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AMERICAN DEXTER CATTLE ASSOCIATION®

EXPO/AGM
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2023 ADCA EXPO

JUNE 22-24
SALT LAKE CITY
UTAH



Comfort Suites Airport
171 N. 2100 W.,
Salt Lake City, UT, 84116



UTAH
STATE
FAIR
PARK

- Hotel reservations can be made via the ADCA Expo Website link.
- \$119 per night - June 21 (check-in) - June 24 (check-out) . Reservations must be made prior to May 1, 2023. Cancellations can be made up until same day arriving
- Group rate Code: LADCA
- Suites include 1 King or 2 Queen Size Beds/ Free Wifi /Hot Breakfast / Fitness Center / Indoor Pool / Smoke Free.
- Truck Parking

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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.

AMERICAN DEXTER CATTLE ASSOCIATION MISSION

The mission of the American Dexter Cattle Association is to protect, improve, develop, and promote the interests, standing, and quality of the Dexter breed; and to assist members in adding value to their animals.

EDITOR'S NOTE



Greetings, Dexter Enthusiast!

This edition is jam-packed and full of Expo and AGM information. See page 7 for a tentative schedule of events. The class and buckle sponsors are being acknowledged in significant ways. Be sure to check out the details on pages 7-13 to see what is in a Sponsor Thank You Swag Bag and a complete Class List. The Milking Parlor column, pages 4 & 5, has many great tips to help you successfully train your Dexter to milk today. On page 15, Regional Director Dave Cluff, host of this year's Expo, delivers a sneak peek into this year's exciting events. 2023 is the last year the ADCA Youth Director, Elissa Emmons, will serve our outstanding youth! Check out pages 22 & 23 for nomination details. Don't forget to submit your Youth Director nomination forms ASAP! Calf scours and or warts got you worried? Get the details on calf-hood diseases that can plague your farm, pages 25 & 32. Last but not least, we are super excited to announce Region 7 has a new interim director! Check to see who it is on page 26.

Happy Dextering

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| PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE |



Happy 2023! I hope everyone had a great Holiday Season filled with loved ones, and that you are either finally warming or maybe drying out from some of the crazy winter weather we have been having around the nation. On the bright side Spring is on the horizon with warmer days, new calves and pastures starting to grow again.

This Bulletin is full of information regarding the Westward Bound 2023 Expo and AGM in Salt Lake City, Utah in June. This is the farthest West an Expo and AGM has ever been, which is exciting as it makes it easier to attend for more of our Western members. The AGM portion will also be both live in person and also streamed so anyone can attend from the comfort of their own home if they aren't able to be there in person.

The theme of the Expo this year is Animal Health and Wellbeing. You will see that theme mirrored in the bulletin all year as well. Directors and members will share articles with all sorts of tips to help keep Dexters in tip top health and comfort. If you have any tips you want to share reach out to your Regional Director and see about having an article published in the bulletin.

Here is to a great 2023. Start planning that summer cow-cation, we hope to see many of you at the Expo in Utah!

Laaci Louderback





BASIC TRAINING

A cool breeze stirred the trees above as I milked our sweet Dexter cow Maribelle in the welcoming shade. The last rays of the setting sun brilliantly illuminated the tops of the trees and cast long shadows that stretched dimly across the pasture as the breeze chased away the last remnants of the heat of the afternoon. Maribelle calmly munched her treat as she shared the remaining milk that her rapidly growing calf hadn't yet consumed throughout the afternoon, and as the cream flowed into my bucket, I reflected upon the blessings of the day that we had enjoyed.

After completing my morning chores, I spent time with our herd at our rustic old barn while we relaxed under the oaks and relished the cool of the morning following their sunrise grazing. As Maribelle's mother Willow stood before me in the effulgence of her late pregnancy, I noticed that her udder was suddenly much tighter. We had been expecting a calf at any time, and indeed within the hour Willow purposefully walked away by herself and disappeared into a wooded area not far from where she had delivered her previous calf.

Throughout the day we checked on Willow, and to our delight, late in the afternoon we found her surrounded by our excited herd with a tiny calf by her side. All were gathered close to watch her adorable new girl joyfully hopping around her, stopping now and then to take advantage of her mama's bountiful udder. As I made my way to Willow, her curly, wet calf toddled over and nuzzled my arm, and then quickly returned to Willow for more cream. I tenderly petted her and welcomed her to the ranch as the herd moved off to allow Willow and I time to bond with her newborn heifer.

It is an amazing experience to greet a new calf for the first time, and wonderful little "Rosie" will be well pampered in the days ahead. However, caring for Dexters involves much effort in addition to the joyful moments when we get to delight in the wonder of a newborn calf. We occasionally get asked for the most important bit of wisdom that we have to share about raising Dexters, and our answer is to understand, and effectively use, the power of daily routine. Cows are highly motivated by routine, and management of them becomes significantly easier when you establish efficient routines that simplify your efforts. In regards to milking, the process

of training a cow for milking is actually an effort to teach your cow, and yourself, the milking routine that you desire to implement. Without a routine to follow, your cow will be confused about what to do, and what you expect from her, and your efforts will be unproductive.

You don't need to be an expert cattle handler to train your cow for milking. Rather, all you need is the determination to do the same thing, at the same time, and in the same place, every day. Call her to you in the same way, lead her to the milking area in the same way, give her a treat in the same way, wash and dry her udder in the same way, milk her in the same way, and then lead her out in the same way. Keep it simple, and be encouraging and generous with your praise, and she will learn. With each passing day she will become more ready, more eager, more cooperative, and more relaxed. This will usually result in the milking process taking less time, with less frustration, and yielding more milk. Yes, there are problem cows that never want to participate no matter how hard you try, but we hope that your cow isn't one of them. If you stay with it, there may come a day when The Dream comes true and you finally get to enjoy a tall glass of her creamy, delicious milk with a huge smile on your face.

If you've never milked a cow before, then your first attempts might not live up to your expectations. After all, doesn't everyone simply walk up to their cow, do a little easy squeezing, and walk away with a bucket of milk? Why won't she stand still? Why won't she stop kicking? Why won't she give me more than a half cup of milk? Doesn't she know that this is supposed to be fun? Before you begin your milking adventure, set your expectations appropriately. Expect that the first few weeks are about training, and not about milk production. Determine that you will give it your best effort, that you will be kind to her no matter what happens, and that you will stick with it every day. You will likely find that when both of you have finally learned your routine the milk will begin to flow more freely. Your land, your facilities, your herd, the season, the weather, the personality of your cow, and other factors will determine the routine that works best for you, and then you'll see that there really isn't much to it.

ESTABLISH TRUST

It is essential that a cow learns to trust you before she will be willing to share her milk. An untrusting cow will not willingly let you halter and lead her into the corner of a milking stall, and even if you get her there, she may kick if you try to touch her udder. Trust is earned through consistent kindness on a daily basis, providing your cow with plenty of encouragement and gentle interaction. She wants, and needs, to be brushed often. If she is ever treated unkindly, she will not likely be a willing milker. If she misbehaves during milking, we recommend that you solely, sternly and consistently say “no” and then continue. If her behavior is so bad that you can’t continue, calmly take her treat away, collect up your supplies, leave without a backwards glance, and she will understand.

PROVIDE AN INCENTIVE

Your cow will look forward to milking time if there is an incentive involved. Most cows enjoy having a treat to keep them busy while being milked, and we provide alfalfa pellets mixed with chopped hay. It takes our cows just one experience in the milking parlor while enjoying a treat and special attention to teach them to be waiting at the gate when we arrive again at the same time the next day. We don’t often give treats, and this provides a strong incentive to participate.

PRACTICE

Two weeks before you intend to begin milking, start practicing your intended routine with your cow to give both her and yourself the opportunity to learn and improve upon your routine before milk actually begins to flow into your bucket. Practice leading her in, giving her a treat, and cleaning her. Pretend to milk her udder a bit without squeezing, give her plenty of praise,

and then lead her out. After two weeks you will both become comfortable and quick with the routine, and management of her will no longer be an issue, therefore allowing you to begin focusing upon the mechanics of milking.

BE PATIENT

When beginning milking, expect your cow to be uncooperative, and don’t get upset or impatient with her. Anticipate that you will get very little milk at first. Give her time to learn the routine and understand what is expected. Always treat her with gentleness and respect, even when she doesn’t deserve it, because she is your working partner!

As I looked back upon the day, I appreciated with excitement the opportunity to begin a new season of milking that comes with the birth of Maribelle’s new sister Rosie and the freshening of their mother Willow. My excitement was rewarded as three days later I gave Willow a sniff of alfalfa pellets, and she excitedly bobbed along behind me as we walked together to the milking parlor. There she dashed through the gate and eagerly devoured her treat as she filled my cup with cream and I once again enjoyed a special time bonding with my grown-up Dexter girl. Through Rosie, Willow passes on her sweet personality and training, and genetics for milking, and another future milk cow is born into the family.

