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Editor's Message...

Greetings,

This issue of the North Dakota Simmental Scene is being mailed to over 4100 cattle producers across three countries, 31 states and three Canadian provinces. In addition, there will be many copies at various bull sales across the region in the coming weeks. If you would like extra copies of the Scene for an event, please feel free to contact myself at the number listed on this page.

As you receive this issue of the Scene, we should be in the midst of one of the busiest times of year for the Simmental breed in this region. February marks the beginning of many Simmental bull sales across the state and region and also marks the beginning of the calving season for many. If you are in the market for a new herd bull, I would encourage you to contact the Simmental breeders in this part of the country. This area produces some of the finest Simmental cattle in the country.

The next issue of the Scene will be mailed in November 2008. If you are planning a production sale or if you will have some private treaty females for sale this fall, contact me early to start a marketing plan. Have a safe and successful calving season!

*Sincerely,
Todd Finke*

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Calendar of Events

February

- 1 4E Simmentals' Uppin' the Ante Bull & Female Sale
Bismarck, ND
- 2 Larson's TL Ranch Production Sale
Almont, ND
- 2 Klain Simmental Ranch Annual Production Sale
Turtle Lake, ND
- 7 Hoiby Simmentals Annual Production Sale
Rugby, ND
- 8 TNT Simmentals 23rd Annual Genetic Explosion Bull Sale
Almont, ND
- 9 Kenner Simmental Ranch 12th Annual Production Sale
Bismarck, ND
- 10 Rydeen Farms Vision X Sale
Clearbrook, MN
- 11 Haas Ranch Simmental Bull Sale
Mandan, ND
- 11 Traxinger Simmentals Private Treaty Bull Sale
Claremont, SD
- 11 Dakota Power Bull Sale
Valley City, ND
- 12 Bata/Olafson Production Sale
Rugby, ND
- 12 Hieggelke Simmentals Production Sale
Lisbon, ND
- 13 Nelson Livestock Company Annual Bull Sale
Baker, MT
- 13 Breeding for the Future Production Sale
Napoleon, ND
- 14 Bichler-Johnson Simmentals Annual Production Sale
Linton, ND
- 14 Lassle/Skillestad Ranches Annual Production Sale
Glendive, MT
- 15 Dakota Xpress Simmental Sale
Bismarck, ND

February continued

- 16 Ellingson Simmentals Production Sale
Rugby, ND
- 16 Little Bitterroot Annual Production Sale
Missoula, MT
- 17 Northern Plains Simmental Private Treaty Sale
Bowbells, ND
- 18 Keller's Broken Heart Ranch Annual Production Sale
Mandan, ND
- 23 Strommen Simmentals Private Treaty Sale
Arthur, ND
- 26 Larson's XL Simmental Ranch Bull Sale
Mandan, ND
- 27 Spring Creek Simmentals/Red Rose Angus Bull Sale
Moosomin, SK
- 29 LaBatte Simmentals 28th Annual Bull & Female Sale
Moose Jaw, SK

March

- 1 McMillen Ranching Ltd. Bull Sale
Cariavale, SK
- 4 Doll Ranch Annual Production Sale
Mandan, ND
- 8 Northwest North Dakota Select Simmental Sale
Stanley, ND
- 10 7N Simmental Ranch Annual Production Sale
Medina, ND
- 14 Porter Ranches Bull Sale
Duffield, Alberta, Canada
- 21 3C Christensen and NLC Ranch Annual Production Sale
Wessington Springs, SD
- 24 Double Bar D Farms' Annual Production Sale
Grenfell, SK

April

- 4 Edge of the West Production Sale
Mandan, ND
- 7 Kjelgaard Simmental Production Sale
Jamestown, ND

News from the ASA...

by Kelly Schmidt, Field Representative, American Simmental Association

Happy New Year! I am excited about the Simmental business in my territory and I am optimistic about the 2008 sale season. The grain markets in last few months have been very interesting. We all continue to be amazed about how corn markets can affect so many things. A high corn market can influence the profitability of everyone in the cattle business. Though we have corn bringing nearly \$5.00 as I write this, I am still very excited about the upcoming production sales. The pulse of the cattle business seems to be strong and many producers are looking for new bulls and new genetics to make better cattle. We have been working very hard at the association to make programs and services that make it easier to sell cattle in this higher grain market.

