

Hereford Juniors Honored with Special Awards

The National Junior Hereford Association (NJHA) honored members with special awards presented during the final awards ceremony on July 12 during the 25th annual VitaFerm® Junior National Hereford Expo (JNHE), “Grand Daddy of ‘Em All,” in Grand Island, Neb.

For the third consecutive year, Landry Allan, Nocona, Texas, was named premier breeder, and Lauren, Nicholas and Brady Jones, Darlington, Wis., grabbed the premier exhibitor banner. Purple Reign Cattle Co., Toulon, Ill., was recognized as the adult premier breeder.

The GKB Super States contest, sponsored by GKB Cattle, Desdemona, Texas, consists of two divisions: small states (less than 25 head of cattle shown) and large states (more than 25 head shown). Throughout the week, members earn points for their state through their contest placings and showing standings. Oklahoma won the large states award, and Oregon topped the small states division.

Each year, the Golden Pitchfork Award goes to a state association with a combination of cleanliness, uniformity and decorations at their stall area. Exhibitors from the 2024 JNHE host state of Nebraska took home the honor this year. In addition to keeping their stalls in the barn in good shape, the state of Nebraska and all their volunteers kept the showing and makeup area clean throughout the busy show days. **HW**



Junior premier breeder: Landry Allan, Nocona, Texas.



Adult premier breeder: Purple Reign Cattle Co., Toulon, Ill.



Premier exhibitor: Brady, Lauren and Nicholas Jones, Darlington, Wis.



First-place GKB Super States contest winner, less than 25 head exhibited: Oregon.



First-place GKB Super States contest winner, more than 25 head exhibited: Oklahoma.



Golden Pitchfork award winner: Nebraska.