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Message from the Presidency

President

Greg Dickens



With each new ADCA Board there are changes that help serve the ADCA community.

One change is Lesa and I will alternate giving the message from the presidency. This gives the ADCA community a chance to hear from both the President and Vice President throughout the year.

Make sure you mark your calendars for the 2017 AGM - June 15th - 19th in Salina, KS.

Not only will 2017 be the best AGM ever - it is also the 60th anniversary of the ADCA community. You don't want to miss it.

May everyone have enjoyable holidays and a great New Year.

Celebrating the diversity of the Irish Dexter Breed.

Greg

Vice President

Lesa Reid

Greetings from East Tennessee! This is my first bulletin article as Vice President, so I want to begin by thanking everyone for your tireless work in keeping the Dexter breed healthy, growing, and relevant. I think about you often as I go about my ordinary ranching tasks. I

know how important your daily efforts and decisions are to other Dexter breeders. We are all interconnected. We depend upon each other for support, information, genetics, and encouragement. And as I spend time chatting with many of you at various Dexter shows and events, I am always reminded of how proud I am to be a member of such a wonderful community. Keep up the good work, y'all!

My purpose in writing this article is to encourage you. Perhaps I am biased, but I believe we raise the best cattle on the planet. No other breed can meet such a broad spectrum of ranching preferences and needs than our multi-purpose Dexters. In our pastures, we have the kind of treasure that today's farmers need.

I believe we're on the cusp of a farming revolution. Farms that feed their own families with their own homegrown food are growing in number. *Continues on page 4*



Fairland Blu - 1 month old

Taken By Laura Rosenhagen Fairland Farms
Berrien Springs, MI

Chris Odom Award Winners

In the last bulletin a couple of award recipients were missed in our AGM wrap up. In my mind I assumed the Youth Committee would be sending in information for these awards and I am sure the Youth Committee assumed I would be sending in all the awards. Well neither one of us got this published so Erin Chambers and Michael Hankins please accept my apologies for missing this award. Greg

The 2016 Chris Odom Award Winners

The Junior winner was Erin Claire Chambers from Nebraska.

The Senior winner was Michael Hankins from Manville, Texas.

Both of these winners submitted outstanding work that took lots of thought and effort just to win these outstanding awards. Both of these young people and there parents should be proud of their accomplishments.

National Youth Director Nomination Announcement

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This is your opportunity to submit a nomination for the ADCA's National Youth Director. Please choose a person that you believe meets the criteria for this office and will be the best choice to move the

ADCA's Youth program forward. Since this office has a national scope, you may nominate a candidate from any region, not just your own.

The National Youth Director will serve a 3-year term and will be eligible to serve an additional 3-year term if elected for a second term. The election will be conducted at the ADCA Annual General Meeting.

Nominations will close on December 14, 2016. Nominations forms must be postmarked by that date to be considered, so please do not delay.

Thank you very much for your participation!
ADCA Board of Directors

Qualifications for ADCA Youth Director

Qualifications for ADCA Youth Director:

In order to qualify to serve as the ADCA Youth Director, a person must:

- A. Be a Dexter breeder with cattle actively registered with the ADCA.
- B. Be a member in good standing of the ADCA for at least three years.
- C. Cannot
 - a. Be a current member of any other U.S. Dexter Registry or a current officer, director or staff member or any other U.S. Dexter Registry.
 - b. Have been an officer, director, or staff member of any other U.S. Dexter Registry during the period commencing on July 1, 2004 and ending on December 31, 2007.
- D. Will step down from any national leadership position in an ag-related youth organization during their term of service as ADCA Youth Director.
- E. Pass a criminal background check.
- F. Respond to a Youth Director Nominee Questionnaire:
 - a. Answer each question.
 - b. Return it to the ADCA Vice President by the given deadline.
- G. Be approved as a viable nominee by a majority vote of the ADCA Board of Directors, using these criteria:
 - a. Has no conflicts in their background that would preclude their service.
 - b. Has no conflicts in their current situation or their standing in the association that would preclude their service.
 - c. Has appropriate experience, desire, and skills to serve successfully.
 - d. Be recommended by the Youth Director Nomination Committee for approval.
- H. Demonstrate the ability and the desire to encourage, teach, and mentor youth in both formal and informal settings.
- I. Demonstrate the ability and willingness to communicate with youth via email, telephone, and social media.
- J. Have appropriate writing and communication skills that will support communicating with members through a broad range of venues: emails, articles, letters, speeches, committee work, and discussions with individuals, small groups, and large groups.
- K. Be able and willing to travel nationally to support ADCA youth events when the Board of Directors approves such travel.
- L. Not derive any financial benefit from any activities involving ADCA work, ADCA representation, or ADCA youth activities with Dexter cattle. This includes activities at their home or farm/ranch, at any cattle-related event.
- M. All directors shall serve without compensation. However, for special expenses, and when it is fiscally prudent, the Board of Directors may allocate a sum to the Youth Director.

Duties and Terms of Service of the ADCA Youth Director

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- A. Required to attend the annual meeting of members (AGM), and important meetings of youth members, except in cases of personal or family difficulties. In the unexpected event that the Director cannot attend an important meeting, he/she shall notify the Secretary in advance of such meeting.
- B. Lead the effort to create, build, and maintain a Y-ADCA (Youth American Dexter Cattle Association), with all that entails.
- C. Have organizational and functional oversight and responsibility for the Y-ADCA.
- D. Organize a yearly meeting of Y-ADCA members each year at the annual meeting of ADCA members.
- E. Keep records of all letters and correspondence pertaining to the ADCA and Y-ADCA.
- F. Encourage young people in ADCA families to join the Y-ADCA organization.
- G. Keep in touch with the officers of the ADCA and make timely responses to correspondence.
- H. Keep ADCA Youth informed of important issues and always act in a courteous manner, assisting young people, their parents, and fellow members with problems and questions.
- I. Keep the corporation informed of any issues or problems occurring within the Y-ADCA organization.
- J. Work closely with parents in all Y-ADCA endeavors, helping them know how parents can benefit the Y-ADCA.
- K. Avoid getting involved in squabbles between fellow members within the ADCA and the Y-ADCA. If disagreements do occur, the Youth Director may act as an agent to help quickly resolve these disagreements in a positive manner.
- L. Periodically submit reports pertaining to current Youth news and happenings to the Bulletin Editor for inclusion in the Bulletin.
- M. Provide at least one general communication to the Youth each year, typically in the form of a Newsletter. Copies of such communications should be sent to the Secretary of the corporation and to the Bulletin Editor.
- N. All directors shall serve without compensation.
- O. The Youth Director shall be elected to hold office for a three-year term and until the election and qualification of his/her respective successor. A successive three-year term can be served if elected.
- P. As with any other Director, the Board can remove the Youth Director if he/she fails to perform any duties listed in the Standard Operating Procedures and whose conduct is prejudicial to the Corporation. Removal will require the affirmative vote of two-thirds of the directors having voting power. On report to the Board of a charge against the Director which could result in removal, the charges shall be given in writing to the Board of Directors. The Youth Director shall be given fifteen days' notice in writing of the meeting that will discuss removing them from office. The Director will be given the opportunity to be heard.
- Q. In the case of any vacancy in the Youth Director directorship, such vacancy will be filled through appointment by a majority of vote of the members of the Board of Directors. Any person appointed to fill a vacancy of the Youth Director position shall serve the remaining term of service of the previous Director. If a person is appointed as Youth Director to serve a partial term, then he/she shall be eligible to be elected for two full successive terms.

