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GHA SPOTLIGHT:

Chinook Farm

CHINOOK FARM BARN

Chinook (shi nook) is an Indian word that is defined as a warm, dry wind that blows at intervals down the eastern slopes of the rocky mountains. Scott Parmiter, originally from northern British Columbia, Canada, grew up looking forward to the unique sound of these warm winter winds approaching over the mountains during 40 below zero temperatures. Chinook Farm, located in northwest Georgia just south of Calhoun in Gordon County, came into existence in 2003 and has been a place that Scott, like the Chinook winds, always looks forward to experiencing.

On the heels of the blizzard of the century in 1993, young Dr. Scott Parmiter visited Georgia for the first time to look into buying a dental practice in Calhoun. Perhaps the twelve inches of snow had something to do with his decision to purchase and develop his practice that he continues to grow and operate.

Since 2003 Chinook Farm has grown into a 300+ acre operation with a herd of over 50 registered Polled Hereford females in production, several up and coming bulls and heifers, and a herd of 20 commercial females used as recipis.

With help from fellow Hereford breeders and friends, the herd was assembled from animals purchased from JWR Land and Cattle, Circle M, Eric Walker, Grandview, TRM, Tommy Mead, the Georgia Hereford Association state sale, as well as a flush from the famous Remitall Catalina 24H. Genetics used on Chinook's females include many in the Remitall lineup— Online, 29F, Olympian, Patriot, Miami, Highway, Route 66, and Super Duty. Other A.I. sires include Wrangler 19D, BKR Triple Plus, and some of Tommy Mead's bulls – Easy Choice, Taylor Made, and Star Enyeto. Some of the favorite young females on the farm are P606 and Demolition daughters.

Chinook bulls have won the hometown Calhoun Bull Test each time they have been entered. In 2006 a Highway son

posted top gains and last year a Demolition son brought home the winning plaque. This year an Olympian embryo bull is entered in the test and is gaining well.

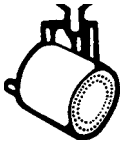
Ray Smitherman, an alumni from nearby Berry College, has been Chinook's farm manager since 2005. "We are a small but progressive operation with an aggressive A.I. and embryo program. For the last several years we have been building the herd and now is our time to see the fruits of our labor. I'm always excited when calving season starts, but I think this year will top any other here at Chinook."

Ray brings experience in agronomy as well as animal science

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Chinook Farm owner Scott Parrimeter (center) with Joe Chastain (right) and Ray Smitherman (left).



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that help in the operation and decision making process. "All farms have their challenges but here we seem to have a unique one that we are dealing with. With a relatively low cow per acre ratio, managing our pastures for optimum forage growth, and the efficiency of the Herefords, many in the herd can get in a pretty fleshy body condition. This has not caused many problems particularly with the last two years of drought although our bottom pastures with scattered trees help to lessen the sting of drought and intense heat."

In June of 2008 Chinook Farm hired Joe Chastain to develop and manage our new donor facility for client cattle. This is another progressive step where breeders can bring their donors and recipis for embryo transfer services. Cattle are set up to flush each month and October will be the third flush thus far. "Joe brings a wealth of knowledge, experience and resources to Chinook and we are proud to have him here."

Seth Penland, a student at Berry College and fellow Hereford enthusiast, has partnered with Chinook and leads their selected show cattle string. "We are fortunate that we met Seth and have him to give us a helping hand. It has turned into a good working relationship."

Paul Warmak, a student at Kennesaw State, manages the grounds around the farm. If you ever pass by Chinook Farm, you can't help but be in awe of its beauty and attention to detail. Scott comments, "They all work together to make the farm what it is. I have the privilege of being the owner but, with all of their hard work, they are what make it happen."

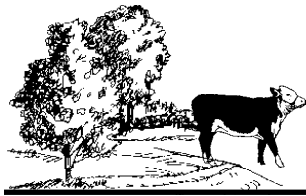
The farm motto "Granddad Would Be Proud" stems from



CCF Rose Buster 711 117M ET, Chinnok herd bull.

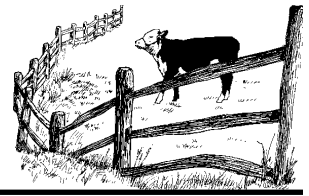
Scott's sentiments toward his late grandfather. "Granddad always had Herefords and through his trials, tribulations, and hard work he continuously loved and respected his cattle."

Grandfathers ironically were influential figures to Joe and Ray as well. Joe grew up working with his grandfather, who was a dairyman and beef cattleman in Blue Ridge. "He is the reason I do what I do and I am who I am." Ray grew up visiting his family's farm in central Florida and riding on a bushel crate in the feed truck while his "Gramps" religiously got up every morning before breakfast to feed cattle in the feedlot. Therefore, the motto is a fitting one for Chinook farm. "Granddads who love their family, land, and livestock can't help but spread their love to other generations and, without realizing it, they become heroes."



Down at the Sortin' Pen

By RANDY ROBERTS, President
Georgia Hereford Association



CHANGE IS IN THE AIR!

Fall is upon us and we find ourselves in that transitional period that will hopefully take us from the hot, dry days of this past summer to cooler, more moist days this winter.

