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Our Cover

A Show Ring Full

Murray Grey exhibitors and handlers prepare 8 Gets of Sire, 24 head, during the National Murray Grey Show in Louisville, KY. This was one of the most impressive classes of Murray Grey cattle assembled any where in the United States in the last many years. Congratulations & thanks to everyone who participated in the 2006 National Show.

We are always looking for good photos of Murray Grey cattle. We invite all members to send pictures!

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Notes from the National Office -

Group BreedPlan - December is now upon us and it is time to begin the Group BreedPlan cycle again. Participating BreedPlan herds will be receiving your Dam Inventory & Breeding Worksheets soon. Please update them as needed and return them to AMGA as soon as possible. As soon as we receive your Inventory & Breeding Worksheets, we will produce your Birth Worksheet & Registration for Application.

Dues are due again. Please use the enclosed Membership Application to renew your AMGA membership for 2007. Remember, we purge the "Members by State" pages on the web site in late February. Don't let your contact information disappear from the web site.

Semen Directory - The AMGA directors have asked the Executive Director to develop a directory of available Murray Grey semen. We would like to have pictures of sires, pictures of progeny if possible, EPDs and other information about sires from which you have semen for sale. This directory will be online and there should be no cost to list your semen for sale. Please watch the "Breaking News" page of the web site or contact AMGA for more information.

New Directors George Germaine from Vader, WA and Steve Cummings from Bedford, IN join the Board of Directors in January. We welcome George and Steve and we look forward to their efforts in growing our breed and our association. Directors John Beese and Ginger Natolis retire from the AMGA Board of Directors at the end of this year. We thank Ginger and John for their hard work and dedication over the years.

We welcome **Igenity-Merial** as our first Corporate Sponsor. Please see Igenity's ad on page 9.

Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year from the Gerows to all of you. We hope this holiday season will bring joy and peace and a sense of fulfillment. We will be traveling back east over Christmas. Please watch the "Breaking News" page for dates when the AMGA office will be closed.

The Way I See It

John Gerow, Executive Director

The 2006 Murray Grey National Show is now history. This year's National was a major undertaking for the fledgling Eastern Murray Grey Association promotional group. It was no small coup to get into the North American International Livestock Expo and putting on a world class show in this world class venue was a big achievement for the membership of AMGA. Annette Pulliam and Kyle Knight are to be commended for making it happen.

Our national shows are no longer simply a "cow show". They have become incredible social and "family" gatherings, during which the social bonds that differentiate good from GREAT organizations are renewed and strengthened. It is a wonderful, renewing feeling to experience the incredible level of genuine care and affection that has developed among AMGA members in the last several years. It is truly gratifying for me to see members working together and looking out for one another while preparing to compete in the showing.

And you definitely do compete in the show ring with much passion and gusto! But that is how it should be. It was simply fantastic to see 24 excellent Murray Grey cattle in the ring at one time in the Get of Sire class and 18 in the Produce of Dam classes at the National show. The Get class brought exhibitors together to collaborate and that is a wonderful way to end a show.

Our formal, but informal, social after the show gave members a chance to visit and unwind from the excitement of the show. Our members moved from intense competition in the ring to wonderful cooperation during the Annual Membership meeting later in the afternoon. One realizes by observing our meetings that while we all have differing points of view, the level of concern and affection that we all hold for one another helps keep everything else in perspective. AMGA members can discuss differences, debate issues and disagree on policy and procedure, but in the final analysis AMGA members all want the same thing – to see our breed grow and prosper here in the United States. That shared purpose, combined with the genuine affection shared, bodes great things for the future of this breed and this organization.

I have had the opportunity to watch you all as your Association has gone through some hard times. I have seen negative energy damage our group and have seen disagreements, some of which grew from self-serving interests hamper our growth and our progress. I have watched as leaders have stepped forward to pick up the yoke and begin pulling our organization into the future. And I have watched as your determination to preserve the breed and the Association has blossomed into the wonderful "family" spirit that we see today. I have no doubt that our breed will continue to grow and have an impact on the beef industry and on rural communities in America.

Perhaps most gratifying to me, while there in Louisville, was the way you folks opened your arms and hearts to those new members and new faces who appeared at our national gathering. I believe that all of the newcomers that joined your group in Louisville will become active, productive and forward looking members. The wonderful, friendly atmosphere that surrounds the American Murray Grey Association is contagious and is providing an incredible foundation for future growth. You have a wonderful product in your Murray Grey cattle. You have a great vehicle to promote and build your breed in your American Murray Grey Association. But it is your hearts and your joy in being with one another that will insure growth and prosperity of your breed and your Association in the future.

Thank you for letting Gennie and I, and our family, be a part of your wonderful, growing and giving group. We look forward to a bright future with Murray Grey cattle in the United States.

Northwest Murray Grey Association Regional Show

Spokane, WA

September 15, 2006

Nine Murray Grey breeders from Idaho, Oregon and Washington paraded 36 top quality Murray Greys across the tan bark at the Spokane County Interstate Fair on September 15. These top quality cattle gave cattlemen in attendance a great view of what the Murray Grey breed is capable. Our congratulations to all who showed at the NWMGA regional show.

