Kansas Charolais News

March 2011

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President's Message

Calving time is here and I hope it is going well for all of you Kansas Charolais breeders. It has been a little tough for us as we started on February 1st during that blizzard where it was -45 degrees wind chill. We saved most of the calves, but we lost a lot of ears and tails. I knew I should have built a barn last year!

Thanks to all the Kansas Charolais breeders and juniors who exhibited and promoted cattle at the National Show at the Kansas City American Royal and the National Western Stock Show in Denver. Kansas did quite well at both shows as there were many class winners, division champions, and overall Grand and Reserve Grand Champions. There really are a lot of great Charolais cattle in Kansas.

Cattle prices are almost at record highs and it shows at the bull sales that have been reported. At the Nebraska Cattlemen's Classic in February, bull and female averages were up at least \$500 over last year. If you have anything to sell this spring, don't forget about the Kansas Charolais website. Contact Laci if you want to put something on it.

The Kansas juniors and their sponsors are calling for donations for the Junior Nationals in Kansas City this summer. I hope all of you respond economically as this is always a very educational and fun event.

I will be attending the 2011 spring annual membership committee and AICA Board of Directors meeting in Kansas City on Monday, March 28th, as I have been appointed to the affiliate committee. If there is anything you want discussed or brought up, please give me a call at 785-313-2099.

Yours for a greater Charolais and beef industry,

Don R. Olsen

Kansas Beef Expo Results

A tremendous set of Charolais and Charolais percentage cattle congregated in Hutchinson during the Kansas Beef Expo in mid December. Grady Dickerson took top honors in the Senior Heifer Division winning Supreme Female in Ring A. For a complete breakdown of winners, visit www.kansasbeefexpo.com

2011 Kansas Junior State Show

Plans are well underway for another fantastic junior state show. Mark your calendars for **May 28th and 29th** in Hutchinson for this exciting event. Check-in, meetings, and quiz bowl will take place on Saturday with the show to follow on Sunday.

Percentage Charolais Females and Charolais Steer Reminders

- Steers must be 50% Charolais (sired by a purebred, registered bull or out of a purebred, registered dam)
- Steer must have a valid Kansas Steer Certificate or an AICA registration paper
 - Composite females must be registered with the AICA
- A composite Charolais heifer class will be offered at the Kansas Beef Expo, and it
 is a possibility of one at the State Fair and Kansas Junior Livestock Show
 (We will keep you posted on the status of it).

2011 Kansas Charolais Dues

Kansas Charolais Dues are due now. If you haven't yet paid them, you still can.

Please send to:

KCA 2118 Oxbow Rd Wells, KS 67467

(along with any changes to your membership listing)
Invoices will be sent the middle of March.

Thank You!

2011 Calendar - Website

Please send your events, sale dates, etc. to schrader@twinvalley.net to be included on the 2011 website calendar and quarterly KCA newsletters.

KCA Calendar of Events

March

6th – LHR 9th Annual Angus & Charolais Bull Sale, Hays 11th - Bar S Ranch Annual Bull Sale, Paradise 21st - Raile charolais 22nd Annual Sale, St. Francis 28th - Myron Runft Charolais Bull Sale, Belleville

April 5th – Hubert Charolais Ranch 32nd Annual Polled Bull Sale, Monument

May

28th -29th - KJCA State Junior Charolais Show, Hutchinson

June

26th – July 2nd – AIJCA Junior National Shows & Leadership Conference, Kansas City

August

Kansas Charolais Field Day

September

1st – all month – Schrader Ranch Private Treaty Fall Bull, Female, & Steer Sale, Wells Kansas State Fair Charolais Show

October

26th - Fink Beef Genetics Bull Sale, Randolph

November

December

Kansas Beef Expo, Hutchinson 31st – KCA membership Dues

Wishing everyone a prosperous and productive Calving Season and Bull Sale

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