

# US BELTIE NEWS



## PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE



### President Jack Bagley

Greetings from an unusually mild winter (so far) in Virginia. But, as I write this, we are expecting a major snow storm.

I hope all BGS members are well and following good health practices. I would also like to

welcome all our recent new members of BGS who may be receiving their first US Beltie Newsletter!

In my last letter, I outlined my goals as your new President. One of them was to review the bylaws of the Society. I have asked Greg Hipple, Michelle Ogle, Executive Director (Vic Eggleston) who are all Past Presidents of the Society, to engage in this effort with a set of proposed recommendations to be completed in six months.

I have also asked them to review the Rules and Regulations (Code of Conduct) of the Society. There have been some recent instances brought to the Council's attention where it seems the Rules have been ignored. The Society is only successful in its goals if all members abide by the same code of conduct.

It is important to all membership to know who our leadership and Council members and Committee Chairs

are within the Society. They are listed on page 2 in this newsletter. Also, please help me welcome new Council Member Tommy Fey (TX). His short biography can be found on page 3.

It has also been my initiative while starting this role to learn more about our new membership and connect them with our current membership as seamlessly as possible. You will find a new section in every newsletter called "New Member Spotlight" where we will interview new members in efforts to get to know them better and encourage their participation in Society activities.

I also plan on including a section dedicated to news that is coming from each of our regional organizations across the country. I hope that we can learn from each other and be inspired in different ways to continue to promote the beltie breed! Each regional group will have a feature in upcoming issues.

I also had some preliminary discussions with Jayde about some new features in the US Beltie News, including the idea of "Letters to the Editor." Letters should be no more than 125 words and should avoid personal criticism of members and maintain civility.

As you can tell, lots of ideas underway. Comments welcome.

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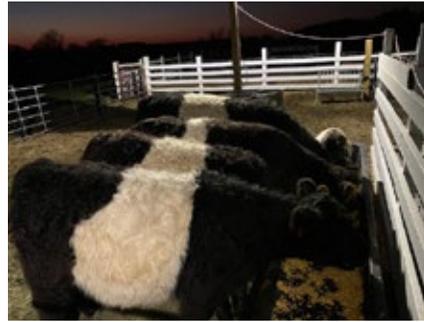
## NEW COUNCIL MEMBER



Tommy Fey (TX) grew up raising cattle as 4-H and FFA projects and became interested in Belted Galloways when he purchased one as a Christmas present for his wife. They have been raising Belties since 2010 at Silver Tin Ranch in Texas. They immediately wanted more Belties and their herd has grown ever since. Fey says the breed has wonderful characteristics and he has enjoyed becoming acquainted with fellow Belted Galloway breeders over the years. Fey has served the Southwest Belted Galloway Association as a Director for 6 years including Vice President and President positions. He also has a passion for showing cattle which includes assisting youth with their show cattle prospects. "I know that showing is not for everyone but it provides great exposure for the public to become familiar with the breed." says Fey. Fey recently began his own hoof trimming business and travels across Texas serving the needs of area cattlemen and cattlemen. Hoof trimming has allowed him to develop stronger connections with youth and answer their questions on showing their animals.

## NEW MEMBER SPOTLIGHT

### ZACK AND MONICA SOTTOS



Wild and Free Acres is situated in Geneseo, IL consisting of 36 acres of mostly pasture and some timber. Zack along with his wife, Monica, and six kids live on

this property. They decided this past year instead of renting the pasture out to the local cattle farmer to buy and raise our own cattle. After much research, we decided that the Belted Galloway breed best fit our needs. We purchased three heifers in May of 2020. We were happy with our purchase and liked seeing the belties in the pasture (the neighbors did too!) We plan to increase our herd size slowly. Our goal is to have 10 good quality cows and one bull on the farm. We just recently purchased a bull from Terry and Julie Willis at Sunnybrook Farms. We joined the BGS to network with a group of breeders that have access to selling and purchasing Belted Galloways and to keep informed about the breed.

#### REMINDER:

Dues notices were mailed by the CLRC for 2021. Please pay your Society dues to ensure that your services and correspondence are not interrupted!

## HYPOTRICHOSIS TEST RESULTS

Affected cattle have partial absence of hair at birth over parts of the body: often on the poll, brisket, neck and legs. The hair can be very short, fine, or kinky that may fall out leaving bare spots, and the tail switch can be underdeveloped. Affected animals can be more vulnerable to environmental stress, skin infections, pests, sunburn, cold stress, and have a decreased economic value. Information summary from VHL Genetics.

More information can be found at [beltie.org](http://beltie.org) under articles.

