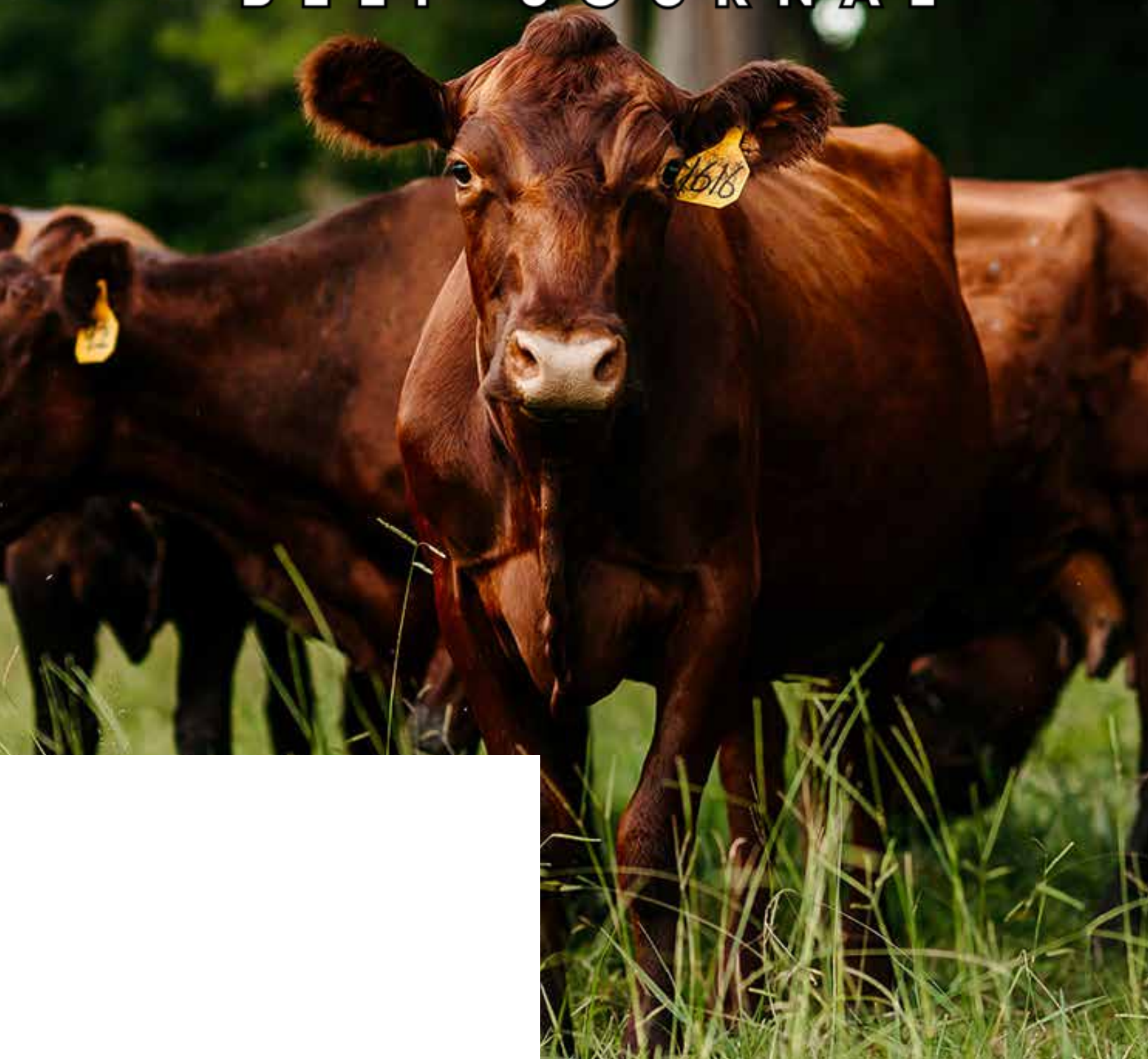


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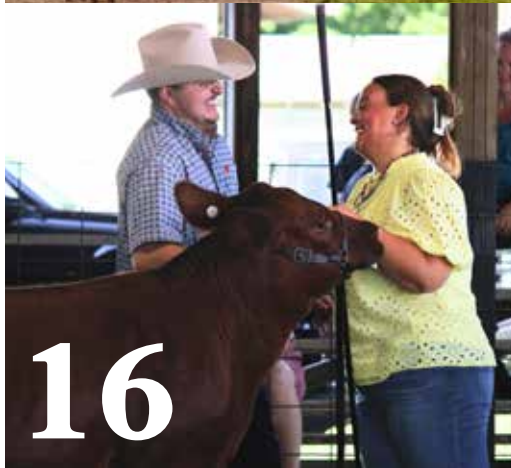


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President's Message

Greetings! I hope Spring calving went well, you have received plenty of rain (but not too much), you have enough hay stored, and your calves are growing.

