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# US Beltie News



THE OFFICIAL PUBLICATION OF THE BELTED GALLOWAY SOCIETY, INC.

# It's Official — Birthweight Data Reporting

## Louisville Information

The National Belted Galloway Show and The Belted Galloway Premium Sale are fast approaching. We expect to have a fabulous showing of cattle and a genetically diverse consignment of cattle, semen and embryos. It will be an event all Belted Galloway breeders will not want to miss.

We are currently looking for sponsorships to fund awards and administrate our show. Sponsors will be able to display their farm business cards in our hospitality area and will be acknowledged in the show catalog and during the show. (Sponsorship levels are as follows: \$35 for Classes, \$50 for Divisions, \$100 for Reserve Champions and \$150 for Grand Champions) Mail your contributions to: Dr. Victor Eggleston, N8603 Zentner Road, New Glarus, WI 53574.

For those interested in lodging, a block of 20 rooms, for up to 4 nights at a rate of \$89, have been reserved at the Airport and Expo, La Quinta Inn and Suites, 4126 Preston Highway, Louisville, KY 40213. Code: Beltie Cows. Phone (866) 477-0007 or (508) 375-1617.



President Ron Howard

Attending our local and regional fairs recently, I was reminded of one of their original purposes. Years ago, county fairs were one of the primary methods for farmers to compare their livestock and crops in order to learn about what seemed to work

best. Today's fairs and exhibitions still serve that purpose, but there are still other ways for us as breeders to share information about our livestock's performance.

Our Breed Performance committee recognized early on that tracking and reporting weights and measurements would be an important step for our Society to take as a service to our members. For the time being, this would not be for the purpose of creating EPD's as other major breeds have done, but rather to begin the process and learn more about what our members want and need for data.

To that end, we have worked with CLRC to begin the process of collecting and reporting birthweight data on their website. Exact details on how you can participate will be coming out soon and we hope you will find it useful.

We have included the Annual General Meeting Agenda in this issue. Please join us in Florida in October. It will be a fantastic meeting and I look forward to it!

# Calendar reminders:

#### The Big E (Eastern States Exposition)

September 17, 2011, Springfield, MA. Show 9 a.m. Contact Entry office at (413) 205-5011 or aginfo@thebige.com.

#### **Farmington Fair**

September 18-24, 2011, Farmington, ME. Neal Yeaton (207) 778-6083.

#### World Beef Expo

September 22-25, 2011 Milwaukee, WI. Entries www.worldbeefexpo.com. Entry office (414) 266-7052.

#### Western Belted Galloway Association Annual Meeting

September 30-October 1, 2011 in Reno, Nevada. Contact Ken Bajema 360-837-3273 kbajema@pacifier.com.

#### Fryeburg Fair

October 2-9, 2011, Fryeburg, ME. Fair office opens May 1. Contact office at (207) 935-3268 or info@fryeburgfair.org.

1091 or executivedirector@beltie.org.

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# **Keystone International Livestock Exposition** Harrisburg, PA October 1-9, 2011. Contact Joyce Jones (724) 924-2938 or galloway@zoominternet.net.

#### Galloway Association North Carolina State Fair

October 13-23, 2011, Raleigh, NC. Contact entry office (919) 821-7400.

#### **Annual General Meeting**

October 21-23, 2011. Little Everglades Ranch, Dade City FL. Contact Vic Eggleston (608) 220 1091 or executivedirector@beltie.org.

# North American Belted Galloway Show (NAILE) and Premium Sale

November 14-16, 2011. Louisville, KY. Contact Jerry Moore (270) 563-9113 or jjarmoore@insightbb.com.

