

Georgia Hereford Association Newsletter

This Edition's Spotlight:

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Bob Neligan!

Feature Story:

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Georgia: Pest
Scouting and
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President's Comments



By Tommy Mead, President Georgia Hereford Association

Hello Fellow Cattlemen,

As the new president of the Georgia Hereford Association, I will start by introducing myself as well as our newest board members who were elected at our June meeting. I am honored as well as excited to lead the GHA as president. I own a farm in Midville, Georgia and have been a part of this association for many years. Hereford cattle are not only my livelihood, but it is my passion. Along with myself, there were other administrative changes. Diann Strickland was elected to be our vice president. Angie McGinnis will serve as our secretary, Tommy Johnson was re-elected to serve as the treasure, and Breck Debnam and Cody Cleveland were re-elected to serve another term on the board of directors. With this new election in June we had the privilege to elect 2 new board of directors, Shelly McQuaig from All Hours Farm, and Bryan Massengale from 7 Oaks Plantation and Cattle Company. Each and every one of us on the GHA board of directors, look forward to leading the association in the upcoming years.

I would like to also take the time to thank Ms. Diann Strickland and Pine Acre Farms for and incredible Field Day! What an awesome set of cattle that was shown along with a great group of juniors! Ms. Diann's southern hospitality never ceases to amaze me. As a friend of mine since I began showing Hereford cattle, I can tell you that her passion is the juniors in our great state. Ms. Diann and her family were a very instrumental part of my life and showing career. As I walked through the facility on Field Day and witnessed the smiles on our juniors' faces during the day and the hugs they shared with Ms. Diann, they truly appreciated everything that was done to make Field Day possible. To Ms. Diann, each and every sponsor, parent, and junior that made Field Day incredible, thank you! It wouldn't have been possible without each of you!

I had the opportunity to make the trip to the Junior National Hereford Expo that was held in Louisville, Kentucky. I spent two days with our Georgia families there, and it was absolutely awesome. I was very proud of each one of our Georgia juniors who showed up and showed out! They did an outstanding job competing in all of the categories in which they participated in! It was a joy to see our very own Georgia Hereford Queen, Nataleigh Belcher, serve as the National Hereford Queen during this event. It was awesome to see the relationship Nataleigh has built with our newest Hereford Queen, Emma Lawrence, and Princess, Lexa Jukes. These ladies had outstanding help this week from our Sweethearts, Diana Kate Gillooly, Karaleigh Mills, and Jenna Jukes. We are blessed with the best royalty around! I am incredibly proud of our great state and the work that everyone put in throughout the week

In closing, I would like to challenge you all as members to help us grow! Please try to help with signing up at least one new member to become a part of our great organization! I look forward to serving has your new GHA President alongside our fellow board members! If we can help you in any way, please do not hesitate to reach out to any of us! We will be more than happy to help where we can!

Take care, and I hope to see you all soon!

Tommy Mead

President

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If you're looking to stay informed on the latest trends, tools, and topics shaping the beef cattle industry, specifically within the Hereford breed, the **American Hereford Association's podcast, 1881**, is a must-listen.

Hosted by members of the AHA team, this podcast brings timely updates straight from industry professionals, breeders, and association staff. Each episode dives into relevant topics that impact both seedstock and commercial cattlemen. From genetics and marketing programs to show news, member spotlights, and everything in between.

Episodes typically range from 15 to 30 minutes, making it a great listen while commuting, or catching up in the office. You can find 1881 on major streaming platforms such as:

- **Spotify**
- **Apple Podcasts**
- **Amazon Music**
- Or directly at **Hereford.org**



Latest Episode Recap – June 2025

In the June 2025 episode, host **Shane Bedwell** welcomes **Jack Ward, Executive Vice President at AHA**, to talk about the Association's new DNA testing partner.

Key Highlights:

- **New Lab Partnership:** The American Hereford Association is switching to a new DNA testing lab to improve accuracy, speed, and data management.
- **Breeder Impact:** No major disruptions expected—existing samples will still be processed, and breeders can expect better reporting tools and faster turnaround.
- **Forward Focus:** The change aligns with AHA's broader strategy for advancing genetic tools and supports upcoming events like the Junior National Hereford Expo.

Whether you're managing a large commercial operation or just starting in the breed, the 1881 podcast is a convenient way to stay connected with what's happening in the Hereford world.



