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Congratulations Breeders

Callaway Cattle Company is the 2005-2006 Premiere Breeder. John & Marcia Callaway are cattle producers of Hogansville, Ga. John retired from the extension service and has seen the club calf industry evolve. Marcia was a school teacher and certianly has her way with young people. It never fails that the Callaway's are at the major shows and are always willing to help.
Keep up the good work!

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The Cleary Family is the 2005-2006 Platinum Breeder, and are featured as the Member Spotlight for July 2006. see back cover

2006-2007 Point Sheets are on the web!!!

Be sure to print a revised edition of the point sheets. Starting this show season, we have added points for Top 5 Placings!

GCCPA Field Day 2006

The Field Day was hosted at Franklin County Livestock Barn, in Carnesville, GA. There was something for everyone: Judging Contest, Stockmans Quiz, Coloring Contest for the little ones, Showman Ship Showdown, and watermelon too. Thank you to Chi-G farmsfor hosting the judging contest, and to all other sponsors who helped make the weekend a fun filled success.
Our judge was Brad Cox from Fayettville, TN.
see insert for show results

GCCPA Topic of Discussion in Showbox Magazine

The Showbox is a nation wide magazine that covers some Georgia activity. Be sure to check out the August issue of the Showbox magazine... There is an article about the club calf industry in Georgia titled "Association Raises the Bar", by Clifford Mitchell.

GCCPA members are eligible for a discounted subscription to the Showbox.
Members $20 Non-Member $50
Check with Holly Alford for more details.

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2005-2006 GCCPA Awards

Top 10 Commecial Heifer Exhibitors

Placing	Points	Last	First	Breeder	County	Grade
1	230	Cleary	Ashley	Cleary Cattle Co	Tift FFA	12th
2	151	Wynn	Blaize	A & A Show Cattle	Colquitt FFA	10th
3	86	Black	Caroline	Callaway Cattle Co	Jackson FFA	11th
4	81	Segars	Hannah	Triple "S" Farms	Stephens FFA	11th
5	79	Harbin	Stewart	Callaway Cattle Co	Union 4-H	9th
6	72	Clark	Cameron	Turnpike Creek Farms	Wilcox FFA	10th
7	66	Tankersley	Samantha	Paulk Farms	Tift 4-H	11th
8	63	Tench	Tabitha	Kennedy Farms	Washington Wilkes FFA	7th
9	62	Barnes	Brittany	Cabe Bros Angus	Franklin FFA	11th
10	61	Baltew	Hunter	Wolfcreek Farms	Murray 4-H	8th

Top 10 Steer Exhibitors

Placing	Points	Last	First	Breeder	County	Grade
1	190	Calfee	Allen	RSE Farms	Kingwood, TX 4-H	7th
2	164	Shirley	Matt	Crump Club Calves	Jackson 4-H	12th
3	114	Mobley	Harden	Darby Club Calves	Colquitt FFA	8th
4	89	Bailey	Ash	Cliffstell Show Cattle	Decatur 4-H	10th
4	89	Cleary	Ashley	Cleary Cattle Co	Tift FFA	
6	77	Farmer	Dustin	RSE Farms	Franklin FFA	12th
6	77	Goodman	Justin	Pace Farms	Tift FFA	12th
8	71	Mobley	Nicholas	Miller Cattle Co	Colquitt 4-H	4th
9	69	Holmes	Jacob	Dry Branch Farms	Sonoraville FFA	9th
9	69	Rosenbalm	Natalie	Clark Club Calves	Dade 4-H	7th

Top 10 British Heifer Exhibitors

Placing	Points	Last	First	Breeder	County	Breed	Grade
1	127	Godowns	William	Callaway Cattle Co	Pike Co FFA	Angus	12th
2	88	Proudfoot	Hailey	Randy Franks	Wayne CO FFA	Angus	11th
3	84	Cabe	Josh	Cabe Bros Angus	Franklin CO FFA	Angus	12th
4	78	Waters	Sarah	Partisover Ranch	Bulloch CO 4-H	Angus	8th
5	70	Gazda	Katie	Gazda Cattle Co	Oconee Co 4-H	Angus	10th
6	61	Holmes	Jacob	Gary Goble	Sonoraville High FFA	Angus	9th
7	59	Wallace	Matt	Tad Harper	Pepperell High FFA	Shorthorn	12th
7	59	Crooms	Melanie	Turnpike Creek	West Laurens Fta	Angus	11th
9	58	Griffin	Daniel	B & H Enterprises	Screven Co 4-H	Hereford	8th
10	57	Gazda	Katie	Gazda Cattle Co	Oconee Co 4-H	Angus	10th