# **Belted Galloway Society, Inc.**

Annual General Meeting 2011 — Dade City, Florida

# Friday October 21

1 pm Council Meeting Little Everglades Ranch

4 -6 pm Conference Registration

6:30 pm Welcome Wine and Cheese Party at Little Everglades

# **Saturday October 22**

8 - 8:30 am Introductions of Hosts and Members

8:30 - 9:30 am Dr. Brilliant of Marshfield Clinic: Genetic formation of color patterns

9:45 - 10:30 am Ed Jennings U of FL IFAS: Heat tolerance in cattle 10:45 - 11:30 am Alltech Inc: Mineral deficiency in US Cattle

11:45 - 1 pm Lunch

1- 3 pm Tours of ranch, View Belted Galloways in pastures

#### Return to Hotels or shopping in Dade City Antique District

5:30 pm Social Hour at ranch headquarters

6:30 - 8:30 pm Ranch BBQ

# **Sunday October 23**

9 – 11 am Annual Meeting at Little Everglades Ranch

### **Hotel and Motels**

Micro Tel Zephyrhills, Fl 813-783-2211 Ask for group rate

The Hampton Inn Dade City
Quality Inn Zephyrhills, Fl
352-567-5277
813-762-2000

Zephyrhills just 10 miles south of ranch, Chili's, Golden Corral, Ruby Tuesdays, and Fast foods close.

Remember to make hotel reservations prior to October 1st, 2011 (for group rate)

#### **RSVP**

Annual Meeting Registration Fee \$70/person Children 12 and under are free (Please include names of all those attending).

| Name:            |                          |  |
|------------------|--------------------------|--|
| Farm Name:       |                          |  |
| Address:         |                          |  |
| Number of Adults | Number Children under 12 |  |
| Amount enclosed  | Check Number             |  |

RSVP no later than October 10, 2011.

Send fee to Dr. Victor Eggleston DVM, N8603 Zentner Road, New Glarus, WI 53574. Any questions contact office at (608) 220-1091 or executivedirector@beltie.org

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## **Nominations for Council**



Mark Keller Past President

Greetings to all, Well it's that time of year again, our Annual General Meeting. During our meeting, the candidates for Council are presented and voted upon by the membership.

The following candidates have been chosen by the nominating committee. We have three solid candidates for your consideration. Greg Hipple (IA) and Kris von Dohrmann from (NH) have agreed to return to Council as member representatives. Newcomer Brice Jackson (IN) has agreed to serve and join the Council to represent his region of the country. These members will join an already talented Council.

Regular and Lifetime members are eligible to vote, either by mail prior to the deadline set forth on the ballot, or in person at the Annual General Meeting. Each membership number is allowed one (1) vote. A ballot is provided below.

Greg Hipple (IA) and his wife, Pat, own Sutliff Belties, of Solon, Iowa. Sutliff Belties is a family farming operation including 200 acres of row crops, 40 acres of hay, and of course cattle. The farm is located on the west end of the Historic Sutliff Bridge that spans the Cedar River in east central Iowa. Currently, the Hipple's have 22 Belted Galloway females plus a few bulls. In addition to Belted Galloway cattle, commercial cattle are raised. The first Belted Galloway the Hipple's owned was a gift for Pat, which fulfilled a long-time dream to own one. Greg is in his second term as a Director of the Great Lakes Belted Galloway Association, and currently serves as the Secretary of that organization. Greg told us that in order to support his farming habit, he has worked as a Deputy Sheriff for the Johnson County Sheriff's Office in Iowa City, Iowa for the past 24 years. Greg is an Iowa Law Enforcement Academy Radar/Lidar (laser) Instructor, Hostage Negotiator, D.A.R.E. Instructor, and field training officer. Greg told us his duties include just about anything you can imagine as a patrol deputy working the day shift. Greg & Pat have 2 grown children, Janeen and Gary.

**Brice Jackson (IN)** graduated from Purdue University with a degree in animal sciences, focusing on animal health, genetics and nutrition. For several years, he was an animal health consultant for Anchor Laboratories, and later he founded a veterinary farm supply company that distributed vet supplies and customized minerals for individual farms. He also served as the information systems manager for Lear Automotive. Brice and his family have raised cattle since he was a youngster, first Polled Herefords and later Simmentals, showing nationally for many years. Brice and his wife Jane live on a farm 30 miles west of Indianapolis, near Greencastle, Indiana. They, with the help of their son Jeff, raise and sell Belted Galloway and Simmental cattle, offer hoof trimming services,

and sell show supplies, breeding semen and specialty feeds. Over the years, Brice has been active in his community, coaching, mentoring youngsters, and promoting cattle in the 4-H program. He is committed both to promoting Beltie cattle and also to working with Belted Galloway breeders to increase awareness and enthusiasm for the breed.

