

# Meet Council Member Terry Etheridge



Nestled in a valley in northwest Wisconsin, TEK Cattle has been selecting Belted Galloway breeding stock for uniformity, conformation, and lower maintenance costs since 1990. Owned and operated by Belted **Galloway Society** Council Member and Treasurer Terry Etheridge and his wife Karlyn, TEK sells registered breeding stock, and

feeder steers, as well as direct marketing pasture-raised beef to consumers.

Terry grew up in Princeton, Illinois where his family owned a 360 acre farm. Terry and his father maintained a large commercial grade Angus herd, ran a farrow-to-finish hog operation, and planted row crops. After graduating from college with a degree in mechanical engineering and marrying Karlyn, Terry left the family farm and moved to Eau Claire, WI to work as an engineer with National Presto Industries.

While he enjoyed his "day job", one thing was missing... cattle. Following research on the attributes of various breeds, the couple selected Belted Galloways for their medium build, docile temperament, efficient foraging ability, double-hair coat that allows the cattle to thrive in harsh northern Wisconsin winters. In January 1990, TEK Cattle purchased two foundation heifers. Now they run 90+ head of breeding stock, calves, and steers.

Along the way, Terry and Karlyn met many other Beltie breeders, forming life-long friendships. In 1992, Terry joined Bob Rolland, Dick Frey, Vic Eggleston, and Jerry Jurkowski to form the Great Lakes Belted Galloway Association, Inc. Terry has held many positions throughout his tenure with GLBGA, currently serving as Director and Treasurer with former positions as President and World Beef Expo Breed Superintendent.

The family showed Belties locally, regionally, and at World Beef Expo, and exhibited cattle at the Minnesota State Fair for many years. TEK Cattle continues to showcase the breed at Wisconsin's Farm Technology Days each vear.

Terry says, "It is a privilege serving alongside others dedicated to this amazing breed in the Belted Galloway Society over the past two years, and in The Great Lakes Belted Galloway Association since its inception. I look forward to continuing to work with fellow breeders to ensure a strong future for Belties in the cattle industry."

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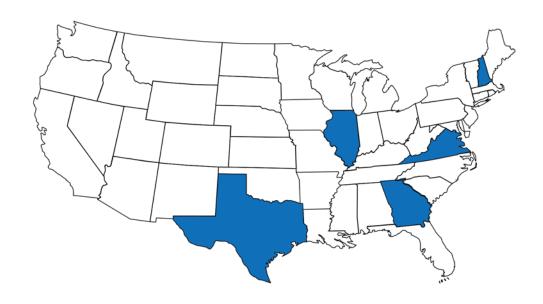
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# **CALENDAR**

# Skowhegan State Fair

August 10-20, 2023 Skowhegan, ME

# **World Beef Expo**

September 28-October 1, 2023 West Allis, WI

# **Fryeburg Fair**

October 1-8, 2023 Fryeburg, ME

# **American Royal**

October 5-8, 2023 Kansas City, MO

# Western Belted Galloway Association Annual Meeting

October 6-7, 2023 Reno, NV

# **National Belted Galloway Show**

November 10-14, 2023 Louisville, KY

### The Premium Belted Galloway Sale

November 12, 2023

# WHAT I WISH I WOULD HAVE KNOWN...

by Livi Graham (GA), Junior Council Member

I have been showing Belties for 4 years. Now that I found our wonderful breed, I cannot imagine not showing them. But, alot of things come to mind when I think about what I wish I would have known going into my first show with my Belted Galloway.

First, I would tell myself not to get discouraged when I walk in the ring. Many times when not showing at a specific Belted Galloway show, Belties will show in the "All Other Breeds" class, which includes animals who do not have enough head to make their own breed. These could be other breeds that are much bigger than my Belted Galloway heifer. While I know she will get there, a moderate frame size is true to this breed. Don't get discouraged and be proud of the great characteristics that our Belted Galloway breed has.

I would also tell myself to be prepared for all of the hair that Belted Galloways can grow. It is a breed characteristic to have long and thick hair and a good hair care routine is essential to making sure it is trained and in good condition for your event.

Finally, I would tell myself what a great experience it will be to show at NAILE with other Belted Galloway Juniors. Since I live in Georgia, there are not many opportunites to show within the breed, like I mentioned before. I have enjoyed getting to know other Juniors within the breed and learning from them. I know these will be friendships I will have for a long time.

