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WORLD BEEF EXPO

The 2019 World Beef Expo (WBE) Galloway Show was held September 28th in Milwaukee, WI. Five breeders made their way to the venue to represent the Galloway breed.

The WBE is in its 27th year. It is a three day show, and this year 3,000 head of cattle were entered in the various breeds. According to the PR folks at WBE, they were expecting 70,000 people to pass through the grounds and barns.

Thank you to Jerry Stephens who has graciously served as show superintendent the past few years, and is responsible for organizing the return of the Galloway breed to the WBE venue in 2017. Jerry is stepping down from the Superintendent position, and Joyce Jones will be filling that role. She has been helping Jerry the past few years, so expect a seamless transition! Thank you Joyce for being willing to step in and fill this vital role. Breeders, be sure and contact Joyce if you would like to offer to assist her in some way. Everyone has skills that can be used in some aspect of organizing and running a cattle show. Promotion, communications, and on-site legwork are all needed. Give her a call at the number listed on Directors' page.

A big Thank You to the following breeders for making the time and effort to represent our breed!

Bar R Galloways, Alden, MN.

Berry Ranch, Mora, MN

Blegen Galloways, Roundup, MT

Root Prairie Galloways, Fountain, MN

Stoney Acres Farm, Grand Ledge, WI

November
2019

Be pretty if you
can, be witty if
you must,
but be gracious
if it kills you.

~ Unknown

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Galloway: When it absolutely has to be the BEST beef.

World Beef Expo



2019 WBE Galloway Show
Grand Champion Bull RPG Fernando, owned
by Root Prairie Galloways, Fountain, MN



2019 WBE Galloway Show
Grand Champion Heifer HB Flirt 2198, owned
by Blegen Galloways, Roundup, MT



2019 WBE Galloway Show
Reserve Champion Bull RPG Fletch,
owned by Root Prairie Galloways,
Fountain, MN



2019 WBE Galloway Show
Reserve Champion Heifer
Bar R Hope 42G owned by
Bar R Galloways, Alden, MN



SHOW TIME

Above left, Sonora Olivier waits ringside with Brad Hodgson of Root Prairie Galloways. Above right, Walter Olivier with the Reserve Champion bull. Coming from a horse showing background, this was the first time showing cattle for this brother/sister team. They did super!



Leslea Hodgson, Root Prairie Galloways, picks up some Clip Tips from the old pro himself, Darrell Riemer of Bar R Galloways

2020 Breeders Directory

The 2020 AGBA Directory is gearing up. Start planning your advertisement strategies. Peruse your pictures for the ultimate shot that distinguishes your cattle from everyone else's. Don't hesitate to look at other cattle journals for advertising ideas. There will be opportunity for full page ads, half page ads, and quarter page ads. The AGBA Directory is distributed to all members including Junior members. It is also available at any cattle show where our members may be exhibiting. Directories are included in the new member packets and mailed out to those inquiring about the Galloway Breed. It's that tool that gets your cattle in front of folks that want Galloways. Don't pass it up!

More information will be available in February 2020. If you have any questions or would like to help with the Directory, please contact Shawn Schumacher at ckgalloways@itstriangle.com or Terry Marcotte, tleerancher@yahoo.com.

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Oven Beef Stew

Ingredients:

2# Galloway Stew Meat
6 carrots, sliced diagonally
6 stalks celery, sliced diagonally
1 medium onion, finely chopped
1/4 cup sugar
3 TBSP tapioca
1 cup tomato juice

Mix everything together in a pot with a tight fitting lid. Place in 250 oven for 5 hours. Do not remove lid until cooking time is up! Serve over mashed potatoes or rice.



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(Galloway Crossbreeding, con't. from pg 13)

calves of prior years, these cattle have moderated frame, while maintaining or adding weight. Perhaps for me the added muscle, rib, and especially bonework is a major advantage that the Angus destroyed in our cow herd. From a dollars and cents perspective, these Galloway sired cattle are knocking days of feed off the end target and weighing up heavier on the rail while doing it. We've added ribeye size, and we've added marbling. I worried about the added hair in these Galloway cattle, considering our Southern Illinois number of 100 degree plus days, and KY-31 Endophyte fescue pastures, but they've all shed out just fine.