**Kris von Dohrmann (NH)** grew up in a very small town in northern New Hampshire. Kris raised horses until 1995 when she got involved with Belted Galloway cattle at East View farm in Vermont. With an active 4-H club and up to 100 head of Belties, the farm showed, and sold animals across the country. In 2002, the herd was sold and Kris relocated back to her own farm in New Hampshire. In 2003, Kris' Otokahe Farm became a reality. Kris and husband, Bert, have a herd which has grown to 20 head, selling breeding stock, freezer beef and mentoring new Beltie enthusiasts. The latest project is the development and marketing of "Belted Beef Jerky" since the summer of 2009. Kris' secondary education is in forest management and business. She is employed by the state of New Hampshire Forest Protection as a forest fire lookout tower watchman and as secretary to North Region Headquarters. Kris is a retired 4-H leader, certified by the National Serve Safe Food Safety Network for safe food handling, and member of New England Galloway Group, supporting their heifer project and sales. Kris currently serves as the Chair of the Chatfield Scholarship Committee.

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|     | Ballot  Vote for Three (3) candidates for 2-year terms on the Belted Galloway Society's Council. Additional names may be written in if you wish. The Ballot (or a clear photocopy) must be mailed to the office postmarked October 8 or earlier in an envelope marked "Ballot," may be faxed by October 8, or submitted at the Annual General Meeting. |
|     | □ Greg Hipple (IL)   |
|     | ☐ Brice Jackson (IN)   |
|     | ☐ Kris von Dohrmann (NH)   |
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|     | Ballot submitted by Member #  Member Signature  Ballots may be mailed to:  Belted Galloway Society, Inc.   |
|     | N8603 Zentner Rd., New Glarus, WI 53574.   |
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# How do you name your cattle?

From the BGS newsletter archives. Written by Past President Andy Vaught (GA).

If you look up the word "name" in your dictionary you will find several definitions. Of course, it is both a noun and a verb. Basically, a name is a word or phrase by which a person or thing is known. The hard part is "to name."

People are usually pretty conservative in naming their children. Their creative juices are restrained by tradition. For the most part, we settle for two or three names often commemorating the child's ancestry. Very few people's names contain phrases. There are exceptions, for example: "the Artist Formerly Known as Prince." That one was self-inflicted.

We can get very creative when naming animals. When naming our mutts, we keep it simple and descriptive – Spot, Blackie, Wuff-Wuff. When people name registered pets or show animals, it becomes an art form. The registration book of the American Kennel Club is filled with names both sublime and ridiculous.

Cow names are no different. Most commercial producers know their animals only by ear tag numbers. A few have some favorites with names like Bossy, Bessie, Honey or Big-un. Naming registered cattle is not simple. Some breeders have used a system whereby animals born in a specific year all have names beginning with the same letter of the alphabet. If you have a big year and a bad letter, this can be challenging. Some breeders get creative and, consequently, there are some very memorable names.

Our breed has built-in pitfall. The belt conjures up comparison with a popular cookie. Consequently, we have some "Oreos," Double Stuffed," and yes "Cookie Monsters" in our herd book. By limiting the number of letters allowed in a registered name, The Belted Galloway Society has successfully avoided the absurdity experienced by the AKC, but it also makes a great name a challenge.

I have some favorites. Some are cute, some are distinguished and some have hidden meanings know only to the breeder. Tabasco and Chili Pepper – wonderful red names; Dun Controller, a distinguished name for a distinguished gentleman; Spock, whose pointed ears are a result of frostbite, reminded us of the great Star Trek character.