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People living in suburbs and cities are beginning to search for food sources that are unprocessed and wholesome. And sustainability is becoming an important goal in many new agrarian ventures. Folks, our Dexter cattle are exactly what this farming revolution is looking for.

So how do we market our breeding stock and Dexter products to the people that can most benefit from them? Although marketing can encompass several different strategies, I believe this is the real core of any Dexter marketing strategy:

Breed the highest quality, tri-purpose Dexters we can. Get them properly genetic tested. Register them with the ADCA. Milk our Dexters. Sell

Dexter beef. Bring people to our farms to see these beautiful animals. And tell everyone we know the benefits of raising Irish Dexter Cattle. If we do these things, Dexters will pretty much sell themselves.

Dexters are a bargain in the bovine world. They are hardy. They are typically gentle natured and can be fairly easily trained. They have very few fertility and calving problems. They are excellent beef producers. They are excellent milk producers. And because of their grazing/browsing habits and their smaller size, they are environmentally friendly in both large and small acreage farms. First-time farmers, old-timers looking to downsize, environmentalists looking for earth-friendly animals, organic food enthusiasts searching for specialty meats, and homesteaders needing to produce their own beef and milk in a family-friendly and budget-friendly way can ALL find

what they are looking for in our beloved cattle.

I want to remind us all of the treasure we have in our Dexter herds. We need to continue to steward this treasure wisely . . . making studied breeding choices, culling less-than-optimal animals by growing them for beef, and watching over our herds' nutrition and health with the utmost care. A healthy, well-structured Dexter is a very valuable commodity.

So carry on, my friends, with your important work. I'm cheering for you every day! I appreciate your efforts and dedication. And I share your passion for these very special cattle.

I say it almost every day:

"I love Dexter cattle . . . and the hardy folks that raise them."

Lesa



Preparing for Shipment, Show and Sale

This winter catch up on important reading - especially if you want to show.

Check out this article by Jeff Collins, DVM on our ADCA website.

Know exactly how to prepare your animal for shipping, showing and selling.

http://www.dextercattle.org/edu/vets_corner/preparing_for_shipment_show_and_sale.pdf

ADCA Code of Ethics

As a member of the American Dexter Cattle Association, I agree that I will:

► Not knowingly make any untruthful statement in submitting applications for registry and not register animals of questionable parentage.

► Not neglect or mistreat my animal (s), but, on the contrary, at all times safeguard and further its/their well-being.

► Not transfer any animal to a party who I feel will not conscientiously look after its health, safety and well-being or may exploit or degrade or otherwise act to the detriment of the breed of animal.

► Only breed animals that I know to be in good condition and health.

► Represent my animals honestly to prospective buyers and give such advice or assistance to the buyer as may be reasonably requested.

► Keep on the alert for and work diligently to control potentially adverse effects of known genetically inherited conditions by educating prospective buyers regarding the implications associated with the presence of these conditions in a breeding program.

► So act in my breeding practice and in dealings with others as to protect and improve the good standing and reputation of the breed and of the association.

A Message From Your Regional Directors

Region 1:

Becky Pettaway

Congratulations to the



Missouri Dexter Breeder Association for another successful Show & Sale.

This event, held every year in

Marshfield, MO, does such a wonderful job in promoting the breed and contributing to the growth of the ADCA, thank you MDBA!

Did you know that you can promote your Dexter farm, or any business you're in, through an advertisement in the Dexter Bulletin?

The Editor is encouraging all ADCA members to utilize the Bulletin to advertise a service or product they provide. See your current Bulletin, or check the ADCA website for further information.

Let's all support our members!

Region 2:

Laaci Louderback

I hope everyone is having a joyous



holiday season surrounded by friends, family and your critters.

With winter comes, colder temperatures and let's face it—

crummy weather. And with that it's time to ask ourselves are we ready for an emergency?

Do we have a small emergency vet kit on hand for a "just in case scenario?" Because we all know most emergencies happen right after the stores close, or the vet can't be there right away.

Having a few basic things on hand will make your life much easier and put your own mind at ease.

Everyone's kit will be a little

different and geared towards your own comfort level at treating your animals. Some things you may never use. Check expiration dates in your kit, they will be worth their weight in gold!

I like keeping my emergency kit in a smaller rolling tool box. That way I can bring the kit wherever I need it.

Here is a list of what I like to keep on hand.

- Your veterinarian's phone numbers. Have both the regular and after hours emergency number.

I keep mine taped in large easy to read font right inside, as I open the box.

I also have those numbers saved into my cell phone.

- Latex exam gloves
- Long OB gloves
- Calf pulling chains - you may never have to use them, but it's good to have them on hand.
- Colostrum, a frozen stash is ideal, but have at least a small bag to get you through the night in powdered form.
- Iodine spray
- A topical antiseptic - wound spray,
- Rectal thermometer
- A nasal aspirator
- A few dry rags or kitchen towels
- Vet wrap, gauze wrap or pads
- Hydrogen peroxide
- Balling guns. I say guns because it is nice to have both the adult and smaller calf size.

Some medications to have on hand:

- Sustain Boluses, in both calf and adult size, to help with bac-

terial pneumonia and scours.

- Banamine, an anti-inflammatory for fever and pain relief.
- LA 200 or 300, a broad spectrum antibiotic.
- BO-SE, an injectable dose of selenium and vitamin E.
- Jump Start gel paste, helps give a boost of vitamins and minerals
- Cattle probiotic, electrolyte paste,
- An oral bloat treatment
- Udder balm.

I also keep an assortment of needles and syringes, a large and small pair of scissors, an extra pocket knife, a roll of duct tape, a lubricant like petroleum jelly, a few strands of balling twine, and a flashlight or headlamp with extra batteries.

Now I know this may seem like a lot, and trust me we all pray we never have to use any of it, but the reality is there is probably going to be a time when you need at least some part of an emergency vet kit.

You will be thankful you have it on hand.

Thanks,
Laaci Louderback

Region 3:

Becky Eterno

As our delightfully rainy fall comes to an end, our thoughts turn to 2017's AGM -really.



If it seems early to begin thinking about Salina, June 2017, consider the following:

At the 2017 AGM the first National Youth Director (YD) will be elected. As the job is envisioned so far, the Youth Director will be essential to enhancing youth

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engagement and increasing youth activities in ADCA. And will lead in the creation of the new Junior ADCA over the next few years. If that seems like a huge responsibility, it is. I would not be surprised to see the YD job evolve as each successive director makes it his/her own.

Any ADCA job with national scope is no walk in the park, just ask the present and former ADCA Presidents! But the new director won't have to go it alone. When needed, the YD will have the assistance of the ADCA board, members of the Youth Committee, regional Dexter youth groups, and I hope interested members of ADCA everywhere.