This is normally a season where many producers will either be making preparations to plant some type of winter forage crop or they are already in the process of doing so.

The fall is normally a season that provides temperatures for everyone's taste. I hope that you find one that suits your taste.

LOOKING BACK

Since the last newsletter, the Hereford family has lost two more great friends and supporters.

Lucian Weltey, the long-time field man for our area, died after a long and exhausting battle with cancer. Our thoughts, our prayers, and our support go out to his family.

Phillip Heidt, of Heidt Family Farm, was tragically taken from our Hereford family when he and his son Carey were killed. His wife, Linda, was critically wounded in the same attack that took Phillip and Carey.

Death is a fact of life that we will all face some day. For some it will come sooner. For others it will come later. And the journey to that day will differ from person to person.

The journey for some will be unexpectedly short like it was for Phillip and for Wesley Rakestraw and his friends. For some like Lucian, the journey will be long and filled with ups and downs.

It will be filled with good days as well as bad.

In the end, it will claim us all, and we will all be remembered for the contributions that we made to our families and our fellow man.

It can truly be said that Philip, Lucian and Wesley left a lot to be remembered.

WE HOPE YOU LIKE THE CHANGE

The last issue of our newsletter marked the first combined issue of the newsletters for the Georgia Hereford Association and the Georgia Junior Hereford Association. We hope that you liked the change.

With the change, we will also be changing how the newsletter is delivered. Instead of each junior and each member of the GHA getting a newsletter we will be issuing one copy per household for those families that have one or more junior members and/or one or more adult members.

If your household receives more than one newsletter this time, please let either myself or Ray Hicks know. My e-mail address is FourRFarms@charter.net, and my phone number is 912-384-4349. Ray's e-mail address is rhicks@bulloch.com, and his phone number is 912-682-8670.

Just for thought:

It is dangerous to mistake our wishes for God's will.

Thank you to all who attended, bid or purchased at our Spring Production Sale

Michael Brewer, Henager, AL
Broken S Farms, Resaca, GA
Chinook Farms, Calhoun, GA
Claxton Farms, Weaverville, NC
Tim Cook, Burfordville MO
CSR Polled Herefords, Alapaha, GA
Camp Branch Farm, Manor, GA
DeShazer Cattle Co., Hearne, TX
Dinsmore Farms, Carnesville, GA
Jim Eastep, Mt. Jackson, VA
Forrest Polled Herefords, Saluda, SC
Grandview/CMR, Senetobia, MS
Eva Hammon, Hacksboro, TX
Heidt Family Farm, Springfield, GA
Jacob Holmes, Calhoun, GA
Mark Ingram, Madisonville, TN
JKM Land & Cattle, Dalton, GA
JWR Land & Cattle, Dallas, GA
Little Creek Farm, Ellijay, GA
Bryan McKinstry, Grant Park, IL
MCS Cattle Co., Elgin, OK

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Tanner Mooney, Commerce, GA
Notchey Creek Farm, Madisonville, TN
J. Taylor Neighbors, Americus, GA
Perks Ranch, Rockford, IL
PRM Polled Herefords, Ridgewater, VA
Red Hills Polled Herefords, Clinton, OK
Ridgeview Farms, Alto, MI
Don Ritchie, Crandall, GA
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Rockin W Polled Herefords, Schulenburg, TX
Ron Schmidt, Nichols, IA
Oakcrest Farm, Bells, TN
CES Polled Herefords, Wadley, GA
Star Lake Ranch, Skiatook, OK
Sara Stream, Charlton, IA
Touchstone Polled Herefords, Munfordville, KY
Triple P Farms, Beech Bluff, TN
Whaley Polled Herefords, Dalton, Ga
White Columns Farm, N. Augusta, SC

These sold in our sale



Grand Champion Hereford Heifer
Georgia National Fair
LPH Lexi 102P T40 ET
Shown by Krissi McCurdy



Grand Champion Hereford Steer
Georgia National Fair
Reload x L941
Shown by Jacob Holmes

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Random Thoughts

By Randy Roberts

FEEDING ROUND BALES WITHOUT A HAY RING

While there are many things that bother me, one of the things that occupies a place near the top is seeing a cattle producer feeding hay and not using a hay ring of some kind.

When they do not use a hay ring their animals usually waste way too much hay. And in these days of high production and transportation costs, we cannot afford to lose any of our valuable stored forage.

If you cannot afford a hay ring or you do not want to have to deal with a hay ring, here is a simple way to determine how much hay to put out so as to minimize waste and maximize consumption.

Dr. Don Ball, Extension Forage Specialist at Auburn, shared this with us several years ago. He says that you measure around the outside of a bale of hay. You then use the number of feet to determine how many rolls of hay you put out to how many cows.

For example, let's say that you had a roll of hay that measured 22 feet around the outside. You would then put out one roll of this hay for every 22 cows. Given how they would have to compete for this hay they should consume it quickly with a minimum of waste.

COW PATTIES

Another thing on my list of pet peeves is a pasture with a lot of accumulated cow patties. Kind of like the one by my house. That man, right now, this very minute, has ten cows, a bull, and two calves running on that little spot of pasture. His wife told him to do something about all the cow patties. And I will as soon as I have time.

