

NDGA Newsletter

Winter 2023



A Message from President Jensen:

Hello members, I hope this finds you all healthy, in good spirits and eager to start a new year. It seems our weather has straightened out after that early snowstorm gave us all a scare about an early winter. I have seen a lot of hay get hauled and crops combined since then, so that helps a great deal as winter is approaching. With cattle prices being strong and coming off a successful state sale last year, I am excited to let you know what we have planned for the upcoming sale weekend.

The Golden Rule sale will be held on Sunday, January 28th at 2:00 pm at Kist Livestock in Mandan, ND. There is more than just the sale to attend that weekend. Starting on Friday, the 26th, we will be taking consignment cattle at Kists. Others and I will be there most of the day to help unload, tag cattle and get them in the assigned pens. We ask that you have your cattle at Kists by 4:00 pm to allow everyone to get back to the Baymont for the consignor social at 5:30. If you cannot make it by then, just give me a call and we will figure it out. On Saturday the 27th, the cattle will be available to be viewed all day. At 2:00 pm Saturday we will have our annual NDGA meeting. That evening at 6:00 pm there will be a social and banquet, including the fund-raising auction. I hope to see you in Mandan for the weekend.

Jordan

A Message from Sale Manager Chris Mitchell:

The 40th Annual Golden Rule Sale, sponsored by the North Dakota Gelbvieh Association, will be held Sunday, January 28, 2024 at Kist Livestock in Mandan, North Dakota.

The 40th Annual sale has a high-quality selection of purebred Gelbvieh and Balancer bulls, bred heifers and open heifers. The sale this year will again have an outstanding offering of commercial heifers to be sold in groups.

Consignments will be sold from many of the premier breeders in North Dakota, Montana and Minnesota.

For more information about lots selling contact MMS, Chris Mitchell at 334-695-1371.

Some dates to keep in mind:

Dec. 5 – Any advertising photos need to be to MMS

Dec. 15 – All pedigrees, footnotes, and entry info needs to be to MMS

Jan. 5 – Projected date for mailing of sale catalogs.

More on the Annual Meeting and Sale:

An election of officers will be held during the annual meeting.

These are the terms of current board members:

- President Jordan Jenson's second term ends in 2026
- Vice President Amanda Altman's second term ends in 2025
- Secretary Al Gustin's first term ends in 2024
- Treasurer Chad Kraft's second term ends in 2024
- Brian Wehri's first term ends in 2025

-Lisa Hoots' first term ends in 2025

-Dwight Dockter's first term ends in 2026

Thanks to board member Lisa Hoots, Hoots Livestock, for donating the 2024 raffle heifer. Lisa also lined up some other nice prizes for the raffle. Tickets will be mailed to all members as soon as they are printed. Please return any unsold tickets.

Stockmen's Convention Booth

The North Dakota Gelbvieh Association took part in the North Dakota Stockmen's Associations largest-ever trade show during

the Stockmen's convention September 28th and 29th in Watford City. Lisa Hoots and Al and Peg Gustin "manned" the booth, visiting with cattlemen and women and handing out literature promoting Gelbvieh and Balancer cattle.





Gelbvieh-influenced Sale

On October 18th, Kist Livestock in Mandan held a Gelbvieh-influenced feeder calf sale. Wehri Gelbvieh and



Hoots Livestock were among the consignors. In total, more than 500 influenced calves sold on a strong market.

From the Archives:

“Numerous events have been held over the years as fund-raisers for the Juniors. At the 1985 annual NDGA meeting, pieces of cake were auctioned off, one bringing \$100; and the entire cake netting the Juniors \$1,100. The cake had been made and donated by Ardella Gaugler. At the annual meeting a year later, a Gelbvieh semen auction raised \$2,285 for the Juniors.”

Reprinted from “The North Dakota Gelbvieh Association – The First 45 Years.”

Other news and notes from the NDGA:

Annual dues for the ND Gelbvieh Association are \$40 per member. If you have not paid your dues for 2023, please make payment to treasurer

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Editor's note: The spring 2024 edition of the ND Gelbvieh Association Newsletter will be e-mailed on March first. If you have information you would like included, please send it to me. Thank you.



Merry Christmas!