As I completed our twilight milking under the trees, Maribelle quickly devoured the remains of her treat and moved on with her mother and tiny new sister as they continued their evening grazing. There was so much to be thankful for, and as I watched them go, I gazed upon the lushness of the pastures and the beauty of their family, and was again filled with peace and comfort by the wonder of such gifts. A trained milk cow is a real and valuable treasure... Savor the creamy Blessing!♣





KEEPING OUR CATTLE HEALTHY

**Learn more about caring for your favorite breed of cattle
Watch the largest Dexter Cattle show in the nation**

**Gather for pizza at a Meet & Greet
Enjoy a catered Banquet Friday night**

**If you've never been to a Dexter Expo before,
this is the perfect opportunity to learn while
networking with other enthusiastic breeders.**



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JUNE 22-24**



WESTWARD

20 BOUND 23

SALT LAKE CITY, UTAH - UTAH STAIR FAIR PARK

JOIN US AT THE NATIONAL DEXTER EXPO!

This annual event offers an opportunity to see and learn about Dexter Cattle, the Dexter Cattle Community, and the American Dexter Cattle Association.

TENTATIVE SCHEDULE

WEDNESDAY JUNE 21, 2023

- All Day - Setup/Early Arrivals
- Early Bird Bonus Seminars
 - 3:00 - Lead Training
 - 4:00 - Show Prep
 - 5:00 - Showmanship

THURSDAY JUNE 22, 2023

- 8:00 Check In
- 10:00 Class (Show prep 101) - Rick Seydell
- Clipping/Grooming
- 11:00 Training your cattle - Panel Discussion
 - Good Manners
 - Getting cattle used to being handled
 - Basics of halter training
- Lunch
- 1:00 Showmanship - Vicki Jones
- 2:00 Milk! (Milking Basics, Cheese, Yogurt) - Audrey Dawson
- 3:00 BioPryn Preg Checking
- 4:15 Welcome - President/Host Region
- 4:30 Annual General Meeting
- 6:30 Dinner (Sponsored by ADCA)

FRIDAY JUNE 23, 2023

- 8:00
 - Check In
 - Meet The Breeders
 - Youth Member Meeting
- 9:00 - A.I. Fundamentals - Josiel Lopez
 - How to find an A. I. tech
 - Where to buy straws
 - How store straws
 - Heat Synchronization
 - Heat Detection
- 10:00 Small Scale Cattle Handling
 - Blocking Chute
 - Squeeze Chute
 - Alleys
 - Tubs/Bud Box
- 11:00 Minerals/Nutrition - Redmond Minerals
- Lunch-Cow Costume Contest
- 1:30 Registration and Transfer - Jill Delaney
- 2:30 Conformation - Jim Woehl
- 4:30 AGM Wrap Up (Board Only)
- 6:00 Dinner Awards/Auction

SATURDAY JUNE 24, 2023

- 9:00 Youth Show
- 1:00 Open Show-
- Presentation awards to follow immediately after

VISIT DEXTERCATTLE.ORG FOR MORE INFO

ADCA SWAG BAGS

FOR SPONSORS

As a special thank you to all our sponsors this year the ADCA will be handing out Thank You Swag Bags! Each swag bag will include your name and farm listed on the ADCA website as an official Expo Sponsor for one full year, a limited supply ADCA member bumper sticker, recognition in the Expo program as an official sponsor and a more!

*Sponsors not attending the Expo will have their Swag Bag mailed to them.

\$100 & \$150 Sponsorship Swag Bag Contents:

- 1 Year Expo Sponsorship Advertisement on ADCA Website
- ADCA Membership Bumper Sticker
- Your name & farm name advertised in Expo Program
- Sponsorship Certificate
- Estimated Value: \$75

\$250 Sponsorship Swag Bag Contents:

- Your Farm Advertised in the ADCA Quarterly bulletin 1/4th page
- 1 Year Expo Sponsorship Advertisement on ADCA Website
- ADCA T-Shirt or ADCA Hat
- ADCA Membership Bumper Sticker
- Your name & farm name advertised in Expo Program
- Sponsorship Certificate
- Estimated Value: \$175

\$500 Sponsorship Swag Bag Contents:

- Your Farm Advertised in the ADCA Quarterly bulletin 1/2 page
- 1 Year Expo Sponsorship Advertisement on ADCA Website
- ADCA T-Shirt and ADCA Hat
- ADCA Membership Bumper Sticker
- Your name and farm advertised in the Expo Program
- Sponsorship Certificate
- Estimated Value: \$250

LEVEL UP!

Multiple Sponsorship Donations can be combined to elevate your Swag Bag Thank You Contents to the next level. Example: three \$100 sponsorships can be combined to receive the \$250 Swag Bag or two \$250 sponsorships can be combined to receive the \$500 Swag Bag.

*Photographers Special
3rd Place
Danielle Edgington*



CLASS SPONSORSHIPS



Below are the various sponsorships for the 2023 National Expo. Please consider sponsoring one or as many as you desire! Sponsorships can be chosen and paid for on the ADCA website in the in Expo store.

YOUTH ADCA CLASSES

	COST
Peewee Showmanship	\$100
Junior Showmanship	\$100
Youth Showmanship	\$100
Junior Heifer Calf	\$100
Intermediate Heifer Calf	\$100
Senior Heifer Calf	\$100
Spring Yearling Heifer	\$100
Junior Yearling Heifer	\$100
Intermediate Yearling Heifer	\$100
Senior Yearling Heifer	\$100
Young Cow	\$100
Intermediate Cow	\$100
Mature Cow	\$100
Cow-Calf Pair	\$100
Grand Champion Female	\$500
Reserve Grand Champion Female	\$250
Grand Champion Female Buckle	\$100
Reserve Grand Champion Female Buckle	\$100
Junior Steer Calf	\$100
Senior Steer Calf	\$100
Yearling Steer	\$100
Senior steer	\$100
Grand Champion Steer	\$250
Reserve Grand Champion Steer	\$150
Grand Champion Steer Buckle	\$100
Reserve Grand Champion Steer Buckle	\$100
Junior Bull Calf	\$100
Senior Bull Calf	\$100
Grand Champion Bull Calf	\$500
Reserve Grand Champion Bull Calf	\$250
Grand Champion Bull Calf Buckle	\$100
Reserve Grand Champion Bull Calf Buckle	\$100

OPEN CLASSES

	COST
Adult Showmanship	\$100
Junior Heifer Calf	\$100
Intermediate Heifer Calf	\$100
Senior Heifer Calf	\$100
Spring Yearling Heifer	\$100
Junior Yearling Heifer	\$100
Intermediate Yearling Heifer	\$100
Senior Yearling Heifer	\$100
Young Cow	\$100
Intermediate Cow	\$100
Mature Cow	\$100
Grand Champion Female	\$500
Reserve Grand Champion Female	\$250
Grand Champion Female Buckle	\$100
Reserve Grand Champion Female Buckle	\$100
Junior Steer Calf	\$100
Senior Steer Calf	\$100
Yearling Steer	\$100
Senior steer	\$100
Grand Champion Steer	\$250
Reserve Grand Champion Steer	\$150
Grand Champion Steer Buckle	\$100
Reserve Grand Champion Steer Buckle	\$100
Junior Bull Calf	\$100
Senior Bull Calf	\$100
Junior Yearling Bull	\$100
Senior Yearling Bull	\$100
Young Bull	\$100
Mature Bull	\$100
Grand Champion Bull	\$500
Reserve Grand Champion Bull	\$250
Grand Champion Bull Buckle	\$100
Reserve Grand Champion Bull Buckle	\$100
Best of Udder	\$100
Cow-Calf Pair	\$100
Get of Sire	\$100
Produce of Dam	\$100

2023 EXPO CLASS LISTING

SHOWMANSHIP CLASSES

Class	Description	Age Range
S-1	Peewee Youth Showmanship	5 to 7 years (with parent/adult)
S-2	Junior Youth Showmanship	8 to 12 years
S-3	Senior Youth Showmanship	13 to 17 years
S-4	Adult Showmanship	18 years and older

YOUTH CLASSES

Youth may choose to enter either the Youth and/or Open Divisions

Class	Description	Age Range	Born On/After	Born On/Before
Y-1	Junior Heifer Calf	0 to 6 months	1/01/2023	Present
Y-2	Intermediate Heifer Calf	6 to 9 months	10/01/2022	12/31/2022
Y-3	Senior Heifer Calf	9 to 12 months	7/01/2022	9/30/2022