One of the things that have gone well in the last year was our SimChoice age and source verified tagging program. We sold many tags across the Midwest to many producers that are looking to gain premium on their calves for having them age and sourced through a process verified program (PVP). I have talked to producers that are seeing \$3.50/cwt on finished cattle and \$2.00-4.00/cwt on feeder cattle. You can do the math and see that it is a wise investment at just \$2.50 per nested set of tags. I would recommend that you all look at this tagging program to add value to your calves and your customer's calves. It is a program that is proving to work well.

Another program that we are excited about is our 70:70 beef grid program. This is our new grid that we have created in partnership with JBS Swift and Company. This value based grid targets cattle that are 70% choice or higher cattle that are also 70% or higher yield grade 1's and 2's. Simmental x British cattle fit into this

grid so nicely as they have carcass quality with muscle yield. We are working hard as field staff to identify cattle that will fit into this grid. The grid also pays a premium for cattle that are age and source verified through a PVP. This grid ties nicely into our SimChoice tagging program. For more information about our grid program visit 7070beef.com or call me with questions.

We continue to move our other programs as well. We are in our third year of our carcass testing and feed efficiency program at University of Illinois. We are identifying sires that are elite carcass sires and we are also identifying sires that are efficient on feed. We also continue to mate heifers in Montana to identify and research calving ease sires. ASA is committed to these programs to identify the lines of cattle that will work for your program and create data and EPDs that help you accurately select cattle that will work.

Finally, I want to tell you about our SimPlace meeting that will take place in Illinois in April. We will be having a meeting on April 8 and 9 at the University of Illinois in Champagne, IL. Staff from the ASA, the University of Illinois, and other beef organizations will be on hand to present new information that the ASA is doing and other information that affects your business. More information will be out on this SimPlace meeting in the upcoming Register and SimTalk. I encourage you to attend.

As always, if you have any questions or concerns about the Association please feel free to contact me. I will also be attending most all of the production sales in the upper Midwest. If I can help you locate cattle or help you sell some of yours, please let me know. I would be glad to help. I hope you have a great year in 2008!

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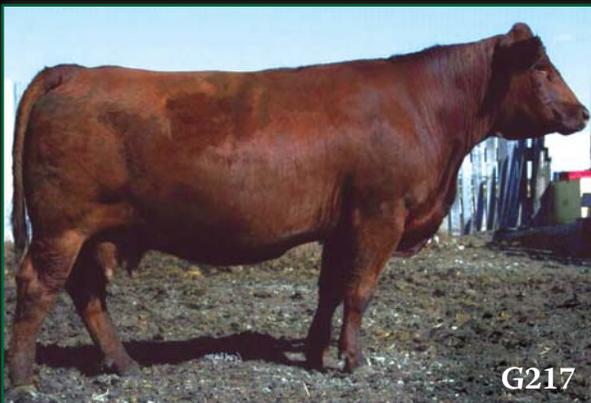
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- 32 Red Simmentals
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- 6 Black Angus
- 12 Red Angus
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Honey Dew

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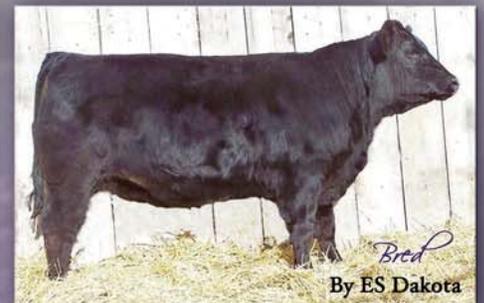
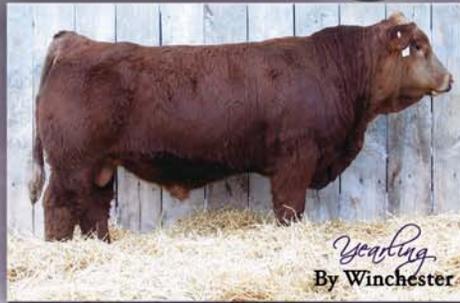
Northwest North Dakota
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Saturday,
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1:00 PM CST

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For more information or sale catalogs, contact the following:

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Are You Prepared for Calving?

Calving season will soon be underway on many operations. Consequently, the time for last-minute calving preparations is at hand. Here are some pointers to help you make your calving run more smoothly.

If you haven't done so already, now is a good time to prepare for the increased workload by checking calving equipment and facilities.

