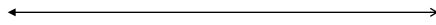


South Dakota Hereford Association



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I hope this newsletter finds you and your family well. Below are several dates to remember as well as info on upcoming events.

DakotaFest - August 21st - 23rd

We are looking forward to another great year at DakotaFest. Ticket requests are running ahead of the last few years and we will need everyone's help. If you are able to work please call, text or email Jeanne Johnson which day or days you are available to work. As a reminder, all members are asked to participate. Helping with DakotaFest is mandatory if you are selling at the Excellence Sale and/or the Watertown Winter Farm Show.

If you or any business you know is interested in pre-printed meal tickets for customers, please let me know and we can print and mail tickets to be handed out in advance of DakotaFest.

South Dakota State Fair - September 1

Hereford Day is Saturday, September 1st with the Open Show starting at 8:00 am. The South Dakota Excellence Sale Futurity and Steer and Heifer Specials will immediately follow. Check in for the futurity and specials will be Thursday, August 30th from 9:00 am - 11:00 am. The ultrasound for the steers will be from 8:00 am - 3:00 pm on Thursday, August 30th. We are always looking for volunteers to help with the show, please contact Jeanne if you are able to help. Enclosed is a copy of the rules the SDHA Board had adopted for the Steer and Heifers Specials.

SDHA Annual Meeting & Banquet - November 9th

The SDHA Annual Meeting & Banquet will be held on **November 9th**. The Annual Meeting will be held at 1:00 pm in the Animal Science Arena on the SDSU Campus in Brookings, SD. The SDHA Banquet will be held that evening at 6:00 pm. We are checking on a new venue option, please watch future mailings in case of a change.

SDHA Board Member Candidates

New board members will be selected at the Annual Meeting in November to fill vacancies left by outgoing board members. If anyone interested in running for the SDHA board of directors please contact Jeanne Johnson.

South Dakota Excellence Sale - November 10th

Enclosed is your invitation and entry form for the Excellence Sale held in conjunction with our Annual Meeting and Banquet. Please let me know if you would like to sell in the sale by **September 1st**. The deadline for pictures and entries is **September 5th**.

Junior Activities

- **Field Days** - The SD Junior Hereford Field Day was held on June 8th & 9th at the Tripp County Fairgrounds in Winner. There were 54 exhibitors showing 75 head, and several additional members participating in the speech, marketing and fitting contests. The SDJHA did a service project in conjunction with Field Day. The Junior members donated to help "Build A Box" for the McCrossan Boys Ranch. The youth at McCrossan Boys Ranch are planning to show the Herefords they are raising and this was a way to help get them some items to get the cattle ready. If you have any gently used equipment that you would be willing to donate please contact Jeanne.
- The SDJHA would like to give a huge **THANKS** the **Ollerich Brothers** for all of their hospitality at Field Day! All of the food and goodie bags were greatly appreciated by everyone! A big thanks also goes out to Craig, Dawn and Calah Covey for their work with helping set up the Fairgrounds and lining up judges. A great weekend was had by all!
- **South Dakota Summer Spotlight Show** - Was held in Huron July 27th & 28th. There were 59 exhibitors and 74 head of cattle.
- **National Junior Hereford Expo** - July 1st - 7th in Grand Island, NE. South Dakota was the Host State this year. Ryan Ollerich and the SDJHA would like to THANK everyone who helped and donated toward Junior Nationals! It was a great week in Grand Island. SD had 52 juniors and 68 head of cattle entered!
- **County Champions & Rate of Gain Champions** - If your child has a Hereford steer, heifer or feeder calf that is County Champion Over All Breeds at your County Fair this summer, he or she is entitled to a \$100 award from the SDHA. If your child has a Hereford that is the Over All County Rate of Gain Champion, he or she is entitled to a \$100 award from the SDHA. For further info on either of these awards, please contact Jeanne Johnson or visit www.southdakotaherefords.org for the required form. Please return this form along with a photo to receive your award.
- The **2018 Fall HYFA scholarship** applications are due September 1, 2018. Please go onto www.hereford.org for more information.

Thank you,
Jeanne Johnson