We, your board, have had a busy Spring and Summer. We have been researching the possibility of adding genomics to our registration process. We have also been looking at ways to increase membership and registrations. A social media secretary has been hired and a media campaign has been launched to promote the positive aspects of our breed. We have revamped our breed journal to be more informative. We are encouraging advice, suggestions, and definitely assistance in achieving these goals. We need pictures from your farms, stories of family involvement with your Red Polls, and historical stories about our breed from our long time members.

Our annual meeting and sale will again be held in Lexington Tennessee on October 24th and 25th. We have several needs: 1) Your attendance (please bring a trailer and checkbook) 2) Entries (you can't have a good sale without cattle) 3) Buyers (cattle are at an all-time high, let's have a record breaking sale) 4) Items for our silent auction (proceeds go to our endowment fund) 5) Your prayers for a successful sale and positive annual meeting.

If I sound like I am begging for your participation, I am. We need everyone to be involved in a productive way. We are a volunteer organization joined by our love for a very special breed of cattle.

We are looking forward to seeing everyone in Lexington in October. One new feature will be a breakfast for the officers of all the regional Red Poll associations on Friday morning. Please encourage all officers to attend. We want to promote cohesiveness among our diverse groups. Take care, and see you in October!

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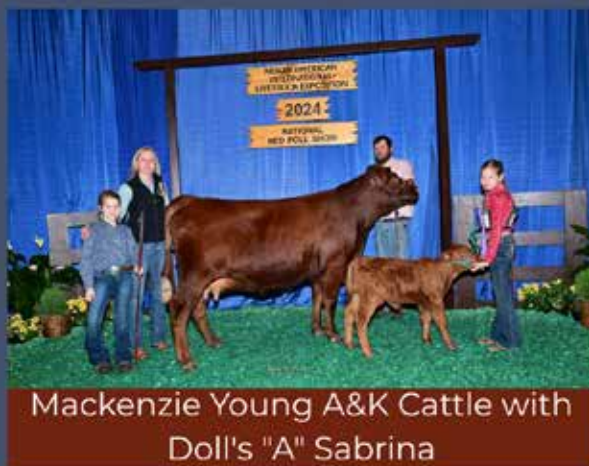
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Carrying On the Legacy

The Jackson Family and Their Red Poll Tradition

By: Jessie Shook

In the heartland of Indiana, the Jackson family is more than just stewards of the land—they are caretakers of a rich, multi-generational legacy centered around Red Poll cattle. Spanning five generations, their story weaves together tradition, hard work, and a love for these docile, dual-purpose cattle.

It all began in 1947, when Carl B. Jackson purchased two bred heifers from the Westfall herd in Ohio. Attracted to the Red Poll's calm temperament, moderate body size, and natural polled genetics, the Jackson family found the breed ideal for both milk and beef production.

"My grandfather, Carl, wanted something smaller and easier to work with and to milk than Holsteins," explains Jim Jackson, part of the third generation to continue the legacy. Gordon Jackson, now 86 and representing the second generation, fondly recalls, "Some of our neighbors had Red Polls, and my dad liked their looks and temperament."

Carl was the first to raise Red Polls, and his sons, Gordon, Floyd, Bill and Rollin, carried on the tradition by showing cattle in 4-H and other events. His daughter, Bonnie, even served as a Red Poll Queen.



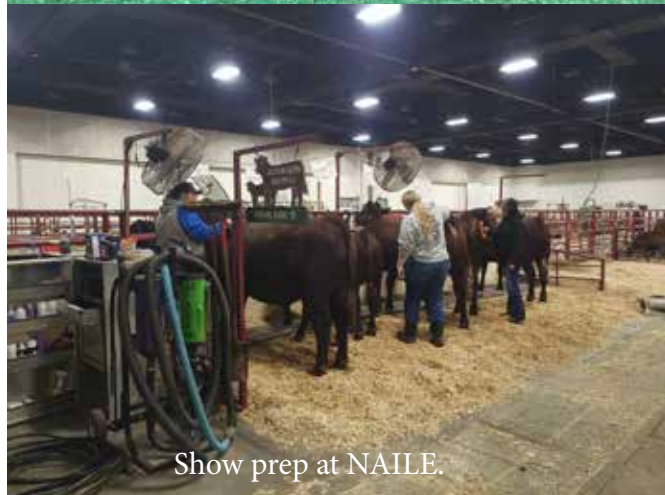
Four generations of the Jackson family at the 2025 Junior Preview Show