- Take the time to do a walk through and inspection of your calving facilities.
- Is calf-working equipment, such as calf pullers, obstetric chains, etc. in good working condition? Are there items you meant to repair last summer but forgot about or neglected to fix? Fix them now, before you need to use them.
- Are the calving pens ready for the demands of calving season? Do you have adequate bedding supplies ready to protect mothers and newborn calves from cold temperatures and snow? Extra bedding and protection from the elements (especially cold, wet conditions) will help to ensure the survival of more calves in severe winter weather.

Invariably, cows and calves will require treatment for sickness or injury during this time. It is best to be prepared ahead of time.

- Do you have a supply of replacement colostrum available for situations when the cow may not produce enough? Ideally, you should use colostrums from cows in your own herd when you need to provide supplemental colostrum to your newborns. Store supplemental colostrum in Ziploc® freezer bags or Serving Savers®. These storage devices will make storing and thawing easier and insure calves receive good-quality colostrum.
- Do you have the pharmaceutical and veterinary supplies you might need during calving? If you don't have suture, needles, syringes, and other supplies, purchase them now. It can be difficult to find a place to buy them in the middle of the night. Organize and store these supplies in so they are easy to access when needed.

- If you have hired labor assisting you during calving or if you have asked a neighbor to fill in for a few hours while you are gone, take the time to show them where all necessary equipment and supplies are located. In addition, be sure to give them the phone number of your local veterinarian in case a calving-related emergency occurs.

Cow nutrition plays a big role in calf health. If calving is still a few weeks away, take time to do a thorough evaluation of your nutrition program.

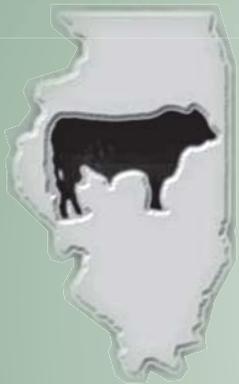
- Are the cows in good body condition or are they thin? If they are thin, boost the energy level in their diet.
- Have the cows received adequate levels of fat soluble vitamins, especially vitamin A? Vitamin A deficiencies have been linked to increased stillbirths, abortions, and retained placentas. If cows have been fed low-quality roughage through the winter, providing supplemental vitamin A prior to calving may be warranted.
- Heifers and young cows have greater nutrient requirements than the mature cow herd. If possible, manage the young females separately from the older, mature cows.

I hope these pointers will help to prepare for the upcoming calving season. Best of luck with this year's calf crop.



By Greg Lardy,
NDSU Animal and
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Evening Reception - celebrate the 40th anniversary of the ASA

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XL 775 Mission Statement * Explosion
Red, Simmental 11/29/07 Wt: 1070
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TNT Gunner N208

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9 sons sell

TNT Hemi N267

EPDs: 11.6 2.1 39.3 68.5 -3.4 1.6 21.2



7 sons sell

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Strommen/Melander Simmentals

Private Treaty Bull Sale

At the Farm • Arthur, ND • February 23, 2008

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STR N8 TYSON T705

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 EPDs: 9 -2 35 59 0 5 22
 API: 107 TI: 69



STR R55 ONE STOP T711

ER K33B x Powerline (Full Sib to LBR Crocket)
 DOB: 1/5/07 BW: 92 WW: 804
 EPDs: 7 -1 32 62 3 12 28
 API: 103 TI: 68



STR N49 TROY T715

ER K33B x Magnum
 DOB: 1/12/07 BW: 90 WW: 824
 EPDs: 6 0 36 64 1 11 28
 API: 109 TI: 69

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North Dakota Simmental Association Board Minutes

Minutes from the January 3, 2008 meeting

The North Dakota Simmental Association board of directors met January 3, 2008 at Bismarck Ramkota Hotel. Directors present: Kelly Hanson, Patrick Thorson, Gary Sys, Buckshot Gannaway, Doug Bichler, Dwight Keller, Erika Kenner, Mike Johnson, and Greg Myers. Bob Grant, sec/treas also present.

Board approved the agenda.

Minutes of the September 5th, December 13th, December 14th, and the Annual Meeting minutes were handed out to the board to look for corrections and/or additions.

Bob read the minutes of the September 5, 2007 board meeting. Motion Pat, second Greg to accept as read. Carried.

Bob read the minutes of the December 13, 2007 board meeting. Motion by Dwight, second by Doug to accept the minutes. Carried.

Bob read the minutes of the December 14, 2007 reorganization meeting. Motion by Greg, second by Buckshot to accept. Carried.