I believe despite all of the things that may discourage some from showing belties, are really some of the things that make me love them so much! Their differences truly make them an amazing breed. If I did know then what I do now, I think that my decision to show belties would still be the same. I love our breed, and I am thankful for all that I have learned showing and breeding them. I would even tell myself to be prepared to hear many times at the state fair when the spectators walk by "Oh! It's an Oreo cow!"



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# **BGS COUNCIL MEETING SUMMARY**

The Council met for a special meeting on August 2nd. 2023 via Zoom to discuss the final findings relating to the transition away from CLRC, the future of the Belted Galloway Journal and Newsletter as well as a proposal for a Belted Galloway Junior National event in 2024.

The Council discussed the final details pertaining to the transition from CLRC to Digital Beef. The Council decided that it was in the best interest of the Society and its membership to tentatively make the move in January of 2024. Not only does DigitalBeef bring more technology to the registration and recordation process, it also saves the Society several thousands of dollars.

Jayde Reilly, the Newsletter Editor, and the Advertising & Promotion Committee proposed that the Society combine the monthly newsletter and the annual journal in efforts to streamline communications from the Society and produce a higher-quality publicaiton. Council voted in favor of the transition.

Corinna Caron, Director of Promotion and Beltie Outreach, and the Junior Committee proposed a date and location for the first ever Belted Galloway Junior Nationals in 2024. The Council approved her request to move forward with the planning of the event.

# THE BELTED GALLOWAY PREMIUM SALE **SAVE THE DATE!**

NOVEMBER 12. 2023

# **IMPORTANT SOCIETY UPDATES**

# The Future of the BGS Journal and Newsletter

In efforts to streamline communication with membership from the Society, the Council voted in the last meeting to combine the BGS Annual Journal and the BGS Monthly Newsletter into a Quarterly Journal-Type publication. Not only will this reduce duplicate information between the two publications, but it allows room in the budget for a higher quality publication to be distributed on a quarterly basis. Membership will receive this new publication in the mail quarterly and there will be extras available for distribution at events on the regional level.

While details are still being determined with advertising opportunities, content specifics, etc, the Council is confident that this is an improvement from the current monthly publication. The last BGS newsletter will be December 2023 and the first Quarterly Journal will be published in March.

### Transitioning to a New Registration Provider

The Council has recently voted to transition the Society's registration system away from CLRC to Digital Beef. Not only does Digital Beef have advanced technology that the Society and its membership should be leveraging, there is also a large cost and labor savings for the Society after the transition. The Council is confident that this transition is necessary to keep the Society moving forward and stay relevant amongst other beef breeds.

Many other beef breeds utilize the DigitalBeef Platform including the American Chinanina Association, the American Shorthorn Association, the Maine Anjou Association and more.

The Society and DigitalBeef will be collaborating to distribute information about the transition, how to utilize the platform and how to navigate items like registrations, genetic testing and more.

The tentative transition date is January 2024. Look for more information regarding the transition in future issues of the newsletter yet in 2023.

# **Premium Belted Galloway Sale at NAILE**

The Premium Belted Galloway Sale is coming back in conjunction with NAILE in Louisville, KY. The sale will be held on November 12th, 2023 in the Sale Arena. Viewing and sale details including time and location are still being determined with NAILE staff. The Sale Committee is excited to bring this in-person sale back this Fall after a brief hiatus. If you are unable to make the sale in person, online and phone bids will be available.

If you are interested in consigning in the Premium Belted Galloway Sale, contact either of the co-chairs, Ashton Caron and Ethan Oatley.

# Sire & Embryo Directory

The new Sire & Embryo Directory is nearing the finish line and is in the final stages of design. This publication will be printed in a hard copy form this year and updated next year in a digital format. This publication will feature industry leading genetics including semen and embryos which are available across the country. Look for this printed book later this fall.

# The First Ever Belted Galloway Junior Nationals

The Show Committee and the Junior Membership Leadership have been hard at work coordinating the start of the first-ever Belted Galloway Junior Nationals. This Belted Galloway exclusive show will be held June 26th-28th, 2024 in Medina, Ohio. After conversations with the facility, they are very excited to host the Belted Galloways for this event. Medina has available lodging near the fairgrounds as well as restaurants and other amenities. In addition to the show, there will be events, contests and educational opportunities available for Juniors. Watch the Society's Facebook pages and the website for more details about this event as they become available.

### Junior National Tentative Schedule:

# Wednesday June 26

10 am - midnight Animals and owners arrive and settle into assigned stall spaces.