DIVISIONAL HEIFER CALF CHAMPION AND RESERVE CHAMPION

Y-4	Spring Yearling Heifer	12 to 15 months	4/01/2022	6/30/2022
Y-5	Junior Yearling Heifer	15 to 18 months	1/01/2022	3/31/2022
Y-6	Intermediate Yearling Heifer	18 to 21 months	10/01/2021	12/31/2021
Y-7	Senior Yearling Heifer	21 to 24 months	7/01/2021	9/30/2021

DIVISIONAL JUNIOR FEMALE CHAMPION AND RESERVE CHAMPION

Y-8	Young Cow	2 to 3 years old	7/01/2020	6/30/2021
Y-9	Intermediate Cow	3 to 5 years old	7/01/2018	6/30/2020
Y-10	Mature Cow	5 years and older		6/30/2018

DIVISIONAL SENIOR FEMALE CHAMPION AND RESERVE CHAMPION

GRAND AND RESERVE GRAND CHAMPION FEMALE

Y-11	Junior Steer Calf	0 to 6 months	1/01/2023	Present
Y-12	Senior Steer Calf	6 to 12 months	7/01/2022	12/31/2022
Y-13	Yearling Steer	12 to 20 months	10/01/2021	6/30/2022
Y-14	Senior Steer	20 to 29 months	12/01/2020	9/30/2021

GRAND AND RESERVE GRAND CHAMPION STEER

Y-15	Junior Bull Calf	0 to 6 months	1/01/2023	Present
Y-16	Senior Bull Calf	6 to 12 months	7/01/2022	12/31/2022

GRAND AND RESERVE GRAND CHAMPION BULL CALF

BONUS CLASSES

Free to enter - must be shown in their own class to be eligible.

Y-17	Cow-Calf Pair	No age requirement - calf must be 6 months old or younger
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OPEN CLASSES

Youth may choose to enter either the Youth and/or Open Divisions. Any animal entered in the open division MUST be exhibitor owned. A mature bull must have sired at least one calf

Class	Description	Age Range	Born On/After	Born On/Before
0-1	Junior Heifer Calf	0 to 6 months	1/01/2023	Present
0-2	Intermediate Heifer Calf	6 to 9 months	10/01/2022	12/31/2022
0-3	Senior Heifer Calf	9 to 12 months	7/01/2022	9/30/2022

DIVISIONAL HEIFER CALF CHAMPION AND RESERVE CHAMPION

0-4	Spring Yearling Heifer	12 to 15 months	4/01/2022	6/30/2022
0-5	Junior Yearling Heifer	15 to 18 months	1/01/2022	3/31/2022
0-6	Intermediate Yearling Heifer	18 to 21 months	10/01/2021	12/31/2021
0-7	Senior Yearling Heifer	21 to 24 months	7/01/2021	9/30/2021

DIVISIONAL JUNIOR FEMALE CHAMPION AND RESERVE CHAMPION

0-8	Young Cow	2 to 3 years old	7/01/2020	6/30/2021
0-9	Intermediate Cow	3 to 5 years old	7/01/2018	6/30/2020
0-10	Mature Cow	5 years and older		6/30/2018

DIVISIONAL SENIOR FEMALE CHAMPION AND RESERVE CHAMPION

GRAND AND RESERVE GRAND CHAMPION FEMALE

0-11	Junior Steer Calf	0 to 6 months	1/01/2023	Present
0-12	Senior Steer Calf	6 to 12 months	7/01/2022	12/31/2022
0-13	Yearling Steer	12 to 20 months	10/01/2021	6/30/2022
0-14	Senior Steer	20 to 29 months	12/01/2020	9/30/2021

GRAND AND RESERVE GRAND CHAMPION STEER

0-15	Junior Bull Calf	0 to 6 months	1/01/2023	Present
0-16	Senior Bull Calf	6 to 12 months	7/01/2022	12/31/2022
0-17	Junior Yearling Bull	12 to 18 months	1/01/2022	6/30/2022
0-18	Senior Yearling Bull	18 to 24 months	7/01/2021	12/31/2021
0-19	Young Bull	2 to 3 years old	7/01/2020	6/30/2021
0-20	Mature Bull	3 years and older		6/30/2020

GRAND AND RESERVE GRAND CHAMPION BULL

BONUS CLASSES

Free to enter - must be shown in their own class to be eligible.

0-21	Cow-Calf Pair	No age requirement - calf must be 6 months old or younger
0-22	Best of Udder	Cow must be in milk
0-23	Get Of Sire	3 animals from the same sire both sexes represented.
0-24	Produce Of Dam	2 animals from the same dam.

2023 ADCA NATIONAL DEXTER SHOW REGULATIONS

ANIMAL IDENTIFICATION AND HEALTH REGULATIONS:

- All animals will be given a visual check by the individuals supervising the check-in of animals. Any animal deemed unhealthy or showing signs of contagious diseases will be sent to a quarantine area. Any animal sent to the quarantine area will be examined by a veterinarian and/or the ADCA President, Expo Committee Chair and Show Committee Chair. These people will have the final say if the animal is allowed in the barn. Animals from quarantined areas are not permitted to enter the show or sale event.
- All animals must be properly identified. Legible identification such as tattoos, 840 tags, calf-hood metal clips are acceptable. This number must appear on registration and health papers. Failure to have proper identification will be grounds for dismissal from the event.
- Health Certificates with approved identification (840 Tags, Brucellosis metal clips, etc), are required for all animals entered for show and/or sale. Out of state entries must comply with the regulations of the State in which the show and/or sale event is taking place. It is advised to have your veterinarian call the State prior to the event.
- No drugs are to be administered at any time except under the guidance of the event veterinarian.

ANIMAL MANAGEABILITY REGULATIONS:

- All animals in the barn must be halter-broke to lead & tie. There are no pen classes in the show and all sale animals must comply with these regulations. If an unruly animal is attending, it will have to be confined to a livestock trailer.
- Any animal deemed unmanageable by the Show Committee supervisor, before or during the show, will be required to leave the show arena. Cattle dismissed in this fashion are not eligible for sale or show placing, and all entry fees will be forfeited. Any animal deemed unmanageable will have to be confined to a livestock trailer.
- No holding pens will be available.

GENERAL BARN REGULATIONS:

- All animals must be double tied in the barn with both a halter and a neck-tie. Nursing calves may run loose with their dam if both are contained in a secure pen area, but the dam must still be double tied.
- All cattle, stalls, and equipment areas must be kept clean and presentable for the duration of the Expo.
- Every precaution will be taken to protect participants and their animals. However, neither the ADCA, the Show Committee, the location of the event, nor the supervisors or their assistants will be responsible for the accidents or loss associated with the participants and their animals.
- Initial bedding will be supplied; Replacement bedding may be purchased on site.
- Hay and feed may also be available for purchase on site or from a feed store nearby.
- Electrical outlets will be available for fans and other needs. To be shared.

- Outdoor wash racks are available.
- Exhibitors may bring their own grooming chutes.

GENERAL SALE REGULATIONS:

- The ADCA supports private treaty sales at the Expo, but there will be no formal ADCA-sponsored sale.
- All animals "for sale" must be registered with the ADCA.
- Every animal must comply with all Expo health, identification, manageability, and check-in regulations.
- The ADCA will provide a veterinarian to write CVI's for animals that are sold. The schedule for the vet to be at the Expo will be announced later. The seller will pay both the veterinary's fee and the ADCA transfer fee.
- The seller must reserve barn space for their animal. The cost to reserve barn space is the same cost as entering the animal in the show. Animals that have not had barn space reserved will not be permitted to stay on the premises.
- All Entries to reserve barn space for a sale animal must be made through the Expo Store on the ADCA website by May 21, 2023. Late entries received May 22, 2023 thru May 30, 2023 will be accepted with DOUBLE ENTRY FEES. NO ENTRIES WILL BE ALLOWED AFTER May 30, 2023.
- Any show animal may be offered for sale.
- Signs for animals that are offered for sale may be displayed at the animal's stall. The sign may be no larger than 8 1/2"x11"

GENERAL PHOTO CONTEST REGULATIONS:

- All photos submitted for the Photo Contest must be of ADCA-registered animals. You can find more information about the photo contest on the ADCA website.