Don't Be a Nitpicker

Chaplain Skeeter Spaulding

Have you ever met someone who always finds fault in a church fellowship. A great Baptist preacher I knew had a wonderful statement he said all the time, "Every time you point a finger at someone, you have three pointing right back at yourself". How true that is !!! There are some folks who are never happy for very long in one place. We all have an expectation of what a church should be like in our own minds, but we as Americans are used to having things our way. Attending church is so important to our spiritual growth, but it's not a place to just park our carcasses down and expect to be served. We should go to be "a part" of something. "a part" does not mean idle. It's good for all of us not to think too much of ourselves," get out of our box" as the saying goes.

I have great memories being in Brazil for a summer mission trip. We worked in somewhat of a remote area constructing a building for a youth camp. The kitchen crew worked under a lean-to and each day they boiled large pots of water at a roll for twenty minutes for drinking and cooking for the following day. Our team traveled each Sunday to a different church to sing and talk about the work we were doing as part of the service. I'll never forget seeing poor people travel by a small boat down river just to get to church. At other places they walked to get to church. And you can forget the fancy wood pews.

Maybe, you yourself have served on a mission trip here or abroad. Worked in a food pantry preparing boxes to give to those in need in your community or collected items for Samaritan Purse Christmas shoeboxes. At the "Brand of The Cross", the cowboy fellowship where my wife and I attend, we collect items for those shoeboxes all year long for a packing party along with a chili cookoff competition. The whole fellowship gets involved; it's a lot of fun.

Jesus was the perfect model for us when it comes to serving others. He washed the disciple's feet just before His arrest. He needed to show them how to serve each other.

We find in the gospel of John 13:12-16. After washing their feet, he put on his robe again and sat down and asked, "Do you understand what I was doing? You call me Teacher and Lord; and you are right, because that's what I am. And since I, your Lord and Teacher, have washed your feet, you ought to wash each other's feet. I have given you an example to follow. Do as I have done to you.

When you and I serve others, it takes the focus off ourselves. It's a great remedy to becoming a nitpicker. God bless you as you go serve!!!



GEORGIA HEREFORD WOMEN



Dear Georgia Hereford Women,

All I can say is this summer has been a whirlwind full of fun. We started out having Hereford Field day. I believe everybody had a awesome time from showing cattle to playing in the water slides. I would like to start by saying how much I appreciate everybody jumping in and donating the needed items for the show. Nobody really knows how much work goes into a show unless you have done one.

I would like to thank Diane Strickland and her family for the great hospitality they showed everybody. We had lots of great food to eat and drink. It is a lot of work to organize and pull a show off.

Thanks be to everybody who purchased tickets on the grill. Tractor Supply was shocked by how many tickets we sold and how much money we made. They are happy to support such a great cause.

So now is the time to renew your dues if you have not already done so. Diane will be sending out reminders so you can send in your money.

Everybody start looking for shows close to your house and go out and spend a Saturday morning supporting the junior members.

Got to run and check on babies along with Charlie the dog.

Talk to you ladies later,

Angie McGinnis

Georgia Hereford Women Membership Form
July 1, 2024 - June 30, 2025

Name _____

Address _____

City, State, Zip _____

Home Phone _____ Cell Phone _____

E-mail Address _____

Farm Name _____

Do you wish to be a member of the National Hereford Women? Yes No

Georgia Hereford Women membership – \$20.00 per year
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The Georgia Hereford Women are involved in the following activities:

- Award two \$1,000 scholarships to college bound Georgia Junior Hereford Association members per year.
- Provide a tiara for the Georgia Hereford Queen.
- Provide \$500 to the Georgia Hereford Queen for expenses to the Junior National Expo and the American Royal.
- Pay entry fee of \$100 for the Georgia Queen to participate in the National Queen contest.
- Provide a crown for National Hereford Queen.
- Provide a belt buckle for Reserve Champion Heifer at Field Day.
- Provide contest prize money for Georgia Juniors at Field Day.
- Provide refreshments at Georgia Hereford Association events.

We need you to be a part of our group! Please join and be an active member of a ladies organization that supports Georgia Junior Hereford members and the Georgia Hereford Association members. **JOIN TODAY!!!!**

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The Georgia Junior Hereford Association Field Day Was a Blast!