Besides seriously, we all know what happens when a cow patty hits the ground. First, it must dry. Once it is completely dry, it will then slowly crumble and disappear.

In the meantime, the grass gets all green and grows tall. The only problem is that the feeding value of the grass declines as it grows and matures. What we then have is a spot of tall grass that the cows will not eat (who wants to eat it if it is growing up through a cow patty).

These patty piles are really no different than a weed like a musk thistle. They occupy a spot in the pasture and rob your cows of valuable grazing.

Besides robbing your cows of needed grazing, they are just plain ugly. They are especially ugly when they are seen in a pasture that has been grazed closely.

The quick and easy solution is to drag your pastures on a regular basis. And the good thing is that you do not have to go out and purchase a commercial pasture drag.

I have two pasture drags that I have made out of old truck tires. If your tire dealer is like mine, he will let you haul off just as many tires as you want to.

One of the drags is made out of five tires that came off of my F-350 pickup. It is what I call my light duty drag. The other one is made out of five tires that came off of a semi. It is what I call my "Heavy Duty Patty Smasher."

I put them together using heavy duty cable and some cable clamps. I have three across the back and two up front. All of the tires are attached to their neighbor with a cable. I then attached a piece of chain to the front two tires and use the loop in the center of the chain to hook it to my tractor.

Dragging my pasture does several things. One, it knocks down and spreads out the patties. In a small way, the decaying

patties will add phosphorus and potash back to the soil. Two, it spreads out the organic matter of the patties and helps increase the organic matter of the soil. By increasing the organic matter of the soil, you can increase the water holding capacity of the soil. It can also aid in fly control and helps with the control of internal parasites.

HALL OF FAME NOMINATIONS

Every year at our annual banquet in April, we honor a producer or producers that have had a lasting impact on the Hereford breed here in Georgia. Those producers then have their name added to the plaque located on one of the columns in the Court of Honor, located on the eastern side of the Georgia National Fairgrounds in Perry.

We ask you to think about those individuals that have contributed to the success and growth of Herefords. If you have someone that you want to nominate, please send their name to either Randy Roberts or Ray Hicks. These names will

then be presented to the Board for their consideration.

These names need to be sent to the Board by January 1, 2009.

A THOUGHT FOR THE FUTURE

I just wanted to share this with those producers that have access to peanut hay.

We have found that the best peanut hay is baled when the peanut vines that are left after the nuts are separated from them are not raked into windrows. Peanut hay that is raked and then rolled usually contains a greater amount of rocks, sand, and trash. Raking can also cause the leaves to be separated from the vines. These leaves are the major source of feeding value.

The need to rake the vines can be eliminated by placing a sheet metal panel on each side at the back of the peanut combine where the vines are discharged. They should be bent and set at such an angle that the vines fall out and form a neat windrow.

The round baler can then follow close behind the combine. Besides making a better, cleaner windrow of peanut vines, the use of these shields will eliminate the need for a tractor (and diesel fuel) and a rake.

HEREFORD SHIRTS AND HATS

As many of you know, we ordered and offered for sale shirts and hats this past summer that promoted the Georgia Hereford Association and the Hereford cattle. We still have shirts and caps available. However, the sizes of the shirts are limited.

We have been asked recently when or if we were again going to offer the shirts for sale.

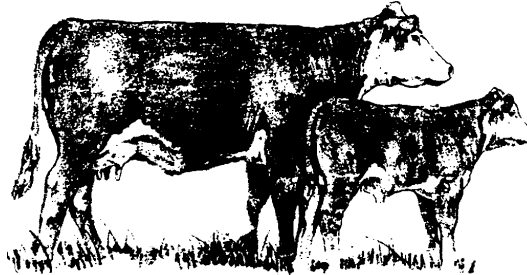
The people we got the shirts from said that in order to get additional shirts that we would have to order a minimum of 12.

If you are interested in shirts, I ask that you contact either Randy Roberts or Ray Hicks.

BEEF EXPO SALE

Now is the time to start thinking about consigning cattle to the annual sale we have during the Georgia Beef Expo. This is an excellent opportunity for producers with small herds to market some of their heifers, cows, and bulls.

Be watching for the letters that the Sale Committee will be sending out before too long.



SOP SLF VICTORIA 626 J83



The "J83" cow is one of the best cows ever to be at Honey Ridge. At 8.7 years of age she had a 365 day calving interval. On 6 calves her average weaning ratio was 108.8 and on 4 calves her average yearling ratio was 104. Her last calf was a bull who had an adj. 205 wt. of 646 and a wt. ratio of 106. Her strong Victor pedigree is stacked with great cows and bulls.

We have some excellent yearling bulls for sale including the son of J83 mentioned above.

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Hey ya'll!

I hope everyone had a safe trip home from Georgia National Fair and was successful in all of the shows throughout the past few months. I have settled into life at college; yet, as I get further and further into the school year, I find that I am missing one major part of my life.... my Hereford cattle!

I was privileged to be able to help out in the show ring for the junior show of the Georgia National and have to say that as a breed, our quality has definitely improved! As I observed all of the heifers you, the junior members, were exhibiting, I found that any one of your animals would be a welcome addition to anyone's herd. I have to say that I am impressed that we have gained that edge as a breed and have increased in numbers as well as quality.