Naming cows is an annual event in our household. We collect good "cow names" all year and once a year, assign them to unsuspecting calves. Once, to get a fresh perspective, we asked a friend to help us name a dun bull calf. Think about these: Attilla the Dun; Been There, Dun That; Well Dun; Over Dun; and Dun Deal ... maybe a reason to produce more Duns. The names appear be endless.

# Photographing your herd

Editor's note: The Belted Galloway Society is always looking for great shots of your herd. Please send your photos to beltienews@beltie.org. Here are some helpful tips when photographing your cattle from <a href="www.cattletoday.com">www.cattletoday.com</a>. Reprinted with permission.

Don't carry a sack of feed or hay with you to take your pictures. What you'll get for the next hour are cattle with their heads down eating. Instead, just ease into the pasture and wait until the cattle get used to you. Move slowly so you don't spook them.

Take your photos early or late in the day, never in the middle of the day. It just doesn't work. Hazy or cloudy days work better than bright clear days. Keep the sun behind you. Stand where your shadow does not fall into the picture. Use your flash to help eliminate shadows.

Get another person to help you. The best pictures have the ears forward with the head up looking at a 45 degree angle. The best way to accomplish this is to have the other person stand in front of the animal and do something to get their attention, wave their arms, whistle or do whatever is necessary to get the cow to look at him.

Fill as much of the frame as possible with the animal. Have room to back up if necessary. Do not cut off any of the head or feet; get the whole animal in the photo.

Have the cow going uphill. Cattle photograph much better when their front legs are higher than their back legs. Cattle generally photograph best if you aim directly at their side, standing neither in front nor behind them. Get them to stand with their back leg that is closest to you back, so you can see their udder or testicles. It is best for the camera to be lower than the center of the cow. Get down on the ground if necessary. Never take a picture with the camera higher than the cow. It makes them look small.

The background of your picture is important! Make sure you don't get a shot with your pickup, hayracks, junk piles, or other cows in the picture. Don't have a fence post or telephone post sticking up out of the back of the animal. A cow standing in a green pasture with some spring flowers makes a great picture. Try not to have them standing next to a fence. The best way to avoid fences to string a thin single strand of electric fence wire. If the cattle are used to electric fencing it doesn't even need to be hot.

As a rule of thumb, try to get a dark colored background for light colored cattle and lighter colored background for dark cattle. It is much harder to get a good picture of a dark cow.

If it's fly season, spray your cattle for flies a couple of days ahead of the shoot. Cattle covered with flies do not make a pretty picture. Try to take your pictures in the spring or early summer after they have shed their winter hair and are in good condition. A good time is after a rain has cleaned them up. So let's start shooting!

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## New members

Junior Mallory Dwyer, QUARTER MOON CATTLE CO., 19270E 1950 St., Atkinson, IL 61235 (309)507-1621. Junior Shelcie Gosney, PO Box 1018, Ignacio, CO 81137 (970)764-7601.

Ryan Pazaruski, J & R Investment, 11817 41<sup>st</sup> St. East, Edgewood, WA 98372 (253)863-5735.

Junior Cody Senty, DICKENSON ACRES, 3982 Deegan Dr. SE, Buffalo, MN 55313 (763)682-1197.

*Junior* Caleb Vierkant, FOUR SQUARE RANCH, 22770 CR 117, Bullard, TX 75757 (903)894-8444.

# By-Law change

During the 2011 Spring Meeting, Council voted to amend the current By-Laws regarding junior membership. The current By-Law state that junior membership ceases on a member's 21st birthday. By implementing the following change, an individual's junior membership will be retained through the calendar year of her/his 21st birthday. We are required to print By-Law Changes twice before a final vote to ensure our membership is informed. During the October meeting, members will be voting on the proposed By-Law change.

#### Article 1.

#### Membership

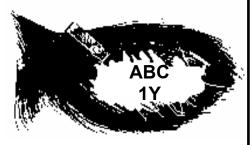
A. There shall be the following classes of membership:

(4) Junior membership. A Junior member shall be an individual under the age of twenty-one (21) and may be assessed annual dues as determined by Council but will have no voting rights. A Junior member shall retain the privileges of junior membership throughout the remainder of the calendar year of his or her (21st) birthday and all rights shall cease after December 31st of that calendar unless converted to a Regular membership.