Elsewhere in this Bulletin, you will find an article summarizing the qualities the Board seeks in the new YD. If you want to know more about the position, check the new SOPs for Youth Director on the ADCA website or your Regional Director.

If this is your dream job, don't hesitate to apply. ADCA needs an advocate for youth, and it could be you!

Becky Eterno

Region 4: Joel Dowty

Region 4 continues to keep me busy with lots of questions about registrations, herd prefixes, worth of Dexters and folks inquiring about bulls available for breeding. Not to mention folks looking for Dexters and having animals for sale. I'm pleased with the interest in our region. Please don't hesitate to contact me for anything Dexter.

If you're fall calving as we are, you've got young ones that are hopefully staying warm on momma's milk. If you're able to, try having an area that only calves can get into under shelter. We have a section of rail fencing that only the calves can squeeze under, to get in out of the rain, and we don't have to worry about bigger animals crowding them.

It also makes for a great way to get the calves alone, and bribe them with treats. Getting them to trust you at 3 -5 months makes a huge impact when the time comes to halter train. And a halter trained animal markets a lot better than an untrained one.

While the ADCA will NOT be requiring any additional testing in the near future, we've decided that in addition to providing the PHA, Chondro, and beta casein status of an animal, the beta lactoglobulin and kappa casein status may also be useful to potential buyers. These proteins are related to cheese making and milk volume. While these traits can be important to some, what sells best is a docile, gentle, halter trained heifer that can be touched all over and has excellent conformation. If you have questions with the physical aspects of that, check the ADCA website for some help.

<http://dextercattle.org/edu/conformation/index.html>

Your ADCA web site has great information that many people have poured lots of time into. Too many resources there to mention. On one of these cold winter days, spend some time exploring the site.

There's been quite a demand for Dexter steers, so if you're not finishing them out yourself for direct market beef, consider selling at weaning and getting them off your feed bill.

In my opinion, too many are marketing young breeding bulls as potential herd sires. For a bull to be considered a herd sire at a young age, he should meet some pretty stringent criteria. Otherwise he should be left to grow out before the decision is made to keep him intact. Please contact me personally if you're interested in discussing this further.

I hope you all enjoy a very merry holiday and a blessed new year!

Region 6 Norman Hoover

This will be my last message as your Regional Director. I would like to thank all of you for your support and help.

Thanks to all of you, we had a great AGM. Looking forward to the 2017 AGM. With your help and support we can make the 2017 AGM better and bigger.

Region 6 has been a great area to represent. We have some great breeders in Region 6. They do a good job of representing the Dexter's.

Jeff Chambers will be your new Regional Director as of Jan. 01, 2017. I want to wish Jeff much success. I hope you will give him your support and help like you did for me.

We were well represented at the Tulsa State Fair. There were 45 Dexters. Thanks to all that took the time to bring the Dexter's and show them.

Thanks,
Norman

Region 7 David Jones

Another summer has wound down



and fall is here for most of the country. The heat and humidity are still hanging on in Texas. I hope everyone has had a successful calving season.

Everyone should be making there final preparations for winter. Make sure you have an adequate supply of good quality hay stored.

The demand for Dexters is very strong in Texas. I would encourage everyone to consider using the ADCA website to advertise their cattle. I have found it to be very effective.

This allows buyers all over the country to see your availability. And its a bargain at \$30 for 90 days.

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last message as the Director for Region 7. I have been serving on the Board for eleven years and am now ending my second three year term as Director. Not much will change. I will still be available to help members with questions and I will remain active with the ADCA through committee work. You will still see me at the AGMs too.

I am very pleased with the progress the ADCA has made as a professional organization since I joined the Board as interim Vice President in 2006. We are now around the corner from launching our new data base / registration process. I am sure there will be some growing pains, so please be patient

Please join me in welcoming Robin Welch as the new Region 7 Director. Robin was elected by acclimation with no other nominees on the ballot. She will officially begin her term on January 1st, 2017. However, I am sure she will make herself available if you reach out to her.

Robin and her family have been attending both the Texas meetings and the AGM's for several years, so she has a good feel for how the organization operates and will step right into the flow.

Best wishes to everyone as we head into the Holiday season. 2017 will be here before we know it.

Region 8 **Susan Albritton**

The Dexter community in region 8 is still growing. I'm getting many inquiries about Dexters, questions from prospective and new Dexter owners. It is always good to hear from these folks, and for me to be able to share the many reasons I love these wonderful little cows.

I'm still getting lots of questions about registrations and transfers. New breeders have not been through the process or sometimes don't understand how the process works. I remember when it was

new to me and seemed daunting. The genetic testing and tail hair pulling stuff seemed very confusing. Now it's second nature, but I've gone through the process many times.

I always do the transfers and/or registrations for any cattle I sell. This helps new breeders out and is not a big deal for me. While this is not required by the ADCA it just "feels" like the right thing to do. I would encourage everyone to help new owners get started.

By the time you receive this bulletin the Regional 8 election will have taken place.

Steve and I attended the Tennessee Valley Fair and Dexter show on September 15th, 2016. This was the second one we have attended and thoroughly enjoyed them both. That area of region 8 has many outstanding breeders and some beautiful cattle were shown. We always love visiting and talking to Dexter owners, discussing the positives and challenges that face our breed and our association. We were able to visit two Dexter farms in the area. Thank you, Kathy, and Mark Chaney and Lesa and Hayden Reid for your hospitality and time.

While the AGM (Annual General Meeting) is still 8 months away this will be the 60th AGM meeting. The association is working hard to make it the biggest and best ever. The goal is to have 60 animals in the sale. This would be a great time to bring your trailer and carry home some new blood lines. It will be in Salina Kansas this year. It's just a 14 hour drive for us but worth every mile driven, minute and dollar spent. We love the AGM and have attended the last 4. You will not regret attending!

Fall calving has started here at Garlands Pride Farm. We are expecting 12 calves this fall and as always we are full of anticipation. Our breeding goal is simply to select quality stock and improve

them each generation. It is always fun to see if you succeeded. We have had a black heifer (Velvet) and a red bull (Max) born so far and 10 more to go.

Region 9: **Kim Newswanger**

Hello from Region 9! The heat of summer is finally over and fall is



here. I hope everybody has their winter supply of hay in the barn. The trees are changing color as I write and the cows are starting to look fluffy...I just

love this time of year!

We had two wonderful regional meetings earlier this fall, with good turn-out at both. We had a group of about 18 at Cathy Vaden's farm in VA in late August. It was good to put faces to names and make some new friends. We had good discussions during the meeting, then I gave a presentation on how to take good marketing photos of your Dexters for the educational session.

In September, we had a group of about a dozen here at our farm in KY. A lot of good ideas came out of this meeting, with plans to meet again at another member's farm later this fall so we can continue networking. For our educational session, I did a halter training demonstration using three of my Dexter girls at different stages of training. Then several folks stayed around to visit our herd before saying good-bye.

Both meetings went quite well, and I want to thank everybody who attended. If you didn't get to come, you missed out on a good time!

I'm very sorry that the PA meeting got cancelled due to lack of interest. Talk it up for next year and we'll try to do this again next fall.

Kim Newswanger

Regional Directors Continue...

