

# Tucker, Deppe Top Steer Show

**E**xhibitors from across the U.S. gathered for the 2008 Junior National Hereford Expo (JNHE) in Kansas City, July 16, and it was Mitchell Tucker, North Platte, Neb., who walked away with grand champion honors in the steer show.

Judge Kent Habeger, Burt, Iowa, commented that amongst the 78 steers exhibited, "You juniors should be proud to be on the halter of a steer in the championship drive. I don't know if it could get much better than this." Mitchell Tucker's 1,211-lb. steer was sired by SR CG Hard Rock 5073. Habeger commented on the eye appeal and market ready potential of Tucker's grand champion.

Habeger followed with Montana Deppe, Maquoketa, Iowa, for reserve

with a 1,268-lb. steer sired by Schu-Lar 9R of 9L P606 ET.

At check-in, ultrasound data was collected on all steers for the carcass contest. Steers were scanned for fat thickness, ribeye area and marbling score.



Judge Kent Habeger, Burt, Iowa, evaluated the 78 Hereford steers.

Reba Hurst, Nevada, Mo., won grand champion carcass steer honors with a 1,213-lb. steer sired by DB Grand Slam. The steer scanned a ribeye area (REA) of 14.6 square inches, .43 inch backfat (BF) and a 4.21 marbling score, which calculated into a 2.46 yield grade and a 752-lb. carcass weight.

Jody Miller, Thorntown, Ind., won reserve champion carcass steer honors with a 1,226-lb. steer sired by Grandview 7Oaks Sonora 145R. The steer scanned a 13.6 square inch REA, .41 inch BF and 4.25 marbling score, which calculated into a 2.76 yield grade and a 760-lb. carcass weight.

See Page 82 for class placings and data on the top 10 carcass steers. Visit [Hereford.org](http://Hereford.org) for complete results. **HW**

2008 JNHE Steer Winners



### Tucker steer

Grand champion steer on hoof, by Mitchell Tucker, North Platte, Neb., with a 1,211-lb. son of SR CG Hard Rock 5073.



### Deppe steer

Reserve grand champion steer on hoof, by Montana Deppe, Maquoketa, Iowa, with a 1,268-lb. steer sired by Schu-Lar 9R of 9L P606 ET.



### Hurst steer

Grand champion carcass steer, by Reba Hurst, Nevada, Mo., with a 1,213-lb. steer sired by DB Grand Slam.



### Miller steer

Reserve grand champion carcass steer, by Jody Miller, Thorntown, Ind., with a 1,226-lb. steer sired by Grandview 7Oaks Sonora 145R.