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**Welcome to the newest edition of the American
Galloway Breeders Association Newsletter.**

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CALENDAR OF IMPORTANT DATES/EVENTS

December 31, 2023..... AGBA Membership Annual
Renewal is **Due**.

Annual AGBA Membership Dues:

\$80.00 Annual, \$25.00 Associate, \$40.00 Junior [one-time fee]

January 15, 2024..... National Western Stock Show,
Galloway Show (1:00 pm). Denver, CO.

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2023 WORLD GALLOWAY CONGRESS

Galloway producers and enthusiasts gathered in Bern, Switzerland September 16th through September 22nd for the latest gathering of Galloway breeders from around the world. There were almost 100 participants from 16 different countries represented there. It was great to get together again as the Pandemic caused the 2020 Congress to be postponed to 2021 then cancelled due to the mess that Covid had caused.

The American Galloway Breeders Association (AGBA) was well represented at the World Galloway Congress (WGC). There were 9 of us from the AGBA that participated.

The WGC started with a Welcome Reception at the Hotel National in downtown Old Bern on Saturday afternoon. The next three days consisted of traveling via motorcoach buses throughout Switzerland visiting Galloway herds. From Bern we traveled to the North, Northeast, and South of Bern visiting two different farms each on the first and third days. The second day went to the south over Grimsel Pass to visit a Galloway producer seeing his herd of solid Black Galloways. On our way back to Bern we toured a Hydro Electric Power Plant that is powered by water collected in a number of dams in the Alps and sent to the Hydro Plant via tunnels that were bored through the mountains.

On the fourth day there were no Galloways. We went to a Chocolate Factory, a cheese plant, and a small village to visit for lunch and tour its Castle.

The morning of the fifth day we had a walking tour of Old Bern learning about the history of Bern.

In the afternoon the General Meeting of the WGC was held. Reports were given from the Associations and Societies represented there. Discussion of issues and planning of future WGC gatherings took place. It was decided that the next WGC will be held on the Southern Island of New Zealand in February or March of 2025. (continued page 5)



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(Continued from page 4) The presentation of Flags Ceremony of the countries represented was held at the final evening program and buffet dinner with Swiss music entertainment concluded the 2023 World Galloway Conference. There was an educational seminar held at the University the next day for participants to attend if they were able to.

We were able to enjoy wonderful people, scenery, food and Galloway Cattle and their farms during this week in Switzerland.

Eli Berry



Left to Right: Annette Marcotte, Terry Marcotte, Roman Schumacher, Shawn Schumacher, Eli Berry, Mary Berry, Bill Johnson, Kasey Johnson, Haley Johnson

NATIONAL WESTERN[®] *Stock Show*

The American Galloway Breeders Association has sanctioned our breed show. Our Galloway exhibitors will be arriving in Denver, CO on Friday, January 11, 2024.

The Galloway Show is on Monday, January 15, 2024 @ 1:00 pm (Mountain). Designated lodging is at the Drury Inn & Suites Denver Central Park, 4550 N. Central Park Blvd, Denver, Co. (303)373-1983.

Our Show Superintendent is Terry Marcotte, Kansas. He can be reached at tleanorcher@yahoo.com or 785-614-2271.

Huge **THANK YOU**, for all the sponsors who donated money for the show awards. Their generosity makes it extra special for the exhibitors!





My name is Taylor Harriman, and I am from South Dakota, I have been showing cattle since I was 8 yrs. old. I have shown primarily Simmentals and Charolais cattle. I had never been around Galloway cattle, and honestly didn't know much about them.

Then, in January 2023, I found myself with my first Galloway heifer from Blegen Galloways (Harley & Michelle Blegen), Roundup, MT. Her name is HB Kiss Me 2682 and she has a strong personality.

When she first arrived, she would not let anyone touch or catch her. She was also nervous about almost everything. I also am strong minded and there were some clashes that went on between us. As a showman I needed to learn how to work with HB Kiss Me much differently than I had any other calf that I have shown. I am now a better showman because of HB Kiss Me.

I found out that she loved the show stick and Kellogg's Frosted Mini Wheats. We were able to start getting her to calm down. As time went on our bond has grown very strong and now when we show we almost look like we are dancing.