# Tattoo reminder...

The Year Code on tattoos for animals born in year 2011 is





Sketch reflects the CLRC preferred method of tattoo

# Belted Galloway Society, Inc. Breed Promotion Advertising/Newsletter

Dr. Victor Eggleston, Executive Director executivedirector@beltie.org Phone (608) 220-1091 Fax (608) 527-4811

Vic's phone hours are Monday through Friday from 1 p.m. - 4 p.m. (CST). A detailed message may be left at any time. Address: N8603 Zentner Rd., New Glarus, WI 53574.

Leanne Fogle~Editor~U.S. Beltie News beltienews@beltie.org Phone/Fax (309) 965-2759

About advertising ... Classified ads are free to members. All classified ads are automatically placed on the Hotline on the internet. Two-month limit on classified insertions. Please include contact information as you wish it to appear — name, farm, location, phone, Fax and Email, if any. For all Emails — Place Hotline in the Subject line. Please Email to executivedirector@beltie.org, Fax 608-527-4811or phone (608) 220-1091. We encourage members to submit ads the last two weeks of the month. Advertising bulls ... Before advertising a young male as a breeder we must be sure he is well conformed, tracks properly, has good legs and feet, and exhibits good weight gains. We should have data available on his birth weight, 205-day weaning weight, and yearling weight. If he's reached breeding age (around 18 months), it's definitely a plus to have his semen checked for quantity and motility.

Any data available should appear in your advertisement along with his birth date and the names of his sire and dam. Further, it is required that registration numbers be included on bulls advertised for sale in the Hotline and newsletter.

# Canadian Livestock Records Corporation (CLRC)

All Registrar Services 2417 Holly Lane Ottawa, Ontario, CANADA K1V 0M7

#### Registrars

Betty Foti betty.foti@clrc. ca Phone 877-833-7110 or 613-731-7110, Ext. 310 Fax 613-731-0704

Lisa Hutt lisa.hutt@clrc.ca Phone 877-833-7110 or 613-731-7110, Ext. 312 Fax 613-731-0704

#### **Office Hours**

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 Betty is still available to assist you that day.

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# For Sale

WISCONSIN. For Sale. Dun bull Berlyn Easter Solomon, 10635D, DOB 4-16-06. Dam-Berlyn Julliana, Grand Sire-Shiralee Moonshine, Sire Anderson Hill Land's End, Grand Sire Bolebec Dun Controller. Solomon is large, easy to handle and has a gentle disposition. Willing to sell or trade. Bernard and Carolynn Schlagel, Berlyn Farm, R910 State Hwy 29, Athens, WI 54411, phone 715-257-1856.

COLORADO. Herd dispersal due to drought conditions. Black and red pairs, heifers, bulls; all purebred and registered or appendix recorded. See www.cowpiecreations.com or call 719-564-0685. Ask for Jim or Susan Askey of Askey Ranch, 4591 Bergemann Rd., Pueblo. CO. 81005, or email askeyranch@gmail.com.

**NEW HAMPSHIRE.** Registered Belted Galloway Bull: Ponderosa Buddy Boy - 2/27/2006 (Registration Number 10639B). Proven breeder. Gentle, halter broke. Robert von Ette, High Meadow Farm, Newbury, NH, phone 603-763-9422.

**CALIFORNIA.** Two 17 month old registered heifers (1 dun and 1 black). Two 7 month old registered heifers (1dun and 1 black). Churchview Farm, Said Karkouti, 765 Raymundo Ave, Los Altos, CA 94024. Phone: 650-279-7794 Email: saidkarkouti@gmail.com.