Top 10 Other Breeds Heifer Exhibitors

Placing	Points	Last	First	Breeder	County	Breed	Grade
1	124	Jeffords	Jaren	3-J Farms	Gordon 4-H	% Simmental	9th
2	121	Bius	Will	Partisover Ranch	W. Bainbridge M. FFA	% Simmental	6th
3	95	Chandler	Kim	Partisover Ranch	Madison 4-H	% Simmental	8th
4	85	Priest	Gibson	David Craig	Bartow 4-H	Gelbvieh	5th
5	83	Akins	Chandler	A & A Show Cattle	Berrien 4-H	Simmental	9th
6	82	Bius	Will	Cliffstell Show Cattle	W. Bainbridge M. 4-H	Chi	6th
7	72	Graham	Hallie	Callaway Cattle Co	Wayne 4-H	Chi-Influence	9th
8	71	Brown	Chelsea	Brown Farms	Thomas 4-H	Maine-Anjou	8th
9	66	Allen	Casey	Talmo Ranch	Bleckley FFA	Chi-Angus	12th
10	64	Little	Kyle	Rolling T	Oglethorpe FFA	Maine	9th

GCCPA Breeder Awards for the 2005 -2006 Show Season

Top Ten Breeders

	Farm	Points
1	Callaway Cattle Co - John & Marcia Callaway	886
2	Partiscover Ranch - Randy & Beth Daniel	573
3	Cleary Cattle Co - Ashley Cleary	439
4	A & A Show Cattle - Phillip & Ann Taylor	394
5	Cabe Bros Angus - Chan, Lou, Will & Josh Cabe	375
6	RSE Farms - Rob & Kelly Postin	373
7	Shady River Farm - Greg Walker	366
8	Crump Club Calves - Lee & Paul Crump	305
9	Gazda Cattle Co - David, Carolyn, Katie, & Taylor Gazda	243
10	Darby Club Calves - Joe Darby	237

Breeder of Champion British Heifer

Callaway Cattle Company
John & Marcia Callaway
Hogansville, GA

Breeder of Champion Continental Heifer

3-J Farms
Burt & Lynn Jeffords
Fairmount, GA

Breeder of Champion Commercial Heifer

Cleary Cattle Company
Charles Cleary Family
Tifton, GA

Breeder of Champion Steer

RSE Farms
Rob & Kelly Postin
Stephens, GA

Gold Seal Breeders

Breeders with calves who accumulated 100 or more points.

Farm	Points
3-J Farms	236
Talmo Ranch	222
Turnpike Creek	212
Cliffstell Show Cattle	209
Triple "S" Farm	201
Triple C Shorthorn	190
Brown Farms	183
Rolling T	165
B & H Enterprises	159
Clanton River Ranch	159
Throne Stock Farm	158
Kennedy Farms	155
Woodlawn Farms	143
Wolfcreek Farms	119
Smith Bros Farms	114
Paulk Farms	112
J & J Cattle	111
Bill Atkinson	110
Boyett Farms	109
Dry Branch Farms	101

Silver Seal Breeders

Breeders with calves who accumulated 50 to 99 points.