The annual Georgia Junior Hereford Association (GJHA) Field Day went off with a bang this year, bringing together fun, food, and friendly competition!

Held June 13–14 at the Pierce County Livestock Arena in Blackshear, Georgia, the event was hosted by Ms. Diann Strickland and her family, who went above and beyond to make sure everyone had a great time. Both in the field and at the table.

Throughout the event, Juniors had the chance to showcase their talents by competing in a variety of contests, including speech and photography competitions, as well as interviewing for the coveted title of Miss Georgia Hereford Queen.

One of the weekend's highlights was a raffle for a Blackstone grill, with tickets sold in support of the Georgia Hereford Women to continue funding their scholarship and Queen program. The drawing took place during the show and brought in over \$1,000 for the association. A huge success!

In true GJHA fashion, the fun didn't stop at competitions. Everyone joined in on the ever-popular "Redneck Games," which featured an enthusiastic round of water balloon catch that had balloons flying in every direction.

As for the food, the Strickland family set the bar high. Attendees were treated to a mouthwatering low country boil, not one but two full tables of desserts, and even a funnel cake truck parked right outside for an extra sweet treat.

Whether you came for the contests, the food, or just the good company, one thing's for sure: this year's Field Day was unforgettable. Until next year!

Congratulations Winners!

Champion Owned Heifer
Martina Alley

Reserve Champion Owned Heifer
Diana Kate Gillooly

Champion Bred & Owned Heifer
Makynlee Hucks

Reserve Champion Bred & Owned Heifer
Emma Lawrence

Ray Hicks Supreme Showmanship Champion
Martina Alley

Champion Steer
Annabelle Wright

New Miss Georgia Hereford Queen
Emma Lawrence

New Miss Georgia Hereford Princess
Lexa Jukes

Waunell Strickland Memorial Scholarship
Martina Alley



FIELD DAY





**Congratulations to Bob Neligan
of Stonegate Farms
for the top bred heifer at the
Calhoun HERD sale going for \$4,200.**

The 25th Annual Calhoun HERD (Heifer Evaluation and Reproductive Development) Sale, held on May 28, 2025, in Calhoun, Georgia, showcased an exceptional lineup of bred heifers from across the state. A total of 49 heifers were sold.



Get Ready for the 2025 World Hereford Conference!

The global Hereford community is coming together for the highly anticipated 2025 World Hereford Conference, taking place October 22–26 in Kansas City, Missouri. Hosted by the American Hereford Association, this prestigious event returns to the U.S. for the first time since 1996 and promises an unforgettable experience for breeders, enthusiasts, and industry leaders alike.

Highlights include the Young Breeders Competition at Kansas State University, the renowned American Royal National Hereford Show, and a lineup of expert speakers sharing insights on genetics, sustainability, and innovation in the cattle industry. Attendees can also join pre- and post-conference tours through iconic cattle country in Montana, Nebraska, and Oklahoma, offering a firsthand look at top-tier Hereford operations.

Don't miss this opportunity to connect with fellow breeders from around the world and celebrate the strength and future of the Hereford breed!

Registration closes on September 1st!

Thank you Bob Neligan; Dedication to the Hereford Breed

For Bob Neligan, raising Herefords isn't just a business, it's a lifelong passion built on heritage, hard work, and hope for the next generation. As a former president of the Georgia Hereford Association (GHA), Neligan's leadership and commitment to the breed have left an indelible mark on both the state's cattle industry and the hearts of those who've worked alongside him.

Growing up on a commercial beef farm, Neligan was introduced to Polled Herefords in the 1960s. But it wasn't until the early 1980s that he took a bold step: convincing his father to sell the entire herd and begin again with registered Polled Herefords. At just twenty-something, Neligan was eager to shape a new future with Stonegate Herefords. "Looking back, I realized I needed Daddy's wisdom and guiding hand," he reflects. That partnership laid the foundation for what would become a renowned and respected operation.

Today, Stonegate Farm is home to nearly 100 registered females, most of which are AI bred with cleanup from Black Angus bulls. "All joking aside, I have a great market for the black baldy calves—it's a win-win for me," says Neligan. But it's not just numbers and breeding plans that define his operation. His commitment to data-driven practices, like sending heifers to the Tifton HERD program and conducting decades of genetic testing, reflects a deep dedication to herd improvement and the future of the breed.

