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2016 NATIONAL SHOW CHAMPIONS



Supreme Champion & Grand Champion Female

JB Beryl Richele

Bred & Shown by JB Ranch, Roseburg, OR



Grand Champion Bull
DG Duke
Bred & Shown by Diamond G Farm, Vadar, WA



Reserve Grand Champion Female
DG Connie
Bred & Shown by Diamond G Farm, Vadar, WA



Reserve Grand Champion Bull
DG Captain TJ
Bred & Shown by Diamond G Farm, Vadar, WA

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2016 NATIONAL SHOW RESULTS

Heifer Calf Champion	SS Denali	Silver Star Cattle	Ridgeway, WA
Res. Heifer Calf Champion	WA Daisy	Windy Acres	Mollala, OR
Junior Heifer Champion	DG Connie	Diamond G Farm	Vadar, WA
Res. Junior Heifer Champion	SS Charisma	Silver Star Cattle	Ridgeway, WA
Senior Champion Female	JB Beryl Richele	JB Ranch	Roseburg, OR
Res. Senior Champion Female	SS Allstar	Silver Star Cattle	Ridgeway, WA
Grand Champion Female	JB Beryl Richele		
Res Grand Champion Female	DG Connie		
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Cow Calf Champion	MLJ Whitney	Silver Star Cattle	Ridgeway, WA
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Bull Calf Champion	DG Duke	Diamond G Farm	Vadar, WA
Res. Bull Calf Champon	Cargo	Windy Acres	Mollala, OR
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Junior Champion Bull	DG Captain TJ	Diamond G Farm	Vadar, WA
Res. Junior Champion Bull	JB Colt 45	JB Ranch	Roseburg, OR
Senior Bull Champion	Sunrise Bravo	Sunrise Hill Ranch	Myrtle Point, OR
Res. Senior Bull Champion	DG Bingo Bango	Diamond G Farm	Vadar, WA
Crand Champion Bull	DG Duke		
Grand Champion Bull Res. Grand Champion Bull			
Res. Grand Champion Bull	DG Captain TJ		
		JB Ranch Jim &	
Supreme Champion	JB Beryl Richele	Bonnie Sicard	
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Group Classes			
Pair of Bulls	Diamond G Farm		
Jr. Get of Sire	Windy Acres		
Post 5 Used	Diamond C Form		
Best 5 Head	Diamond G Farm		
		Diamond G Farm	
Premier Breeder & Premier		George& Cheryl	
Exhibitor	Diamond G Farm	Germaine	
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Youth Showmanship Contest, Clark County Fair 2016



Carrie Harris Senior Murray Grey Showmanship

The competition in the youth showmanship class at the 2016 Clark County Fair/ 2016 National Murray Grey Show was tough; which is by no means a bad thing. That means that each exhibitor worked with their animals, taking time to perfect that showmanship stance, with their heads held high.

In order to compete, you and your animal have to be partners. In order for a partnership to be successful functioning together, they have to have communication, and they have to understand and work with each other. This is what showmanship is all about, knowing your animal, taking pride in them, and showing them to the best of your ability.

Submitted by: Carrie Harris AMGA Junior Member



Natalia Walker Intermediate Murray Grey Showmanship



Margie Harris Junior Murray Grey Showmanship

Congratulations, Ladies on a job well done! We congratulate you on your showmanship winnings and thank you for representing the Murray Grey breed so well.

Board of Directors Meeting

The Board of Directors of the American Murray Grey Association held their annual meeting on Friday, August 5, 2016 in Vancouver, WA. All of the Directors were present except for Dave Moeller, Adam Lasch and Michael Birch.

John Gerow presented the Treasurer's Report in Dave Moeller's absence. The Executive Director reported that strong registration activity in the first two quarters suggests that the Association will end the year with a positive retained earnings again this year. Mr. Gerow went on to explain how activity and membership over the past few years continues to show a positive trend.

The Board addressed the question of publications being done by volunteer members rather than "in house" by the Executive Director. George Germaine pointed out that AMGA is contractually bound to John and Gennie Gerow to do publications. In light of this, the current issue of "Shades of Grey' will be done by the Association with Hays Boyd of Era, TX serving as Assistant Editor. President Sherie Clark asked that it be read into the minutes that "We appreciate all that Hays and Chandler have done so far with the Shades and we all will be working together to produce the Shades".

Gennie Gerow presented a new contract between herself, John and the Association to be considered. The Board accepted the contract as presented. The current contract will be in place until the next Annual meeting next September in Milwaukee, WI. Sharon Virtue moved that the contract with the Gerows be reviewed annually. The motion passed unanimously.

The Gerows presented a proposal to establish an audit committee in order to conduct annual audits of the Association books of account. John told the meeting that this was something that the Association needs to do as part of the fiduciary responsibility to the members. The Audit Committee will have the responsibility of ensuring that AMGA monies are being properly accounted and properly spent. The Committee will begin auditing during the first quarter of 2017.

John Gerow also asked that the Board establish Performance Review Committee to evaluate the performance of the Executive Director in a constructive, orderly manner. After discussion, the topic was tabled and a committee was established to create a job description and criteria for such a performance review.

In other matters, the Board established a committee to study the definition of "member in good standing" as used in the bylaws of the Association. The Board asked John Gerow to put the "Breeder's Guide" on line and to begin offering it to new members digitally or in print form. 2017 NWMGA Rep Julie Harris and Hays Boyd will be working on developing a Youth Program for the Association. John Gerow gave a presentation on the need for our association to begin planning advertising and public outreach through traveling to grazing events, trade shows and member farms.

John also shared fee structures for other breed associations to show how they fund their programs and services.

Following the Annual Membership Meeting on Saturday August 6, the Board reconvened to elect officers for 2017. Nominated and elected were officers for 2017: President—George Virtue Vice President—Chandler Lindsley, Secretary---George Germaine, Treasurer—Sherie Clark.

The Board of Directors will hold a winter meeting in Las Vegas during January or February of 2017.



AMGA Executive Director John Gerow presents Bonnie Sicard (above) and George & Cheryl Germaine (below) with their Grand Champion Female and Bull awards.



What might happen at an AMGA National Murray Grey Show

Your cow might get bred by a really nice Murray Grey bull.

You might get your morning shower on the "wash rack".

You might be party to a sale to new Murray Grey breeders.

You might be party to a nice luncheon meeting.

You might meet Murray Grey breeders from other states.

You might get a visit from old friends you lost track of.

Your kids might develop lasting friendships.

You might have been at the largest Murray Grey show on the continent.

You might get a visit from the "cookie lady".

You might be party to a 'semen exchange'.

Your Trump for president sign just might get covered up by a Hillary sign.

You might even be at the "Happiest place in the Barn".

Are any of these little ditty's of interest to you?

You might want to attend the next AMGA National Murray Grey Show!

When? September 2017 Milwaukee, Wisconsin



A nice group of heifers at Cindy & Marwood Hallett's Locust Grove Ranch, Tenmile, OR.