

What's New? | Association News and Events

"What's New?" is a column designed to keep you in the know about Hereford happenings. You can sign up for *Hereford Headlines*, an electronic newsletter distributed the first Friday of each month by the American Hereford Association (AHA) highlighting Hereford news and events. You can also receive the *Bald Faced Bottom Line*, a commercially-focused electronic newsletter sent the third Friday of each month. To subscribe to these free newsletters, send an email to outreach@hereford.org. Archived issues are posted at Hereford.org.

Board Announcements

Choose your voting delegates

Each year at the American Hereford Association (AHA) Annual Membership Meeting in Kansas City, Mo., voting delegates representing each state cast ballots to determine three new AHA Board members.

A nominating committee selects a slate of Board nominees. However, all active adult AHA members have the opportunity to provide input to the election process via their selection of state voting delegates.

Active adult AHA members should receive information about how to nominate themselves or another active adult AHA member to serve as a voting delegate. Take part in the Board election process by nominating the AHA member(s) who will represent you in electing the next AHA Board members.

In early May, eligible members will receive information about how to nominate voting delegates. Replies will be due by May 31.

Hall of Fame/Hall of Merit nominations due June 1

Nominations for the AHA's Hall of Fame and Hall of Merit are due June 1. Recipients will be honored at the AHA Annual Meeting and Conference in October.

The Hall of Fame honors Hereford breeders who have influenced the advancement of the breed. The Hall of Merit honors individuals who have greatly influenced the cattle industry.

You may submit your nomination online by visiting Hereford.org.

Please contact Emily Wood at ewood@hereford.org for more nomination information.

Century and Golden Breeder nominations due June 1

Generational Hereford breeders are celebrated during the AHA Annual Meeting and Conference. The Century Breeder recognition honors families and operations in the Hereford business for 100 years. The Golden Breeder program recognizes those in the business for 50 years. You will find the nomination form at AmericanHerefordAssociation.formstack.com/forms/golden_century_breeders. For questions or more information, contact Emily Wood at ewood@hereford.org.

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Attend Cattlemen's Conference

Cattlemen's Conference: Blueprint for the Future, will be May 24-25 at Oklahoma State University. Early registration is open through May 5, costs \$200 and includes all sessions, meals, breaks and a social hour. On-site registration will be available for \$250. For more information, visit CattlemensCongress.com.

2023 BIF Convention

This year's Beef Improvement Federation (BIF) Annual Meeting and Research Symposium will be in Calgary, Alberta, July 3-6. Discuss the latest genetic innovations and applications with seedstock breeders, commercial producers and researchers. Visit BeefImprovement.org for more information.

Marketing

Herd Bull and Reference edition advertising

Don't miss out on the advertising opportunities in July's 100th Herd Bull and Reference Edition

of the *Hereford World*. The final deadline for all advertising materials is Friday, May 26. A late fee of 10% will be assessed on materials received after the final deadline.

Contact your AHA field representative to reserve your space.

Feature your program in the *Hereford Register*

The 16th edition of the *Hereford Register* will be published in the July *Hereford World*.

These "yellow pages" of Hereford breeders located in the U.S. and Canada feature a listing of July advertisers with a quarter-page or larger ad and July seedstock advertisers. Listings include name, address, telephone number, email address and website. If you are not a July *Hereford World* advertiser, listings can be purchased for \$50.

Listings are organized by state and then alphabetized by ranch or farm name. Seedstock ads at the end of the section are available for \$385 per inch per year.

The deadline for submissions is Friday, May 26. For more information, contact Alison Marx at amarx@hereford.org.

Youth

Entries open for JNHE

Online entries are open for the 2023 VitaFerm® Junior National Hereford Expo (JNHE). Visit JrHereford.org to enter and receive more information. Please note all entries must be completed online.

JNHE participants must pay \$5 to participate in showmanship and judging. All showmanship and judging contestants must pre-enter by June 1 and pay the entry fee at

that time. All JNHE participants must be National Junior Hereford Association (NJHA) members.

JNHE entry deadlines

Early bird online entry deadline (\$20 discount per entry): May 15

Final ownership and entry deadline: June 1

If you have questions about the online entry process or

JNHE, contact Bailey Clanton at bclanton@hereford.org or Amy Cowan at acowan@hereford.org.

NJHA board applications open

Twelve Hereford juniors serve each year on the NJHA board of directors. Every year, four board members are elected to three-year terms at the annual membership meeting, which is held

in conjunction with JNHE. During their term, directors develop and implement programs and events that serve junior Hereford members from across the nation. Candidate applications close June 1. Find more details at Hereford.org/youth/NJHA/board. **HW**

AHA election process

Each year three American Hereford Association (AHA) Directors retire from the Board and three new Directors are elected to succeed them.

The election procedure is a multi-step process.

1) Nomination of board candidates – The AHA Board of Directors executive committee selects a five-member nominating committee at-large. According to Section 3(a) of Article VI of the AHA Bylaws that were amended Oct. 29, 2015, the nominating committee shall nominate no less than three nor more than six candidates for election as Directors of the Association, each of whom shall be an active member or a representative of an active member at the time of nomination and shall submit the names of those candidates to delegates at the meeting of delegates. In addition, any delegate present in person may nominate any active member (including himself or herself) or any representative of an active member as a candidate for Director at the meeting of delegates.

2) Election of voting delegates – Each state elects voting delegates to attend the AHA Annual Membership Meeting in Kansas City, Mo., to vote on the slate of nominees. Each state is entitled to one delegate for every 750 Hereford registrations recorded from Jan. 1-Dec. 31, 2022. A state must have a minimum of 375 registrations to be entitled to one delegate. If the number of registrations exceeds 750 or any multiple thereof by 375 or more, the state will be entitled to an additional delegate or delegates. In addition, each state is allocated a delegate for the first 25 members and an additional delegate for every 100 members thereafter.

3) State election of voting delegates – On May 1, delegate nomination postcards are sent to all eligible AHA members. Replies must be postmarked by May 31.

Each active member is asked to nominate one state candidate to be elected to serve as a delegate to the AHA Annual Membership Meeting. An active member is defined as a member that registered at least one animal in the calendar year preceding the year of the election.

In states where more nominations are received than voting delegates are allocated, a state delegate ballot will be sent to each active member to vote from a list of state nominees. Each active member will vote for the entitled number of state delegates.

Weighted votes

Each AHA member vote for their delegate will be weighted based on the number of registrations from the AHA member, as follows:

Number of registrations	Weighted votes
1-20	1
21-50	6
51-100	15
101-200	30
More than 200	60

Principle place of doing business

Each active member must vote in the state that is his or her principle place of doing Hereford business, i.e. ranch or farm address must be in the same state in which he or she is voting.

Election schedule

- May 1 AHA mails delegate nomination postcards.
- May 31 Delegate nominations are due.
- June Delegate ballot will be sent out to each active member. Each active member will be asked to vote for the corresponding number of delegate candidates allocated to each state.
- Aug. 1 All delegate ballots must be returned.
- Oct. 1 Elected state delegates are announced.
- Oct. 21 Election of Directors by the delegates will take place at the assembly of state delegates during the AHA Annual Membership Meeting in Kansas City, Mo. **HW**

Voting quadrants for AHA Board of Directors



The U.S. is divided into four regions of representation, and each region will have at least one director.