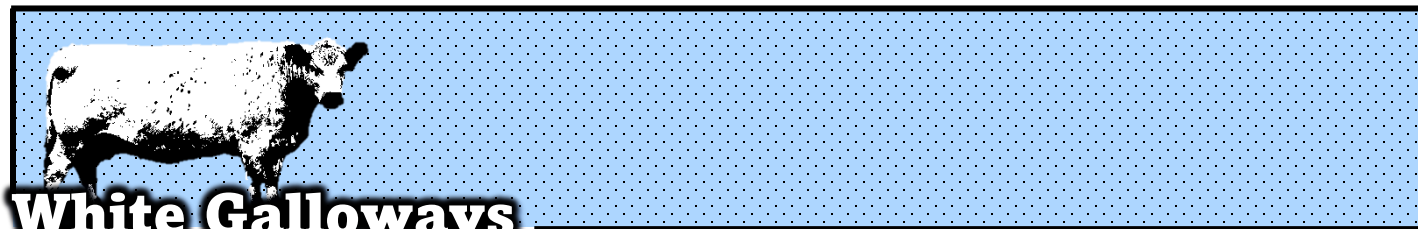
Our routine is that I get up at 5 AM, before the sun rises because Southeast South Dakota is hot and humid! We walk the heifers a mile and then we rinse for no less than 10 minutes. I blow her out until she is completely dry. Once a week she is soaped, and she gets conditioned every other day. She is then fed Show Rite Grower, Natural Fill, and Stretch. This was something that we had to work on, as she didn't eat as much as she needed to. However, she has learned to eat a little quicker. Once she's been fed, I practice showmanship.

We have been to several jackpot shows this Spring. Most people have never seen a real American Galloway. People I have met in the barns have said she looks like an Angus, when we first had her at a show, she was Gelbvieh. Since that time, we have had Judges say that they were honored to be in the ring with a true Galloway. We have been Champion AOB in all but one of the shows that we have been to.

As the time has passed, she and I have a bond that is very strong, she is very smart and knows she needs to set up when I say the word "ho". I am her safety net while in the ring and talk to her when she gets nervous.

As a Junior member I hope there would be more interest from other Juniors to be able to have a Junior National American Galloway Show.





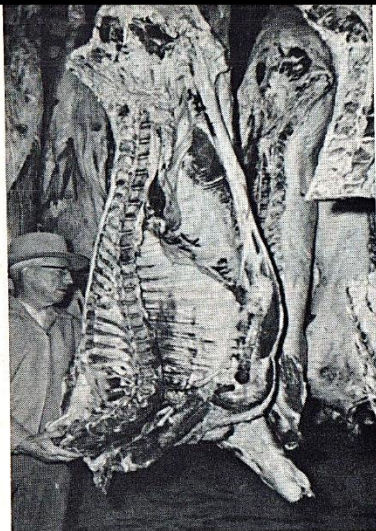
Let's Review the AGBA Herd Book - White Galloways

- (a) The following cattle are eligible for registration in Section III of the Herd Book, provided they exhibit the proper color pattern and are in all other respects eligible:
 - (i) animals whose sire and dam are both registered in Section III.
 - (ii) animals with one parent registered in Section III whose other parent is registered in Section I or the Appendix to Section III.
 - (iii) animals with one parent registered in Section I, Section III, or the Appendix to Section III, and whose other parent is registered in the herd book of another association in accordance with rules consistent with those of the AGBA.
 - (iv) animals registered in, or eligible for registration in, the herd book of another association in accordance with rules consistent with those of the AGBA.
- (b) White Galloways registered in Section III should have a white park color pattern and are white with black, red, or dun pigment on the nose, ears, and hooves and around the eyes. Some pigmentation on the legs, udder, and poll and a moderate degree of freckling throughout the body are permissible.
- (c) The registration numbers of all animals entered in Section III will include as a prefix the letter "W".
- (d) The registration numbers of all animals entered in Section III that have been verified as homozygous for the white park color pattern will include as a prefix the letters "WW".
- (e) The registration numbers of all animals entered in Section III must bear a suffix that records the distribution, amount, and distinctiveness of the pigment in the color pattern at the time of registration.
 - i. For animals born on or before October 15, 2020: The distribution of black, red, or dun pigment must be indicated an "a" for colored points with no other color, "b" for colored points with other colored spots, or "c" for colored points with colored sides. Animals must be registered on or before December 31, 2020.
 - For animals born after October 15, 2020: The distribution of black, red, or dun pigment must be indicated an "a" for colored points with no other color, "b" for colored points with other colored spots, or "c" for colored points with moderately colored sides, not to exceed 25% color per side.
 - ii. The amount and distinctiveness of black, red, or dun pigment must be indicated by "1" for pale color, "2" for scant distinct color, or "3" for abundant, distinct color.
 - iii. Colored points must refer to pigment at least on the nose, ears, hooves, and may also include pigment around the eyes, on the lower legs, the udder, or on the **scrotum**.
 - iv. Pale color must refer to pale color resulting from white hair over pigmented skin. Distinct color must refer to distinct color resulting from pigmented hair. Where there is a mixture of pale and distinct color on an animal the designation must be determined by the distinctiveness of color in the points.
- (f) Females are eligible for registration in an Appendix to Section III of the Herd Book if they do not exhibit the proper white park color pattern but in all other respects eligible for registration in Section III.
 - (i) White Galloway females registered in the Appendix to Section III must have a solid color pattern and are a black, red, or dun. A moderate amount of white on the underside is permissible. Bulls with White Galloway ancestry but without white park color patterns are not eligible for registration in the Herd Book.
 - (ii) The registration numbers of all animals entered in the Appendix to Section III will include as a prefix the letters "WN".