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The tradition continued through Jim, who now serves as the Executive Secretary of the American Red Poll Association, and Joe, who serves on the National Board of Directors, and Teresa, who recently served as Junior Advisor. Today, the fifth generation is already actively involved, with Malcolm Ray showing cattle at just ten years old.

At the heart of the operation is Jim Jackson, who manages daily farm responsibilities from feeding calves to checking pastures and fences. “Fairness to everyone” is a key value that Jim ensures is passed down through each generation. Ten-year-old Malcolm enjoys the daily rhythm of the farm, from collecting eggs to grooming his favorite cow, Lily. “I like all the animals,” Malcolm says, “and Red Polls are good mothers and easy to train.”

The Jacksons have introduced modern tools such as grooming chutes and blowers to make showing their cattle more efficient, but the essence of their approach remains unchanged: patience, calmness, and care for both animals and community. “Patience and calmness around the cattle,” is a lesson both Gordon and Jim have emphasized through the generations.

Cattle shows, particularly the Indiana State Fair, are cornerstones of the Jackson family tradition. Gordon fondly remembers his first fair trip and international travels to the Royal Canadian Fair. Jim reminisces about attending shows with his uncle Bill and brother Joe and now finds fulfillment in watching his children and grandchildren exhibit Red Polls. “Going to shows is a family affair,” says Jim. “Our vacation was always showing at fairs and junior shows.” These shows have fostered strong friendships. Gordon describes the Red Poll community as “like having a larger family,” and Jim highlights how much they enjoy reconnecting with old friends at events.

The Jackson family remains committed to improving the Red Poll breed and strengthening community bonds. Gordon hopes future generations will build on these relationships and continue raising excellent cattle. Jim feels immense pride in seeing the younger generation embrace their heritage, and Malcolm is already thinking about passing on the tradition to a sixth generation. From the pastures of Indiana to the bustling show arenas, one thing is certain: the Jackson family will always be there, Red Polls in tow, ready to greet you with a smile and their favorite phrase—“See you at the fair!”

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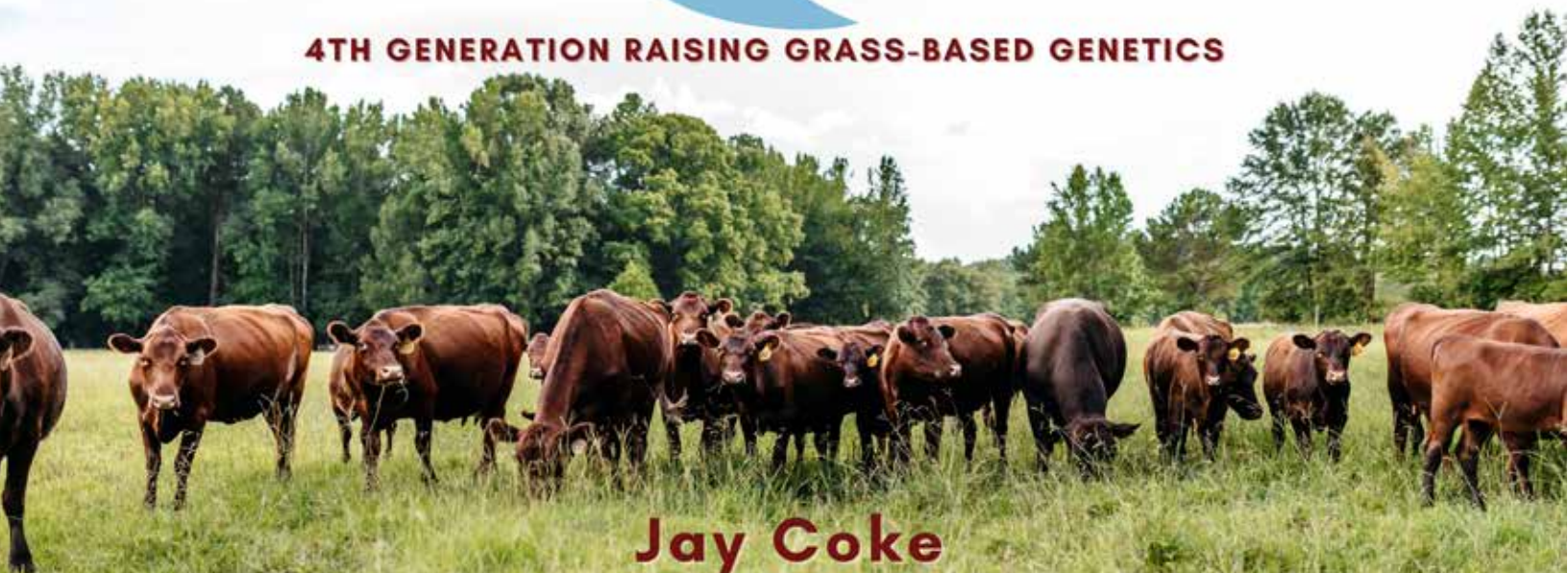
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Nutrition Considerations for Preconditioning