**OHIO.** For Sale: starter herd, 3 yr. old bull, Oak Ridge Ulysses 11653B and 2 cows born June 2007 and January 2008, both pasture bred this summer. Contact Shirley Rasor, Tiger Lily Farm, 9778 Gettysburg-Southeastern Rd., Bradford, OH 45308. Phone 937-448-6405.

**MAINE.** Reg. Belted Galloway heifer, DOB 3-5-11 sired by Aldermere Micky II. Very nice belt and markings and good disposition. Also July 2011 steer available. Dave Sinclair, Deer Brook Farm, Wayne, ME, 207-685-4693,



#### Exceptional herd ~ Exceptional genetics

Bee Tolman 315-655-0623 Marc Schappell Tom Anderson

Dave@DiveFishMaine.com

**OKLAHOMA.** For Sale: 3 in 1, Okay! Prairie - 4 year old cow, 27596B with heifer calf at side (reg. papers in process) and bred back to Driftwood Prime Time. Also For Sale: Driftwood Prime Time (AI)(ET) USD 10843-B, DOB: 10/9/04. Sire: Ashleigh Signature. Dam: Highland Farm Louise. Excellent genetics, pleasant disposition, halter broke, throws excellent calves. All located in Stroud, OK at Prairie Hill Farm, LLC. For more info or pictures call Terri at 405-808-8158 or e-mail bbinfo@berryok.com

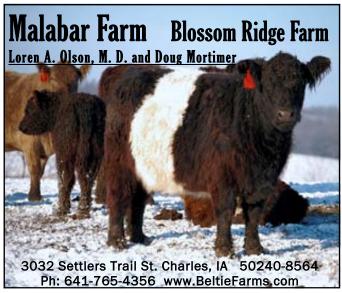
**NEW HAMPSHIRE.** Holbrook Hill MalcomX: Sired by the legendary Shiralee Moonshine out of HH Sepia, show champion and the best performing brood cow at Holbrook Hill. Malcom brings together the best in Australian and Scottish genetics. MalcomX will finish as a large and deep bodied bull with solid feet and a smooth and balanced gate. Contact information: Steven Silberberg, Holbrook Hill Farm, Bedford, NH, phone 603-472-2205, email hhf18@aol.com.

**OHIO.** For Sale: Two registered bulls: (1) Laken Kye Finn - USD33467B, DOB 5/5/09 and (2) Laken Kye Five Fifteen - USD 33466B, DOB 5/15/09. Both are sired by Malabar Farm Yannick Steamboat - 11467B. Both are very docile. Contact Gordon Litt, Laken Kye Farm, 6100 Ireland Rd., Lancaster, OH 43130; 740-536-0338; glitt@bricker.com.

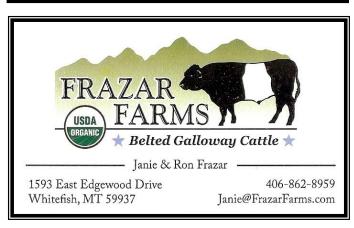
**TEXAS.** For Sale: Southern Rose Ranch King 11/30/2010 (32919-B C.F. Francine's Haggis/Silver Sage Nanette). Wide belt and good disposition. Please call (979-251-7871) or email SouthernRoseRanch@mac.com We can send photos or you can visit the Ranch! www.SouthernRoseRanch.com Located in Chappell Hill, TX, halfway between Houston and Austin.

**VIRGINIA.** For Sale cows, calves a total of seven. Located in Lorreto, VA. You need to be able to transport. Call Fred Eddowes 804 932 3139 or smsvds@cox.net If you can provide a home we can work out a price.

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**NORTH CAROLINA.** For Sale: 2 registered, 8 month old heifers - one red, one black. Contact Debi Titus, Pin Oak Farm, Culp Rd., Richfield, NC 28137. Home phone 704-463-1947 or cell 704-763-2456.

**NORTH CAROLINA.** Steers, heifers, and cows available. Also see our web site also featuring freezer beef atwww.comptoncountryfarms.com Bill Compton, Compton Country Farms, 153 Bill Compton Rd, Blanch, NC 27212. 336-234-9474 or 919-475-4019.

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