Bob presented the financial report. Cash flow sheets and Showcase/Classic sheets were handed out to the board. When all monies are collected the following are results of Simmental weekend: Donation heifer - net \$5,685; Semen Auction - \$2,475; Donation items - \$1,495; Simmental Scene premium location pages - \$1,350. The annual meeting/banquet cost the association \$1,034. The annual meeting dinner, door prizes, with subsidized meals and free meals for kids at the banquet is the reason. Board discussed the income/expense sheet on the Showcase/Classic sale. Jeff has stated that the initial letter for nominations is worthless, since he is receiving only 1-4 entries from that letter. Motion Dwight, second Erika to lower the commission by .3 to .4%, which would still give the North Dakota Simmental Association a commission equal to or greater than we have been receiving. Carried. Checks will be made up and mailed when all bills are in. Some checks will be held until animals are paid for. Motion Pat, second Mike to accept the financial report. Carried.

Pat, Kelly, and Greg presented the audit report. They examined Bob's books prior to the meeting. Everything seemed in order. Motion Buckshot, second Dwight to accept the audit report.

Simmental Scene discussion by the board. Reviewed the offer presented to Todd last spring. Will continue with the three (3) issues and a summer newsletter to keep the membership informed. A nomination form for The North Dakota Simmental Association Showcase/Classic Sale will be included in the newsletter with an explanation that this is the way to contact the committee and Jeff if you are interested in consigning to the sale. No initial letters will be sent.

Showcase/Classic discussion/comments: make sure carcass EPDs, individual BWs and 205's, API and TI are in the catalog. Board also talked about other comments on the sale order. Board felt that sale order is best left to sale management and consultants. They know where the most interest on animals is and use that to keep the sale strong. All concerns will be voiced to sale committee. Discussed sale consultants that could possibly be used.

Annual meeting/banquet discussion. We served 168 at the banquet. Everything seemed to move along smoother this year. Everyone seemed to be enjoy the weekend.

Jr Simmental report was given by Kelly. The next show will be Ag Expo-Minot. North Dakota Simmental Association and the Jr. Simmental Association will help sponsor the North Central Jr. Classic. We will send the money when asked. The cost of holding a Jr Classic is getting out of hand. There will need to be a cutback someplace, esp. the prizes.

Feeder calf sales are sponsored at Kist on January 9 and Napoleon on January 10. Discussion on whether to continue or even to expand to other auction barns. The history of the start of these sales was reviewed and decided to leave as is for this year.

Field day - Some board members have been contacted by the Montana Simmental Association to work with them in sponsoring a feedlot and/or packing plant tour. We would like to incorporate our commercial customers and try to keep it fairly close because of time. Kelly asked Erika to check into.

Simmental Futurity at the North Dakota State Fair - Motion Dwight, second Mike the following: The prize pool will include \$10/heifer sold at the North Dakota Simmental Association Showcase/Classic Sale. \$10/heifer sold at the Northwest North Dakota Select Simmental Group Sale. \$10/entry at the ND State Fair at time of the Futurity Show. The North Dakota Simmental Association will make up the amount needed to bring pot to \$1,000. Savings bonds will be given to the first three places. Using savings bonds will double the pool. First place - \$1,200; Second place - \$600; Third place - \$200. Carried Hubbard Feeds will also award \$500/\$300/\$200 to these winners if they were fed ShowRite feed.

Bob discussed with the board the advertising budget and where the advertising dollar will go in 2008. Radio stations will remain the same as last year with 5-10% increase in budget to cover increased cost and possibility of increased ads. Paper and magazine ads will be similar with the addition of Farm & Ranch Guide and The Cattle Business Weekly. We try to get ads in all directories or reference guides in the following: Register/Sim Talk, Farm and Ranch Guide, North Dakota Stockmen's Association, and The Cattle Business Weekly. Cost sharing material will be sent in in January or February to the ASA. Total advertising budget will be increased by 10-20%. Most NDSA advertising is geared for early in the year to promote Simmental and to help our membership sales because of the strong support they give to the North Dakota Simmental Association and that is our basic mission.

Bob gave the membership report. 2007 membership was 106 paid + 11 lifetime members. The most in recent history. Postcard reminders will be sent in February for 2008 membership.