Nutrition with Hubbard Feeds

By: Josh Stroh, beef nutritionist, Hubbard Feeds

Weaning is one of the most challenging events of a calf's life. Multiple stressors such as removal of the dam, exposure to novel feed sources, a different environment, and commingling are experienced at weaning. A calf is still expected to stay healthy and continue development and maybe even be pushed to meet performance benchmarks. Preparing calves for weaning and moving them along the production cycle is a key challenge to set up the success of that calf for future health, performance, and possible reproduction if the calf is a bull or replacement heifer.

As a producer, there are some nutritional tools that can be utilized during preconditioning to help make this time successful. Nutrition and diet can have a great influence on achieving goals for effective transition, from suckling calf to post-weaning and entering a feedyard. Preconditioning nutrition helps calves shift smoothly from a diet based on maternal milk and pasture to solid feed. Effective transition is crucial for supporting rumen development and preparing calves for the weaning process. It's not a one-size-fits-all world, and many variables contribute to the complexity of what is best for each operation or even each individual calf.



Employing nutritional technology to better prepare calves for the weaning process and, at the same time, push along performance can offer a great return on investment. This discussion will focus on creep feeding, quality organic trace minerals, and prebiotics like Bio-Mos® 2.

Creep feeding is a management practice that involves providing supplemental feed to calves while they are still nursing. This method allows calves access to additional nutrients, including energy and protein beyond what they obtain from their mothers' milk. The obvious reason to creep feed is to add weight at weaning, but the practice can provide many collateral benefits. Creep feeding is a great tool to help calves transition into diets they will encounter once they are weaned. Creep can also contain medications and additives to help enhance growth, health, and overall performance in young cattle.

Hubbard's Blueprint® and SuperGain® creep feeds contain high-quality, nutrient-dense ingredients and are fortified with vitamins, Bioplex® organic trace minerals, Sel-Plex® selenium yeast, and Yea-Sacc® yeast, all to promote forage digestion and rumen stability. Several product formulations are available, allowing producers to choose the product that will work best based on their goals and timeline.

Organic trace minerals play a crucial role in the nutrition of cattle, especially during the receiving phase when animals are more susceptible to stress and health challenges. Alltech's Bioplex organic trace minerals are available in multiple Hubbard Feeds products, including loose minerals, texturized feeds, creep feeds, and other supplements. These trace minerals are bound to amino acids and a range of peptides.

Including organic trace minerals in preconditioning diets for calves offers several benefits that contribute to overall health, performance, and well-being. Some of the key advantages of organic trace minerals in pre-weaning and receiving rations include improved absorption and bioavailability of these minerals, along with enhanced immune function. Organic trace minerals in particular are more readily absorbed and utilized by the animal's body compared to inorganic minerals. This enhanced bioavailability ensures that cattle receive adequate levels of essential nutrients, supporting various phys-

iological functions and promoting overall health. Organic trace minerals have also been shown to boost immune responses in cattle, helping them combat challenges encountered during the stressful preconditioning and weaning periods.

Weaning is a period associated with stress, susceptibility to diseases, and changes in gut microbiota. To mitigate these challenges and ensure a successful weaning process, innovative feed additives such as Alltech's Bio-Mos 2 have gained popularity. Bio-Mos 2 is a prebiotic that can enhance gut health, immunity, and overall performance during this crucial phase of development. It is derived from yeast cell walls, containing mannan oligosaccharides (MOS) that act as natural prebiotics. These prebiotics function by promoting the growth of beneficial gut bacteria, enhancing gut barrier function, and supporting immune response. Bio-Mos 2 can be added to creep feed and is also available in a variety of other Hubbard Feeds products.

