



EAST TEXAS LOUISIANA

BEEFMASTER MARKETING GROUP

SUCCESSFUL SALE

ETLBMG had its most successful sale in recent years in April. The sale averaged \$3188.24 on 34 lots. Thanks to all the consignors for providing some great cattle for our buyers. A special thanks to the buyers for purchasing these animals.

The Futurity winners at this years sale were as follows: overall Grand Champion animal was consigned by Mackie & Norma Jean Bounds, Axtell, Tx and was also the Champion Bred Heifer. Overall Reserve Grand went to Sheldon and Margaret McManus, Lake Charles, LA with their Open Heifer who was champion of the Open Division. Other winners were: second place Open - Scott & Ann Jagers, Maud, Tx; third place open- Larry & Brenda Woelfel, Giddings, Tx. Second place Bred- Jordan Brock, Trinity, Tx & third place Bred- Mackie & Norma Jean Bounds. Congratulations to all of these winners. The judge was Brandon Cutrer who also judged the Junior Show on Saturday.

Friday evening was again a huge success with the Fun Auction, steak dinner, and a Cowboy Church hosted by the Crossfire Gospel Band. We really appreciated their being there and everyone who stayed and heard their great music and message.

The sale on Saturday began with the sell of the donation

lot for the Junior Scholarship program. There is more info on page 2 about it. We had so many people who wanted to contribute to the fund that there wasn't enough room to list all of them there. The additional contributors were: Casey & Amy Ballard, Emeran & Toni Boehn, Metz Branch, Melton Brock, Jake & Kimberly Burkhart, Jay & Mickie Burkhart, Wesley & Kimberly Bush, Terry & Gerry Chambers, Boyd & Mikie Emal, Griffith's Rafter G, Gene Hawthorne, Scott Jagers, Mark Jennings, J.D. & Dixie Laird, Gary Lindsey, Elbert & Nina Manor, Mike & Joyce Otto, Burney, Preston & Chayce Robinson, Ron Schmidt, Bill Tipton, Jeremy Way, and Larry & Brenda Woelfel. The fishing trip on Lake Limestone donated by Jake & Kimberly Burkhart was purchased by Tony & Karen Psencik. **THANK YOU ALL FOR YOUR SUPPORT!!**

As stated earlier, the sale auctioned & managed by Anthony Mihalski was a big success even though our numbers were small. Thanks to Jerry Hemphill, Sale consultant, for his help in all areas of the sale. We are looking forward to next year to provide more quality cattle and a fun weekend for our members and guest. Be sure to join us on April 18, 2015 for another great event.

FACEBOOK

Be sure to "Like" our Facebook page. It can be found by searching for East Texas / Louisiana Beefmaster Marketing Group. The page contains news, photos, and information about the Marketing Group. Thanks Emily Long for hosting our Facebook page.

WWW.ETLBMG.NET

Please check out our website and let us know what you think. Gerry Chambers is taking care of it. Let her know if you have anything you would like to post on it..

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Junior Show & Scholarship News

On Saturday April 19th JBBA members arrived at the Porth Ag Arena in Crockett, Texas to exhibit over 100 outstanding heifers in the East Texas / Louisiana Beefmaster Marketing Group "Spring Fling" JBBA Show. Judge Brandon Cutrer awarded top champion honors to Raegan Emmons and her Calf Champion, EMS Reba. Reserve Grand Champion and Senior Champion, WR Heartbreaker, was exhibited by Ashley Smithy. Shawn Skaggs, showing WR Fokie, took Reserve Senior Champion and Champion Bred and Owned awards. Reserve Calf Champion and Reserve Bred and Owned Heifer, HFF Tailor Made, was exhibited by Foster Hall. The Junior Champion, Diamond RB Sassy Girl, was shown by Devon Wilson. Reserve Junior Champion, EMS Cash's Gypsy, was shown by Raegan Emmons. Raymie Emmons, Raegan Emmons and Hagan Davis won buckles for being top showmanship exhibitors in their respective classes.

This show was again, the largest JBBA show other than Nationals and the Majors this year. The success is due to the generous support of numerous award sponsors. Their donations allowed the juniors to compete for buckles, plaques, banners, ribbons, top ten awards and prize money. Many thanks are due to everyone who came out to show their support of the JBBA and the East Texas / LA BMG. The quality of cattle at the show and sale was exceptional again this year.

Respectfully submitted

Casey Ballard, Show Coordinator

A special "Thank you" to the Juniors who worked the concession stand for us this year prior to the sale. This year's scholarship donation was a painted skull donated by Doug Issacs and was purchased by Ron Schmidt. Other contributors toward the scholarship fund this year are listed on page 1 of the newsletter. The ETLBMG scholarships will be presented at the JBBA Nationals in Oklahoma later this month.

OFFICERS & DIRECTORS

New officers and directors were elected at this year's General Membership meeting. They are Melton Brock, President; Mike Griffith, Vice-president; Directors, Jerry Ronquille and Jake Burkhart. Terry Chambers moved to the Ex-Officio position; Other current Board members are Boyd Emal, Scott Jagers, Ron Schmidt and Jeremy Way. Recently Dixie Laird regreftfully resigned as Secretary/Treasurer and Mikie Emal was appointed to fill her unexpired term. The officers

and directors are always available to anyone who wishes to contact them regarding the activities of the group.

This and That

Don't forget to cull! What? With prices as high as they are, why would anyone cull anything? A poor quality calf might bring as much as \$800 to \$1000 so why not keep it's mama in production as long as the prices are as good as they are? Just look at the grass most have as compared to the past several years. If I cull cows, what will eat all that grass?

Sure, we can replace the culled females but they cost lots of money these days; if you can find anyone willing to sell the good ones.

All are worthy considerations but culling is just as important in good times as in any other. Improving the cow herd should be our highest priority and culling lower quality or producing cattle is necessary to accomplish that goal. Just do it!

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