Board reviewed committee assignments. Kelly appointed the following: Purebred Council - Kelly and Doug. Showcase/Classic - (board) Dwight, Kelly, Doug (consignors) Bill Begger, Tim Clark, David Doll. Membership - Bob. Feeder calf - Mike Johnson, Dwight Keller (Kist); Kelly Hanson (Napoleon). Winter show/North Star - Greg Myers, Pat Thorson, Kelly. State Fair - Gary Sys, R B Gannaway, Pat Thorson. Radio Ads - Bob, Doug Bichler. Publication - Pat Thorson, Kelly, Erika Kenner. Youth Advisors - Gary Sys, Darcy Klain, Kelly Hanson (Chairman).

Board agreed to sponsor Ag Expo, Western Star, North Star Classic, Stockmen's tour, Little I, Jr. Points as we have in the past.

Board met in executive session to discuss the secretary/treasurer performance.

The board resumed the meeting with a one year offer to remain in the position with an increased salary. Bob Accepted.

Board looked ahead for possible meeting dates. April 10th next meeting. Sale Committee will meet early in February. Other dates were discussed for later in the year with none scheduled at this time. With a possible tour there may need to be one scheduled to organize that.

Submitted by Bob Grant

Correction Notice:

The article written about the Scherr Ranch, 2007 Commercial Producer of the Year, on page 23 of the January Scene was written by Julie Schaff Ellingson of the North Dakota Stockmen's magazine. Due credit was not given to Julie in the last issue.

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DCR Mr Beef Maker T32 Polled

BD: 2/7/07 BW: 88 lbs. WW: 841 lbs. YW: 1485 lbs.
 Sire: WS Beefmaker R13 Dam: DCR Ms Black Legacy R149
 Calving ease plus performance and carcass!

CE	BW	WW	YW	MCE	MM	MWW	STAY	CW	YG	MRB	BF	REA	API	TI
12	1.5	46	81	2.1	7	30	NA	2	-0.01	0.28	-0.01	0.25	112	73

DCR Mr Power Red T174 Polled

BD: 3/10/07 BW: 100 lbs. WW: 923 lbs. YW: 1700 lbs.
 Sire: R Plus Red Ribeye 1134L Dam: DCR Ms Dest M294
 Record performance, top carcass traits, unbelievable mother!

CE	BW	WW	YW	MCE	MM	MWW	STAY	CW	YG	MRB	BF	REA	API	TI
5	4.6	53	90	3.4	7	33	23	5	-0.03	0.03	0.01	0.23	104	70



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5 Open Simmental Heifers

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 Averages for the last 4 years
 Adj. REA is 15.6 sq in with
 a 3.4 Adj. MB with only
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DCR Mr Beef Maker T47 Polled

BD: 2/12/07 BW: 86 lbs. WW: 865 lbs. YW: 1501 lbs.
 Sire: WS Beefmaker R13 Dam: DCR Ms Blk Nugget R286
 Tremendous performance, calving ease and great carcass!

CE	BW	WW	YW	MCE	MM	MWW	STAY	CW	YG	MRB	BF	REA	API	TI
10	1.4	49	80	1.8	6	31	24	0	-0.02	0.25	0.00	0.08	127	77

DCR Mr Turn Red T241 Polled

BD: 3/19/07 BW: 105 lbs. WW: 922 lbs. YW: 1612 lbs.
 Sire: LBR Crockett R81 Dam: DCR Ms BCountry J40
 Tremendous length, great WW and YW, great carcass!

CE	BW	WW	YW	MCE	MM	MWW	STAY	CW	YG	MRB	BF	REA	API	TI
4	6	62	103	3.5	1	32	23	14	0.01	0.11	0.02	0.35	108	75



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 Tremendous thickness, carcass traits and great maternal!

CE	BW	WW	YW	MCE	MM	MWW	STAY	CW	YG	MRB	BF	REA	API	TI
5	1.9	30	57	6	6	21	21	3	-0.07	0.06	0.00	0.28	97	59

DCR Mr. Black Crockett T247 Polled

BD: 3/19/07 BW: 105 lbs. WW: 807 lbs. YW: 1620 lbs.
 Sire: LBR Crockett R81 Dam: DCR Ms Ribeye N33
 Tremendous power, top CW, Stay, Marbling and Ribeye! Top API!

CE	BW	WW	YW	MCE	MM	MWW	STAY	CW	YG	MRB	BF	REA	API	TI
5	6	46	82	5.6	5	28	25	12	-0.04	0.10	0.02	0.43	108	65

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