HYPOTRICHOSIS TESTT RESULTS			
Year	# Tested	# Carriers	% Carriers
2015-16	102	22	21.60%
2017	93	14	15%
2018	108	16	15%
2019	189	17	8.90%
2020	208	16	8%

# A.H. CHATFIELD JR. MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION

Pat Hipple, Scholarship Committee Chair

The 2021 A. H. Chatfield, Jr., Memorial Scholarship applications are available. Three \$1000 scholarships are awarded annually. Forms may be requested from Executive Director, Victor Eggleston, Phone (608) 220- 1091; email: [executivedirector@beltie.org](mailto:executivedirector@beltie.org) or may be accessed at [www.beltie.org](http://www.beltie.org).

The recipients must meet the following criteria:

1. Be a member of the Belted Galloway Junior Association, the Belted Galloway Society Inc., or be a child or grandchild of a BGS member;
2. Be either a graduating high school senior or a college student, or be enrolled in an advanced education program;
3. Submit the completed application form along with a written essay explaining why you are the best possible candidate for the scholarship.

Added consideration will be given to applicants enrolled in animal/agriculture-related courses, and those experienced with Belted Galloway cattle.

Extracurricular and out-of-school activities will also be taken into consideration. Completed applications must be submitted to Executive Director, Victor Eggleston, N8603 Zentner Rd., New Glarus, WI 53574, and must be postmarked by April 30, 2021.

## Lease Agreements

1. All cattle to be exhibited by a junior member must be leased, or owned/co-owned, by the junior member, and on file with the CLRC, 60 days before the junior show.
2. Exhibitor points will be awarded to the lessee of the animal.
3. If animal is shown under the lessee one day of a multiple day show, the animal must continue to be exhibited under the lessee for the duration of the entire show. The lease cannot be terminated halfway through an event. The owner of the leased animal may use the animal for group classes.
4. Lease fees are waived for juniors members.

## GET READY FOR CALVING



by Heather Conrow, University of Missouri Livestock Extension Specialist.

The success of calving season starts long before the arrival of the firstborn calf.

USDA's National Animal Health Monitoring System conducted a beef cow-calf study in 2017 and 2018. The study involved producers in 24 states representing more than 70% of beef cows in the U.S.

Results from the questionnaire found nearly all calves (97.7%) were born alive. The percentages of calves born alive to heifers and to cows were similar across herd sizes, but a higher percentage of calves were born alive to cows.

Since 55.6% of calves were born in February, March or April, for most producers, calving is right around the corner. Now is the time to prepare.

### Keep cows in condition

Producers should walk through the spring-calving herd and determine animals' body condition scores.

Beef cattle are scored from 1 (thin, emaciated) to 9 (fat, obese). Mature cows need a BCS of 5, while first-calf heifers need to be at a score of 6 going into calving.

If cows are not in calving condition, a supplement with higher-quality feed is needed so animals can gain

# GET READY FOR CALVING

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condition prior to calving. In most situations, if 20% of cows have a BCS of 3 or 4 and the other 80% have a BCS of 5 or greater, then separate and feed accordingly.

Feeding cows and heifers prior to calving does not cause calving difficulties. Increasing BCS from 4 to 6 does not increase dystocia rates but will increase rebreeding rates from 50% to 96% (in a 65-day breeding season). Producers should also make sure plenty of feed is readily accessible near the calving area.

## Stock delivery area

Calving equipment and supplies need to be obtained and gathered into one location prior to the start of the season.

The calving barn and equipment should be clean and in good working condition. A calving toolbox or bucket should include a clean bucket, disinfectant, liquid soap, lubricant, obstetric gloves, chains, handles, paper towels or towels, and calf ear tags and tagger. A calf jack is beneficial if it is used properly.

Producers also should make sure medications and colostrum are on hand.

## Colostrum replacement or supplement

A calf with inadequate colostrum intake is 10 times more likely to get sick or die than a calf that gets enough colostrum.

When it comes to colostrum, remember the three Q's: quality, quantity and quickly; or the five C's: colostrum, calories, comfort, cleanliness and consistency.

Colostrum is the first milk and contains antibodies, energy, and immunological cells and compounds. The immune system response of calves is competent at birth; however, it has no antibodies to fight infection.

Colostrum must be ingested by newborn calves within six hours of birth to acquire satisfactory passive immunity. Hand-feeding colostrum may be necessary for calves that experienced difficult births or have not nursed within the first four hours.

Like the product names indicate, colostrum

replacers are used to replace colostrum, meaning they are used instead of colostrum; supplements are used to supplement, or used in conjunction with, maternal colostrum intake.

## Help deliver calves

A knowledge of normal parturition, or the birthing process, is imperative to know what is abnormal.

Producers should be familiar with the stages of labor and the length of each stage, the difference between cows and heifers, the different calf presentations, and how to assist if needed. Producers should not rely on internet searches to answer questions when time is of the essence to get a live calf on the ground.

Reviewing when and how to assist a cow having a difficult birth and knowing when to call a veterinarian for assistance is a must for a successful calving season.