GENERAL SHOW REGULATIONS: (NEW GUIDELINES)

- Open Show (new this year) - open to all ages, but animals entered in the open show must be owned by the exhibitor. The exhibitor must have owned the animal for a minimum of three months prior to the show.
- Youth Show - open to ages 7-17. Animals do not need to be owned by the exhibitor.
- Youth are eligible to compete in both the youth and open shows.
- Youth younger than 14 who choose to show in the open show cannot show bulls over one year of age.
- An exhibitor's age on the day of the show will determine class eligibility.
- All animals in the show must be registered with the ADCA.
- For more than first-place premiums to be paid, a class must have more than one exhibitor. If a class has only one animal, only the first-place premium will be paid.
- Calves being shown ONLY in Cow/Calf class, if less than 3 months of age, need not be registered but must have a Record of Birth.
- For female classes, winners of the Divisional Championships compete for Grand and Reserve Grand Champions, with the Divisional Reserve Champions standing ready.

- For bull and steer classes, the Dexter placing first place in each class will compete for Grand and Reserve Grand Champions, with the second-place animals standing ready.
- All bulls 12 months and older must have an affixed nose ring or nose clamp. A lead strap must be affixed to the ring prior to entry into the show ring. NO STRAP - NO ENTRY.

SHOW ENTRY GUIDELINES:

- All cattle, including steers, must be registered with the ADCA prior to entry deadline.
- Animal substitutions will be allowed at check-in ONLY in the same sex, same age & same class.
- All Entries must be made through the Expo Store on the ADCA website by May 22, 2022. Late entries received May 23, 2022 thru May 30, 2022 will be accepted with DOUBLE ENTRY FEES. NO ENTRIES WILL BE ALLOWED AFTER May 30, 2022. Entry fees for animals entered but not brought to the show or sale will not be refunded.
- All animals must be accompanied by their registration papers.

EXHIBITOR GUIDELINES:

- The Show Committee, under advisement of the Board of Directors, will have final authority to uphold established rules and regulations.
- Exhibitors must be current members of the American Dexter Cattle Association.
- If an exhibitor wants to show two or more animals in the same class, the exhibitor MUST show ONE; any other non-professional individual in attendance may show the additional animal.

PREMIUMS PER CLASS:

- First: \$75.00
- Second: \$50.00
- Third: \$35.00
- Grand Champion Female or Bull: \$250.00
- Reserve Grand Champion Female or Bull: \$150.00
- Grand Champion Steer: \$150.00
- Reserve Grand Champion Steer: \$75.00
- Best in Show: The Grand Champion Female, Bull, Steer, and Cow/Calf Pair of the Open Show will be eligible for this award.
- Because the ADCA wants to encourage and applaud youth-ownership of ADCA registered Dexters, a special Premium Bonus will be awarded to top placing youth that own the cattle they are showing in the Youth Show. The Youth-Owner placing the highest in a class will receive a \$35 premium bonus, the second highest will receive a \$25 premium bonus, and the third highest will receive a \$15 premium bonus. These bonuses will be awarded after the show. This premium bonus is not offered to youth showing animals owned by their parents, grandparents, farm, or other breeder. To qualify for the premium bonus, the animal must be solely registered under the youth's own member number. Animals that are jointly owned with an adult do not qualify.

SHOWMANSHIP CLASSES:

- Absolutely no bulls may be shown in any Showmanship Class — Junior Youth, Senior Youth or Adult.
- Junior Youth Showmanship: youths 7-12 years old
- Senior Youth Showmanship: youths 13-17 years old
- Adult Showmanship — 18 years and older

DRESS CODE:

- The following show attire will be required and enforced in the show ring for anyone presenting cattle:

- Collared/buttoned shirts (full button or polo/golf) with sleeves (length of the sleeves will be determined by the season/weather/temperature).
- ABSOLUTELY NO personal names, farm names and/or association names/logos other than the approved official ADCA Member Logo is permitted. This includes 4H/FFA logos.
- Long pants (jeans or slacks) that are dark in color and have no tears or holes are required.
- Boots or fully enclosed heavy footwear must be worn for safety reasons.
- Long hair must be tucked in a hat or tied back for safety reasons.
- Optional: belt, western hats, gloves or the use of show sticks and combs.

Prohibited items include the following:

- Baseball caps
- Baggy, low riding pants that drag on the ground, for safety reasons
- T-shirts or crop top shirts that leave the midriff skin showing
- Sandals or canvas shoes, for safety reasons
- Overalls

CATTLE GROOMING REGULATIONS:

The Show Committee will advise the judge regarding grooming requirements and expectations prior to the show. This will encourage the judge to look at the animal closely, not at the grooming capability of the exhibitor. The Expo is considered a "Blow and Go" show with the following guidelines:

Prohibited Items:

- Painting or polishing of horns or hooves with colored polish
- Artificial coat coloring
- Growth implants
- Drugs to alter the disposition of the animal (Xylazine/Rompun, Calf Calm Paste, etc)
- Adhesives or any compounds that have adhesive qualities that, when applied, cannot be combed or brushed through.
- These products and similar ones are prohibited: Prime Time, EZ Comb, Tail Adhesive, Ultra White Touch Up, Black Touch Up, Black Finisher, black show foam, etc.
- Alcohol, water, oil, or any product that is alcohol or water-based and have no adhesive or glue qualities are the types of grooming products that are permissible. These items include such products as Kleen Sheen, Revive, Final Bloom, Show Sheen, and white show foam.

The ADCA reserves the right to physically inspect any animal where suspected prohibited products may have been used.





2023 ADCA EXPO

“WESTWARD BOUND”

DAVE CLUFF | REGION 4 DIRECTOR

The 2023 American Dexter Cattle Association Expo is “Westward Bound!” In fact, this year's Expo will be held further west than it has ever been held before. Our location this year is truly unique. Nestled between the base of the Rocky Mountains and the Great Salt Lake, the Utah State Fairpark is conveniently located in downtown Salt Lake City at the crossroads of I-80 and I-15. It is also less than 15 minutes from Salt Lake International Airport providing convenient access for those who are flying in from around the country. From the venues of the 2002 Winter Olympics to the architecture of the Utah State Capitol and Temple Square there is so much you can see while you are in town for the Expo with your family.

At the Expo you will have the opportunity to associate with excellent dexter breeders, like you, who have traveled from around the country to immerse themselves in all things Dexter for three whole days! The agenda for this year's Expo is packed full of classes and events that will benefit every breeder. We have classes on conformation, the basics of showing, artificial insemination, cheese making, small scale cattle handling, and more. There is sure to be something valuable to learn for everyone who attends this year's Expo.

For those who live close enough to bring cattle, come and show! Showing is the best way to see what is working well in your herd and be recognized for your diligent efforts. When you show, you get to see your Dexters side by side with Dexters from around the country. In the show ring you get to have a professional judge evaluate your Dexter and give you professionally trained, unbiased feedback. The satisfaction of having the work you have done to improve your herd recognized by others is very rewarding, and the insight you gain will help inform your future breeding decisions as well.

If you have never shown before, don't be intimidated. I have always admired and appreciated how Dexter breeders will help and support each other, many times even as we are in the show-ring competing against each other. If you are interested in showing but don't know where to start, feel free to contact me or a member of the show committee. We all are willing to help get you started. Also, we have multiple classes explaining the basics of showmanship, show prep, and what to expect when you are in the show ring.

The board has decided to hold the Annual General Meeting (AGM) in

person at the Expo, and online, to give as many people the opportunity to participate as possible. Many of our board members and other leaders of the Association will be in attendance. We enjoy talking to you, our members, hearing about your Dexter adventures, and learning more about how the association can support your efforts to improve your herd. The opportunity to connect a face to the names of the people I message and talk to is one of my favorite parts of the Expo.

The Expo is also an excellent opportunity to network with other breeders. Be sure to bring some business cards to hand out. You can also donate promotional items for the free welcome bags everyone gets when they check in. Also, don't miss out on the opportunity to sponsor a class during the show. Sponsors will be recognized in the program and during the show.

We have selected the Comfort Suites Salt Lake Airport as our host hotel this year. Their modern, suite style rooms are clean and comfortable. Amenities include free airport shuttle service (they may also provide shuttle service to the Expo upon request) wifi, fitness center, pool, truck parking, and a complimentary hot breakfast every day. The hotel is about five minutes from the airport and less than 10 minutes from the Utah State Fairpark. The group rate of \$119 per night is available June 19-26 to accommodate those who may want to come a little earlier or stay a little longer. To book a room using the group rate you can call the hotel directly at (801)715-8688 and tell the front desk agent that our booking code is: LADCA. Or, you can book online using this link: <http://www.choicehotels.com/ires/en-US/html/ArrivalInfo?hotel=UT053&srp=LADCA&pu=no> Reservations booked using the group rate are cancelable up until 4:00 pm the day of your scheduled arrival. Rooms are limited so book now to take advantage of the group rate.

More information about educational seminars, show classes, the AGM, etc. will be released on our website and FaceBook page as it becomes available. Decide now to attend the Expo. Book your room at the Comfort Suites Salt Lake Airport. Make your travel arrangements. Walk through your herd and select your best animals to compete in the show. The 2023 ADCA Expo is sure to be an event that you won't want to miss. I look forward to seeing you all there!

