



# THE *Galloway* DISPATCH

**GALLOWAY: MAKING CATTLE GREAT AGAIN**

## 2019 NWSS Report

February  
2019

The 2019 edition of the National Western Stock Show (NWSS) Galloway Show is in the books. Twenty-six head were shown by eight different Galloway breeders and/or Galloway owners. Once again our good Canadian friend Bob Airth offered his excellent services as announcer. Chuck Cole and Rex Berry also helped out during the show. A big shout out to you who pitch in to keep the show running smoothly.

Throughout this issue you will find the complete results, photos, the ultrasound data and a few fun photos from the event known simply as 'Denver'. There is so much work that goes into getting cattle ready for showing, and it begins months in advance. The travel time and expense is real, and these breeders are making sure your breed is getting national, and international, exposure. A big shout out to Michelle Blegen who keeps the Galloway experience running smoothly at NWSS. Also, please keep the Dispatch advertisers in mind as you seek out breeding stock...their dedication to the association makes it possible for the AGBA to have a newsletter.

There are big changes pending for the NWSS grounds, with many improvements and expansions in the works per their big *Ten Year Plan*. Among the changes that will impact our breed, as one of the breeds that shows in The Yards, is the planned demolition of the Livestock Center, which will be replaced by a large Legacy Building, a 100,000 square foot hybrid multi-purpose/art gallery/watering hole building that will have a view of the new Yards.

Naturally the term 'new yards' implies changes afoot for the Yards as well, and much of the existing wooden pens will eventually be removed, and replaced with temporary fencing, enough to create 800 pens. Sure hope they figure in some means of making windbreaks out there! Those ancient wooden corrals may not be very sturdy, but they do break the wind a bit. According to an article in the Western Livestock Journal, the NWSS plans to construct the new Yards with a "multi-use hard surface that can be used for concerts, events, festivals, or parking for 2,700 vehicles." Also on tap are plans for two 1,000 seat arenas, and elevated walkways which will incorporate the historic catwalk, as well as a nearly 4 acre plaza for vendor booths and displays. These changes will take place in stages, perhaps beginning as early as next year's NWSS, in which case part of the Yards' pens will be add-ons to the north.

Stay tuned!

"If the freedom of speech is taken away then dumb and silent we may be led, like sheep to the slaughter."

~George Washington

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# NWSS 2019 RESULTS



## Grand Champion & Reserve Grand Champion Bull

Berry's Empire 128E      Eli Berry - Berry Ranch of Mora, MN

HB Ferrari 2428      Michelle Blegen - Blegen Galloways of Roundup, MT



## Grand Champion & Reserve Grand Champion Female

HB Faith 4758      Michelle Blegen - Blegen Galloways of Roundup, MT

HB Flirt 2198      Michelle Blegen - Blegen Galloways of Roundup, MT

## Female Classes

### Champion and Reserve Champion Junior Heifer

Berry's Emerald 74E      Eli Berry - Berry Ranch of Mora, MN

### Heifers calved April - June 2018

1st      RS Forte 11F      Shawn Schumacher - CK Galloways of Fort Benton, MT

2nd      Berry's Frances 74F      Eli Berry - Berry Ranch of Mora, MN

### Heifers calved January - March 2018

HB Faith 4758      Michelle Blegen - Blegen Galloways of Roundup, MT

HB Flirt 2198      Michelle Blegen - Blegen Galloways of Roundup, MT

CK Fontina 28F      Katherine Parsley - KP Cattle Company of Sheridan, IN

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## Cow/Calf Pairs, cow any age- Calf born after July 1, 2018

Suncrest Apple and heifer calf (Alice) Donal Luhrsen of Mimbres, NM

## Best Pair of Females

Michelle Blegen - Blegen Galloways of Roundup, MT

## Bull Classes

### Division Champion and Reserve Champion

Berry's Foundation 284F Eli Berry - Berry Ranch of Mora, MN

HB Focus 3048 Michelle Blegen - Blegen Galloways of Roundup, MT

### Bulls calved January - March 2018

HB Ferrari 2428 Michelle Blegen - Blegen Galloways of Roundup, MT

RS Freightliner 5F Shawn Schumacher - CK Galloways of Fort Benton, MT

PR Federer 71F Madison Schumacher - Prairie Rapids Cattle Co. of Fort Benton, MT

### Division Champion and Reserve Champion

Berry's Empire 128E Eli Berry - Berry Ranch of Mora, MN

Berry's Everest 61E Eli Berry - Berry Ranch of Mora, MN

### Bulls calved July - December 2017

Berry's Everest 61E Eli Berry - Berry Ranch of Mora, MN

## Steer Class

### Grand Champion Steer

PR FTG 69F Madison Schumacher - Prairie Rapids  
Cattle Co. of Fort Benton, MT

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### CARCASS CHAMPION

HB Flirt 2198  
Blegen Galloways

### RESERVE CHAMPION

HB Faith 4758  
Blegen Galloways

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## Bulls calved January - June 2017

