them and listen to them and not just try and bang papers into proportions of what we will see. Do we only understand what we want to see and not what they want to tell us?

The phase we are entering now will be a long and difficult one. At 62, I am not sure if I will see the end of it, but I look forward to go through it. I am convinced that Elmic's cattle are up to the task. They have survived through so much and yet have improved year by year.

A lot of good things have come through this phase as people get into touch with their own humanity. The natural world is at rest without so much pollution and people's interference. Perhaps, after all this, we will have experienced some gentleness. As for me, I am grateful to be alive.

As I climb into my saddle, I say thanks to my horse for teaching me to listen.