PICTURE THIS: EXPO 2023 NATIONAL DEXTER EXPO PHOTOGRAPHY CONTEST

Ribbons will be awarded along
with premiums. The premiums are:

1st place \$35

2nd place \$25

3rd place \$15



We want to see amazing photos of your Dexters! Not only are there prizes to be had, but the winner of the People's Choice Award will be used as the cover of an upcoming ADCA Bulletin. All photos submitted for the Photo Contest must be of ADCA-registered animals.

CATEGORIES

BULL

COW AND HER CALF

KIDS AND DEXTERS

FARM ANIMALS AND DEXTERS

HERD GROUP SHOT

PHOTOGRAPHER'S SPECIAL

(any picture that doesn't fit in the above categories)

CHRIS ODOM MEMORIAL AWARD

This award is in memory of Chris Odom, who worked tirelessly and with unending good humor to raise funds to support the ADCA youth programs. Applications for the award are available at dextercattle.org/adca-awards/Requirements include answering test questions and submitting a written essay and photo. The Junior Division includes ages 6-12 and the Senior Division is for ages 13-18. (Age as of May 1, 2023.) Chris Odom Award. Lots of prizes handed out this year, including a \$1,000 cash award! Applications must be postmarked on or before May 1, 2023.



JUNIOR CHRIS
ODOM APPLICATION



SENIOR CHRIS
ODOM APPLICATION

The Talisman Farm Award is presented each year to a family, couple or individual who steward an exemplary herd of Irish Dexter Cattle. The award is in memory of John Hays, honoring his dedicated work with the Dexter breed. Those nominated must be ADCA members in good standing who demonstrate good herdsmanship and promote the Dexter breed with passion and integrity. If you would like to nominate someone, please do so at dextercattle.org/adca-awards/. Include the nominee's name, ADCA number and a short explanation and biography. Nominations are due by May 1, 2023. The Talisman Committee will review the nominations and determine the recipient. The award will be presented at this year's Expo.

TALISMAN FARM AWARD

CHUCK DAGGETT GOOD CITIZENSHIP AWARD

The Good Citizenship Award is named after Chuck Daggett, a faithful educator to new Dexter owners and an advocate for Dexter Cattle. Those nominated must be ADCA members in good standing who are known for educating fellow Dexter owners, helping prospective owners who want to learn more about the breed, and are good citizens both in the Dexter community and society at large. Written nominations can be emailed or sent via USPS to your regional director. Nomination forms can be found at dextercattle.org/adca-awards/. Your nomination should explain how this person fits the award criteria. Nominations are due to your regional director by May 1, 2023. If more than one person is nominated within a region, the Regional Director will conduct a vote to determine the regional winner. The BOD will vote to determine the winning national Good Citizen. The award will be presented at this year's Expo.

DECEMBER

December 6, 2022
7 p.m. CST

President – Laaci Louderback, Vice Pres – Dan Edgington, IPP - Jim Woehl, Secretary – Carole Nirosky, *Treasurer – Roberta Wieringa, Registrar - Jill Delaney, Webmaster - Ray Delaney, *Youth Dir Elissa Emmons, Region 1 – Skip Tinney, Region 2 – Stefani Millman, *Region 4 – David Cluff, Region 6 – Kimberly Jepsen, Region 7 – , Region 8 – Mark Chaney, Region 9 – Kim Newswanger, Region 10 – Santiago Lizarraga, *Region 11 –John Wallace, Region 12 – Kevin McAnnany.

* - not present

1) The board meeting called to order by Laaci Louderback at 7:00 pm central and roll call was taken. Susan Smythe also attended the meeting.

2) Reports:

- a) Registrar's report – Jill Delaney
- Total Membership: end November 2022 – 1951 / end of November 2021 – 1929. Jill sent a new member list to directors. Kevin McAnnany said Colorgraphics, the company that prints and mails the Dexter Bulletin had some concerns regarding the way the names are listed on the new document and how it would affect postal delivery. Jill and Susan Smythe stated that information columns can easily be adjusted. Regardless of how names are listed, family name or business, as long as the address is correct mailings should be deliverable.
- Jill asked Kevin McAnnany if the Marketing and Advertising committee would be able to supply her with more member stickers for her welcome packets. Kevin will look into getting more stickers.
- Susan Smythe was in attendance to give an update on the new software and request a future meeting to discuss the Memorandum of Understanding, MOU. The current MOU has taken more time to complete than initially estimated but the end result will ultimately be the same. With the board's approval, Susan would like to rebalance the remaining work for phases 2 and 3. The original order for the software build was phase 1 – Registrar's component, phase 2 – publish the online public portion on the web, including a sales component and phase 3 – member self-services component. Susan stated that the work that has been completed in phase one directly relates to the member self-service component, so it makes more sense as she moves forward to swap phase 2 and phase 3. Following discussion, the board agreed that Susan should move forward with the building and implementation in the order that she deems best. Susan will revise the MOU and bring it to the board in January for them to review. Susan was reminded to send an invoice for the data migration to Roberta for payment.
- Kimberly Jepsen asked how we would monitor members that relinquish control of their accounts. Members need to follow ADCA policy by using the authorized representative form that can be found on the ADCA website.
- Forms for registration, transfer, and membership will be included in the

new software. New printable forms will have to be created and Susan suggested using the forms in the new software as a guide when creating printable forms. Susan offered to meet and consult with the person designated to create the forms.

3) Committee / Task Force Reports – Committee Chairs

a) Goals committee – Laaci Louderback,

- Laaci read the committees proposals for changing the ADCA mission statement to a shorter version of what is currently stated in the articles of incorporation. The proposed change is “The mission of the American Dexter Cattle Association is to encourage the breeding of high-quality Dexter cattle and to maintain a system of registry”. Several board members expressed their approval of the condensed version.
- Laaci shared the committees proposal to establish pillars for 1 and 3-year goals for the associations short- and long-term goals and asked the board for input.
 1. Association Infrastructure - Research and implement a Google business account for the purpose of effectively standardizing communication, streamlining documentation and improving our online presence as an association.
 2. Education - Develop a plan to create both printed and visual “how to” materials for members to reference while learning how to use the new registration software program. Create three educational videos on various topics to post on the ADCA YouTube channel.
 3. Classification - Assign a taskforce to research and develop a classification program. Concerns were raised about classification, what it is interpreted to be and if it should be considered a “pillar” or if it should be addressed as an educational item for an assigned task force to research and develop plans for execution. Jim Woehl stated that the purpose of classification is to help breeders improve their herds and the Dexter breed in general. He believed that implementation and lack of understanding were some of the causes for failure of past attempts at classification. He expressed the importance of moving forward with a well thought out plan. The current classification document can be found on the ADCA website for members to use.
 4. Member Services - reevaluate the guidelines for ADCA funds awarded to Dexter events and shows with possibility of giving more to larger events. Request the M&A committee to implement an online store for members to purchase ADCA merchandise. Kevin McAnnany stated that his committee has been looking into an online store with little success so far due to the amount vendors want the ADCA to commit to in sales. Kimberly Jepsen suggested reaching out to members for a business proposal to sell their merchandise through a link on our website as an option. Other suggestions were to have the ADCA logo available for members to order their own merchandise. The M&A will continue looking for options to make merchandise available.
- Following comments from the board Laaci will ask the goals committee to accommodate recommendations for changes to the goals proposal.

b) Finance Committee report –

JANUARY

January 10, 2022
7 p.m. CST

President – Laaci Louderback , Vice Pres – Dan Edgington, IPP - Jim Woehl, Secretary – Carole Nirosky, Treasurer – Roberta Wieringa , Registrar - Jill Delaney, Webmaster - Ray Delaney, Youth Dir Elissa Emmons, Region 1 – Skip Tinney, Region 2 – Stefani Millman, Region 4 – David Cluff, Region 6 – Kimberly Jepsen, Region 7 – , Region 8 – Mark Chaney, Region 9 – Kim Newswanger, Region 10 – Santiago Lizarraga, Region 11 –John Wallace, Region 12 – Kevin McAnnany. * - not present

1) The board meeting called to order by Laaci Louderback at 7:00 pm central and roll call was taken. Member Janice McKim (region 10) was also in attendance.