As the fall has progressed, cows have or are dropping new baby calves to the ground. School is well under way for all of us, and I find myself preparing for my new goals with the Hereford Association for the next year. Plans for breeding, for field day, and for junior nationals have all been taking up space in my mind. I encourage each of you to set goals for yourself so that when the time comes you can meet your goals in stride! I plan on running for national board next summer and hope to have the help and support of each of you in my dream. I hope that each of you will set goals for yourself and not be afraid to go for them. Family and friends are always there for you and to help you in your pursuit of your goals and dreams, just as my family and friends have done for me over the years.

To close, I wish all of you a Happy Fall, good luck in the show ring in all of the shows you may be participating in, and a Merry Christmas!

Shelly Patton, President
Georgia Junior Hereford Association



Junior Dates to Remember

November 14

DNA Samples for State Steers, Calhoun, GA

November 15

DNA Samples for State Steers, Athens, GA

November 21-23

Southern Classic Cattle Show, Perry, GA

December 12-14

Wiregrass Winter Classic, Nicholls, GA

December 13

Heifers between the Hedges

December 14

BullDawg Showdown, Athens, GA

January 9-10

Moultrie Jackpot Cattle Show, Moultrie, GA

January 10

Jeff Davis Cattle Jackpot

January 24

MooMoo Classic, Sylvania, GA

January 24

Piedmont Area Cattle Show, Madison, GA

February 6 & 7

Waycross Exchange Club Cattle Show
Waycross, GA

February 18-22

State Livestock Steer and Heifer Show
Perry, GA

April 1-5

GCA Convention and Beef Expo, Perry, GA

May 1

GCCPA points due

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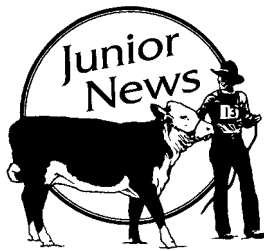
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Junior Show Results

Kiwanis Ogeechee Fair

Congratulations to Morgan Fondren for being named Reserve Grand Champion for All Other Breeds at the recent Kiwanis Ogeechee Fair by Judge Larry Varnedore. Congrats, also, to Ansley Brannen, who won Junior Showmanship, and a buckle bigger than she is, and to Whitney Sheppard who won the buckle for Senior Showmanship.



Southeast Georgia Jaycee Heifer Show

Judge Carole H. Brannen

Class 1 – 1st Joshua Meeks, 2nd Heather Scott,
3rd Matthew Meeks

Class 2 – 1st Clint Hall, 2nd Gabe Brogdon,
3rd Cole Brogdon

Class 3 – 1st Gabe Brogdon

Class 4 – 1st Cole Brogdon

Grand Champion – Gabe Brogdon, Class 3
Reserve Champion – Joshua Meeks, Class 1
Grand Champion – Gabe Brogdon, Class 3
Reserve Champion – Joshua Meeks, Class 1

2008 Coastal Empire Fair

Grand Champion Hereford Heifer for the Coastal Empire Fair went to Clint Hall, from Candler County. Reserve Champion Hereford was Brittany Long, from Effingham County. Judging was Will Cabe.



Congratulations to Sammie Williams, who was Grand Champion Hereford Heifer for both the Junior and Open Hereford Show with her September heifer, JWR P416 Garrett Belle 100T.

ADVISOR'S CORNER

Christmas will be here before you know it, and the State Show right on its heels. Many of you have heifers you will want to breed this fall. Be sure to talk to your parents, ag teacher, or county agent about picking out a great bull for your heifer. Don't forget, we recognize Bred & Owned heifers at the State Show now, as well as at Field Day, and Regional. We'll have a meeting and pizza party at State in February, so be looking for information on that.

Field Day will be at the Madison County Fair Grounds this year, so book your calendar for June 12 & 13. Also, if you are planning to go to Junior National this year (July 4 thru July 11 in Tulsa, OK), be sure to call Robin Mead at 706-554-6107 to reserve a room. She has a block of rooms at the Headquarters.

I'm trying to build up my email addresses for you juniors, so send me an email at rhicks@bulloch.com with yours, so I can send updates out to you quickly. I'm always looking for show results to publish, so be sure to send me yours.

Just for Today

Just for today I will live through the next 12 hours and not try to tackle all of life's problems at once.

Just for today I will improve my mind. I will learn something useful. I will read something that requires effort, thought, and concentration.

Just for today I will be agreeable. I will look my best, speak in a well-modulated voice, be courteous and considerate.

Just for today I will not find fault with friend, relative or colleague. I will not try to change or improve anyone but myself.

Just for today I will do two things I don't want to do, just for the exercise.

Just for today I will believe in myself. I will give my best to the world and feel confident that the world will give its best to me.

– Author Unknown

Ten Tips for Success

1. **Be yourself.** Cultivate desirable qualities.
2. **Be alert.** Look for opportunities to express yourself.
3. **Be positive.** Determine your goal and the route to it.
4. **Be systematic.** Take one step at a time.
5. **Be persistent.** Hold to your course.
6. **Be a worker.** Work your brain more than your body.
7. **Be a student.** Know your job.
8. **Be fair.** Treat the other man as you would be treated.
9. **Be temperate.** Avoid excess in anything.
10. **Be confident.** Have faith that cannot be weakened.

