



THE GALLOWAY DISPATCH

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THE NILE

The 2014 National Invitational Livestock Expo was held October 13 through 18th in Billings, MT. The NILE is the venue for the National Galloway show each year. The AGBA annual meeting also coincides with the National Galloway show.

This year eight breeders brought animals for the show.

They were:

Blegen Galloways - Kindred, ND

Berry Ranch Galloways - Mora, MN

Brass Ring Galloways - Terry, MT

CK Galloways - Fort Benton, MT

Cole Farms Galloways - Mora, MN

Casey Fowler - Lewistown, MT

Hang 5 Ranch - Parkman, WY

Siskowit Galloways - Cornucopia, WI

The show was held Tuesday, October 14th. But the three days surrounding the show were full of fun, work, and a lot of camaraderie. If you have never attended the NILE or the Denver Stock Show, I can't recommend it enough. The breeders who work so hard to get cattle ready for the show (and that starts months in advance) are representing the breed...and if you are a Galloway breeder, they are representing YOU! The time spent visiting with your fellow breeders is just amazing. A big shout out

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November 2014

What you get by achieving your goals is not as important as what you become by achieving your goals. – Zig Ziglar

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Grand Champion Female
CK Abba 22A

**CK Galloways,
Fort Benton, MT**

**(L to R) Judge Quintin
Smith,
Shawn Schumacher,
Brian Robertson**

Grand Champion Bull
HB Bruno 1474

**Blegen Galloways,
Kindred, ND**

Harley Blegen (R)





Reserve Champion Female

Brass Ring Anna Kate 8A

Brass Ring Galloways

Terry, MT

(L to R)

**Russ Waples, Quintin Smith,
Toni Waples, Mark Waples,
Susan Waples**

Reserve Champion Bull

HB Bravo 4714

Blegen Galloways

Kindred, ND

(L to R)

**Quintin Smith, Harley
Blegen, Hank Blegen**





**Reserve Champion
Percentage Female**

CK Annie 49A

**CK Galloways, Fort Benton, MT
Quintin Smith, Shawn Schumacher,
Brian Robertson
(L to R)**

Grand Champion Percentage Female

Berry's Heifer BR86

Berry Ranch

Mora, MN

Eli Berry (R)



AGBA Annual Meeting News

The AGBA annual meeting was held Tuesday, October 14th in the Yellowstone Room on the Metra Park grounds at 6:30 PM. A nice meal was served from Olive Garden prior to the start of the meeting, which was called to order by President Harley Blegen.

In the Director's meeting that followed, a few items were addressed and decided upon:

- 1). Dues will now be due by **January 1** of each year, **beginning 2015**.
- 2). AGBA will again be at the **NCBA convention** trade show. We will be needing 6 members who can commit to several hours each day *in the booth itself*. Contact a director for more information.
- 3). We will be publishing a new **Breeders Directory for 2015**. The AGBA will subsidize a portion of the publication, thereby reducing ad costs. Stay tuned for details.

(NILE, from pg 1)

to our Canadian friends Jim King and Brian Robertson, who came for the show and festivities. Pictured in this issue are the Grand and Reserve Champions.

If you were unable to attend the NILE this fall, why not start making plans to attend the NWSS Galloway Show this coming January! You'll be glad you did.

Matt Hipsher, Siskowit
Galloways, tends to his
show animals at the 2014
NILE, Billings, MT



*Hank Blegen waiting to show
his 1/4 Galloway AOB heifer
at the NILE. Lookin' good
there, Hankster!*

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**On Grass
and
In the
Feed Yard**



Left: Harley Blegen (ND) and Jim King (Canada)

Right: Susan Waples (MT) and Jon Brown (OK)



Below: Kathy Cole (MN) Chuck Cole (center) and Russ Waples (MT)



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Willow Valley Abe A4 - Born: May 30, 2013
 One of Yankee's first calves. Reserve Grand Champion Galloway Bull at the 2014 National Western at 7 months old. Get his Semen now.

Willow Valley Galloway

Youth

THANK
YOU

Joan Hoffman and family received this wonderful note of appreciation from a local 4Her. Joan shared the following: "Cassie was a member of the same 4h club as our friends' kids who show Galloways from our farm.

Don't know what breeds she was showing over the years, but she didn't feel that she did very well especially on sale day. Our 4hr's always did well on sale day, normally placed in the front half of their classes and did especially well in carcass -- which is probably why they did so well on sale day.

Anyway, Cassie was discouraged enough that she was considering not showing a steer for her last year, but our kids suggested she try a Galloway, and they would help her as she was a very busy senior working two jobs to save for college.

As she says in her note she was very pleased with results of her calf as she placed 3rd in a class of 15 and did very well at the sale. I heard all of this second hand from our friends as I met her personally only once after the shows.

She told me she wished she had always had Galloways to show. It is nice to hear from happy customers, especially such a thoughtful young person."

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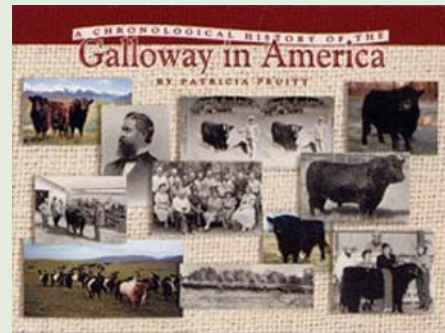
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Dispersion of Galloway Historical Library

by Patricia Pruitt

I have made the very difficult decision to dispose of most of my wonderful collection of Galloway memorabilia. I have worked on this project for many years, buying, saving, organizing, filing, begging and whatever it took to amass everything I could find relative to the Galloway. Additionally, many breeders also contributed materials over the years, for which I am very grateful...most are listed in the back section of the book I published in 2004, "The Galloway in America". There are still a few of these books available for sale.