2) Reports:

- a) BBC Software update with Susan Smythe was postponed until the next board meeting.
- b) Treasurer's report – Roberta Wieringa
 - While working with Dave Cluff and the finance committee a glitch was discovered with the reporting in QuickBooks. Unrestricted funds are being added back into the totals causing an inflated balance. Roberta, Dave, and Kim Newswanger will be working together to resolve the reporting issue with the unrestricted funds.
 - There were no questions from the board for the treasurer. The ADCA total liabilities and equity are \$386,1513.80 as of November 30, 2023.
- c) Registrar's report – Jill Delaney
 - Jill is continuing to work with the new software reporting functions which are limitless in the types of information that can be extracted. Jill thanked the board for her pay increase.
 - Kevin McAnnany requested verification of the membership total in preparation for the next mailing of the Dexter Bulletin. This mailing will go to 2,012 members. Jill reminded everyone that the amount of bulletins mailed for the first edition of the new year is always higher because it includes members from the previous year that have yet to renew their membership. Jill was happy to report that return bulletins due to incorrect mailing addresses have significantly decreased.
 - Roberta Wieringa stated that the new detailed reports she is receiving from Jill are working and acceptable.
 - End of 2022 – Total membership: 2012 of which 697 are new members.
 - 2022 Total animals registered: 2144 – 1508 cows, 564 bulls and 72 steers.
 - 2021 Total animals registered: 2071 – 1480 cows, 512 bulls and 79 steers.

3) Committee / Task Force Reports – Committee Chairs

- a) Finance committee – Dave Cluff
 - Laaci Louderback stated that the board met on January 3, 2022 to go over the budget for 2023. Contract employees were given a 6% pay increase, the first increase since 2017.
 - Dave Cluff said line items were included in the budget so committees can

Kimberly Jepsen asked board members to review the proposed 2023 budget that was emailed to them earlier in the week. She asked them to provide input so the budget could be on the agenda for approval at the January meeting. Input should be provided by December 16, 2022. Kevin McAnnany would like the accounts, such as the bulletin, to be realigned so they better reflect total costs. Skip Tinney suggested that the finance committee should be working to reallocate accounts for income and expenses in the next year. The board elected to hold a special meeting on January 3, 2023 to discuss stipends and postpone the regular monthly board meeting until January 10, 2023.

4) Continuing Business

- a) AGM Overview – The board reviewed the 2022 annual general meeting and held a short discussion about how they would like to host the AGM in the future. Ideas shared were to hold it closer to the beginning of the year, sometime closer to the expo and lastly, at the expo while including live streaming. Laaci asked the expo committee to review and make recommendations about hosting it at the 2023 Expo.
- b) Region 7 Director – Laaci Louderback recently received interest from three members interested in serving as the region 7 director. Laaci will forward bios from candidates to the board. The board is excited to have interest for the position and will make a decision at the January meeting.
- c) New member welcome packet – Stefani Millman will send the welcome packet to the board so new board members can review it. Kevin and Stefani will work to gather costs for printing.

5) New Business a) Putting the AGM on the YouTube Channel –

The board agreed to post the AGM on the YouTube channel. b) Proposed change to SOP regarding animals registered with other registries registering with the ADCA – Mark Chaney is going to recruit Jill Delaney's help in rewriting the SOP for a better understanding. In the meantime, he will be resending the original version to the board for review. c) Stefani Millman would like to invite members to attend board meetings in hopes of getting more members involved. ADCA bylaws state that any member may attend board meetings. Directors were encouraged to make this known to members in their monthly emails. Members are allowed to attend but not participate during the meeting.

6) Other

- a) Skip Tinney had concerns about how new tax codes established in 2022 regarding receipts for transactions over \$600 through PayPal and other electronic transactions, would affect the ADCA. The board will consult with Cinda Rodgers, the ADCA accountant, if and when any statements are received regarding these types of transactions.
- Meeting adjourned at 9:05pm CST

Next scheduled board meeting is January 10, 2023, 7:00 pm CST
Special budget meeting January 3, 2022, 7:00 pm
Submitted by Carole Nirosky

- operate without the need to seek board approval for every expenditure.
- Budget amounts overall were based on a three-year average of previous years expenditures and anticipated increases. For example, cost to produce the Dexter Bulletin, which is our single largest expense, is expected to rise due to printing and postage increases already slated for this year.
- Laaci Louderback stated that the 2023 budget was reviewed and approved by the board in executive session on 1/3/2023.
- Dave Cluff echoed Roberta's earlier statement that an error was discovered in QuickBooks reporting and the finance committee will be meeting to correct the problem.
- b) Education committee – John Wallace
- John has made some contacts about developing videos for the ADCA YouTube channel. The committee has access to software that will help them to formalize videos for consistency in appearance. John requested access information for the YouTube channel. Kimberly Jepsen will send him that information.
- John expressed concerns about the placement of educational articles on the website. A brief discussion was held about the website articles, forms, and pages. It was noted that the new pedigree software will have its own catalog of forms eliminating the need for some of the online forms currently on the website. Kimberly Jepsen asked for suggestions to be forwarded to the website committee for consideration. She would work on adjusting existing information and did not recommend adding any additional pages to the website due to the cost.
- Dan Edgington was asked to update the education committee to include himself and Mark Chaney. Kimberly Jepsen recommended sending the committee list to the directors before each bulletin for updates.
- c) Expo committee – David Cluff
- The committee met January 3, 2023 to begin preparing for the expo and selected "Westward Bound".
- Updated Fair Park map and hotel information should be available this week. Food vendors will be available at another event taking place on the fairgrounds, but an entry fee will be charged to access that event. The Fair Park is looking into allowing FFA of 4H youth vendors to work at our event as a fundraiser.
- The committee asked the board to advise them about hosting the 2023 AGM at the expo in Utah. Discussion was held about past member participation for the AGM. Directors were disappointed at the low attendance for the online 2022 AGM in November. Feedback from members that attended the 2022 expo was limited, although a couple of members did express disappointment about the AGM not being held in conjunction with the expo. The lack of involvement from the membership leads the board to believe the AGM is not as important to the members as we would like it to be. Lack of participation should not be interpreted as alarming, most members are busy and just want to register and enjoy their cattle. It was suggested that holding the AGM in person and electronically at the expo would allow opportunity to reach more people. Another discussion point to consider in the future is how to add value to membership to encourage more involvement from our members.
- Following discussion Jim Woehl made a motion, Dave Cluff 2nd, to rejoin

the AGM with the Expo, both electronically and in person. The motion passed unanimously.

- Kevin McAnnany said the expo committee also raised a question about the possibility of reducing the sponsorship amounts for show classes. The board talked about sponsorship and the importance of recognizing sponsors in a proper fashion. Kimberly Jepsen proposed that the ADCA offer tiered swag packages to sponsors that could include merchandise and/or advertising options. Lots of ideas were shared about how to promote and encourage sponsorship and in conclusion, Jim Woehl suggested that Kimberly submit written a proposal to the board via email asap, in order to expedite a review and approval in time for publication in the next Dexter Bulletin.
 - 4) Continuing Business
 - a) Region 7 Director – Laaci Louderback
 - Originally, two candidates requested consideration for the vacant Regional Director position. One of the candidates, for personal reasons, withdrew her request. The board had an opportunity to review the other candidate Mark Ballard's bio in December. Mark Chaney made a motion, Santiago Lizarraga 2nd, to appoint Mark Ballard as the interim regional director for region 7. Interim term begins immediately and ends December 31, 2025. The motion passed unanimously.
 - b) New member welcome packet – Stefani Millman
 - The board was given a final opportunity to make adjustments to the new member packet and none were received. Kevin McAnnany will talk with Brent about the layout and cost to produce the packet. Once completed the packet will also be made available for everyone on the ADCA website.
 - 5) New Business
 - a) The 2022 Annual General Meeting (AGM) is now available on ADCA YouTube channel for anyone to view. Laaci asked directors to inform members about the YouTube channel in their next region email. "The Official American Dexter Cattle Association"
 - b) Dexter Bulletin – This edition will contain lots of information about the 2023 Expo. John Wallace asked for clarification about the size for articles. Kevin suggested 700-800 words depending on the topic. This year's expo and Bulletins will be focusing on animal health.
 - 6) Other
 - a) Laaci thanked Janice McKim for attending and asked if she had any questions or comments. Janice thanked the board for allowing her to attend the meeting. Janice left the meeting at 8:15.
 - b) Executive session -
 - The board entered into executive session at 8:16pm to discuss a pedigree & genetics committee issue.
 - The board returned from executive session at 8:40pm
- Meeting adjourned at 8:41pm CST
 Next scheduled board meeting is February 7, 2023, 7:00 pm CST
 Submitted by Carole Nirosky ❀

AGM

REUNITED, AND IT FEELS SO GOOD!