As GHA president, Neligan had a front-row seat to some of the organization's proudest achievements. Hosting the Southeast Regional Junior Show in Perry in 2024 was one standout. "I watched in awe at the outstanding job our GHA SE Regional committee did... Seeing it function so well was certainly one of my proudest moments," he shares. Another highlight was helping launch and grow "Herefords in the Cove," an educational and social event that has become a flagship for the association.

When asked what makes the Hereford breed stand out, Neligan doesn't hesitate. "We're the full package," he says. From feed efficiency and climate adaptability to docility and high growth, he believes Herefords check every box. And with four decades of experience under his belt, he's witnessed firsthand the breed's evolution into one that can compete with any on the market.

But it's not all about genetics and growth charts. Neligan is deeply committed to mentorship and the next generation of producers. "It will be cost-prohibitive for many youth to enter the beef cattle business," he acknowledges. His answer? Collaboration. "Established breeders should team with young people... provide mentorship, guidance, and encouragement."

Perhaps what stands out most about Bob Neligan is his gratitude—for the people, the cattle, and the lessons learned. "Raising cattle instills responsibility and patience," he says. "There's a symbiosis that connects us to the cattle and the cattle to us. And it makes us better people in the end."

Looking ahead, Neligan hopes the Georgia Hereford Association continues its upward trajectory. With a foundation of camaraderie, dedication, and shared purpose, he believes the best is yet to come. "We really are a big family," he says. "And I'm honored to have served as president of this association."

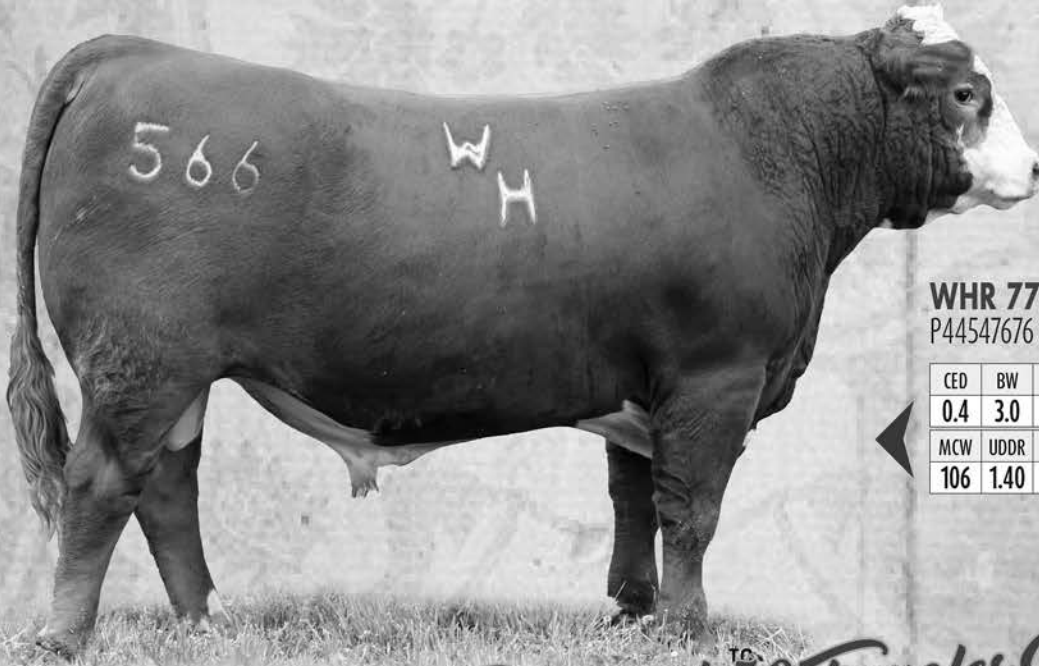
From Stonegate Farm to the heart of the GHA, Bob Neligan's legacy is one of vision, values, and a deep love for the Hereford breed.

At the Georgia Hereford Association's recent meeting Bob Neligan, our most recent president, passed the title of GHA president to Tommy Mead. Bob Neligan has served as our president for the last 2 years. Mr Neligan has served us well throughout his term and his dedication to the Hereford breed is evident. Our deepest appreciation goes out to him for all he has done.