Berry's Empire 128E      Eli Berry - Berry Ranch of Mora, MN



## Bulls born after July 1, 2016

Berry's Dynamic 61D      Eli Berry - Berry Ranch of Mora, MN

## Best Pair of Bulls

Eli Berry - Berry Ranch, Mora, MN



Berry's Everest 61E, Reserve  
Champion Yearling Bull



Berry's Dynamic 61D,  
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Breeder	Animal	VID	Weight	REA	REA/CWT	%IMF	FAT	
CK Galloways	RS Forte 11F	16	618	10.42	1.69	3.96	0.14	
Prairie Rapids Cattle Co.	PR Federer 71F	20	727	9.97	1.37	3.12	0.08	
CK Galloways	RS Freightliner 5F	17	805	11.89	1.48	3.87	0.11	
Skubal, Miranda	Little Ark Fran	24	456	7.16	1.57	3.11	0.14	
Berry Ranch	Berry's Dynamic 61D	8	1550	16.35	1.05	3.37	0.09	
Berry Ranch	Berry's Empire 128E	6	1276	12.95	1.01	3.23	0.13	
Berry Ranch	Berry's Everest 61E	5	1038	11.17	1.08	3.48	0.10	
Berry Ranch	Berry's Foundation 284F	4	686	9.33	1.36	2.84	0.09	
Berry Ranch	Berry's Emerald 74E	2	1044	11.76	1.13	4.24	0.16	
Berry Ranch	Berry's Frances 74F	1	647	8.90	1.38	3.55	0.23	
Berry Ranch	Berry's Heifer 61E	3	1112	11.79	1.06	3.28	0.06	
Strand, Brady	Strand's Fireball	9	516	7.45	1.44	3.58	0.18	
Blegen Galloways	HB Faith 4758	10	740	11.45	1.55	4.23	0.34	RESERVE
Blegen Galloways	HB Flirt 2198	11	751	11.47	1.53	4.46	0.31	CHAMPION
Blegen Galloways	HB Fancy 2608	12	835	8.87	1.06	3.48	0.30	
Blegen Galloways	HB Focus 3048	14	769	10.06	1.31	3.70	0.20	
Blegen Galloways	HB Ferrari 2428	15	978	11.89	1.22	4.13	0.27	
Results as of 01/20/19								



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## GALLOWAY 'HIDE AND SPEAK'

*Minnesota Galloway breeder Leslea Hodgson submitted the following write up about some unique Galloway history made known to her as the result of an individual searching for a Galloway hide.*

It's kind of a leap of faith to get a few hides tanned from our Galloways, but they are so thick and soft that we just had to have a few tanned through the years.

Never knowing when or if you'll sell one, we were happy to be able to oblige a fellow by the name of Bill Nay who contacted us looking for a hide to use in a talk he gives about the history of farms and ranches at Mono Lake, CA, for the Mono Lake historical society.



It turns out that back in the late 1800s farms and ranches were being established near the Mono Lake basin, which lies east of the Sierra Nevada Mountains and just west of the Nevada state line. This area along the Truckee River was known for its lush meadows, and the story goes that many a wagon train headed west to California would stop here for the winter before going across the mountains.

Bill's great grandfather, Winslow P. Nay had been the first to bring a group of "thoroughbred" Galloway cattle to Mono Lake from Kansas City, "selling a bull and two cows to the county supervisor N.B. Hunewill and bringing twenty three others to his own ranch". W.P. Nay went on to raise Galloway cattle to provide beef to the bustling mining towns nearby. Bill says Winslow learned early on that he could make more money feeding the miners than by looking for gold himself.

In the early days most of the gold mining was near Bodie. Bodie, now a ghost town, is located in a desolate area that could not sustain any cattle or farming; thus, the closest place to farm and support the miners was at Mono lake.

Many thanks to Bill Nay for sharing a piece of the American Galloway history along with his own rich family story with the visitors and all of us.

*~ Leslea Hodgson,  
with the help of Bill's writings*





## Comedy Corner

A man was helping one of his cows give birth, when he noticed his 4-year-old son standing wide-eyed at the fence, soaking in the whole event.

The man thought, "Great, he's 4 and I'm gonna have to start explaining the birds and bees. No need to jump the gun, I'll just let him ask, and I'll answer."

After everything was over, the man walked over to his son and said, "Well son, do you have any questions?"

"Just one," gasped the still wide-eyed lad.  
"How fast was that calf going when he hit that cow?"