Farm	Points
Cool Creek	96
Claxton Family Club Calves	91
Carey Farms	90
Millberry Farm	90
Randy Franks	88
David Craig	85
Roper Family Famrs	82
Bowman Club Calves	81
Pace Farms	77
Miller Cattle Co	71
Clark Club Calves	69
Clark Angus	68
Running W Farms	68
Stephens Co. FFA	65
Gary Goble	61
Cobb Farms	60
Dice Roberts	60
Tad Harper	59
Ring Leader Club Calves	58
Aultman Farm & Cattle Co	54
Moss Cattle Co	54
D & D Shorthorns	52

GCCPA Paid Members as of June 28,2006

First Name	Last Name
Todd & Holly	Alford
Stephen D.	Ashmore
Bill	Atkinson
James (Buck)	Aultman
Clifford	Bailey, DVM
Reggie & Allison	Beasley
Micheal	Berry
Ward & Caroline	Black
Clayton	Bloodworth
J.R.	Boswell
Greg, Gary & Hope	Bowman
Anthony	Boyett Family
Thomas	Bridges
Brelan	Brookshire
Chelsea & Jim	Brown
Dan T.	Brown
Will & Josh	Cabe
Emmett & Clint	Callahan
John & Marcia	Callaway
Scott	Carey
Andy	Carter
John and Michael	Carter
Joy	Carter
Sharron	Cassidy
Shanda	Clanton
Matthew Todd	Claxton
Charles	Cleary
Barry	Cobb
Connie	Collier
Dwight	Cooper
Shelby	Corbett
Paul	Crump
Thomas	Dalby, Manager
David	Craig
Freddie	Dalton
Randy	Daniel
Joe	Darby
Bart & Paula	Davis
Spencer	Duncan
Terry &Derrick	Duncan
Jeremy	Dyer
Brittany & Grant	Eason
David	Echols
Jerry	Ellis
Cole	Elrod
Bill	Enloe
Hannah & James	Findley
Tom	Findley
Randy, Joyce	Franks
David & Carolyn	Gazda
Phil & Brenda	Gentry

First Name	Last Name
Tim & Judy	Gilstrap
Chris	Goldman
Justin, Michael, & Hardy	Goodman
Jim	Gresham
Joe	Griffith
Robert	Harkins
Tad	Harper
Glynn & Brent	Hartley
Tim & Robin	Hartsfield
Carole Hicks	Grant Brannen
Mike	Hightower
Jeff	Hilburn
Keith & Charolette	Holmes
David, Debbie & Kirk	Jackson
Kipp	Jackson
Burt	Jeffords
Jason & Jentsie	Johns
Billy & Krista	Jowers
Joe & Catherine	Kassler
B.C. & Debra	Kennedy
Brian & Bobby	Lance
Greg	Lee
Greta Collins & Leonard	Barrett
Turner & Jeff	Lynn
Ronnie	Marlin
Mike & Christy	McCravy
Robert	McKaig D.V.M.
Tommy	Mead
Dale	Meeks Family
Jill	Miller
Stacy	Miller
Lewis & David	Miller
Thomas Hurst & Danny	Morris
Tim & Sondra	Moser
Billy	Moss
Carl	Nichols
Neal & Wes	Pace
Doug, Ann & Shelly	Patton
J.L. & louise	Paulk
Danny & Tammie	Peeke
Rob & Kelly	Postin
Randy, Donna, & Gibson	Priest
J	Pye
Wesley	Rakestraw
Adam	Ray
Phil	Reed
Scott	Rehberg
Bill	Reynolds, Jr.
Thomas & Mitchel	Rigdon
Terry	Roberson
Dice	Roberts

First Name	Last Name
Larry	Rodgers
Ricky & Edna	Roper
David J.	Ryan
Jimmy & Jan	Scott
Larry	Segars
Scott & Nancy	Sell
Lindy	Sheppard
Stone	Shirley
Jodyason	Smith
Jody	Smith
Katie	Smith
Timmy	Smith
Ben H.	Strickland
Chaddrick R.	Sumner
Ronnie & Becky	Sumner
C. Wayne	Swanson
Stan	Tankersley
Phillip	Taylor
Robert	Taylor
Todd	Teasley
Justin & Josh	Thompson
Jason & Keith	Thrasher
Chris & Julie	Throne
Alan & Adam	Verner
Greg	Walker
Ed	Wasdin
Randy	Waters
Gary & Deborah	Waters
Hannah	Weathersby
Ben & Jason	Weaver
John	Welch
Joe R.	Wells
Alan & Chrissy	Wheeler
Doug	Williams
John	Wood
Rick & Sharon	Wood
David	Young

*This list of names are paid memberships as of June 28, 2006.
*Contact Holly Alford if there are any questions.