WHY do we press harder on a remote control when we know the batteries are almost dead?

WHY is it that whenever you attempt to catch something that's falling off the table you always manage to knock something else over?

WHY is it that no matter what color bubble bath you use the bubbles are always white?

Georgia National Fair • October 4, 2008 Open Show Winners



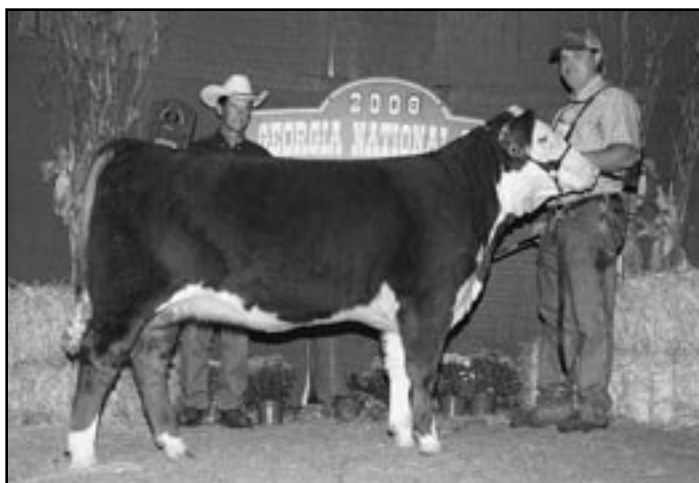
Grand Champion Hereford Bull at the 2008 Georgia National Fair Open Show was SMD Red Thunder M203 603ET, owned by Morgan Dinsmore, and exhibited by Dave Mooney. Also picture is Judge Mike McGuire, from Auburn, Alabama.



Reserve Champion Hereford Bull and Fall Bull Calf Champion at the 2008 Georgia National Fair Open Show was SM PMR Revolution M026, owned by Morgan Dinsmore, and exhibited by Dave Mooney. Also pictured is Judge Mike McGuire from Auburn, Alabama.



Grand Champion Hereford Heifer at the 2008 Georgia National Fair Open Show was JBK Miss Kooter 0705, owned by Morgan Dinsmore, and exhibited by Dave Mooney. Also picture is Judge Mike McGuire, from Auburn, Alabama.



Reserve Champion Hereford Heifer at the 2008 Georgia National Fair Open Show was SMD Ms Allie 425P, owned by Morgan Dinsmore, and exhibited by Dave Mooney. Also picture is Judge Mike McGuire, from Auburn, Alabama.



Shown in picture (L-R) are Georgia Hereford Association President Randy Roberts, Georgia Hereford Queen Mary Porter, and Georgia Hereford Association Secretary/Treasurer Ray Hicks.

GHA Represented at Sunbelt Ag Expo

The Georgia Hereford Association had a booth and cattle on display at the 31st Annual Sunbelt Ag Expo held October 14-16 in Moultrie, Ga. This is "North America's Premier Farm Show" that has attracted over 100,000 attendees each year.

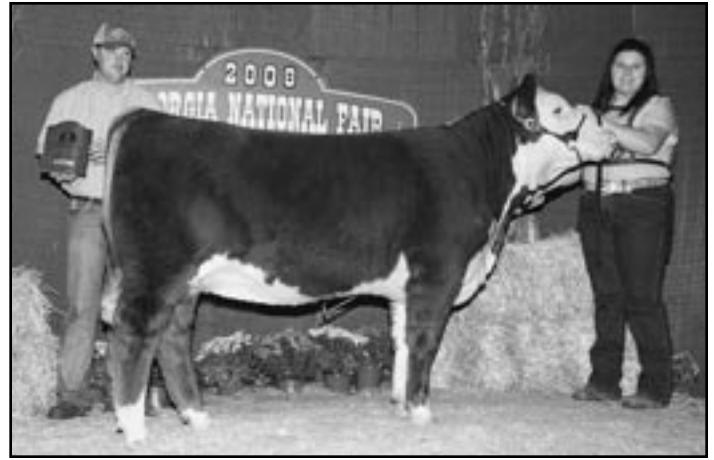
Your association manned an information booth talking about your cattle to many interested breeders and youth. On Wednesday, Mary Porter, Georgia Hereford Queen, was present to brighten up the booth. The just printed membership directory and informational material from the American Hereford Association was handed out.

Many thanks to JC3 Farm, Payton Crawford Family, and Four R Farms, Randy Roberts Family, for providing a bull and steer to have on display during the Ag Expo. Also thanks to Randy Roberts, Mary Porter, Taylor Neighbors, and Ray Hicks for working the booth those three days.





Krissi McCurdy is shown holding her Grand Champion Hereford Heifer, LPH Lexi 102P T44 ET, at the 2008 Georgia National Fair. Also pictured is Seth Ridley, from Leonard Polled Herefords, and Judge Doug Parrett, from Illinois



Morgan Dinsmore is shown holding her Reserve Grand Champion Hereford Heifer, SMD Ms Allie 425 P 755 ET, at the 2008 Georgia National Fair. Also pictured is Dave Mooney, from Dinsmore Farms.