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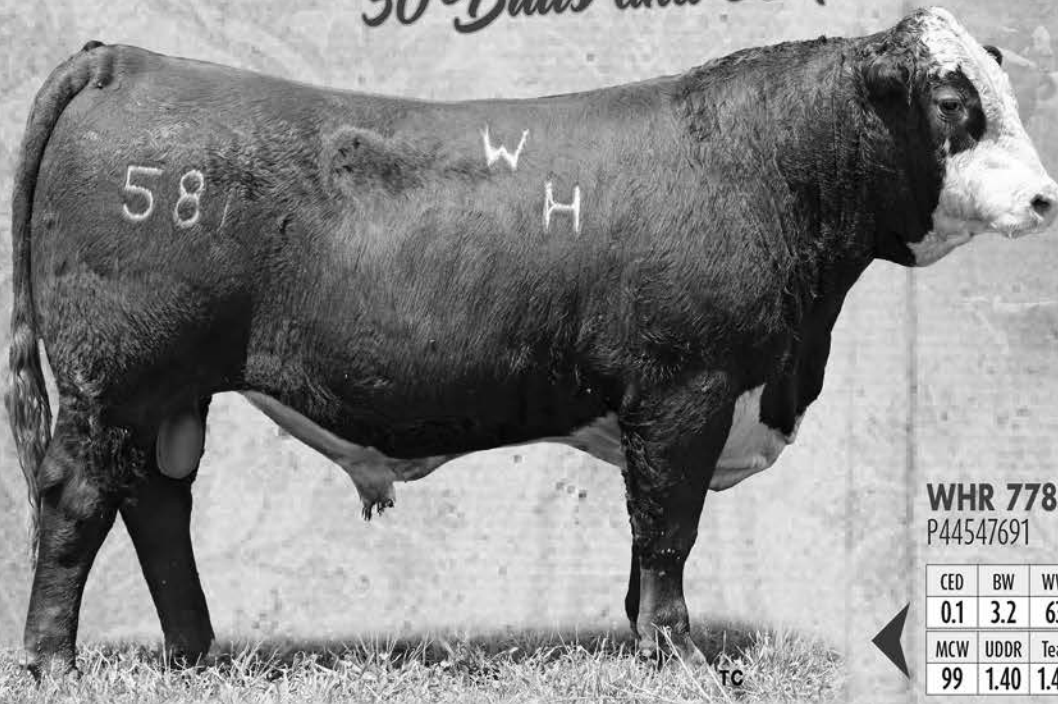


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I hope y'all have had a great summer so far. Georgia Hereford Juniors have had a busy past few months at the Georgia Junior Hereford Field Day in Waycross, Southeastern Regional Hereford Show in Fletcher, North Carolina, and the Junior National Hereford Expo in Louisville, Kentucky. Georgia can be proud as we had nearly 20 exhibitors and more than 20 head of cattle representing Georgia at these events.

On June 13th and 14th, the Georgia Junior Hereford Field Day was hosted in Waycross, GA. There were many laughs shared, memories made, and moments that each junior will never forget. I want to give a huge thank you to the Strickland family for the many meals that you provided us with and making us feel just like we were one of your own. Although it was hot, the water balloons, water slide, and soaking each other with the water hose added summer fun to the festivities. What a fun celebration we had with our Georgia Junior Hereford family honoring showmanship excellence, scholarship and speech winners, and champion heifers and steers. For those Juniors who have never attended field day, I hope you will all join us next year!

The Southeastern Regional Hereford Show in Fletcher, North Carolina was held June 20th to 22nd. Georgia had multiple showmen make it to the final drive in showmanship, and we are proud to have had the champion showman in both the Intermediate and Senior divisions. Please help me congratulate Martina Alley and Tanner Mantooth for their success! Many Georgia cattle were awarded as class winners as well as division champions at the "Carolina on my mind" themed show. We all had fun cheering on fellow members in the Bred and Owned, Bull, Cow/Calf, and Heifer classes.

The 26th annual Junior National Hereford Expo "Live from Louisville" was held July 12th through the 18th in Louisville, Kentucky. Georgia was well represented with Nataleigh Belcher serving as National Hereford Queen. She was joined for her Queen tea and ringside duties by Georgia royalty represented by Georgia Hereford Queen, Princess, and 3 Sweethearts. Georgia had a top ten finish in Junior Showmanship, a finalist in Senior Showmanship, first place winner in the Advanced Speech competition, top three in judging contest, photography contest winner, and several top ten class placings. Seeing Georgia breeders, exhibitors, and families supporting each other in their success made for moments that will be remembered for years to come.