Putting many tools together can have an additive effect, providing more benefits in combination than each would separately. Hubbard Feeds has recently launched a product called Recharge® that does just that. It contains a unique combination of multiple technologies that include organic trace minerals, pre- and probiotics, all working together to promote animal health and performance. Recharge comes in many forms, including a 1/2 lb. pellet, premix, drench, or pressed block. It is designed to be used at the receiving period for 10–28 days as well as pulse-fed at five-day intervals throughout the feeding period as needed. It is especially useful in natural programs or anytime animals require a boost in nutrition. Reach out to your Hubbard Feeds representative for more information on how Recharge can fit into your weaning strategy.

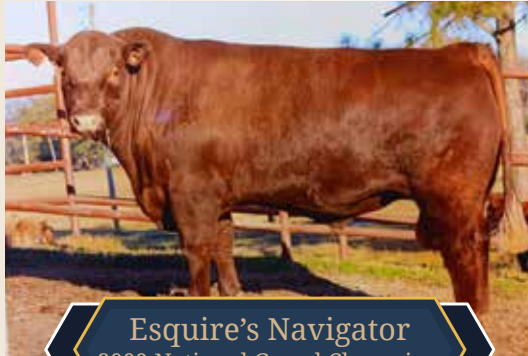
In summary, nutrition centered around calf weaning can be an opportunity to foster growth and health in a time of stress and chaos. Tools like creep feeding, high-performance organic trace minerals, prebiotics like Bio-Mos 2, or supplements like Recharge can offer a significant return on investment by improving calf performance and immune response and helping transition the calf's diet during weaning.

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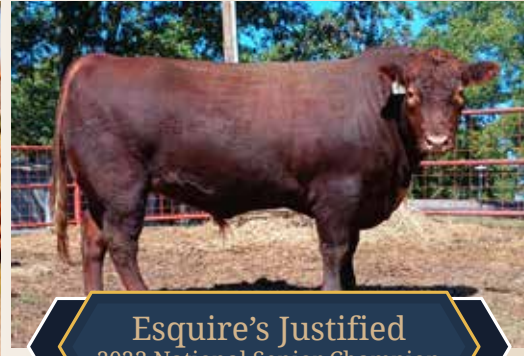
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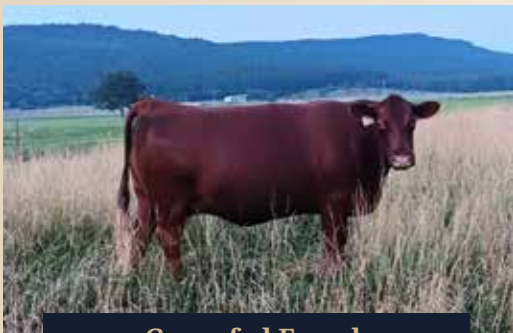
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The American Junior Red Poll Association

The AJRPA held their annual preview show in Shelbyville, IN and was hosted by Megan and Justin Platt. Members were Luke Jones, OH, David Koch, IN, Audrey McNamara, IN, Eva Miller, IN, Silas Raines, OH, Malcolm Ray, IN and Andrea Weaver, IN.

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Show Results:

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Grand Champion Female – David Koch Koch Scarlett D45

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Bred Owned – David Koch Koch Scarlett D45

Best Two Head – Luke Jones

Senior Showman – Andrea Weaver

Intermediate Showman – Audrey McNamara

PeeWee Showman – Stevie Ray

Adult Showman – Emily Koch

Showman of Showmen – Andrea Weaver

For the second year, we had a Cattle Chat competition in which the exhibitors “sold” their heifers to a panel of judges. Andrea Weaver, Luke Jones and Audrey McNamara each took a turn. They talked about the qualities and pedigrees of their heifers and answered a few questions from the judges. They each did a great job and have a lot of knowledge about their livestock and the Red Poll Breed.

Garrett Lowe gave a wonderful talk about clipping, fitting and showmanship. He got his start in the cattle industry through the Shuter Family. During dinner Saturday evening, we played trivia with Indiana being the theme of all the questions.

A huge thank you to Megan and Justin Platt for sponsoring this event. Everyone had a wonderful weekend.