Georgia National Fair • October 4, 2008 Hereford Heifer Show

Georgia Juniors looked great this year at this year's Georgia National Fair. Dr. Doug Parrett, from Illinois, worked hard to sort out 42 beautiful Hereford heifers in five classes, but earned his pay, as he found Krissi McCurdy's December heifer, LPH Lexi 102P T44 ET, as his Grand Champion Hereford Heifer, from Class 2. Morgan Dinsmore's November heifer, SMD Ms Allie 425P 755 ET, was named Reserve Grand Champion Hereford Heifer. Congratulations to all junior exhibitors for a job well done. You looked Marvellous!!!

Class 1 – Bo Corbett 1st, Krissi McCurdy 2nd, Andrew Chastain 3rd, Cody Smith 4th, Heather Scott 5th, Rachael Laverenz 6th, Jacob Chastain 7th, Karen Roberts 8th, and Karen Roberts 9th.

Class 2 – Krissi McCurdy 1st, Cody Smith 2nd, Shelby Lee 3rd, Kari Dylong 4th, Casey Chastain 5th, Cole Brogdon 6th, Britton Poole 7th, Jessica Gray 8th, Dean Hopper 9th.

Class 2B – Clint Hall 1st, Krissi McCurdy 2nd, Taylor Moore 3rd, Dana Patterson 4th, Christopher Campbell 5th, A. C. Talton 6th, Taylor Hand 7th, Karllie Hopper 8th.

Class 3 – Morgan Dinsmore 1st, Hunter Grayson 2nd, Kari Dylong 3rd, Tyler Turnquist 4th, Hannah Roberts 5th, Sabrina Jones 6th, Sarah Robinson 7th, Cheyenne Frady 8th.

Class 3B – Morgan Fondren 1st, Hunter Grayson 2nd, Gabe Brogdon 3rd, Kari Dylong 4th, Cody Ellis 5th, Kam Childers 6th, Cheyanne Childers 7th, Molly Jones 8th.



Jacob Holmes is shown holding his Grand Champion Hereford Steer, weighing 822 pounds, at the 2008 Georgia National Fair. Also pictured is Seth Ridley and Krissi McCurdy, from Leonard Polled Herefords.



Christopher Hart is shown holding his Reserve Grand Champion Hereford Steer, weighing 724 pounds, at the 2008 Georgia National Fair. Also pictured is Andrew Chastain, from A & K Farms.

Georgia National Fair • October 4, 2008 Hereford Steer Show

Sunday found Dr. Alan Miller, from Illinois, hard at work, to place the steers at the Georgia National Fair. The Hereford Steer Show had 14 really strong entries. Congratulations to Jacob Holmes, who led the Grand Champion Hereford Steer from Class 2, weighing 822 pounds. Christopher Hart led the Reserve Grand Champion Hereford Steer out of Class 1, weighing 724 pounds. Great job to everyone!!!

Class 1 – Christopher Hart 1st, Cheyenne Frady 2nd, Jake Duncan 3rd, and Jake Duncan 4th.

Class 2 – Jacob Holmes 1st, Kam Childers 2nd, Hunter Grayson 3rd, Thomas Wilson 4th, Ben Duncan 5th.

Class 3 – Chelsea Lynn 1st, Krissi McCurdy 2nd, McKenzie Powell 3rd, Hannah Roberts 4th, Morgan Fondren 5th.

Georgia Poll-ettes

Greetings from South Georgia! Hope all is going well with you. We received a much needed rain (four inches) last Thursday night, Friday and Friday night.



A GREAT BIG THANK YOU to Starr Whaley!!! She has served as NOP Director from Area 10 for the past four years. We really appreciate Starr and all that she has done to help and support the Georgia Poll-ettes. Starr has given of her time, talents, money, and above all, herself, to make the Georgia Poll-ettes a better organization on both the state and the national level. Thank you Starr!!!!

Activities planned for the Georgia Poll-ettes in the coming year will be the Beef Expo, and Field Day. The Beef Expo will be held in April in Perry, and we will be serving coffee, lemonade, and cookies. Plan to bring your favorite cookies. Then in June, we will need cookies and other deserts at Field Day. Please make plans to attend the sale and help with the hospitality booth. I do hope that you will plan to attend both events and bring your favorite cookies and desert. I am counting on your help!

Don't forget to check out the Georgia Hereford website at www.georgiahereford.org. Lots of good information located on the site. If you have an email address, please send it to Kay McCurdy, Debbie Pease, or myself. We would like to have you listed on our website.

If you have questions, email or call. Hope you have a wonderful Thanksgiving and Christmas. Truly God has blessed us and we have much to be thankful for, and much to celebrate during the upcoming holiday season!! See you in the New Year!

THANK YOU

Dear Georgia Poll-ettes,

I would like to thank you for selecting me for the Waunell Strickland Scholarship, given at the GHA Field Day. I sincerely appreciate you taking the time to interview possible candidates. This was a good experience for me and I am grateful for the confidence you bestowed upon me to use this money to further my education. This scholarship will be very helpful when I begin my sophomore year at Waycross College on Aug. 17. Thank you for providing students with this opportunity.