BACK BY
POPULAR DEMAND

THE ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING
WILL ONCE AGAIN BE HELD IN
CONJUNCTION WITH THE ADCA EXPO

ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING (AGM)
THURSDAY AFTERNOON, JUNE 22, 2023
ATTEND IN PERSON AT THE EXPO
OR ACCESS THE LIVESTREAM VIA ZOOM

BECOME A CLASS OR WINNER'S BUCKLE SPONSOR AT THE 2023 ADCA NATIONAL DEXTER SHOW



WHO CAN SPONSOR?

Anyone! A sponsorship can be in a Farm/Ranch or Individual's name

WHAT'S THE COST?

Class sponsorships for the National Show start at \$100
Sponsorship of the Winner's belt buckles start at \$250

WHY SPONSOR?

Depending on the location of the Annual National Dexter Show at the Expo, it isn't easy for everyone to be there in person to show off their animals. In sponsoring a class or belt buckle, you and your farm can still be a part of the action by supporting fellow ADCA members and animals who have made the commitment to be there. Prospective buyers from across the country are often in attendance and it's a great opportunity to advertise your farm and Dexter herd.

WHAT ADVANTAGES ARE THERE FOR SPONSORING?

When you sponsor a class or buckle at the National Show you get the pride of being able to take part in one of the largest Dexter Shows in the country. Your farm will be acknowledged in the show schedule program and a short bio will be read as the animals of "your" class enter the ring!

HOW TO SPONSOR?

It's easy! Go to the ADCA website (www.dextercattle.org) and go to the "EXPO INFO" page listed under the ADCA EXPO tab. There you will find a link to the 2023 ADCA National Dexter Expo Store. See pages 8 & 9 of this bulletin for more information.





**DEADLINE: NOMINATIONS
MUST BE POSTMARKED PRIOR TO:
MARCH 19, 2023**

HOW TO NOMINATE SOMEONE:

- Choose an ADCA member that you believe would serve our ADCA youth well
- Ask them if they would be willing to serve
- Send their name to the ADCA Vice President on the ballot included in this bulletin

AFTER ALL NOMINATIONS HAVE BEEN RECEIVED:

- The Nomination Committee will review each candidate's eligibility
- Eligible candidates will be contacted and asked to submit a resume and questionnaire
- Candidate resumes will be included in the summer issue of the ADCA 2023 Bulletin
- The bulletin will also contain a proxy ballot with instructions on where to send the ballot if you will not be able to attend the election meeting

**PASTE MAIL IN
FORM HERE**

ADCA YOUTH DIRECTOR NOMINATIONS

ADCA YOUTH DIRECTOR: QUALIFICATIONS AND DUTIES

DUTIES

- Required to attend the annual meeting of members. and regional meeting of youth members, except in cases of death or sickness in the family or some other legitimate reason. In the event the director going to attend an annual meeting of members, he/she shall notify the Secretary in advance of such meeting.
- Required to attend all Board of Director meetings, including phone conference calls.
- Lead the effort to create, build, and maintain a Youth American Dexter Cattle Association.
- Have organizational and functional oversight and responsibility for the youth association.
- Organize a yearly meeting of the youth association.
- Keep records of all letters and correspondence pertaining to the youth association.
- Encourage young people in ADCA families to join the youth association.
- Keep in touch with the officers of the ADCA and make timely responses to correspondence.
- 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.
- Keep the corporation informed of any issues or problems occurring within the Y-ADCA organization.
- Work closely with parents in all Y-ADCA endeavors, helping them know how parents can benefit the Y-ADCA.
- Avoid getting involved in squabbles between fellow members within the ADCA and Y-ADCA.
- Periodically submit reports pertaining to current Youth news and happenings to the Bulletin Editor for inclusion in the Bulletin.
- Provide at least one general communication to their 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.
- The Youth Director will serve for a 3-year term.

QUALIFICATIONS

- A Dexter breeder with cattle actively registered with the ADCA
- A member in good standing with the ADCA for at least 3 years
- Pass a criminal background check
- Complete a Youth Director Nominee Questionnaire
- Submit a resume
- Be found by the ADCA Board of Directors to have no conflicts in the background of their current situation that would preclude successfully serving the association in the director position
- Doesn't currently hold a leadership position in another national agricultural youth organization.
- Is not a current member, officer, director, or staff member of any other U.S. Dexter registry.
- Cannot have been an officer, director, or staff member of any other U. S. Dexter registry from July 1, 2004 through December 31, 2007.
- Demonstrates the ability and desire to encourage, teach, and mentor youth in both formal and informal settings.
- Has 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 individual, small groups, and large groups.
- Is able and willing to travel nationally to support ADCA youth events.
- Demonstrate the ability and willingness to communicate with youth via email, telephone, and social media.
- Not derive any financial benefit from any activities involving ADCA work, ADCA representation, or any cattle-related event, or at any regional or national ADCA event that has youth-focused elements.
- 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.

A detailed description of the youth director guidelines and duties can be found in section 12 of the standard operating procedures which are located on the ADCA website: <https://dextercattle.org>

You do not have to determine the eligibility of your nominee
(the nomination committee will do that work for you).

However, please check with your nominee
to determine if they will accept your nomination before submitting their name.

You may offer yourself as a nominee, if you wish.

Your current Youth Director, Elissa Emmons has served the maximum terms,
and cannot run for re-election.



CALF SCOURS

JEFF COLLINS, DDM

Hopefully by the time you read this Bulletin, spring will have fully sprung, mud will have hardened, and green will have become the predominant color again. There are various issues that occur every spring, due to adverse and quickly changing weather. One of the biggest issues can be scours (diarrhea) in calves.

This article will give a brief overview of the most common pathogens seen in scours, and when they typically affect a calf. There will be treatment recommendations, but they are not intended to become blanket treatments for any scouring problem. It is always wise to consult a veterinarian regarding your particular situation.

When calves scour within the first seven days of life, the most likely infectious causes are Rota virus, Corona virus or E. coli (bacteria). Often there will be some blood in the diarrhea and/or strings of intestinal lining. The viruses can do a lot of damage to the calf's intestines, often sloughing the intestinal lining. Unfortunately, there is nothing to combat the viruses themselves other than supporting the calf via fluids (oral or intravenous electrolytes) and slowing the gut down with various products that either coat the gut or help to slow the digestive process a bit (Bentonite, Bismo-Kote, electrolyte gels). Antibiotics also are used in the face of viral scours, because calves are very prone to secondary bacterial infections when their gut is compromised. E. coli scours is usually very easily treated with antibiotics (specifically, procaine penicillin or ceftiofur).

For calves from 7 to 14 days of age, the most common scour problems are either Clostridial (bacterial) or due to Cryptosporidium (protozoa). Both can be lethal rather quickly unless treated properly. Clostridial scours tends to be the most common and lethal scours at this age. It may present as a bloat or a painful abdomen (kicking at belly, laying down frequently) on a calf that is staggering around.

Clostridial scours is often called overeating disease, and usually affects the largest calves that seem to be doing the best prior to the onset. It usually occurs when the bacteria take advantage of the surplus of milk in the calf's gut. As a result, it produces gas and toxins that are detrimental to the life of the calf. Gas builds up in the abomasum (stomach) and/or small intestine, putting pressure on the diaphragm and making it difficult for the calf to breathe. The gas in the abomasum gives the gut a characteristic sloshy sound when manipulated. The toxins get into the bloodstream, often through an abomasal ulcer or compromised intestinal lining. This poisons the body and causes a drop in body temperature.

When calves die from Clostridium, it usually occurs due to a perforated

ulcer, toxic overload (body shuts down), bloat or a severely hemorrhaged small intestine. These calves usually need an intravenous treatment with fluids, along with a Clostridial antitoxin injection. Procaine penicillin given orally and in the muscle helps rid the body of Clostridium. Flunixin products also aid the body in getting rid of the toxins.

Cryptosporidium is a protozoa, which makes it very difficult to treat. It is a pathogen that takes advantage of poor hygiene, loving moist areas and dirty bottles and passing very easily between calves. It is one that is best prevented, but if encountered should be treated much like we treat the viral pathogens. Help the calf get through it by replenishing fluid, slowing the gut down, preventing secondary bacterial scours and encouraging the growth of good bacteria in the gut. Many crypto calves will need an intravenous treatment to help sustain their hydration as they go through the duration of the infection.

Cryptosporidium also tends to slough the intestinal lining. This allows the calf to lose hydration fast, which weakens the calf. Probiotics (Lactobacillus acidophilus and others) are very important to provide supplemental bacteria to aid the gut in normal digestive processes, helping it return to normal faster. It would be wise to give a probiotic after any antibiotic treatment to a calf.

After two weeks of age Clostridial scours will still occur, but tend to be less frequent as the calf's immune system strengthens and is able to fight off an impending infection bloody scours or black stained feces after three weeks of age is typically a coccidia (another protozoa) problem, but that should be verified with a fecal test done by a veterinarian before treatment. If caught early enough these calves do quite well with a series of amprolium treatments.