In the next five years, we anticipate increasing the cowherd in size- and plan on Galloway being in the center of it. We think that the versatility of the Galloway brood cow can be unmatched by any other breed, based on what we are seeing right now. We're sold on Galloway beef."

~ Jody Kabat

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BRASS RING GALLOWAYS



It's that time of year again and we have 2019 heifer calves and bull calves for sale. Sires are Brass Ring Donte, Cranberry Hill Denver and Sir Richard of Gnome's End. Stay tuned to our Facebook page for pictures.



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NATIONAL WESTERN STOCK SHOW 2020

Its that time of the year again! You've been eyeing those three or four extra special calves, bulls or bred females in your herd, wondering just how fabulous they would look after a scrubbing and a little clipper action. **November 20th** is the deadline for submitting your entries. The online process is very smooth, but paper submissions are available....either download and print the entry forms, or request a hard copy of the premium book from NWSS.

If you can't talk yourself into showing, we all sure hope you will journey to Denver for the festivities. It really is a great time, and there's always someone who can use an extra hand. You will have fun! You will not be bored! There will be a common hotel again this year, the Drury Inn Denver-Stapleton. They have an evening Happy Hour with what they call heavy Hors d'oeuvre, but what a lot of us call DINNER. There will be a nightly gathering somewhere in the hotel where much fun and good conversation take place.

Now then, how can you possibly say 'no' to all of that?!

Denver at a Glance

Hotel Accommodations - Michelle Blegen has acquired a block of rooms (11 rooms with 2 queen size beds) at the Drury Inn & Suites Denver Stapleton, 4550 North Central Park Blvd, Stapleton, CO. Room rate of \$112. The block is under "American Galloway Breeders Association 2020" or confirmation #2376106. We are guaranteed 8 trailer parking spots for our group. **Cut off date is Wednesday, December 18, 2019** so don't wait to make your reservation. If you haven't stayed here before, they have hot breakfast and evening drinks & snacks. Free soft drinks & popcorn and Wi-Fi. After staying here for the past few years, we've found alternate routes instead of taking interstate – so it is quite convenient!

Galloway can enter the Yards on Saturday January 18th at 7 AM.
The Galloway show is Monday, January 20th at 1 PM in the Stockyards Arena.
Cattle are Released Tuesday, January 21st.
Remember you can stall cattle at the Adams County Fairgrounds prior to their scheduled arrival time at the Yards.



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We'd like to say **Thank You** to the Olivier family for coming to our place and working with the cattle for the WBE trip, they did a terrific job of kid proofing and training the four yearlings for the show! They topped off the project by coming out to Milwaukee and doing **GREAT!**