Eva Miller, Allison Miller, Audrey McNamara, Andrea Weaver, Becky Ebersole (Advisor), Luke Jones, David Koch, Silas Raines, Malcolm Ray



Emily Koch - Adult Showmanship Winner



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2/3 cup reduced-fat ricotta cheese
1 cup reduced-fat shredded mozzarella cheese
Thinly sliced or chopped fresh basil

Directions: Preheat oven to 375°F. Heat ovenproof 5 to 6-quart Dutch oven or stockpot over medium heat until hot. Add Ground Beef and zucchini; cook 8 to 10 minutes, breaking beef into small crumbles and stirring occasionally. Stir in pasta sauce, water and pepper. Bring to a boil, stirring occasionally. Remove from heat. Stir in pasta. Spoon heaping teaspoons ricotta cheese over top of sauce. Slightly swirl ricotta into sauce, not mixing in completely. Cover and bake in 375°F oven 10 minutes. Uncover. Sprinkle with mozzarella cheese. Bake 7 to 10 minutes or until pasta is tender. Let stand 5 minutes. Sprinkle with basil before serving.

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Classic Beef Pot Roast

- 1 beef Cross-Rib Chuck Roast (2-1/2 to 3-1/2 pounds)
- 1/2 cup all-purpose flour
- 1 teaspoon salt
- 1 teaspoon pepper
- 1 tablespoon vegetable oil
- 4 cups reduced-sodium beef broth
- 2 tablespoons tomato paste
- 2 teaspoons dried thyme leaves
- 1 pound red-skinned potatoes (about 1-1/2-inch diameter), cut in half
- 1 pound carrots, peeled, cut into 1-1/2-inch pieces
- 2 large onions, cut into 8 wedges each

Combine flour, salt and pepper; coat beef Cross-Rib Chuck Roast with 2 tablespoons flour mixture. Reserve remaining flour mixture. Heat oil in stock pot over medium heat until hot. Place roast in stockpot; brown evenly. Pour off drippings. Combine broth, tomato paste and thyme in stock pot; whisk in reserved flour mixture. Bring to a boil. Reduce heat; cover tightly and simmer 1-3/4 to 2 hours. Stir gravy. Add potatoes, carrots and onions to stockpot; bring to a boil. Reduce heat; cover tightly and simmer 45 minutes to 1 hour or until roast and vegetables are fork-tender. Carve roast into slices or chunks; serve with vegetables and gravy.

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Thursday

Noon-6 p.m. - Cattle arrive

6 p.m. - Consignor meeting

6:45 p.m. - Meet & Greet Ice Cream Social

7:30 p.m. - ARPA Board meeting

Friday

10 a.m. - Annual Meeting

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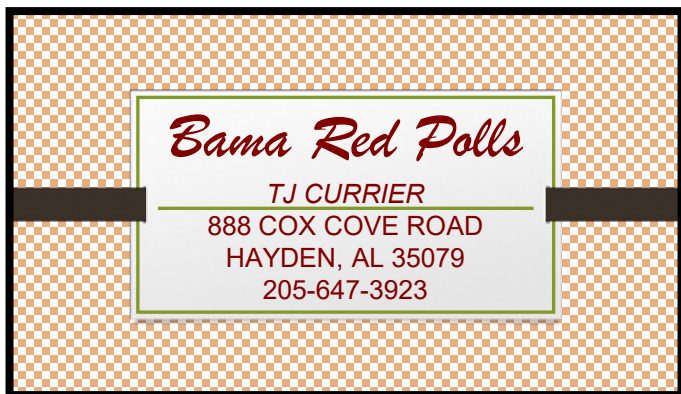
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Lexington, TN
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National Red Poll Show
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November 15

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March

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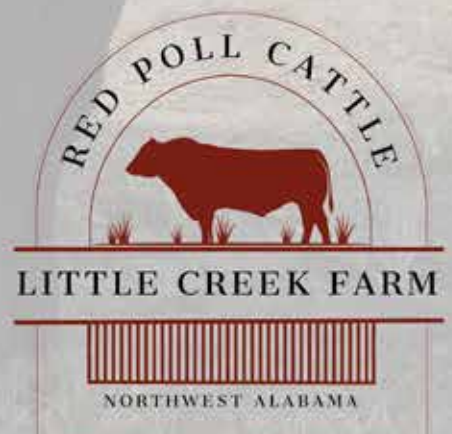
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