Normal delivery should be completed in one to two hours after the water sac appears. In normal presentations, the front feet should appear after the water bag, and the hoof will be down. If a first-calf heifer has not calved within one to one and a half hours after the water sac, help may be needed.

A successful calving season begins at breeding with the selection of the bull and continues with proper nutrition and management during gestation, and especially three to six months prior to the start of calving. Now is the time to prepare mentally and physically for the arrival of baby calves.



# FOR SALE

**OK-** Five registered black beltie heifers and two registered black beltie bulls. The heifers are a year old, beautifully marked with excellent dispositions and all were sired by FSB Wiga's Zopman 35956-B, a fantastic bull from Aldermere and Anderson Hill genetics and is for sale. He's a very special bull we would love to keep, but have opted to retain some of his heifers and need to find a new home for him. You will not be disappointed with this bull. Also for sale is Rainbow Valley Bojangles 45033-B, a 3 year old bull sired by Wiga's Zopman as well. He is a proven breeder, DNA verified, gentle and beautifully marked, very reminiscent of his sire. For more info, please contact Doug and Barbara Swindell, Rainbow Valley Ranch, Wellston, OK. call 405-659-8731 or email [doug@eatonquade.com](mailto:doug@eatonquade.com).

**MD-** Herd dispersal – 40 mothers and offspring. Aldermere, Fearington and Driftwood progeny. Membership number 5391381, Jarrettsville, MD. Call Ben Hoffman, 954-531-5360

**TX-** Sixteen-month-old Belted Galloway heifer for sale FNF Jaylo 45140-B. Contact Tom Neuendorff, 5NFarms, Fayetteville, TX at [fivenfarms@gmail.com](mailto:fivenfarms@gmail.com) phone (979) 966-2996.

**MO-** Shadow Wood Banner 44781-B born 2/6/19 for sale. Promising looking build and showing considerable interest in the ladies. Raised on grass and our own on farm produced hay. We are still building our Galloway herd so would also consider trading him for a heifer. Shadow Wood Ranch is located in the Ozarks in Bruner MO. Contact Daniel Brawn at (417) 551-3710 or [shadow.wood.ranch@gmail.com](mailto:shadow.wood.ranch@gmail.com).

**SC-** Walker Cattle Company has three registered young bulls, ready to work. 44, black and white, 45432-B, DOB 5/25/18, ready to work. 43, black and white, 45433-B, DOB 6/1/19, ready to work. 76, black and white, 45434-B, DOB 6/18/19, ready to work. All have nice belts

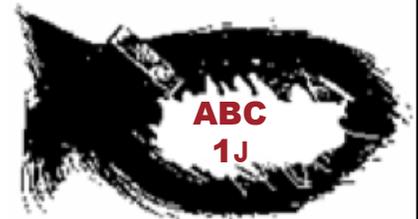
and excellent bloodlines. Gentle disposition with outstanding feet and legs. Definite eye appeal. Photos available upon request. Jimmy and Cammy Walker, Walker Cattle Company, Greenville, SC. [walkercattlecompanysc@gmail.com](mailto:walkercattlecompanysc@gmail.com) or call (864) 561-0199.

**IA-** Wagner Farms, Tipton, IA is offering an outstanding 3 yr old red bull Eagle's Talon ( AI ) 41278-R for sale. Contact Kathy or Mike Wagner at [wagnersbeltedgalloways@gmail.com](mailto:wagnersbeltedgalloways@gmail.com) or call (563) 357-6992 for more info.

## Tattoo Year Code

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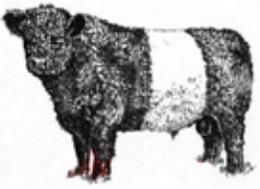


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**ISO Beltie Breed Photos!**

The Newsletter needs your help in staying fresh with new Beltie breed photos for cover art. Photos should be general belted galloway cattle photos. Photos can be submitted to [beltienews@gmail.com](mailto:beltienews@gmail.com).

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# CALENDAR REMINDERS

## 2021 National Belted Galloway Sale- May 1st & 2nd

National Belted Galloway Sale will be hosted by the New England Galloway Group, during the weekend of May 1st. It will be held at the Eastern States Exposition in West Springfield, MA.

## IMPORTANT ANNOUNCEMENT:

A transaction fee of \$10 needs to be added to any submission of applications (membership, transfers, registration) to CLRC. CLRC has received an increasing number of applications without the \$10 fee. As it is, each unpaid handling fee is costing BGS \$11.

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8:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. Eastern Time, Monday to Friday.  
Lisa may also be reached from 4:00 to 6:00 p.m. from Monday to Wednesday and until 5:30 p.m. on Thursday. She is not in the office on Friday, but Caleigh is still available to assist you that day.

**Reminder: Any application (membership, transfers, registration, etc.) submitted to CLRC will receive a \$10 transaction fee.**

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