In the face of a scouring outbreak, before any treatment is given to a scouring calf, a fecal sample should be taken and sent to a diagnostic lab via your veterinarian. If a calf dies, taking the whole calf to the diagnostic lab would maximize the possibility of finding the culprit.

The biggest problem with sending samples in is knowing what to do while you wait for results. There are some quick test kits available that your veterinarian may carry. They give results within 15 minutes and can test for E. coli, Rota and Corona viruses and Cryptosporidium, making it easier to decide how to treat a particular calf.

Ideally your calves will be running around with their tails in the air on green grass. However, if you do encounter scours this spring, considering the suggestions offered in this article may prove helpful. ❀



*Bull 1st Place
Cherrie Wood*

NEW REGION 7 DIRECTOR

MARK BALLARD



I came to cattle by way of marriage. My wife, Diana, was raised in a family with a large farming and ranching operation. A few years after our marriage, we purchased a ranch of our own. We had a commercial cow/calf operation for several years and then transitioned to raising registered Brahman cows and Hereford bulls. We produced and sold certified F1 replacement heifers and steers. We sold the ranch and cattle in 2006 and moved to Seguin, Texas for my work.

We purchased a 100-acre raw, unimproved piece of land outside Seguin in 2013. Our goal was to have an operating cattle ranch by the time I retired. It was fun and challenging to start from scratch and build our dream. We got to design everything including the placement of water wells, selecting and clearing the homesite and developing our pasture and cattle pens layout. Over the next few years we built our barn and house, cleared the land of invasive brush and vegetation, began restoring our pastures with grasses native to the area and built our fences and pens.

We started researching cattle breeds in 2019 and decided that Dexters would be perfect to meet our goals. The smaller size of the breed, the good temperament and the advantage that they are efficient on pastures that are not highly improved made it an easy decision. The added benefit of being a dual purpose cow known for quality beef and milk was a definite bonus! We have been raising Dexters since 2020 and the focus of our operation is

to raise good tasting beef and outstanding replacement heifers. We plan on marketing our beef locally within the next year.

My education and work background is in Finance. I worked 16 years in the nuclear power generation industry and 17 years as a Financial Advisor. I retired from Edward Jones in 2018 and I am currently 60 years old.

I love music and play the piano, bass and ukulele. I perform in a folk music trio and enjoy picking in bluegrass jams. We enjoy being involved in our church and I occasionally play music there when requested.

We gifted an acre each to our two daughters and they both completed their houses on the ranch last year. We have two grandchildren and are really thankful to have three generations living and sharing chores together. It is a joy to watch the wonder of ranch living in our grandkid's eyes.

I am excited to have the opportunity to serve as the Regional Director for Texas and Louisiana. I am originally from Louisiana and plan on making personal visits to breeders in both states. I never fail to learn something new from a fellow Dexter breeder. If you ever find yourself traveling between Houston and San Antonio on Interstate-10, give me a call. Our ranch is just two miles off of the Interstate and we would love to meet you, show you our place and share a cup of coffee. I encourage members in Region 7 to contact me with any questions or concerns. ❀

*Cow/Calf
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**Do any of these committees
spark your interest?
We can always use more
members to serve.
Please contact your regional
director for more information
on how to volunteer.**

REGION 2

Mark your calendar for 2023!



Washington's biggest celebration of Spring is April 13th – 16th & 20th – 23rd, 2023. Dexter Cattle will be there for the 17th year! We're going to do a repeat of last year and have a "Dexter Extravaganza". There will be 4 days of Dexter education including how to show and

prep for show, costume contest, agility/trail fun, kids showmanship pointers and competition. This is a chance to become involved in Region 2 by simply participating. Can't bring your Dexter? That's fine, bring yourself and your knowledge to share with those that come to learn. Dexters will only be there for one session which we believe is the first (13th – 16th) session so be sure to check before arriving. You are welcome (as always!) to contact me, Stefani @ adcaregion2@gmail.com if you have questions or want to participate. ♣

REGION 6

2023 OKLAHOMA YOUTH EXPO (OYE)

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mechanics projects to Oklahoma City to exhibit their projects. This event is not only the World's Largest Junior Livestock Show but an event that highlights the world's best and brightest young people. For more information, please see <https://okyouthexpo.com/>

REGION 10

Save The Date! The Ohio Valley Dexter Breeders Association will hold their annual show on May 19th and 20th 2023 at the Warren County Fairgrounds in Lebanon, Ohio! This location is near Cincinnati, so if you just want to come watch and hang out with a super group of Dexter owners, there will be plenty of other things to do as well. The show is open to all registered Dexters



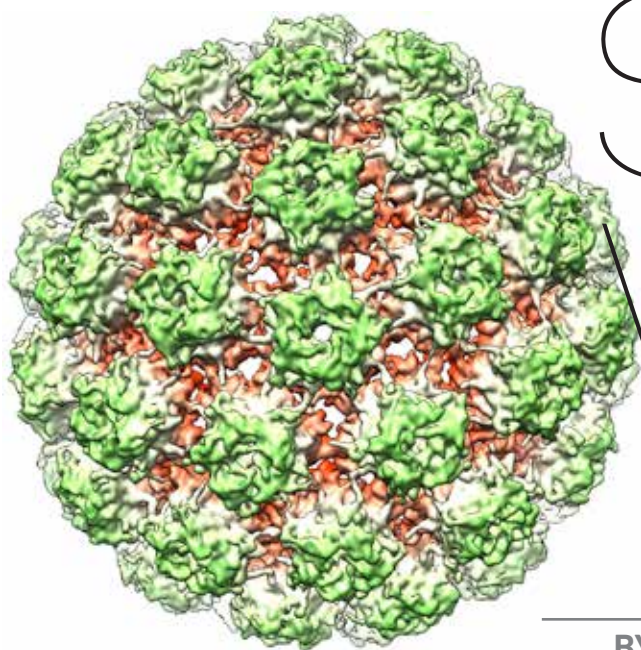
and the person showing them! The show has been an annual event for over a decade with an open show format where we love to feature the youth. The Ohio Valley Dexter Breeders Show traditionally features over 100 animals in all classes, including milk cow and cow/calf pair. The wonderful selection of animals come from the nearby 7

states, and that continues to expand. Keep a watch on the websites, <https://ohiovalleydexters.weebly.com/> or the Ohio Valley Dexter Breeders Face Book Page for upcoming registrations dates and volunteer opportunities. (Also save the date for May 17th ad 18th for the 2024 OVDBA show in Wooster, Ohio!) ♣

**By Barb McAnnany
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farm animals**



BPV THAT SPELLS WARTS



BY DOUG LOYD

Warts are extremely common in cattle and are caused by the bovine papillomavirus (BPV) and generally affect cattle under two years of age. Older cattle seldom have warts, likely because their immune system has developed the proper response by that age. The virus is highly contagious but it is species specific, so the virus that caused the warts on your cattle can't spread to humans, horses, goats, etc. Cattle are the primary carrier for the virus and it is usually spread by contact between cattle but the virus can also survive for extended periods of time on feeders, water troughs, halters, ear tagging equipment, etc. Due to the highly contagious nature of the virus, cattle with visible warts are generally not allowed in shows or sales with other cattle. It is important to know that by the time a wart is visible, that animal was initially exposed approximately two months prior to the growth of the wart.

Dr. Daniel Grooms, DVM, PHD, of the Michigan State University Large Animal Clinical Sciences Department states that there are six strains of the BPV affecting various parts of the body. They are:

- BPV1: Nose, teats, and glans penis
- BPV2: Head, neck, and brisket
- BPV3: Head, neck, and intra-digital
- BPV4: Bladder
- BPV5 & 6: Teat

BPV is considered self-limiting, that is, it will resolve itself on its own. Warts will disappear over time and the animal will develop a proper immune response. Some publications state that once a wart appears, it can be removed by surgically cutting or crushing the wart; this may get more of the virus in the bloodstream and initiate a quicker immune response. The Colorado Serum Company has a broad-spectrum wart vaccine which requires two injections subcutaneously along the side of the

neck and a booster of the same within 3-5 weeks. However, you should be cautioned that this is a preventative vaccine according to the label and will likely only be effective prior to exposure.

Given this information, you have to decide the best course of action for your cattle. On our small farm, approximately 50% of calves under two years of age have had warts. We have never had any warts on cattle over two years of age. In our experience, the warts have resolved themselves within 3 – 6 months without scarring. However, you should always obtain advice and treatment from a veterinarian if you suspect that an animal with warts is exhibiting other problems that may or may not be related to the warts. In short, while warts aren't pretty, they are quite common and are usually nothing to be alarmed about.

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