	NAME	SIRE	EXHIBITOR
Champion Heifer Calf	JB Rumba	TF Silver Bullet	JB Ranch
Res Champion Heifer Calf	HA Sweethome Sally	HA McKinley	Diamond G Farms
Jr Champion Heifer	Pattirex Roxee	HD Next Big Thing	Pattirex Ranch
Res. Jr Champion Heifer	Eagle Rock Rachel	Willalooka Power	Eagle Rock Ranch
Sr Champion Heifer	HA Rockin Robin		
Sr Champion Heifer	JB Romance Rose	Eagles Run Smokin'Gun	JB Ranch
GRAND CHAMPION FEMALE	WCC CANADIAN BREEZE	Temar Lotus	Diamond G Farms
RES GRAND CHAMP FEMALE	HA ROCKIN ROBIN	HA McKinley	Katie Virtue
CHAMPION BULL CALF	HA ROAD WARRIOR	The Glen Manuel	Hillside Acres
RES CHAMPION BULL CALF	JB ROAR	Willalooka Pharaoh	JB Ranch
JR CHAMPION BULL	HD RALPH	Eagle Rock Nate	Warren Holloway
SR CHAMPION BULL	HA ROCKY	HA McKinley	Hillside Acres
GRAND CHAMPION BULL	HA ROCKY		
RES GRAND CHAMP BULL	HA ROAD WARRIOR		
Produce of Dam	09 Opal	JB Ranch	
Get of Sire	HA McKinley	Hillside Acres	

Oregon Youth Wins Heifer Raffle

Louisville, KY

Colton Holley of Sweet Home, OR was the winner of this years AMGA heifer raffle. Colton was holding the lucky ticket when the drawing was done during the 2006 Annual Membership Meeting in Louisville, KY on November 16. "Grandma" Sharon Virtue accepted the win for Colton, who was still in school back in Oregon during the National Show events.

This year's raffle heifer was RSA Ms V's Showpiece, a February 2006 daughter of the National Supreme Champion JVN Vernon and out of the Ms Kathy cow family that goes to the roots of the RebSuAnn herd and includes great foundation animals such as Michaelong Captain Apache and Michaelong Grasshopper in her pedigree. This fancy, silver heifer was donated by Annette and Elizabeth Pulliam of Shelbyville, KY.

AMGA wishes Colton great success with his heifer and we thank the Pulliams for making such a great heifer available.

SOUTHEND ZULU



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DAM: **Southend Turquoise**

For Information on Zulu semen contact:

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Getting Acquainted

HA Rocky (right) seems to be getting along well in his new home with a new lady friend, Monarch Oak Bethanie.

Rocky is the 2006 National Reserve Grand Champion Bull and made the long trek from Sweet Home, OR to Louisville and then to his new home at Monarch Oak.

Thanks to Ginger Natolis for the photo.



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*Merry Christmas!
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THANK YOU!

We want to express our sincere thanks and appreciation to everyone who brought cattle to show at the National Show in Louisville and to everyone who came to watch the show and meet other Murray Grey people. We appreciate the effort and the expense and hope that your trip to Kentucky was worthwhile.

We look forward to our next show at the Ohio Beef Expo in Columbus March 15 - 17, 2007

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Champion	Name	Exhibitor
Champion Junior Female	RSA Ms Extra Special 11S	RebSuAnn Cattle
Res Champion Jr Female	RSA Ms Sassafras	RebSuAnn Cattle
Champion Intermediate Female	Twin Fir Summer Night	Andy Zinnel
Res Champ Intermediate Female	HA Rowena	Hillside Acres
Champion Senior Female	RSA Ms Royale Duchy 65R	RebSuAnn Cattle
Res Champion Senior Female	HA Razzle Dazzle 61R	Andy Zinnel
Champion Cow	WCC Miss Canadian Breeze 63M	George & Cheryl Germaine
Res Champion Cow	CF Roxanna's Kayla 2K	RebSuAnn Cattle
Grand Champion Female	RSA Ms Regale Duchy 65R	RebSuAnn Cattle
Res Grand Champ Female	WCC Miss Canadian Breeze 63M	George & Cheryl Germaine
Res Champion Cow/Calf	CF Roxanna's Kayla 2K	RebSuAnn Cattle
Champion Cow/Calf	CF Licorice 3L	RebSuAnn Cattle
Champion Junior Bull	RSA Mr Extra Scotch 05S	RebSuAnn Cattle
Res Champion Junior Bull	SF Sterling	Sandbriar Farms
Champion Intermediate Bull	HA Rocky	Hillside Acres
Res Champ Intermediate Bull	HA Road Warrior	Hillside Acres
Champion Senior Bull	JVN Vernon	RebSuAnn Cattle
Grand Champion Bull	JVN Vernon	RebSuAnn Cattle
Res Grand Champion Bull	HA Rocky	Hillside Acres
Supreme Champion	JVN Vernon	
Get of Sire	Monarch Oak Extra	RebSuAnn Cattle
Produce of Dam	HA Mr Muscles Wallflower	Hillside Acres
Best Four Head	RebSuAnn Cattle	