# **Thursday June 27**

All Cattle in Place Morning Meeting/Cattle & Contestant Check In Belted Galloway Judging Contest (Arena) Lunch Provided Educational Contests Begin; Cattlemen's Quiz, Public Speaking, Sales Talk **BBQ Cook Off** 

# Friday June 28

**Breakfast Provided** Morning Meeting Fitting Clinic Fitting Contest Team Building Activities Junior Council Candidate Interviews

# Saturday June 29

Morning Meeting Cattle Show Day

# Sunday June 30

**Awards Ceremony** (Contests winners are announced at this time) Cattle Dismissed

# MIDWEST CLASSIC



**Grand Champion Heifer** Sunnybrook Rita 47844-B Shown by Maddey Tebbe (IL) Bred by Sunnybrook Farms (IL)



**Grand Champion Bull** Countyline Liam 48648-R Shown & Bred by Countyline Belties and Sunnybrook Farms (IL)



**Grand Champion Appendix Steer** Rahe Family Beltie's Korn Dog 48514-B STEER Shown by Kiersten Hendershot (OH) Bred by Lane Rahe (XX)

# **Not Pictured Grand Champion Appendix Heifer**

Field Family Farm Willow A47606-B1/2BGXX Shown & Bred by Abbi Field (IN)

# **Not Pictured** Grand Champion Mismarked Cow Sunnybrook Magic

Shown & Raised by Sunnybrook Farms (IL)



**Grand Champion Appendix** Cow/Calf Pair HMD Chocolate Chip A46732-B1/2BGXX Tommy McGuire (IL)

# Not Pictured **Grand Champion Cow/Calf Pair**

Sunnybrook Gwen 46711-B Shown & Bred by Sunnybrook Farms (IL)

# **Not Pictured Grand Champion Steer**

Gypy's Kowabunga 48153-D STEER Shown by Henry Dwyer (IL) Bred by Gypsy's Ranch (OK)

by Greg Hipple (IA), Executive Director

Host Hotel

Hilton Garden Inn - Louisville Airport Room Block available November 9- 14 - \$214 night Cutoff date for block room rate 10-10-2023

# Itinerary (as of 8-2-2023)

Thursday, November 9 - Cattle arrive on grounds. Friday, November 10 - Cattle in place and check in. Saturday, November 11 - Junior Show - Broadbent Arena Sunday, November 12 - 12:00 Noon EST Premium Sale New Market Hall - Junior Supreme Drive Conclusion of Junior Show

Monday, November 13 - Council Meeting Hilton Garden Inn time TBA - Social Hour/ Banquet/ Annual Meeting Hilton Garden Inn - 5:00 PM EST

Tuesday, November 14 8:00 AM EST Open Show Broadbent Arena

Thursday, November 16 - Open Supreme Drive at conclusion of Breed shows.

This is the beginning of the busy time of year for our members as they exhibit their cattle throughout the country.

Shows are scheduled throughout the nation with several events in New England, the World beef Expo in Milwaukee, WI in September, the American Royal in Kansas City and the Fryeburg Fair in Fryeburg, ME, in early October, all followed by the National Belted Galloway Shows and the return of the Premium Sale in Louisville at the NAILE in November.

This is the best way for our members to meet, network, learn and share with each other all while getting our cattle in front of new audiences There is no better means to promote your farm or ranch, your operation, your breed and your cattle than to participate as an exhibitor, volunteer, or spectator.

Consider taking in one of these events, you will surely find them pleasant and enjoyable experiences to share with your families and friends.

# **FOR SALE**

WI- Bear Creek Organics Lil Foxy 48833B, M1 DOB 1/17/23. Dam Hickory Springs Foxy 43352-B, M1 Sire Meadowood Alexander 119A 37369-B: She has a broken belt but we have seen cows with broken belts still through a nice full belted calf. Bear Creek Organics Kristmas 48832B DOB 1/17/23 Dam Sutliff Yolanda 34128-B Sire Meadowood Alexander 119A. 37369-B: Located in Plain Wisconsin For more information contact Mary at Bear Creek Organics/Marys Organic Farm, email mary5959@gmail.com or 757-660-9291

**PA-** We have 3 registered heifer calves that will be ready for new homes at the weaning age of 6 months. Iron Hill Farms Wild Fire 49030

DOB 6/7/23 Dam: Pine View Annie

Sire Stonehenge Patriot Wild Fire has been fast growing and will be a powerhouse. Annie and Patriot genetics will make this heifer a great addition to any operation. Iron Hill Farms Acre 49092

DOB 4/14/23 Dam: Cales Family Farms Carman Sire: Anderson Hill Usher Acre has been growing into a quality heifer. This calf will do great in any program. Iron Hill Farms Easter 48856

DOB 4/9/23 Dam: Iron Hill Farms Bella

Sire: Driftwood Anvil Easter has been growing very well and will soon be ready for new pastures.