For Sale: (2) 18 month black bulls

2019 WBE Grand Champion Galloway Bull
RPG Fernando

2019 WBE Reserve Grand Champ Galloway Bull
RPG Fletch

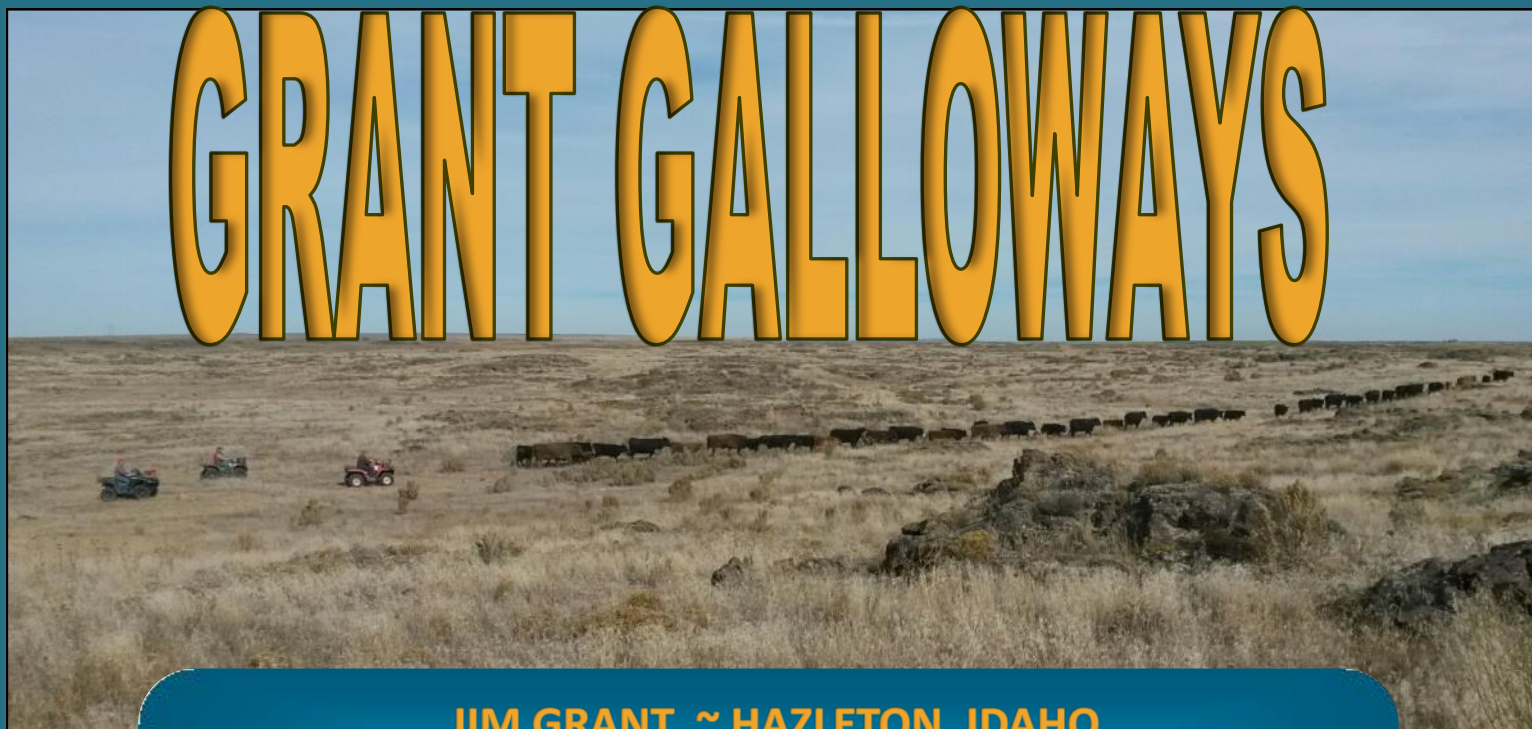
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Annual Meeting Report

Submitted by Richard Serr , Secretary

The American Galloway Breeders' Association annual meeting was held Saturday, September 27, 2019 at the Rodeway Inn, Milwaukee, WI. The meeting was well attended compared to the last few years. The event was kicked off with a pizza dinner and a presentation by the Belted Galloway Society on the World Galloway Congress to be held in conjunction with the NAILE, Nov 14-20, 2020 in Louisville, KY. More info available at www.worldgallowaycongressusa2020.com. President Eli Berry called the meeting to order and reports were given by the President, Secretary/Treasurer, Executive Secretary, Junior Committee and Promotion Committee. Recent changes to the Bylaws and Herd Book Rules were reviewed. A committee was formed to address issues with White Galloway registration chaired by Shawn Schumacher. It was decided to publish both an AGBA Breeders Directory and an AGBA Calendar for 2020. An amendment to the Bylaws was unanimously approved to change the deadline for the proposed budget from a fixed date of September 1 to 30 days prior to the Annual Meeting. Participation in the Herd Bull Display at the upcoming National Western Stock Show was approved. Jerry Stevens resigned as superintendent of the WBE. Joyce Jones volunteered to take his place. Richard Serr was re-elected to be a Director of the Pacific Time Zone. Terry Marcotte was elected to be a Director of the Central Time Zone. Joyce Jones was elected to be a Director of the Eastern Time Zone. John Goetzinger was elected to be a Director at Large. Meeting adjourned.