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## Kaiser Of Gnomes End

Kaiser's first calves will be arriving Fall of 2019. Needless to say, we are super stoked to see how he produces on our cows.



F3, A Bluegrass son out of a Xenon daughter, grandson of the Yuletide cow (see also F10 below right)

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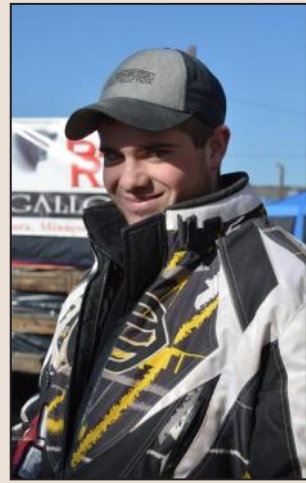
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Roman and Joe Schumacher, proprietors of Joe's Bar, Right.



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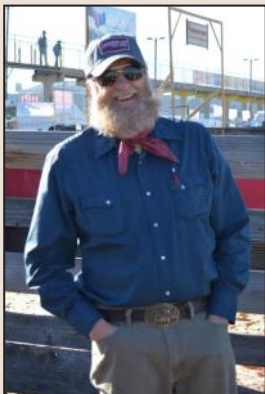
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..... and Party Central by Night!



Harley Blegen (L) and Bob Airth doing some catching up

2019  
YARDS



Don Luhrsen



Eli Berry, right, talking with visitors to his pen



Chuck Cole, Katherine Parsley



## 2019 NWSS General Awards

Premiere Breeder AND Premiere Exhibitor.....Berry Ranch, Eli Berry, Mora, MN

Herdsmen Award.....CK Galloways, Joe and Shawn Schumacher, Fort Benton, MT

### 2019 Reserve Champions



HB Ferrari 2428



HB Flirt 2198



HB Fancy 2608

Percentage  
Female Show

Left, Grand  
Champion

Right, Reserve  
Grand Champion



PR Fergie 64F

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Junior AGBA Member Katherine Parsley with her Grand Champion Female at the 2019 NWSS Junior Galloway Show. You can read about Katherine on the next page.





## Junior Show

**Grand Champion and Reserve Champion Female**  
**CK Fontina 28F**

**Katherine Parsley - KP Cattle Company , Sheridan, IN**



## Meet Our Newest Junior Member

Katherine Parsley lives on a diversified farm located in central Indiana. She is a senior at Sheridan High School and is involved in varsity soccer, National Honor Society, and Student Council. In addition to school activities, she has enjoyed ten years in 4-H where she shows sheep and cattle among other projects. While showing Suffolk sheep is her favorite hobby, she found her way to the Galloway breed through a friend and was attracted to the White Galloway's for their distinctive markings, moderate size, and good dispositions. Katherine is looking forward to her involvement in the Galloway breed!

## Percentage Show

### Grand Champion Percentage Female

**HB Fancy 2608    Michelle Blegen, Blegen Galloways, Roundup, MT**

### Reserve Grand Champion Percentage Female

**PR Fergie 64F    Madison Schumacher, Prairie Rapids Cattle Co, Fort Benton, MT**

### Percentage Heifers calved April - June, 2018

**Strand's Fireball    Brady Strand, Mora, MN**

### Percentage Heifers calved January - March, 2018

- 1st    HB Fancy 2608    Michelle Blegen, Blegen Galloways**
- 2nd    PR Fergie 64F    Madison Schumacher, Prairie Rapids Cattle Co, Fort Benton, MT**
- 3rd    CK Frankee 8F    Shawn Schumacher, CK Galloways, Fort Benton, MT**
- 4th    Little Ark Fran    Miranda Skubal, Quinter, KS**

### Percentage Heifers Calved 2017

**Berry's Heifer 61E    Eli Berry, Berry Ranch, Mora, MN**

# Remember your 2019 Dues

## THE AGBA AND YOU

Have you paid your 2019 dues yet? Your support of the AGBA is extremely important. Much of the money you contribute by way of your dues goes toward promoting the breed through advertising, show venues, and promotional items available for individual breeders to distribute to your own customers and contacts.

Another idea to consider is banding together with a handful of other Galloway breeders who all share similar markets as your own cattle. Below is a screenshot from an ad placed in the January issue of Progressive Cattleman. The ad ran in three regions of the country, which was a cost effective way of using this large platform to reach cattle producers in geographic proximity to the Galloway producers who went in to sponsor the ad. This platform did generate inquiries!

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Great! Please contact the Director for your region, and discuss your ideas with them. You are a vital part of this organization, and each one of you brings a unique viewpoint to the AGBA. So please, don't be shy, and don't procrastinate. Same thing goes for any questions you may be mulling over about the Association, and its mission and duties. There's no such thing as a 'dumb' question!

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