Region 10: Pat Mitchell

Happy Winter from Region 10. We went from a hot, dry July and August to a really wet fall. With nearly 2" of rain over the weekend and over 6" the last two weeks, our pastures are a muddy mess. We have begun our winter feeding of round bales a bit earlier than I hoped. Thankfully we have plenty of hay this year.

I have been struggling with a good topic for this edition of the Bulletin. I hope this works to get us all thinking of ways to better promote our breed.

We have had quite a few discussions with what I would term "newbies" people who have never owned and cared for cattle but are drawn to the Dexter breed. Some have been led down a primrose path, "Dexters are wonderful pets, they are cute and really docile, they eat treats from our hands" etc. What it seems they fail to understand is that it takes a lot of hard work to get those cattle to be friendly wonderful pets!

I am becoming convinced that we as Dexter owners and breeders are not putting enough emphasis on what it takes to tame a new calf, or calm a flighty cow that's lived her whole life on a huge pasture without regular human contact, only to be sold to a new young family that just recently purchased their 5-acre dream homestead. They are set on having that Dexter become their family milk cow, but all that cow is thinking is "how do I get away from here! You think you're going to milk me? Right"...

When we get inquiries from potential new buyers, we try to ascertain their know how with cattle, and give them tips on training and earning the trust necessary for the cows to accept a new owner. It seems that many new owners think the

cows will automatically do what they want, when they want without any problems. Over the 29 years that we have owned and bred Dexters we have taken many prospective owners on herd walks. We have shown them some cows that remain aloof, some cows that respond to their names, and many that will eat treats out of our hands. We teach them to always be respectful and wary around bulls, especially during breeding time. We also advocate never messing with a bull's head – no rubbing or scratching him on the head. He'll begin to like it too much, and will think it's necessary every time you're near. A playful head butt from a young calf can become a pretty strong push from a mature bull as he's looking for you to scratch his head. We teach ways to halter train young calves, so they are handle able as adults. Many newbies think that you only need to halter break if you're going to show the animal. They fail to see the need to move the cow from one area to another, or to be able to safely load it onto a trailer.

By the time a herd visit is done, we have a pretty good idea who will be back for further discussion and possible purchase of our calves. We have even recommended that some prospective buyers go home and rethink their idea of raising Dexters. Those that do come back for a follow-up visit usually bring a trailer and leave with new additions to their farms. They have learned that there's hard work ahead, but they are enthusiastic about the Dexter breed and the joy that raising them can bring.

Region 11: John O'Meara

Northern Maine has experienced the nicest October in decades. No snow. We have had dry weather and enough rain to avoid the drought that has afflicted other parts of the region.

It is time to be certain that you have enough feed to keep your Dexters over the winter. I like to be

sure that I have extra feed at the beginning of every winter. For my cows and my climate that means about 150 - 40 pound square bales for every adult Dexter and 100 square bales for every calf - or the equivalent in round bales.

It is also time to revisit the question of how and where the cows will be fed. Mud and wet wastes hay, time, and money. On our farm, we have quite a bit of cold, dry, dead-frozen weather. The ideal place to feed the herd is on frozen, clean snow near a windbreak. Also, consider that the place the cows are fed is the place where nutrients will accumulate. I have improved the soil on several sections of the farm by feeding the cows in that spot for several weeks in the winter. Obviously, a place that has had much cow traffic will need some time to recover in spring. Always try to avoid accumulation of manure in a place prone to runoff or near waterways.

Water: Have an easy way to provide clean water to the cows throughout the winter. Cows will lick snow when deprived of water but it is not an easy or practical way for them to get the amount of water they need. We keep a de-icer in the water tub whenever the weather gets below freezing.

The worst enemy of cows and farmers alike in winter is the wind. When placing that water tank for the long cold season, think about where the snow tends to drift. I put a water tank in the wrong spot one year and had to dig it out nearly every day for months. By March, the cows were often standing on drifts several feet above the tank—requiring me to spend many hours moving snow. Now, in fall, I think drifting snow.

Winter is also a good time to get caught up on paperwork - busy lives sometimes means registrations and other records got put off.

Now is the time to make sure you have the right

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bull or semen for your animals for breeding season. The variety and quality of registered Dexter bulls is on the rise.

Please contact me if you need any assistance in finding a bull or an AI technician. Enjoy the Dexters.

John O'meara

Region 12:



Terry Sprague

Hopefully, we can all slow down a little as far as the cattle go since summer activities have ceased. Fairs and shows are finished for 2016 in Region 12.

Most Spring calves are weaned, meetings are done, and fall calves have arrived.

Theoretically, we can just sit back and watch our cattle munch hay!

It is a great opportunity to review the ADCA website, especially the education tab to glean information. Please share if you have found a good book or other resource that pertains to cattle.

Don't forget to send recipes to Peggy Woehl. There were a couple salads and desserts at the July meeting that need to be in there!

Keep warm, keep safe, and have blessed holidays.

Terry Sprague



Picture taken by Linda Goldman from Isle, MN
Kelly says goodbye to 3 month old heifer calf Dixie
before
she leaves for college.

Committees

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Jim Woehl

Tattoo Letters and Years

1997—G	2003—N	2009—W	2015—C
1998—H	2004—P	2010—X	2016—D
1999—J	2005—R	2011—Y	2017—E
2000—K	2006—S	2012—Z	2018—F
2001—L	2007—T	2013—A	2019—G
2002—M	2008—U	2014—B	2020—H

Meet the Breeder

Barry and Gwen Martin

Meet Barry and Gwen Martin of Shepherds Knoll Farm in Rice, VA - ADCA members since 2006.



Their goal is for simplicity, sustainability and self-sufficiency on their family farm in Rice, VA. They raise their own grass-fed meat, dairy, eggs, and produce on organic pastures and land.

We asked the Martins to share a little about their Dexter Experience...

Q. How did you get started in Dexters?

A. When we moved to our farm we had never been around cows and didn't know much about them. After re-searching different breeds we selected the Dexters, everyone raved about how gentle they were and the smaller size appealed to us. We bought our initial seed stock from John Potter of Spruce Grove Farm and Sally Coad of Freedom Farms.

Q. What do you like most about your Dexters?

A. What's not to like? Dexters are friendly, gentle, good mothers, thrifty, and the bulls are non-aggressive. Their milk and meat are delicious. We can't imagine not having them on the farm.

Q. Can you share a favorite Dexter/farm story to share?

A. Really our most favorite story isn't really a story but something that happens over and over again. People that are timid of larger animals come out to Shepherd's Knoll to "check out" the Dexter breed as a possibility for their farm and fall in love with them. We've seen it over and over again. The people are just amazed that the cows AND the bulls will allow them to pet and scratch them. We love introducing people to our Dexters.



SKF Branigan

Meet the breeder participants are randomly selected through out the year.

From Your Staff

Registrar, Web Developer, Bulletin

Registrar: Jill Delaney



Congratulations to all the participants who attended state fairs and the MDBA show and sale.

You put in so much effort, time and travel all for the love of the breed and seeing Dexter friends along the way. We have had a large number of new members join the ADCA since the last bulletin. I wish you all a very warm welcome and know you must be enjoying your new Dexters.