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WBE Results

- **Champion Cow/Calf Pair** Blegen Galloways, Harley Blegen, Roundup, MT
- **Res. Champion Cow/Calf Pair** Stoney Acres Farm Joan L Hoffman, Grand Ledge, MI
- **Champion Heifer Calf** Jan - Mar, Bar R Galloways Darrell F Riemer Alden, MN
- **Champion Yearling Heifer** Blegen Galloways Harley Blegen Roundup, MT
- **Reserve Champion Yearling Heifer** Root Prairie Galloways Brad S Hodgson Fountain, MN
- **Production Senior Cow** Stoney Acres Farm Joan L Hoffman Grand Ledge, MI
- **Grand Champion Heifer** Blegen Galloways Harley Blegen Roundup, MT
- **Reserve Grand Champion Heifer** Bar R Galloways Darrell F Riemer Alden, MN
- **Champion Bull Calf** Blegen Galloways Harley Blegen Roundup, MT
- **Reserve Champion Bull Calf** Bar R Galloways Darrell F Riemer Alden, MN
- **Champion Junior Bull** Root Prairie Galloways Brad S Hodgson Fountain, MN
- **Reserve Champion Junior Bull** Root Prairie Galloways Brad S Hodgson Fountain, MN
- **Senior Bull - Born after 7/2015** Bar R Galloways Darrell F Riemer Alden, MN
- **Champion Senior Bull** Bar R Galloways Darrell F Riemer Alden, MN
- **Reserve Champion Senior Bull** Berry Ranch Eli Berry Mora, MN
- **Grand Champion Bull** Root Prairie Galloways Brad S Hodgson Fountain, MN
- **Grand Champion Bull** Root Prairie Galloways Brad S Hodgson Fountain, MN
- **Percentage Heifer** Blegen Galloways Harley Blegen Roundup, MT

Thank You Exhibitors!
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President's Address

Greetings,

I would like to say Thank You to all that made their way to the World Beef Expo. It was nice to visit with the AGBA members, former members, and other interested cattlemen. We had a nice show with very good quality Galloways exhibited, Thank You exhibitors! A special thanks for first time exhibitors, Brad and Leslie Hodgson, Root Prairie Galloways.

The AGBA held its Annual Membership Meeting in Milwaukee. I would like to welcome new board members: Terry Marcotte from Kansas, and John Goetzinger from Wisconsin. Thank you to Jon Brown and Jerry Stephens for your previous service on the board.

The AGBA realizes that we need to clarify the Herd Book Rules, change and simplify the application for registry of the White Galloways. A committee is working on this and will be making a recommendation to the Board of Directors for approval very soon. We will also create a guide to help you through the application process. This will help prevent registration mistakes that have been discovered recently. We are trying to fix it!

Like I have reported before, Online Registration is coming. We are at the mercy of the CLRC to get it completed. It is not a high priority for them. It will happen though!

If you have any suggestions, comments, complaints, or questions you can contact me.

Please share your success stories that you have of your Galloways, we want to hear them.

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Eli Berry, AGBA President

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Showman's Toolbox



Every exhibitor of cattle has need of some basic equipment to make prepping the animal a smooth and enjoyable experience. Below is a list of some of the basic items you should have on hand as you wash and groom your animal.

Brushes: Rice root and wash brushes. Each will have a different effect on the hair coat and hide. The rice root brush is important for training the hair. Brush the hair forward with this one. The plastic wash brush is used when scrubbing the animal down. It is helpful for removing clumps of dirt and debris from the hair. Use it everywhere on the animal, and don't forget the 'arm pits'!



Combs: Called Scotch combs, these come in two varieties, Regular, and Fluffer. They are used when grooming the hair. Run them up and forward. Take note of how sharp the teeth are and be gentle on the animal's hide. The Fluffer version is similar but with more widely spaced teeth, which causes the hair to separate and fluff.

Blower: Used to dry your freshly washed animal, use it to train hair as you dry. If you can get one with a heating element, that's a bonus.