Again, thanks.
Mindi Deas



Mary Porter (right), Georgia Polled Hereford Queen, is shown here with the National Polled Hereford Queen, Lindsay Bielema of Michigan.

Hot Cocoa

- ½ cup sugar
- ¼ cup cocoa
- Pinch of salt
- ½ cup water
- 4 cups milk
- ¼ teaspoon Vanilla extract
- Marshmallows (optional)



Combine sugar, cocoa and salt in a heavy saucepan. Add water and bring to a boil over medium heat, stirring constantly. Stir in milk and heat thoroughly (do NOT boil). Stir in vanilla. Serve hot cocoa immediately with marshmallows if desired. Yield: 4½ cups.

This recipe was submitted by Kay McCurdy of Leonard Polled Herefords in Chatsworth, Georgia. This would make a delicious drink to sip while sitting by the fire on a cold night, just before you head out to check cows. Enjoy!

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Mary Porter, Georgia Polled Hereford Queen, at the Junior National Hereford Expo in Kansas City, MO in July.

Durana White Clover – “A Workhorse, Not a Showhorse”

By Wayne Tankersley
Forage Agronomist

Some years back, a popular South Georgia legislator ran for governor with a campaign slogan theme titled “A workhorse – not a showhorse.” The slogan implied that the candidate may not have as much glitz as some of his opponents, but none of them would outwork him.

When it comes to Pennington’s Durana white clover, I can think of no better way to describe it than to use this same old gubernatorial campaign slogan. There may be clovers that appear to establish more quickly and produce more forage early on, but none can match Durana’s durability, environmental toughness and persistence.

In developing Durana, former UGA plant breeder Joe Bouton set forth to find a clover



Durana white clover emerges and immediately sends down a long taproot that helps insure plant vigor and survival.

that would compete and persist under varying weather conditions and real world farm pasture management systems. He wanted a perennial “workhorse” clover that could tolerate drought, heat and heavy grazing and also compete with existing pasture forages used throughout the U.S.

Durana’s growth habits are different than annual clovers and ladino types of clover. It emerges, sends down a deep taproot and then begins forming a network of stolons that spread along the soil surface. The plant pegs down at each node to form a series of sub-plants that

produce an abundance of new leaf mass. Each so-called peg develops into a root system that enhances water and nutrient uptake by the plant and also prevents the plant from being uprooted by heavy livestock grazing. While other clovers initially may seem more productive with taller growth and larger leaves, Durana’s thick stolon mass (97 stolons/sq. ft. compared to 52/sq. ft. for ladino) is producing an abundance of leafy, nutritious forage while at the same time better competing for nutrients and water with the existing pasture forage. This unique growth habit makes Durana a real “workhorse” clover with unmatched persistence and toughness.

Adding to Durana’s reputation as a “workhorse” clover is the fact that it is the only perennial white clover recommended for use with summer perennial grasses such as bermuda and bahia. It also tolerates lower pH and a wider range of soil types than other clovers. Durana has a wide geographic area of adaptation including the Northeast, Upper Midwest, Lower and Upper South and parts of the Western U.S.



While annual clovers such as Crimson (r) appear impressive with large leaves and robust plants, Durana (l) forms a mat of productive forage that provides grazing for 8-10 months year after year.

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Hall of Fame

Guidelines for Nominations:

- Must have been a member of State Association for a minimum of five years.
- Letter of nomination from two Georgia Hereford Association members.
- Completion of recommendations form listing nominee's accomplishments.
- Review of nominations and selection of honoree will be made by committee of State Association President, Board member, and one Association member.
- Nominations must be made by December 31 each year to be recognized at annual meeting.

Nominees will be recognized at annual meeting in April. Name will be placed on Hall of Fame Plaque displayed at the State Cattleman Building. In addition, a plaque will be given to recipient.

I would like to nominate _____ into the Georgia Hereford Association

Hall of Fame for the year _____. The reasons that I feel _____ should be considered are:

- _____
- _____
- _____
- _____
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- _____

_____ has been a member of the Georgia Hereford Association for _____ years

and has benefitted the Association by: _____

Feel free to use additional sheets and attach to this form.

Nomination form is due by December 31st to:

**Ray Hicks
660 Seaburn Vickery Road
Statesboro, GA 30461**

Past Recipients in the GHA Hall of Fame:

- 2004: J. E. Strickland
- 2006: Mitch Worsham, R. L. Swearingen, Jr., Howard Sheppard
- 2007: E. D. Raulerson
- 2008: James Hadden

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

- Nov. 7. . . . Bull Power Sale, 12:00 p.m.
Bulls Consigned by Innisfal Farm
Madison, GA, and
Partisover Ranch, Colbert, GA
- Nov. 16. . . . North American International
Livestock Exposition
Junior Hereford Show
Louisville, KY
- Nov. 19. . . . Bluegrass States Heifer Sale
Louisville, KY
- Dec. 6 Whaley Polled Herefords
"An Affair To Remember III"
Dalton, GA
- Dec. 13 . . . South Carolina Hereford
Association Sale
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- Feb. 10. . . . Deadline for Georgia Hereford
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GHA Website Update

As you have noticed, our GHA website is undergoing some changes. The goal of our association is to have a website that is informational to our members and be used as a marketing tool for our members. This will be an ongoing process over the next several months. We also would like for each of you to make sure we have your email address in our database. If you have not been receiving news and information via email, please send us your email address. We want to make sure that we have everybody's address because there are times we need to contact our membership in a timely manner. We have found that this system works really well. Your input and suggestions are greatly appreciated. This is your website and we want to make sure that we are using it to its fullest potential for our members.