All moms and calves are on a strictly grass-fed program. For more information please reach out to Robert Rodriguez at Iron Hill Farms in Danville PA email ironhillfarms@gmail.com 570-971-0468

**CA-** Ravenwood Farm is pleased to offer for sale the following registered female Belted Galloways: Ravenwood's Alexa reg. # 47645-B, DOB: 4/16/21, served by our bull Ravenwood's Norman reg. # 36908-B and confirmed by Vet to be bred and due appx. mid August 2023.

Ravenwood's Aurora reg. # 47647-B, DOB: 5/7/21, served by our bull Ravenwood's Norman reg. # 36908-B and confirmed by Vet to be bred and due appx. mid August 2023.

Ravenwood's Ava reg. # 47646-B, DOB: 5/3/21, open for summer breeding.

Ravenwood's Bellatrix reg. # 48563-B, DOB: 5/12/22 Ravenwood's Bertha reg. # 48562-B, DOB: 4/20/22 All females are current on vaccinations including Bangs. All are structurally correct. Ravenwood Farm is located in far northern California. Ravenwood Farm provides individual herd records and covers costs of registration

transfers and shipping papers. Multiple animals purchased on a single contract will receive discounts. Please contact Candy Brown, Ravenwood Farm, Ft. Jones, CA (530) 468-2910 or email ravnwd1@sisqtel. net

IA- Big Creek Farm has 3 or 4 high quality cow/calf pairs available. Young cows with either bull or heifer calves at side. Pasture exposed to Stonesthrow Demitri 10.

Located in eastern Iowa. Call Karen at 319-389-9647 or email at big-creek@msn.com

IA- Open Heifer Sutliff's Kendra 48866-B. DOB 10-02-2022

Sire Sunnybrook Griffen 40045-B; Dam Double M Grace 44525-B Greg & Pat Hipple, Sutliff Belties Solon, IA

Call 319-430-6664 or email at sbelties@gmail.com

IA- Open Heifer Hillview Acres Kit 48312-B. DOB 05-16-2022, Sire Wagner Farms Governor 56552-B; Dam Hillview Acres Dallas 40773-B, Don Johnson, Flat Iron Farm Mt Vernon, IA, Call 605-787-0372 or email at djoh707346@aol.com

**ME**- Atwood Farm in Farmington Maine is offering 100% grass fed Registered Belted Galloway of all ages. Semen is also available. Exceptional genetic packages and available in black, red, silver and chocolate dun colors.

Some of the available cattle can be viewed at www. atwoodfarmbelties.com and others can be provided by request. For more information and pricing contact Atwood Farm by Phone at: 617-223-1164 Or by email at: kerryjatwood@yahoo.com.

**TX-** Cow/calf pair, Shining Star DOB 9/6/15 Celeste DOB 3/15/23, Uphill Shining Star 39375B with J&D-R Celeste 49095B. Open heifer that is very gentle with a nice wide belt. DOB 4/26/20, J&D-R Little Dipper. 45813B J&D Stella 47378-B DOB 9/26/21 This young heifer has a full wide belt, is very gentle and would be a good addition to introduce a new bloodline to an existing herd. Her dam is Uphill Shining Star C19 and her sire is Sunnybrook Patriot. Contact J&D Ranch, Joe Garcia - Located in Weatherford Texas You can text Joe Garcia at 817-228-4993 if you are interested or want more information.

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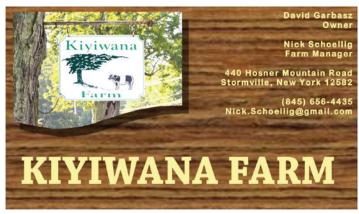


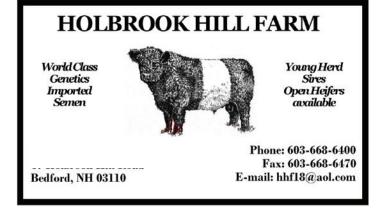
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# **Tattoo Year Code**

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# THE BELTED GALLOWAY NOVEMBER 12TH, 2023 HOSTED IN CONJUNCTION WITH THE NATIONAL BELTED GALLOWAY SHOW AT NAILE