~ 2006 GCCPA Field Day Results~

Steers

Champion
Houston Owens

Reserve Champ
Caroline Black

British

Champion
Chris Smith

Reserve Champ
Megan Burns

Continental

Champion
Sarah Water

Reserve Champ
Sarah Water

~Showmanship Showdown~

Overall Champion Showman
BJ Townson

Reserve Overall Showman
Hannah Bius

4th-5th Grade Showman
1. Hannah Bius
2. Bo Bailey
3. Hallie Throne

6th-8th Grade Showman
1. BJ Townson
2. Barrett Johnathan *
3. Natalie Rosenbalm

9th-12 Grade Showman
1. Colten Farrow
2. Kathrine Throne
3. Hallie Graham

Tibial Hemimelia (TH), Pulmonary Hypoplasia with Anasarca (PHA), and the Future

Article from Genteic Horizons Spring Supplement

As many cattle breeders and producers are aware, two defective genetic conditions have been described that are currently affecting the cattle industry, especially the club calf industry. As the title of this article would suggest, the two of interest here are Tibial Hemimelia (TH) and Pulmonary Hypoplasia with Anasarca (PHA). These genetic defects are not unique; there have been others before (mule foot, dwarfism, etc.), and there will be more in the future, as we are better able to detect, describe, and solve these problems.

Tibial Hemimelia (TH) is a syndrome that describes multiple genetic defects in affected calves. These defects include an absence of all or part of the tibia (the long bone between the stifle and hock), abdominal hernias, cranial cavity deficits, and other abnormalities. This condition, when expressed in an affected calf, is always lethal. For a calf to express this problem, both parents must be carriers, and both must pass the defective gene to the affected calf. The 2006 SEK-Genetic Horizons catalog lists some Shorthorn and Shorthorn related sires that we know are carriers for this defective gene (we neglected to list 4D Double Stuff-his status is not listed, but he is a TH carrier.) Carrier, but not affected, animals appear normal. Mating two carriers together will result in 25% of the offspring being affected, and they will be dead, or die shortly after birth. Dystocias are frequent; this is obviously a condition no one wants to see with a baby calf.

Pulmonary Hypoplasia with Anasarca (PHA) is another and different genetic defect that is lethal. Again, it is a recessive condition, meaning that two carrier parents must both provide the affected calf with the defective gene. Calves with PHA may be aborted early, will have small, very poorly developed lungs (hence, the pulmonary hypoplasia part of the name), with a massive amount of retained fluid (the anasarca part of the syndrome). These fetuses are often huge, and if the fetus is carried to term, the life of the cow is in jeopardy. Dystocias are again frequent, and again, this is a condition to be avoided.

It is important to realize that breeding stock that may or may not be carriers require some additional thought when mating them. If you are confident that your cow is not related to a carrier of TH, you could breed her to a known carrier, and not have a TH affected calf produced; by breeding your carrier cows to a known non-carrier, you would be certain that calves that result would not be affected. However, some calves will be carriers, if one of the parents is a carrier. Fortunately, a test to determine TH carrier status is available thru Dr. Jonathan Beever, at the University of Illinois. Dr. Beever may be reached at 217-333-4194.

The TH syndrome is currently associated with Shorthorn and Shorthorn related cattle; it has been seen in other breeds. The PHA syndrome is currently associated with Maine-Anjou and Maine-Anjou related cattle. Because there is a readily available test to determine TH carrier status, TH is currently a much more manageable problem than PHA. If you are aware of the TH status of your cows or sires, you can make intelligent breeding decisions to avoid affected calves. Dr. Beever can test samples from you cows; AI sire status may be available from various sources, like the American Shorthorn Association website (www.shorthorn.org), or www.showsteers.com, or SEK Genetics, or the sires owners.