Clippers: So. Many. Clippers. One good pair that accepts different types of blades should be adequate. There is a convenience factor to having a second pair, but not all budgets permit that. Clippers come in cordless and corded. It's advisable to invest in a second battery with cordless to insure uninterrupted clipping. Cordless tend to be smaller and lighter and easier to handle for smaller or weaker hands. Corded are probably a little more powerful and usually have wider heads, which means more hair removed per swipe.



There are of course lots of hair care products you may experiment with as you work with your animal. For frequent shampooing, standard dish soap is recommended, as livestock shampoos are said to be very drying. Use the specialty livestock shampoos as you prepare to actually show your animal.



Editor's note: I am always asking our members to query their commercial buyers for feedback on how the Galloway influence is working out for them. What follows is the experience of Jody Kabat, Illinois, using Galloway bulls in his beef program. Thanks to Blegen Galloways for making this available.

Galloway for Crossbreeding

"My family runs a small herd of farm to table type cows. Originally, they were all Shorthorn show heifers, but eventually they became required to reproduce and become profitable once my 4H days came to end. It was believed the quickest way to add value and practicality to these cattle was turn them black hid- with an Angus bull. With the volatility of the cattle markets, we slowly drifted towards selling freezer beef as the main goal. Three years ago, a whole slew of events happened, but the main thing was needing a new herd bull. It was then confirmed that the freezer beef market was our future, and we needed to increase the quality of our red meat and decrease the costs to produce it.

Our operation consists of 100 percent forage-based cowherd, year-round- with mineral supplementation and protein tubs (because labor is hard to come by around here) when needed. Calves are not creep fed while nursing, and upon weaning are then still expected to grow on a forage-based diet, with supplemental grain. Feed is increased in the finishing stage, but still foraged based and not in a full feed situation. It's rare for us to feed our cattle a high-quality hay, and we generally choose the poorest quality hay we can muster up.

As many less than 30-year old's in this world; Facebook plays a major role in my life. I kept seeing photo after photo of these rugged made, big hiped, soggy black cattle from Montana. They had the look I wanted, and the practicality I needed based on what I was reading. Answers rolled in that made these cattle seem like the perfect fit for me, but there wasn't a lot of science or trial to back them up- and none locally to visit. I'm generally conservative, and it takes a lot to pursued me to drastic change and trying something new without the research to prove it, but none-the-less after a pile of questions, the Galloway breed was selected as the next step, and soon a Galloway bull was delivered to our door!

We purchased a $\frac{3}{4}$ Galloway herd bull from Harley Blegen to use on our cowherd, which was approximately half Shorthorn purebred, and half Shorthorn/ Angus crosses. We had a few main goals with the addition of the Galloway bull: 1- keep the cattle black (in case we had extras that needed marketed through the local sale barn), 2- keep birth weights/ calving ease in check because labor is limited, 3- create an easier keeping brood cow that can function and reproduce on average to poor quality grass through the summer/ poor quality hay through the winter, 4- improve the feed efficiency in our feedlot steers to decrease the days on feed, and put more muscle into these cattle for a better eating experience for our clients- so we can expand our sales.

Today, we've killed our first set of Galloway offspring, in record feedlot time that we have never experienced before with the Angus sired calves. Factly, the Galloway sired steers outgrew the older Angus sired steers and beat them to the package. Our first Galloway sired calf crop resulted in 100 percent male calves born, but the 2nd crop was almost all heifers- of which all will be retained. Those heifer calves are getting ready to be AI'd this winter, with the majority back to a purebred Galloway bull. We have a diverse cowherd, and I greatly appreciate the uniformity (and quality) found in this set of half siblings that we have never seen before while using Angus bulls.

I've enjoyed looking at the Galloway sired calves and feeding them as well. Compared to the Angus sired

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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!

Attention Annual Members:

If you are an Annual Member in good standing, your farm should be listed on the AGBA website under the Galloway Breeders tab. Go there and look! If your name and farm information are not listed, kindly send all pertinent information to **Richard Serr at raserr@aol.com**. Just the basics, look over a few of the other entries for the general idea of it. Also, if your address or email address change, contact Richard for website changes, and cc myself for changes to the Dispatch mailing list... renfarms@osprey.net

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