There is a lot to learn about the breed and the ADCA. You can find most of your answers on the website, and know your regional directors are there to lend a helping hand.

Thank you to all who continually send me kind notes and bring a smile to my face each day. Y'all are great to work with!!

Web Developer: Ray Delaney



We are continually improving the functionality of the website to make it

as user-friendly as possible. Visit the site often for news and updates on what is happening with your ADCA. During holiday down-time, you might want to check your pedigree pictures for updates. If pedigrees show calf pictures and animals are now older,

information you'd like to see in your ADCA bulletin.

Thank you to everyone who is sending me images. Please keep them coming, we use many images in each bulletin. Maybe you'll see yourself in print!

Don't forget to check out the ADCA website for pertinent information about your Dexters.

Stop Right Now !
Yes you...
Go to the back of the
bulletin or to the ADCA
website - fill out your
membership renewal and
send it in.
Wasn't that easy?

send in a current image. Cheers!

Bulletin Editor: Janet Davis



As the ADCA membership grows and diversifies, so does the Dexter Bulletin. Please email me or your directors regarding any infor-

Bulletin Advertising:

There isn't an easier way to gain the attention of your fellow Dexter Breeders. Four times a year the Bulletin is sent directly to every ADCA members house.

Straight to their mailbox, without fail. You don't have to worry about someone searching online for you, losing your email or phone number because it's right there - in the bulletin.

Advertise your farm, homestead or another business or occupation in the Dexter Bulletin.

Prices and information for all advertising is on the website and the back of every bulletin.
So... what are you waiting for?

Have a great winter...
And happy Dexter reading...

Registration FAQ's and information

In each bullet will answer some common questions.

Q. Why can't I reach the registrar?

A. It's been decided by the board, the best way to quickly serve all ADCA members is through their regional directors. Each regional director is quite knowledgeable about registration requirements, testing, membership information and everything Dexter.

If you don't know who your regional director is, please look in the back of this bullet or on the ADCA website.

By going to your director first it enables Jill to process registrations, transfers, updates, and memberships more quickly.

Thank you for your help!

Q. Who do I pay for my lab fees?

A. All lab payments must be sent directly to the lab. The ADCA and registrar do not handle these fees.

Q. How do I register the coat color of my Dexter?

A. In order to register a Dexter as RED, it must be tested and DNA verified as red. Except if the animal is the offspring of a registered red sire AND a registered red dam or at least one parent has been tested as a non-carrier of dun.

If a non - black Dexter is not tested for red, they will be recorded as Dun. If they are red tested after registration the color designation can be changed by submitting appropriate documentation to the Registrar.

If you have questions please see your Regional Director.

Q. I use UC Davis for testing but the results aren't being added to

the ADCA Geno Dexter List. Why?

A. All members using UC Davis for testing **must** click on the link **"Include this sample report to ADCA"** to add your results to the ADCA Geno Dexter list.

If members don't click this link their animal doesn't get included in the weekly ADCA geno list. See below.



Check out these Dexter Owner's new Simple Business Ad:

Earl and Carolyn Stout - Rolling Ranch in Genoa, AR - Home of the Dexter Cattle
phone # 870-653-5037 email: rollingranch@swat.coop

Jan Davis - Health and organic product copywriting, and marketing services - online and in print.
http://naturallivingcopywriter.com/ email: jan@naturallivingcopywriter.com

*Don't Miss
another
Bulletin Deadline
email your ad today!*

For only \$25 a year - Get a Simple Business Ad

Reach over 2700 Dexter owners in every mailing

Do you have a business outside of the Dexter World?

Do you sell Dexters or Dexter Supplies?

Then Advertise in your Dexter Bulletin.

And give your fellow Dexter breeders the opportunity to support you.

Email Janet at dexterbulletin@gmail.com right now!

Registration Information

UC Davis Testing Procedure

Are you using UC Davis for your testing? You must have your VGL account tied correctly with ADCA.

Using the following image to set up your account correctly.
Any questions - don't hesitate to contact your regional director.
They'd love to help!

Terms to Know:

MyVGL – the UC Davis on line system. VGL stands for Veterinary Genetics Laboratory

Case # - each of your tested Dexters is assigned a unique case # (known as the accession number at Texas A&M)

Permanent Record – your Dexter's set of genetic markers – also known as the genotype. A genotype does not identify breed type, but rather it identifies the specific set of genetic markers inherited from parents.

ADCA Affiliation Code – As an ADCA member, you receive a discount on testing fees, but you must set up the affiliation code to have your Dexters identified with the ADCA in order to receive the discounted fee schedule. Our affiliation code is **ADCA2024**. When setting up your account with UC Davis, you will be prompted to set up an Affiliation Code. Please select the ADCA2024 code in order for your genotype results to be sent to the registrar.

Important! Make sure you Add ADCA Affiliation Code to your account!

Go to <http://www.vgl.ucdavis.edu/myvgl>

1 Login or create a new account

2 Click My Account in the top menu bar.

3 On My Profile page click Add Affiliation button.

4 Type in affiliation code ADCA2024 and click the Add button.

Instructions for: Ordering Genotypes for a Dexter not Previously Tested

1 Click Order Tests in the top menu bar.

2 Then select Cattle Tests at the next menu bar.

Common ADCA Questions Answered

How do we handle joint ownership in cattle?

Joint ownership or partnership is handled by establishing a joint ADCA membership. One membership number will include the names of co-owners. This number should be used for all future co-owned cattle and is subject to annual membership dues.

How do I get a prefix?

A herd prefix is required for all ADCA members. A prefix is generally an abbreviation of a farm name. The animal name field only allows for 21 letter characters so please consider that when choosing a prefix. Contact the registrar to make sure the prefix you want has not been taken as they may not be duplicated.

Can I use my prefix on a calf if someone else was the breeder?

No, if you were not the breeder of the calf then you cannot use your prefix. The name of the calf must reflect the breeder's prefix. If an application is submitted with the wrong prefix, the registrar will change the animal's name to reflect the breeder's prefix.

Who is considered the breeder?

The breeder is the person who owned the cow at the time of breeding.

The calf was born on my property doesn't that mean I'm the breeder?

No, the breeder is the person who owned the cow at the time of breeding. The purchase of a bred cow still makes the seller the breeder of that cow and the calf must contain the breeder's prefix.

How do I revise information on a registration?

Contact the registrar for revisions to registrations. Revisions that cannot be made are cattle name changes and horned to polled (such as dehorning).

I ordered many lab tests, why are they not showing up on my animal's pedigree?

The registrar's office receives only genotyping results from Texas A & M or UC Davis. Any further test results need to be emailed or mailed to the registrar.

I registered my calf as polled but now she's growing horns, what should I do?

Notify the registrar via email that the registration should reflect a horned animal, not polled. You may not change from horned to polled without proper testing and paperwork.

My calf has scurs, what is that considered?

Scurs are considered polled.

What does it mean for my cow/bull to be an "obligate"?

Obligate status refers to calves that are the offspring of either non-Chondro or non-PHA (or both) parents. In order to be considered an Obligate, test results must be on file with the ADCA on both the sire and dam, and both must be non-carriers or carriers.

