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Junior Champions Named at Western States National Hereford Show

RENO, Nev. – Members of the National Junior Hereford Association (NJHA) claimed top honors at the Western States National Junior Hereford show Nov. 29 in Reno, Nev.

Mark Johnson, Stillwater, Okla., and Ryan Rathmann, Lubbock, Texas, judged the 153-head show at the Reno-Sparks Livestock Events Center.

Vada and Hans Vickland, Longmont, Colo., exhibited the grand champion owned female, LAR Annsley 843F ET. She is an April 2, 2018, daughter of UPS Sensation 2296 ET and was first named champion spring heifer calf. The reserve champion female, H JB Two Timin Camey 175 ET, was exhibited by Hardy Malcolm Edwards IV, Winterville, Ga. The Sept. 16, 2017 daughter of TFR KU Roll the Dice 1326 was first named champion senior heifer calf.

Taking top honors in the steer show was Blake Kirkpatrick, Olympia, Wash. with Black Hills Merlin 808, a March 2, 2018 steer sired by C Black Hawk Down ET. The reserve champion steer was exhibited by Cady Cory, Bonanza, Ore., with 812, a Jan. 21, 2018 steer out of T Riata 626.

Sara McCann Harfst, Jacksonville, Ore., exhibited the grand champion bred-and-owned bull, WRB Harfst 2296 Louie 5317 ET, a May 14, 2017 son of UPS Sensation 2296 ET. The reserve champion bred-and-owned bull, TKC Casacade 8048 ET was exhibited by Tyler and Kathryn Coleman, Modesto, Calif. The March 17, 2018 bull is a son of UPS Sensation 2296 ET.

The grand champion bred-and-owned female, CBW Carla 809, was exhibited by Carly Wheeler, Paso Robles, Calif. The March, 15, 2018 female is a daughter of UPS Sensation 2296 ET. The reserve champion bred-and-owned female, TKC 037X Lady Gaga 8018 ET, was exhibited by Tyler and Kathryn Coleman, Modesto, Calif. and is a Jan. 24, 2018 daughter of NJW 98S R117 Ribeye 88X ET. Carly Wheeler also exhibited the third overall bred-and-owned female, CBW Valentine, a Feb. 14, 2017 daughter of CRR About Time 743. Fourth overall bred-and-owned female, GOHR VH Platinum 8038 is a March 7, 2018 daughter of C GOHR Thrill Ride 4105 and was exhibited by Fallon Gohr, Madras, Ore.

Junior premier breeder was awarded to Fallon Gohr, Madras, Ore.

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The NJHA is one of the most active junior programs in the country with almost 3,500 members.

The NJHA's mission is to create and promote enthusiasm for the breed while providing opportunities through leadership, education and teamwork. For more information about the

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