



Oklahoma Hereford Association 1/20 Happenings

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Hello Hereford Enthusiasts,

Welcome to the January edition of the Happenings. In this edition, you will find a Square G Ranch spotlight and important dates.

Just as a reminder, if you would like to have anything added or featured in the Newsletter, please reach out to Brooke at the Oklahoma Hereford Association email or call/text.

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SQUARE G RANCH

Square G Ranch dates all the way back to 1978 when Harold Gleason decided to buy a heifer for his oldest daughter, Rhonda Gleason Eck, at a futurity sale in Oklahoma City. In following some advice from the late Wayne Haygood, Harold decided this was the heifer to buy. Little did he know that that heifer he bought from Fred Schultz would be the beginning of many Junior National Expos. The Gleason family has attended almost every Junior National Expo since. From California to Pennsylvania, they have been there. In the earlier years, Square G Ranch also hosted a Western Oklahoma Hereford Association sale on an annual basis.

Throughout the years, they have pushed their daughters, Rhonda Eck, Kendra Jones, and Misti Koontz to develop a passion for the Hereford breed through long hours of hard work and dedication. The girls could have chosen to not continue this family tradition into their own families, but instead, they continue to instill a passion for the Hereford breed within their own separate families.

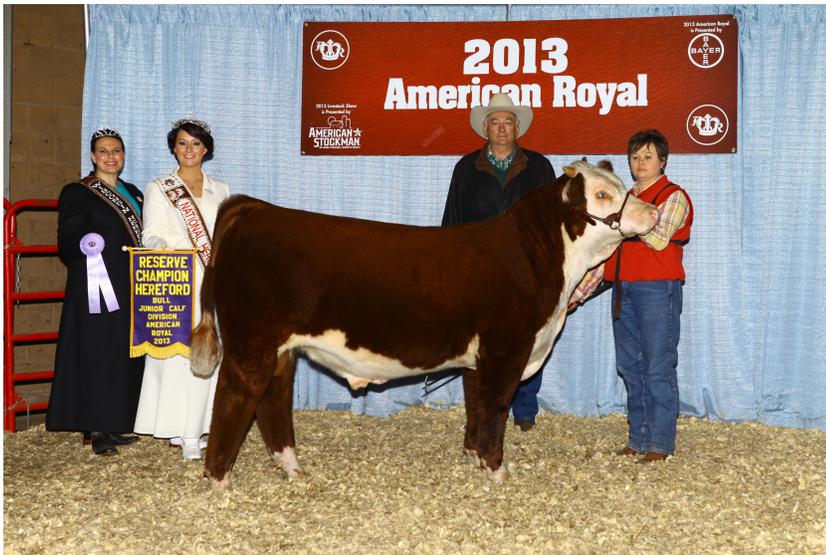
One of the major goals that Square G Ranch strives to fulfill is raising cattle that will be functional in the pasture but will also be competitive to the winners at the National Shows. They are very aggressive in using the most current genetics by AI and ET. They have purchased a few select heifers to show and eventually move them into the breeding program. At the same time, they have developed a small private treaty bull clientele. They also market their heifers as replacements in large groups each spring.

Currently, Square G Ranch is in a transition stage where Harold and Donna are beginning to move forward with passing the herd and responsibilities to their three daughters and their families.



What advice would you give someone just starting out in the Hereford breed?

“My advice to new breeders would be to study the breed. Determine what your goals will be with your cattle and then seek out the herds with the same focus. Make sure those herds contain the quality you are striving for. The next step is to provide the proper care that will facilitate your marketing plans. Be a part of your state and national associations and participate. The learning curve never ends because the successful breeders are always working to improve.”



SG A10 Mr. Big Shot

Reserve Division Champion at American Royal in 2013

Sired two Division Champions, one Reserve Division, and a Class Winner at the American Royal in 2016. He was also awarded Get of Sire.



SG Eden E127

3x Champion at Oklahoma State Fair

Champion Bred and Owned at OYE and Tulsa State Fair.

Throughout their time being involved in the Oklahoma Hereford Association, they have had many accomplishments such as serving on state and national boards, raising and showing champions, and Breeder of the Year from the OHA, just to name a few.

Harold and Donna would also like to remind their daughters and their families how proud of them they are for their continued commitment and dedication for the Hereford breed.

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January 15, 2020:

National Western Stock Show
Junior Hereford Show

January 16, 2020:

Mile High Eve Frozen Genetics
Sale

January 16, 2020:

National Western Stock Show
Hereford Bull Show

January 17, 2020:

Mile High Night Hereford Sale

January 17, 2020:

National Western Stock Show
Hereford Carload and Pen Show

January 18, 2020:

National Western Stock Show
Hereford Female Show

January 27, 2020:

Advertising Deadline for AI Source
Book

February 1, 2020:

Messner Herefords Sale

A graphic for the New Year. The year '2020' is written in large, gold, 3D-style numbers. The zeros are circular and have a textured, glittery appearance. Below the numbers, the words 'HAPPY NEW YEAR' are written in a smaller, gold, sans-serif font. The background is black with a pattern of gold bokeh circles of various sizes. Two gold strings hang from the top of the zeros, suggesting they are ornaments.

*Be watching your mailbox for the 2020 Membership
Application. If you know of anyone that might be
interested in becoming an OHA member, please feel free
to reach out through email/call.*