If you have a Dexter question please contact your Regional Director for help. You can also check out the ADCA website at <http://www.dextercattle.org/> . It is your go to website for everything Dexter.

Conference Calls

August, September, October

August 3, 2016 - 7 pm CDT

Pres - Greg Dickens
VP - Lesa Reid
Registrar - Jill Delaney
Secretary - Carol Ann Traynor
Treasurer - Jim Smith
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Agenda

1. Bylaws Discussion - David J

Items Covered:

Change fees on steers for registration and transfers.

National Youth Director – new class of director including term.

Omission of Sect 4-1 president and vice president wording.

Use of 'long-short legged' terminology needs to be removed and replaced with current terminology from various places in document.

Articles of incorporation regarding committees – board and standing – elimination of section regarding board committees as the ADCA uses only standing committees .

2. Logo for 60th Anniversary - Jim W

Marketing & Advertising Committee suggested a change in the logo – which is dated and difficult to reproduce.

It was suggested that the ADCA engage a professional company to design a logo that would also act as the 60th Anniversary Logo, and then replace the current logo (bull & cow heads) with the new one on all association materials. The logo would in-

clude what the ADCA stands for and what is important to the ADCA , and incorporate the three Dexter coat colors. It needs to be a design which can be easily used on promotional items. The new logo needs to be registered when decided upon so it cannot be reproduced without ADCA permission. Estimated cost is between \$500 & \$750.

Motion by Jim Woehl to research a professional company to develop a new ADCA logo- up to \$750.

second by John O'meara

Motion passed unanimously

3. ABRI/ABRA Update- Ray, Pat, Jill

Currently working on behind-the-scenes basic training, debugging the system, and still waiting for finalization with Hereford Assn. for server space.

It was suggested that in the new system the individual ADCA membership number also be used as the account number for transactions,

4. AGM Committee Update- Jim W

Things moving along nicely, Vicki working on contract with venue regarding suggested upgrades for next year including the PA system, fans, etc. Working on getting a new host hotel for 2017,

Requesting more direction from the BOD regarding funds.

– the yearly budget is based on the AGM breaking even . The AGM's in 2005, 2007 & 2009 were the only 3 years showing positive results from the show, sale, and fundraiser auction.

Average cost expense after sale (5%) and fundraiser auction in 2015 - \$5500 & 2016 - \$4800

Suggested ways to increase revenue were regional group sponsorship of classes and continued exploration of corporate sponsorships while also encouraging local community business sponsorships.

It was noted that it is easier to work

with local store management than pursuing corporate entities due to the size and potential advertising coverage of our event.

The current pricing of AGM meals does not include ancillary costs (taxes and gratuities) not covered by what is being changed.

Use total expenses \$29039 (2016) - \$11500 (2015)

Jim S. will have an expense breakdown for the September 7th conference call to give a clear picture to the AGM Committee and suggest a possible planning budget for the 2017 AGM.

5. Registration Questions - Greg

Make sure everything is correct before we get up the new computer program up and running.

What types of permanent animal identification are we going to accept?

Tattoo is preferred and recommended but other types of permanent ID are not excluded

SOP expanded to include a list of types of different permanent ID. Four acceptable types are:

use whole number in reporting
USDA 840 (veterinarian applied)

use only last 6 digits in reporting
Tattoo

Brucellosis tag
USDA silver tag
Microchip

6. Youth Committee Update- (Becky E. unable to attend conference call)

Lacy reported no correspondence during the last month

Greg expressed the need for the committee to get this worked up as soon as possible in order to meet the deadlines.

6. Welcome to New BOD Members

Welcome to new BOD members Susan Albritton and Becky Petteway

Committee Updates

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Conference Calls

Review of committee memberships published in the Bulletin was discussed

Chuck Daggett Award recipient wording to be clarified – decision was to use the Talisman wording for both awards.

January 15th deadline for all AGM information (2 issues of the Bulletin preceding the 2017 AGM) – all AGM material needs to go thru Jim W and/or Vicki J. for approval to publish.

Pedigree & Genetics Committee working on SOP for building a genotype .

Regional Updates

Reg 2 – Oregon State Fair Dexter Show to be held over Labor Day weekend

Washington State Fair Dexter Show

Reg4 Joel – Utah State Fair in September, cattle sales strong,

Reg 11– Regional Meeting scheduled for November 12th

Reg 8 – Phone calls regarding registrations, new people from Mississippi called and visited the farm, people in the region very interested in Dexters, Regional Meeting set

Reg 9 – Regional Meeting August 20th in VA – 12 members indicated plans to attend.

Reg 7 – Interest high, registration questions

Reg 12 – Regional Meeting July 30th – 30 members in attendance had educational sessions and potluck luncheon. Minnesota delegation to attend Iowa State Fair to see how to proceed with show in their area.

Jim W – Request for recipes and advertisements for Dexter Cookbook Peggy is compiling

Brochure Requests:
Lesa Reid
Greg Dickens

September 7, 2016 - 7 pm CDT

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Agenda

A. Youth Director- Becky E

Discussion: Deadline for SOP regarding the new Director.

A final BOD decision with everything information necessary to have the YADCA Director election needs to be made by the November Conference Call.

Lesa will send out a separate email to the BOD with timeline deadlines of things that have to be completed by the November Conference Call for a BOD vote on how to proceed.

Youth age limit is 18 in the ADCA compared to 21 in other cattle breed associations. It was discussed that this was a limitation upon those individuals who would be interested in filling YADCA positions.

B. AGM Budget- Jim W

Additional expenses need to be covered by sponsorships.

Everything at the AGM except for the Fund-raiser Auction has operated at no more than a \$2,000 negative cost. The proposed AGM budget for 2017 should revolve around a 5-10% increase in the average cost of the past 5-year's AGM expenses.

The BOD decided to allow a 5% increase in expenditures over the average of the last 5 years. This DOES NOT include the monies from the fund raiser auction. Those will re-

main separate. You can go from 5% to 10% NEVER to go beyond 10%. If something large comes up for the 60th Anniversary or something else it must be brought to the BOD for approval before being committed.

C. ABRI/ABRA update- Ray, Pat, Jill

Ray reported on the contract and contact with ABRI which is still being reviewed.

Questions to be clarified:

Members entering their own information

Exporting of data to an accounting program and invoicing capabilities
Contract should be signed within the week.

D. Calf Registration - Jill

Registration Protocol requires a 2-step procedure:

1st - proper registration needs to be made with the original owner/breeder named on the certificate

2nd - the transfer can then be made to the buyer.

A written explanation of the procedure will be published on the website and in "Frequently Asked Questions" in the Bulletin. The first line of communication regarding registration problems needs to be between the member and their Regional Director.

E. Registration Problem - Jill

An error made with a TAM testing report has resulted in a problem in registering the offspring. The bull in question has subsequently been sold and is not readily available for re-testing.

Joel has been working on the part of the genetics committee to rectify the problem.

Executive Session: Personnel Issues

F. Other

60th Anniversary Logo – Jim Woehl is working on this

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Conference Calls

G. Regional/committee updates

Becky Eterno – Waco Fall Fair in October needs to have entries to make a class.