As I reach a very mature age, I realize that it is necessary and expedient for me to pass this collection on so that it will not be lost forever. Hopefully it can be carried on by others. The collection includes the archives of the American Galloway Breeders' Association, other previous Associations...Domestic, Canadian & International; Belted, Whites, Solids...literally everything you can imagine! This is, without question, the largest collection of Galloway memorabilia in the world!

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THE DENVER STOCK SHOW (VERSION 2015)

GOSH! Its hard to believe the time has arrived to discuss preparations for The National Western Stock Show, aka The Denver Stock Show. But here we are staring down the deadline for entry registrations.

NOVEMBER 20 is your deadline for entering your animals. As in past years, this can be done online.

SHOW DAY IS JANUARY 19TH, 1 PM

Galloway will be accepted into the YARDS beginning 7 AM on Saturday, January 17. They are **released** beginning 1/20 at 7AM, and must be all out by noon on 1/21.

LODGING: The AGBA has blocked off rooms at the Drury Inn Denver-Stapleton. Just 5 short miles on I-70 from the NWSS, this hotel is loaded with amenities. Like a big breakfast? Enjoy their full, hot breakfast including waffles, eggs, and biscuits and gravy. Think you'll miss your evening Happy Hour? Not so! Drury Inn has you covered with their '*5:30 Kick Back*' featuring hot food offerings such as hot dogs, chicken strips, chili, baked potatoes, meatballs and more! And of course they realize all of that yummy food could make a cattle person thirsty, so they have beer, wine, and soft drinks available as well. There are several restaurants within a few easy blocks of the hotel, no interstate driving required. They also have parking available for trailers, and we plan on having a 'hospitality' suite where Galloway breeders can come and go as they please. Rooms are blocked at \$118 plus taxes. Contact show superintendent Michelle Blegen at 701-645-9073 or email blegen_galloways@juno.com. Let Michelle know ASAP if you want a room.

Let's see. What am I forgetting.

Oh, I know. **BE THERE!!!**

(Galloway Library, continued from pg 10)

I have struggled greatly with an appropriate method of dispersing . I have put so much time, money, materials & energy into filing, reorganizing, researching & weeding out the unnecessary, that I simply cannot justify giving it away. I am seriously considering using e-Bay but this may not work for everyone. I don't use Facebook & the like. Not many breeders appear to use the AGBA Yahoo Group site...so, what to do? This notification is being generally mailed out as well as appearing in the AGBA Newsletter with an update. I will attempt to work out final details by November. It is important that any interested parties contact me {e-Mail or regular mail) as soon as possible, so that no one misses this opportunity.

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Chad and Jodi Ray are leaders of a large
(65 members!) 4H club in the Louisburg, NC
area. This fall some of their 4Hers showed
Galloway cow/calf pairs in the NC State Fair
AOB class, and walked away with the Grand
Champion and Reserve!

Not pictured are Abigail Graham and Layton
Perry, who showed the Reserve Champion
pair.



Ryan Farrell and Hope Latta in the ring at the NC State Fair
with Suncrest Raindrop and her calf at side. In all, the Rays
purchased 11 head of Galloway from DD Ranch, Ft Lupton,
CO.

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Is your tattoo letter for 2014

Stay Informed

The AGBA has an email list that is available for members to use to notify others about upcoming events such as field days, sales, shows, etc.

If you have never received an email from ***gallowaybreeders@yahoo.com***, chances are you are not on the list. SO...kindly send an email to myself, and I will see to it that you are added :)

Use this address please:
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Thanks!

Judy

Did You Know...

You can easily share this newsletter with your inquiry list by simply going to americangalloway.com, click on More About Galloways tab, and then copy the link for The Galloway Dispatch into an email.

Meet Your Directors

In the coming months, this space will be used to introduce some of the current AGBA Directors. This month features

Susan Waples, Brass Ring Galloways, Terry, MT

Russ and I saw our first Galloway cattle in the Fall of 1989. We had acquired some rather poor land and were looking to put something on it other than a few horses. I had come across an article about Galloways in which it mentioned they were hardy foragers. We met breeders at the NILE that year and were able to purchase a small group. In a relatively short time the few horses became many and we had to make a choice. Most of the horses went; the cattle stayed.

It didn't take us long to form a bond with the breed. Oddly enough, what impressed us the most in the early years was their intelligence and how personable they were. We were used to cows but had never found them to be engaging animals. There were some among our first purchases that were especially so and that got us to looking at them more closely. Also high on our list of reasons to like the Galloway breed is their reaction to certain weather conditions. Unlike the other cattle in this region, they are never humped up and miserable when it's -35F. I'm sure they don't love it but they can manage it by staying out of the wind or facing into it. During our very hot fly season they do not have to spend the day in a tight group trying to ward off flies; although they shed off there is still enough hair to give them some protection.

Call me sentimental but another big thing about being in this breed is the people. Getting involved has brought us a far flung circle of friends and acquaintances. Contact with the other breeders and going to Galloway events in both the US and Canada has become an important part of our lives. Although it was a stretch for us, we took up showing our cattle. That was a big learning experience for us and we are still learning how to look at cattle. And now there is even a World Congress every two years- we haven't made it to any of those yet. I would like to encourage everyone to try to come to either Denver or the NILE show and

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Directors, continued from pg 15

annual meeting. I would love to meet more of the members and hear their stories. The first time I went to Denver myself, an interested visitor from another breed said “These are real cattle and real people”.

I agree.



Russ and Susan Waples exhibiting two females at the 2014 NILE Galloway show in Billings, MT