2006 National Show Champions



JVN Vernon
National Show Supreme Champion
Grand Champion Bull
Bred by: Jennifer & Valerie Norton
Owned by: RebSuAnn Cattle



RSA Ms Regale Duchy 65R
Senior Champion Female
Grand Champion Female
Bred & Owned by: RebSuAnn Cattle



HA Rocky
Intermediate Champion Bull
Reserve Grand Champion Bull
Bred & Owned by Hillside Acres



WCC Miss Canadian Breeze 63M
Champion Cow
Reserve Champion Female
Bred by: Willow Creek Cattle Co.
Owned by: Diamond G Murray Greys

AMGA DIRECTORS MEET

The members of the American Murray Grey Association's Board of Directors held their fall meeting during the Murray Grey National show at the North American International Livestock Exposition at Louisville, Kentucky on November 15, 2006. All of the directors were present except for John Beese of Ohio and Michael Jimenez of Washington.

The directors reviewed the Association's financial performance so far this year. Executive Director John Gerow provided detailed financial reports for the Board's review and critique. The directors discussed income and expenses. Gerow reported that although income has been less this year than anticipated, the Association has sufficient cash reserves to meet operating obligations for the remainder of the year. The Executive Director requested that the incoming Treasurer work with him to improve the accuracy of the budget process and to improve the Association's book keeping system.

In his report, Gerow presented information on membership levels, registration activity and promotional efforts through the "Murray Grey News" and the AMGA web site. Activity has cooled a bit following three years of explosive growth and Gerow suggested that this slight decrease in activity follows the dispersal of one of the groups most active herds and the reduction in cow numbers in several other herds.

Among the issues addressed at the meeting were: creating a point system for Murray Grey shows, developing a centralized National show and working toward a system of oversight for genetic technology. The directors have asked the national office staff to work toward creating a directory of available Murray Grey semen and to consider ways to redo AMGA forms to make them more user friendly and less intimidating. The directors have directed the national office staff to look at ways to improve communication with members and provide more educational information to the members.

The directors accepted an invitation extended by the Northwest Murray Grey Association to host the 2007 National Show at the Clark County Fair in Vancouver, Washington during the first week in August.

No date was set for the winter Board meeting.

2006 Annual Membership Meeting

The Annual Membership Meeting of the American Murray Grey Association was held on November 16, 2006 in Louisville, KY in conjunction with the national Murray Grey show at North American International Livestock Exposition. AMGA President Kent Knight presided.

Executive Director John Gerow gave attendees a detailed view of the Association's financial condition and activity so far this year. He reported that there was enough cash on hand to meet all of the Association's operating needs for the remainder of the year.

President Knight gave a brief report on the directors' meeting that was held the previous evening. Knight told the members that committees had been formed to study holding a central national show, point shows and simplifying forms.

Annette Pulliam of Kentucky made a motion that the AMGA Board refuse membership to people who are also members of any competing Murray Grey registry. In the discussion that followed, members expressed concern that such a move would be detrimental to the reconciliation efforts that AMGA has been pursuing. Members voted against the motion overwhelmingly, thereby limiting the Board's ability to refuse membership.

AMGA Registrar Gennie Gerow, assisted by Kelly Deterding from Illinois and Deanna Arbucci from Connecticut, counted the ballots for the election of directors. Justin Holloway from Idaho was re-elected to a second three year term. George Germaine from Washington and Steve Cummings from Indiana were elected to their first three year terms.

John and Gennie Gerow presented Ginger Natolis a desk clock as a token of the Association's appreciation for her six years on the Board.

Directors Elect Officers for 2007

The AMGA Board of Directors met for an organizational meeting directly following the Annual Membership Meeting. Kent Knight was re-elected as President. Pat Flavel will be Vice-President for 2007, Sharon Virtue will again serve as Secretary to the Board and Andy Zinnel will be Treasurer.

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 HA Razzle Dazzle, Twin Fir Summer Night, ALZ Sir Andy,
 and ALZ Apache

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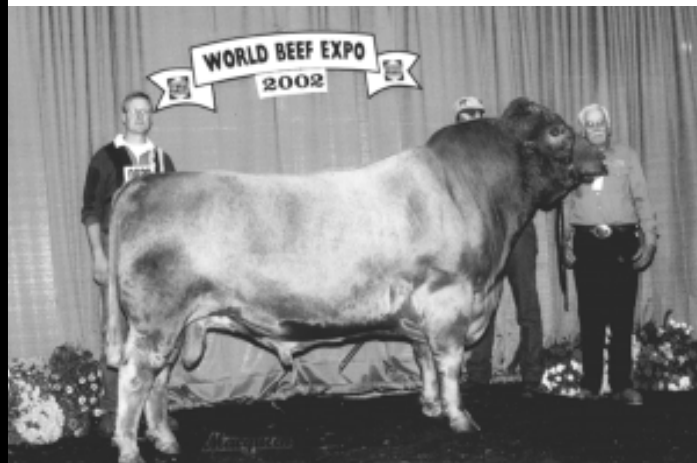
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