OUR GALLOWAY TIME-CAPSULE

From the AGBA Times (Vol. 1 Issue 3, Sept-Oct. 1962)



Their meat-type-beef carcasses "on the hook." Particularly note the thinness of rind, the uniformity of "feather," the evenness of covering and the excellent conformation. Just the kind the retailer insists on, today. And, that is George Stanley, Sonoma County Agri. Agent, who officially took the rib eye measurements.

EDITOR'S NOTE: Galloway people, bear with us! You know these facts. Just want to remind you that the TIMES now has thousands of commercial cattlemen readers, in 30 states, who do not. We know you would like every cattleman in the country to get this PROOF of what the Galloway can do for him . . . learn these facts that substantiate what you have been trying to tell them for years.

PROOF

Probably for the first time in America, accurate, substantiated records were obtained on Galloway crosses. This detailed, official feeding and carcass information is readily available to anyone through the testing facilities, specifically named.

Here is the kind of evidence sorely needed in the beef industry to support any breed claim of superiority in the field of cross breeding. Results, based on facts, speak for themselves.

The Breeder States

H. E. RANCH
4401 Geysers Road
Cloverdale, California

May 10, 1961

These 15 head of Galloway X Hereford steers were bred and raised from Mr. P. C. Hale's H. E. commercial herd at Cloverdale and were custom fed by the McDougal Livestock Co. at Birds Landing, Calif. The live picture was taken at the feed lot, after weighing, previous to moving out to the slaughter plant.

These steers were all sired by a registered Galloway bull and from commercial range Hereford cows. They were calved during the fall of the year 1959 and strictly raised on open range pasture land. The only supplemental feed provided them, apart from their pasture forage, was free choice hay and minerals fed to them and their mothers, on the ground, during the winter and dry summer months. They never were on irrigated pasture and did not taste green until placed in the feed-lot.

The steers were earmarked at the ranch for the performance test on November 15, 1960.

The carcasses of the steers were immediately bought for "Grant's" Select Quality Meat Market in San Francisco.

Galloway X Hereford cattle are

bred at the H. E. ranch in conjunction with Mr. Hale's imported registered Galloway breeding herd.

Bob Johnstone

The Feeder States

McDOUGAL LIVESTOCK CO.
Office and Feed Yard
Collinsville, California

May 10, 1961

H. E. Ranch
4401 Geyser Road
Cloverdale, California
Att: Mr. Bob Johnstone

Gentlemen:

Following is the information on the Galloway Hereford X bred yearling cattle fed by us for the account of the H. E. Ranch. Fifteen cross bred steers were fed in common with 25 other mixed sex cattle.

Following is result of 40 cattle:
Average number days on feed... 150
Average pounds gained per day 2,647
Average cost per day... 47.225 cents
Average cost per pound gained... 17.835 cents
Conversion ratio, 1 lb. gain... 7,512 lbs. feed

Record of 15 head Galloway X Hereford Steers:

15 steers weight into feedlot
Nov. 17 8,700 lbs.
15 steers weight out of feedlot,
Apr. 24, less 4% shrink 15,091 lbs.
Average selling weight
(per head) 1,006 lbs.
Average rate of daily
gain—157 days 2,713 lbs.
Total carcass weight (hot) 9,236 lbs.
Average percentage dressed
carcass (hot) 61.22%
Average rib eye area 11.5 sq. in.
Average selling price, per lb.
"carcass beef"41 cents
Average age of steers, (at
time of slaughter) 17½ mos.