A test to determine PHA carrier status is not yet available, but Dr. Beever is working on just such a test. This makes mating animals related to PHA bloodlines more challenging. Since you only know the PHA carrier status of an animal if it has sired or given birth to an affected calf, most PHA carriers are undetected.

What we currently know about bloodlines that are affected by PHA is mostly informal, and is the result of knowing the sire and dam of affected calves. Dr. Beever has parent verified affected calves from Irish Whiskey, Mossy Oak, Cowboy Cut, Ice Chest, BK Power Plus, BKDJ Landmark, and several others. These are only the first of many bulls that will be identified as carriers when a test becomes available. Monitor the Maine Anjou Association website (www.maine-anjou.org) for further developments and information.

Should you have a calf born that you suspect is affected with PHA, please contact Dr. Beever. It may help to develop a PHA carrier test if you can provide samples from the sire, dam, and calf to him.

TH and PHA-The Facts

- TH and PHA are two distinct genetic conditions
- TH and PHA are the result of two different genes that are abnormal
- TH and PHA are both considered autosomal recessive
- Cattle with TH trace to Shorthorn breeding
- Cattle with PHA trace to Maine-Anjou breeding
- An animal with both Shorthorn and Maine influence can be a carrier of both, neither or one of the abnormalities
- A calf born with TH or PHA received one abnormal gene from each of its parents
- The sire and dam of a calf born with TH are both carriers for TH
- The sire and dam of a calf born with PHA are both carriers for PHA
- There is a genetic test for TH – it can tell you if your animal is normal (not a carrier for TH; TH free) or a carrier for TH (TH carrier)
- There is not yet a genetics test for PHA, but we know the parents of a PHA calf are

Above: Shorthorn calf with TH, note the large abdominal hernia and the twisted back legs.

Right: Face of a calf born with PHA. Note the large amount of swelling of the face and huge tongue. The ears almost invisible.

Cleary family demonstrates tradition of showing cattle

By Joy Carter

Forty-five years ago Charles Cleary began showing cattle at the young age of five. Little did he know that years later he would have three daughters that would also share in this family pastime. Stephanie, Melissa and Ashley began showing in 1994 after the family moved to Georgia from Mississippi.

The Cleary family resides in Tift County, Ga., near Brookfield. The family's cattle herd consists of purebred Maine Anjou cattle, along with commercial cattle. Since the girls started showing they have kept show heifers for breeding and the herd has been built over the years using A.I. and selective natural breeding. The Cleary girls have been showing their "own" club calves for the past three to four years.

The Cleary family works hard at showing and their winnings prove it. The family has placed in the top five for steers in the GCCPA Points System for the past three years and Ashley was number two in the points challenge in 2005, and was number one in the Commercial Heifer Division in 2006, with a home raised calf. The family was also awarded the Platinum Breeder from GCCPA in 2005 and 2006.

During the National Junior Maine Anjou Show the family received Grand Champion Bred and Owned Prospect Steer in 2004 and 2005 as well as Reserve Champion Bred and Owned Senior Heifer Calf in 2005 and 2006.

Showmanship skills run throughout the family as well. Ashley won both steer and heifer showmanship classes at the Georgia State Show in 2005 and received the Donald C. Griffith Memorial Scholarship for winning steer showmanship. Melissa won heifer showmanship her senior year at the Georgia State Livestock Show and received a scholarship too.

All three of the Cleary girls have been very active in FFA in Tift County. Stephanie served as the 2000 State FFA Vice President and Melissa was the 2001-2002 South Region FFA Star Farmer. Both Stephanie and Melissa have received their American FFA Degree. Ashley has been active in several Career Development Events through her years in the FFA along with serving as an officer for the Tift County FFA Chapter.

Today, Stephanie is an accountant for Cryolife Corporation in Kennesaw, Ga. and Melissa is pursuing her degree in Communication Disorders at Valdosta State University. Ashley, the youngest Cleary girl who recently graduated, plans to attend Abraham Baldwin Agricultural College and pursue a degree in physical therapy.

Of course nothing could happen without the support of their mom, Jennifer. Together, the Cleary family is not only making a name for themselves in the club calf industry but they are also making family memories to last a lifetime.