

Hereford on Top

Hereford bulls win supreme champion at five national shows.

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Four different Hereford bulls claimed supreme championships among all breeds at five national shows from January 2025 to January 2026 — a true testament to the exceptional quality of Hereford bulls.

In addition to rising above their peers in the showing, the average price of a Hereford bull reached almost \$8,800 in 2025 (view Sales Digest: 2025 in Review on Page 100). As demand increases for bald-faced cattle, Hereford breeders continue to move the needle and provide value to all segments of the beef industry.

SILO H18 Brandston 2404 ET

Shown by Silo Creek Farm, New Windsor, Md., and Lane and Logan Cady, New Windsor, Md., SILO H18 Brandston 2404 ET received the slap for supreme champion at two different shows — the 2025 Cattlemen’s Congress and the 2025 North American International Livestock Exposition (NAILE). The bull is a Feb. 3, 2024, son of BK Red River H18 ET.

Father-son duo Scott and Shane Schaake, Manhattan, Kan., named him supreme champion in Oklahoma City.

“... there’s not a bull out here that’s as good — phenotypically and visually — as the one we get the opportunity to select,” Scott said before choosing Brandston supreme champion.

Husband and wife, John and Jeannie Griswold, Stillwater, Okla., picked him as supreme overall champion in Louisville.

“I think we’ve got some bulls in here that definitely can make a difference in the industry,” Jeannie said before the NAILE supreme bull selection. “That’s the thing about Louisville. These bulls have the potential to go out and be on a lot of pedigrees.”

MML Joe Havoc 7L

Todd, Kim and Kasey Herman, Lima, Ohio; Wilson Stock Farm, Kensington, Ohio; Piper Seiss, Thurmont, Md.; and Morgan Love, Baltimore, Ohio, exhibited MML Joe Havoc 7L, the supreme champion bull at the 2025 Keystone International Livestock Exposition. He was born May 25, 2023, and sired by Purple MML Mayhem.

Jon Davis, Bidwell, Ohio, sorted the supreme bull drive in Harrisburg, Pa., alongside his son, Logan.

“This is awesome out here,” Jon said in his supreme drive comments. “From one end to another, you guys have such a great display of bulls out here.”

BK Pre Game 9113L

BK Pre Game 9113L topped all breeds of bulls at the 2025 American Royal — a historic moment at one the last shows in Hale Arena during the World Hereford Conference. He was shown by Hawes Cattle, Athens, Texas; Jeff Paulsen, Preston, Iowa; and Garrett Post, Shabbona, Ill. The bull was born Feb. 17, 2023, and was sired by H The Profit 8426 ET.

Judge Jim Williams, Boling, Texas, selected Pre Game as supreme champion bull in Kansas City, Mo.

“The bull I’m going to use has tremendous muscle shape to him, has a lot of thickness — big, massive bull — very, very massive. He’s not the most massive bull in this drive, but he’s a bull that’s plenty stout,” Williams said before naming Pre Game. “He has a big top and rib on him and tremendous testicular development ... he just looks like a bull that’s going to be breeding a lot of cattle.”

Stellpflug All That ET

Stellpflug All That ET claimed the supreme champion bull banner at the 2026 Cattlemen’s Congress, marking the second consecutive year a Hereford has won the honor. Sired by JDH AH Benton 8G ET and born Jan. 30, 2023, he was exhibited by Hoffman Ranch, Thedford, Neb.; Lindskov’s LT Ranch, Isabel, S.D.; and Buck Cattle Co., Madill, Okla.

Judges Chris Mullinix, Manhattan, Kan., and Spencer Schrader, Wells, Kan., evaluated the supreme bull drive in Oklahoma City.

“(Spencer and I) saw things eye to eye and we named the same four bulls,” Mullinix remarked during the supreme drive. “After we walked them a second time, we were in lockstep.” **HW**

Editor’s Note: This list only includes bulls from level I and level II national shows recognized by the American Hereford Association. It does not include females or other supreme champions from state fairs, regional shows and other national shows.



2025 Cattlemen's Congress
Supreme champion bull, Silo Creek Farm, New Windsor, Md., and Lane and Logan Cady, New Windsor, Md., with SILO H18 Brandston 2404 ET, a Feb. 3, 2024, son of BK Red River H18 ET.



2025 Keystone International Livestock Exposition
Supreme champion bull, Todd, Kim and Kasey Herman, Lima, Ohio; Wilson Stock Farm, Kensington, Ohio; Piper Seiss, Thurmont, Md.; and Morgan Love, Baltimore, Ohio, with MML Joe Havoc 7L, a May 25, 2023 son of Purple MML Mayhem.



2025 American Royal
Supreme champion bull, Hawes Cattle, Athens, Texas; Jeff Paulsen, Preston, Iowa; and Garrett Post, Shabbona, Ill., with BK Pre Game 9113L, a Feb. 17, 2023, son of H The Profit 8426 ET.



2025 North American International Livestock Exposition
Supreme champion bull, Silo Creek Farm, New Windsor, Md., and Lane and Logan Cady, New Windsor, Md., with SILO H18 Brandston 2404 ET, a Feb. 3, 2024, son of BK Red River H18 ET.



2026 Cattlemen's Congress
Supreme champion bull, Hoffman Ranch, Thedford, Neb.; Lindskov's LT Ranch, Isabel, S.D.; and Buck Cattle Co., Madill, Okla., with Stellpflug All That ET, a Jan. 30, 2023, son of JDH AH Benton 8G ET.