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that crossbreeding with Galloways pays off

The rib eye measurements were taken by Mr. George Stanley, Sonoma County Agriculture Agent at the Solano Meat Company plant, Vallejo.

Very truly yours,
McDougal Livestock Company
H. A. McDougal, President

The Packer States
SOLANO MEAT COMPANY
Vallejo, California

May 2, 1961

H. E. Ranch
Care of McDougal Livestock
Birds Landing, Calif.

Dear Sir:

Regarding the load of Galloway-Hereford cross steers we killed for you Wednesday, April 26, that were fed at McDougal Livestock Company at Collinsville, California, for a period of 157 days, these steers dressed out very nice, yielded 59.56% on a cold weight basis, which we considered good, as there was no sort and we cleaned up the lot.

These steers were very readily accepted by the trade, showed a nice

finish without a crusty outside covering.

They're really the kind we are looking for today.

Thanking you, we remain,

Respectively,
H. L. Alder, Solano Meat Co.

This is documented proof of the prepotency of the Galloway; lending validity to claims made for the Galloway bull's ability to transmit its exceptional profit-making characteristics—faster gain, more weight-for-age, dressing a higher percentage of quality red meat, breed off the horns — to crossbred offspring.

In addition, the Galloway is probably the hardiest of breeds. You will find them thriving in the harshest of cold climates, flourishing equally well in hot climates, adapting readily.

The breed is naturally polled, calves easily, possesses exceptional mothering ability and bred-in resistance to most diseases. Qualities that make the Galloway ideal for range-raised beef producing.

Today, cowmen who produce beef for the commercial market know

how radically consumer demand has changed in the last ten years; more change in fact, than in the previous fifty.

Now, the consumer wants only what has come to be called "meat-type-beef," beef that is tender, juicy, tasty and well marbled; with a minimum of wasty fat.

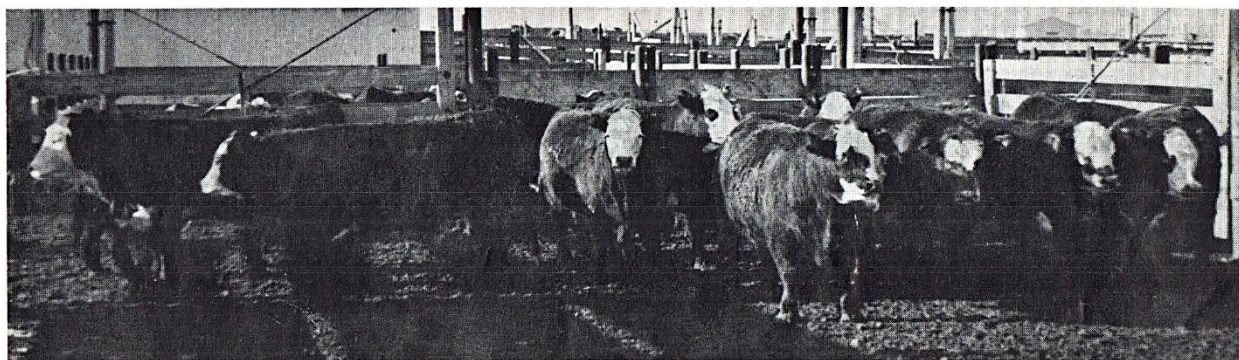
If there is a question in anyone's mind that this is a fact, take a good look at the new Dual Grading system set up by the USDA (our ponderous, centralized government does normally lag behind the times) to help beef buyers measure this factor demanded by consumers. . . To help them determine the kind of cattle to pay a premium for.

To profit most from this demand, the vast majority of beef producers wants to make changes in their herd to supply beef that meets consumer's standards.

The aggressive ones are searching for a shortcut to tailor-make their herds—fast.

Why don't you look into the possibilities of Galloway bulls doing just that, for you? □

The test group of Galloway-Hereford cross steers "on the hoof." Detailed data was kept on them from the time they were calved until sold as retail cuts of beef.



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