Below are some of our goals and ways you can help us meet those goals.

- To list every farm by name, mailing address and email and website address on our GHA webpage. If you would send this information to me, I would greatly appreciate it.
- To have a database of email addresses for all our members— GHA, Pollette and Junior members. Please email your address to me if you have not been receiving news via email.
- To list your "Cattle for Sale" on our webpage. This will be a great marketing tool for our members. There will be NO COST to GHA members. We have decided to use the same format at the Market Bulletin and will accept 1-2 pictures to go with the ad.
- If you have an upcoming sale, we want to list it on our website along with a link to your catalog.
- Any news that you would like to have listed, please let us know. Weddings, new babies, etc. We all like to hear about our GHA family.

This is just a beginning for our website. If you have any ideas or suggestions, please do not hesitate to let us know. Also, if you would send the information requested above to me at herefords@alltel.net.

Thank you so much,
Kay McCurdy

NEED YOUR HELP

By Randy Roberts

One of the many visitors that we had at our booth at the Sunbelt Expo was Michael Raulerson, the grandson of Mr. E.D. Raulerson of Briar Creek Farm.

During his time in the business, Mr. E.D. was one of the top breeders of Polled Herefords in the United States. Cattle carrying the "EDR" prefix were valued for their performance and their production.



Michael is asking for our help. He has been trying to put together some females that trace back closely in their pedigrees to his grandfathers EDR cattle. In fact, he calls his farm down in Central Florida, Briar Creek Farm, in honor of his grandfather.

Michael is interested in trying to find any EDR semen that someone might have stored in their semen tanks.

If he can find semen, he wants to breed some of the cows he has gathered to EDR bulls to try to put together a small herd of cows strong in EDR genetics.

If you have any semen or might know anyone that might have some of this semen; or even someone he could contact, please let him know.

Michael's address is:

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From the Editor

The weather is beautiful in Commerce, Georgia today. It's Friday, and Fall, and that means high school football. As many of you know, football is a passion of mine what makes it even more passionate is my son Taylor is starting left tackle this year for the Commerce Tigers. I consider this a point of pride because I too played for the Commerce Tigers many years ago and my son is carrying on a tradition. And as of Friday night, with a 21-7 win over a strong region opponent, "God willing and the creek don't rise," Commerce will make it into the playoffs another year. How far the team goes is up to them, but any Friday night's a good night as long as it is spent under the lights. But I digress, this is a cattle magazine and Hereford cattle is another passion of mine.

I have been editing this newsletter for some time now and have just completed work on the updated Georgia Directory (soon to be mailed). I hope you find the directory useful and I want to thank all of the advertisers, contributors, *Hereford World*, Georgia Poll-ettes, cattlemen of all ages, Georgia Hereford Association, and the printers. As you know, it takes an organization to pull together any directory. Without all of these contributions,

compiling the directory and generating advertisement for the Hereford cattle would not be possible.

In the past few years there have been some changes to the newsletter. A few color pages here and there, educational articles submitted by various cattlemen, cattlemen, and the juniors. All of these contributions make a more effective newsletter. Please continue providing these informational pieces and possibly a few more color pages. If there are further additions that should be made, please contact Debbie Hicks, Ray Hicks, or myself.

Keep sending in articles, ads, and news from the Juniors and the Poll-ettes. Keep volunteering, renewing and initiating membership in the GHA, showing cattle, attending board meetings, and raising Hereford cattle. Again, thanks to everyone for your help and continued support and look for the Commerce Tigers in the win column.

Bill Sims
Editor



Will Rogers says...

Will Rogers, who died in a plane crash with Wylie Post in 1935, was probably the greatest political sage this country has ever known. Enjoy the following.

1. Never slap a man who's chewing tobacco.
2. Never kick a cow chip on a hot day.
3. There are two theories to arguing with a woman... neither works.
4. Never miss a good chance to shut up.
5. Always drink upstream from the herd.
6. If you find yourself in a hole, stop digging.
7. The quickest way to double your money is to fold it and put it back in your pocket.
8. There are three kinds of men: The ones that learn by reading. The few who learn by observation. The rest of them have to pee on the electric fence and find out for themselves.
9. Good judgment comes from experience, and a lot of that comes from bad judgment.
10. If you're riding ahead of the herd, take a look back every now and then to make sure it's still there.
11. Lettin' the cat outta the bag is a whole lot easier 'n puttin' it back.
12. After eating an entire bull, a mountain lion felt so good he started roaring. He kept it up until a hunter came along and shot him. The moral: When you're full of bull, keep your mouth shut.

Make Plans to Consign Cattle Starting Today!

Georgia Hereford Sale



April 3, 2009 – Banquet
April 4, 2009 – Sale, 12 Noon

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