Janet can get the brochure in Publisher and will send to CAT for publishing.

Janet has had response with ideas to improve to the Bulletin. October 15th deadline for next issue.

October the 5th 7 pm CDT.

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AGENDA

1. Youth Director- Becky E:
Discussion of emailed information for YD SOP:
Requirements for YD – time constraints/conflict of interests if holding other regional, state, or national organization leadership/officer positions
Budget – travel budget needs to be very limited as this could be very costly with travel expenses line item with an electronic budget – a voting director position not a stipend position- question about using iPhones for a conference call – suggested use of closed Facebook page for meetings, Structure similar to FFA with youth regional directors and one adult advisor
April 15th deadline for Bulletin information about nominees for election at

the 2017 AGM

General BOD consensus was that most of the information is acceptable with a few “word-smithing” items to be made. Lesa to send out one more email regarding the YD SOP – Directors to respond within 48 hours for changes – will be printed as presented/amended.

2. AGM- Jim W

Have scheduled another committee meeting – Vicki and Jim had preliminary meeting:

Items needed:

October 28 & 29 – Greg and Deana Dickens to meet with Kansas facility
Suggested getting judges within state – pay for lodging – have them do dual job of judging and being main speaker

planning 15/20 minute workshop opportunities

re-configure the barn set-up to be more owner and visitor friendly

Logo – no report so far

All invoices need to be sent to Jim Smith and made out to the ADCA to insure prompt payment 7 pm CDT

3. ABRI - Ray, Jim, Pat

No update on return of contract from ABRI.

There is no accounting module contained in the software, it does however provide a system of tracking and reporting transactions that are undertaken within the database e.g. animal recording, membership subscriptions etc. These details can then be reported using Invoices and statements.

There is a debtor's module available which contains a traditional invoice that needs to be added to the software. The Debtors/Receivables Module can be customized for a client's requirements. Further, ILR2 can be customized to allow these transactions to be "exported" to a true accounting package such as QuickBooks or MYOB. They currently export to Pastel in South African and Pegasus in the United Kingdom. These exports can be relatively

simple or can be customized to a more complicated format.

Jim Smith will be in Kansas City Nov 9-11 to go over the accounting system with the Hereford Association which is currently using the software.

There was discussion that the lack of the accounting system was never presented as a separate package that would have to be purchased.

4. Other

Bulletin deadline coming up October 15th and articles need to be submitted ASAP

Still wanting Recipes to print in cookbook need to be sent to Peggy Woehl

Janet, Bulletin Editor, is still requesting pictures for use in the publication

5. Regional/committee update

Region 1 – Getting ready for the MDBA October Show & Sale!!

Region 7 –

Interest in sale animals is strong, sales high, availability low

Requested that:

Need to list the options for those trying to contact the Registrar directly.

Need to expand the Registrar's 'auto reply' response to re-direct member requests to their Regional Director.

Region 8 – Election Meeting on November 12th – 2 nominees Susan Albritton & Sally Coad

Region 9 - Has had two membership meetings.

Region 10 – Lots of Dexter interest and calls on registration problems.

Region 11 - Registration questions and getting ready to come to MDBA event.

November 2nd – Conference Call 7 pm CDT will include those Regional Directors elect who were un-contested.

2016 MDBA Show & Sale

The 2016 MDBA Show and Sale was a huge success!

There were around 130 animals present. The youth and open show were both well attended.

There were about 35 ADCA registered animals sold at the sale and they brought a good price.

Grand Champion's List .

Youth Grand Champion Female- Red D Holly Shown by Danielle Hawkins

Youth Reserve Grand Champion Female- SMD Sophie Ferl Shown by

Erin Chambers

Open Grand Champion Female- SMD Anna Ferl Shown by Jeff Chambers

Open Reserve Grand Champion Female- SMD Sophie Ferl Shown by Erin Chambers

Open Grand Champion Steer- FF Bubba's Got Bling Shown by Warren & Sally Coad

Open Reserve Grand Champion Steer- RR Byron Valley Dicer Shown by Abbe Sprouse

Open Grand Champion Bull- Timberview Thor Shown by Rick &

Ronnie Harvey

Open Reserve Grand Champion Bull - ESF Powerball Shown by Ted & Vicki Anderson

Youth Premier Exhibitor- Britini Stewart

Adult Premier Exhibitor- Jeff Chambers

Best of Show - SMD Anna Ferl Shown by Jeff Chambers

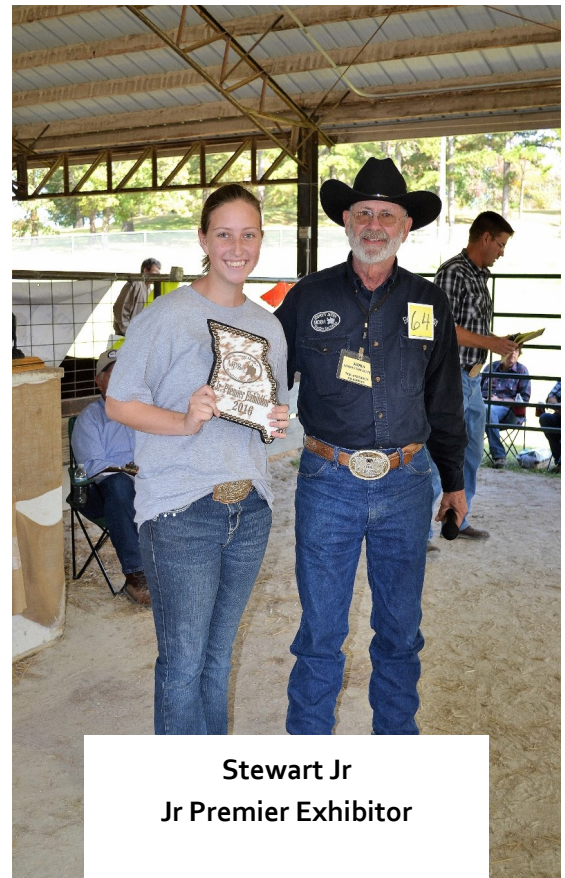
The quality of animals continues to improve every year. We look forward to another great show and sale in 2017.



2016
Rick Harvey
Grand Champion Bull



2016
Reserve Champion Female in Youth and Open Show
Jeff Chambers



Stewart Jr
Jr Premier Exhibitor

2016 MDBA Show & Sale



**The Chambers
Best of Show**



**Grand Steer
The Coats**



Dani Hawkins - Youth Grand Female



**Jeff Chambers Premier
Exhibitor**



**Open Show Grand Champion Female and
Best of Show.**



Youth Show MBDA 2016

Washington & Oregon State Fair

A big thank you to a group of dedicated Dexter breeders, with Stefani Millman as the driving force, have brought Dexters back to the Oregon State Fair, in Salem! It has been many years since there was a true Dexter show at the fair. However a group from the Pacific Northwest Dexter Club brought 20 animals to pave the way for a show to start once again. The public response was great, people were thrilled and intrigued to see the animals we all hold dear. So mark your calendars for the end of August, let's see many more Dexters there in 2017!



The Louderbacks from Rusty Ranch, Robbin Pittack from Phrisky Farms, Stefani Millman and Sue Barron from Emerald Park Farms.



Henry showing a young bull at the South West Washington Fair

2016 Nebraska State Fair Dexter Show Results – Grand Island, Nebraska

10th Annual Celebration – September 1st 2016

The 10th Year Showing of Dexters at the Nebraska State Fair took place August 30th through September 1st in Grand Island Nebraska. The Dexter Show at the Nebraska State Fair is the longest consecutively running State Fair Dexter show in the country. This year six breeders from four states brought for display and show 34 outstanding examples of our breed.

As part of the 10 year celebration of the Dexter Show at the Nebraska State Fair, breeders and those supporting the show were provided with commemorative gifts and two new awards were created: the Dexter Premier Breeder and Dexter Herdsmanship Awards.

A very special part of the Nebraska State Fair is the Supreme Drive which occurs on the last day of the beef cattle show in which the Grand Champion Female and Bulls from each breed come together for a special evening event to crown the Nebraska State Fair Supreme Champion. This year SMD Anna Ferl shown by Erin Claire Chambers was representing the Dexter Breed in the Supreme Drive. The Nebraska Governor participates in the Supreme Drive as one of three judges. This year as Governor Ricketts was strolling the line to pick the Grand

Champion Female he approached with purpose Erin and SMD Anna Ferl as a very discernable collective intake of breath from the large crowd occurred. Governor Ricketts hesitated for just a moment before 9 year old Erin Claire....and then passed by to the next breed and tapped the Nebraska State Fair Supreme Champion to the great exhalation of the crowd. It was quite a moment.

The gathering of Dexter breeders at the Nebraska State Fair has been and will continue to be a 'grand' celebration of our wonderful breed with plentiful opportunities to talk and discuss cattle and Dexters with fellow Dexter breeders and other cattle

breeders. This a great venue for our breed to display the Dexter proudly amongst all the wonderful breeds of cattle in the Beef State. Dexter aficionados in attendance also take the 3 days to have a lot of fun and support each other and those newly arriving or just researching the Dexter breed.

Please consider making the 11th Annual Dexter Cattle Show at the Nebraska State Fair a part of your 2017 summer!

Contact Jeff M. Chambers:
JMC@silvermapledexters.com or
402 - 416 - 9129 for more
information



Pictures

Above: Erin Chambers and Sarah Buck and an unidentified young lady.

To the left:
The supreme drive

Nebraska State Fair

Class - Division Placing	Division Champi- ons	Animal Name	Exhibitor
Late Heifer Class 3/1/16 & after			
1	Champion Late Heifer	Timberview Ava	Rick & Macheal Seydel – Timberview Dexters
2	Res Champion Late Heifer	High Pines Brandy	James & Peggy Woehl – High Pines Dexters
3		SMD Rea Ceann Mor	Jeff and Melinda Chambers – Silver Maple Dexters
4		SMD Eve Ceann Mor	Jeff and Melinda Chambers – Silver Maple Dexters
Late Yearling Heifer 3/2015 – 8/2015			
1	Champion Yearling	Timberview DS Angel	Rick & Macheal Seydel – Timberview Dexters
2		Spragues's Charlotte	Terry & Mary Jane Sprague – Sprague's Dexters
3		SMD Gracie Ballan	Jeff and Melinda Chambers – Silver Maple Dexters
4		High Pines Poursche	James & Peggy Woehl – High Pines Dexters
5		SMD Sophie Ferl	Jeff and Melinda Chambers – Silver Maple Dexters
6		Sprague's Gretta	Terry & Mary Jane Sprague – Sprague's Dexters
7		Rudy's Luci	Dawn Rudolph – Double D Dexters
8		High Pines Savannah	
9		Sheen's Gabby	Carolyn Sheen – Sheen's Irish Dexters
10		SMD Julia Ferl	Jeff and Melinda Chambers – Silver Maple Dexters
11		Mooster Allegwen	Carolyn Sheen – Sheen's Irish Dexters
Early Yearling Heifer 9/2014 – 2/2015			
1	Res Champion Yearling	High Pines Garnet	James & Peggy Woehl – High Pines Dexters
Two Yr Old Heifer b 1/2014 – 8/2014			
1	Mature Female Champion	SMD Anna Ferl	Jeff and Melinda Chambers – Silver Maple Dexters
2		High Pines Baile	James & Peggy Woehl – High Pines Dexters
3		Timberview Lola	Dawn Rudolph – Double D Dexters
Mature Cow b before 1/1/2014			
1	Res Mature Female Champion	SMD Nellie Ferl	Jeff and Melinda Chambers – Silver Maple Dexters
2		SMD Reba Flaith	Jeff and Melinda Chambers – Silver Maple Dexters
3		SMD Octavia Certus	Jeff and Melinda Chambers – Silver Maple Dexters
4		Timberview Fawn	Dawn Rudolph – Double D Dexters
Cow / Calf Pair			
1		SMD Anna Ferl	Jeff and Melinda Chambers – Silver Maple Dexters
2		SMD Nellie Ferl	Jeff and Melinda Chambers – Silver Maple Dexters
3		High Pines Baile	James & Peggy Woehl – High Pines Dexters
4		Timberview Fawn	Dawn Rudolph – Double D Dexters
Grand Champion Female			
		SMD Anna Ferl	Jeff and Melinda Chambers – Silver Maple Dexters
Reserve Grand Champion Female			
		SMD Nellie Ferl	Jeff and Melinda Chambers – Silver Maple Dexters
Late Bull Calf 3/1/2016 & after			
1	Champion Bull Calf	Timberview Kade	Rick & Macheal Seydel – Timberview Dexters
2		Sheen's Big Mac	Carolyn Sheen – Sheen's Irish Dexters
3		Double D Cash	Dawn Rudolph – Double D Dexters
4		High Pines Paxton	James & Peggy Woehl – High Pines Dexters

Nebraska State Fair results continue

Early Bull 9/2015 – 2/2016

1 Res Bull Calf

Timberview DD Axel

Dawn Rudolph – Double D Dexters

Late Yearling Bull b 3/2015 – 8/2015

1 Res Champion Yearling Bull

Gruver's DD Romeo

Dawn Rudolph – Double D Dexters

2

Mooster's Red Mars

Carolyn Sheen – Sheen's Irish Dexters

Early Yearling Bull 9/2014 – 2/2015

1 Champion Senior Bull

High Pines Ferley

James & Peggy Woehl – High Pines Dexters

Grand Champion Bull

Timberview Kade

Rick & Macheal Seydel – Timberview Dexters

Reserve Grand Champion Bull

High Pines Ferley

James & Peggy Woehl – High Pines Dexters

Market Steer 10 to 24 months

1

Sprague's Carl

Terry & Mary Jane Sprague – Sprague's Dexters

Grand Champion Steer

Sprague's Carl

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Timberview Fawn

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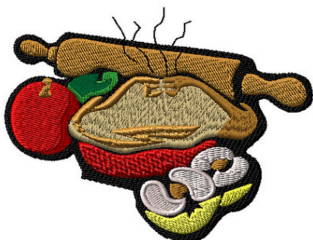
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