The ribbons, buckles, and banners show the success of each of these juniors and the Georgia Junior Hereford Association as a whole, but the real achievements are found beyond the wins. The friendships, sportsmanship, long nights and early mornings in the barn, and fun times shared are all reasons why it's a great time to be a member of the Georgia Junior Hereford family!

I pray that y'all all have had a great summer and I look forward to seeing y'all in October for the Georgia National Fair in Perry!

Emma Lawrence



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Managing Bermudagrass Pastures in Georgia: Pest Scouting and Rotational Grazing

written by Troy Loggins CAES Student at UGA

Effectively managing pest pressure and grazing schedules helps to make cost effective decisions toward supporting pasture health and livestock performance.

Pest Scouting and Control

In Georgia, two insect pests to consider in your Bermudagrass stand are fall army worms and Bermudagrass stem maggots. Regular scouting during the growing season is important to determine if there is a need for treatment. If found, it is important to consider the action threshold for each pest and the cost of spraying versus cutting forage.

Fall Army Worms

For various pests, land grant universities have publications on when the amount found per square foot becomes a reasonable treatment threshold. Considering fall armyworms, Alabama extension says, "A population of 2 to 3 or more fall armyworms per square foot is a reasonable treatment threshold." A method to scout for pests in your pasture is to use a

12" x 12" frame to outline a section and then sample either by walking through the field in an X pattern or by choosing 5-10 random areas to investigate. If hay is coming up on its cutting window and scouted worms are at a fully grown stage ($>3/4$ "), harvesting can reduce worm populations and avoid the cost of an insecticide application. If fall army worms are less than $3/4$ " and cutting is not an option, there are insecticide controls. The Georgia Pest Management Handbook is a resource for options.

Bermudagrass Stem Maggots

Feeding on the upper part of the grass stem, Bermudagrass stem maggots disrupt plant growth by damaging the growing point and therefore stunting the grass. Using a table from Texas A&M Extension (Table 2.), you can calculate your treatment threshold based on hay value and insecticide cost per acre. When the percentage of damaged stems in your field meets or exceeds this threshold, insecticide treatment becomes economically justified.



Table 2. Treatment thresholds for Bermudagrass stem maggot as percent of injured stems for different hay values and costs of insecticide application.

Value of Hay \$ per pound (\$ per ton)	Cost of control, \$ per acre				
	\$10.00	\$12.00	\$14.00	\$16.00	\$18.00
\$0.09 (\$ 180)	10	12	14	16	18
\$0.07 (\$ 140)	14	16	18	22	24
\$0.05 (\$ 100)	18	22	26	29	33
\$0.03 (\$ 60)	29	34	40	46	51

Note: The treatment thresholds shown here are calculated at 0.8 X economic injury levels as reported in A. Knutson and F. Mitchell, 2019. Economic injury levels for Bermudagrass stem maggot. J. Economic Entomology. This reduction allows for the time needed to apply the insecticide to prevent an increasing infestation from reaching the economic injury level and also accounts for those infested stems in which the damage is not yet evident.

Grazing Management

Since the growth rate varies during the grazing season because of fertilization, the time of year, and weather patterns, it is important to find a balance between the stocking rate and the growth rate. To maintain forage height, it is necessary to add or remove animals from a given pasture area. This idea begins to explain rotational grazing. By rotating livestock strategically, you can enhance soil health, improve forage performance, and prevent weeds from outcompeting against your Bermudagrass. Some soil health factors include reduced erosion and restoration of land by reversing soil compaction and infertility. Since livestock are moved before they overgraze, the soil remains covered by vegetation and there is less bare soil to cause erosion. When a pasture is overgrazed, the soil never gets a chance to rest from being continually trampled on. As a result, the soil can start to develop poor infiltration, have limited aeration, and cause stunted root systems. This ties into forage health as healthier root systems in your grass will create a more resilient pasture. Also, when your desired forage plants are stressed, gaps in the pasture will give way for weeds to compete.

It is important to make pasture rotations by the height of grass rather than a set period. In each growing season, there may be times of

adequate rainfall, but there more than likely will be stretches of low rainfall and excessive rainfall. This creates a situation where forage growth becomes unpredictable, so it is necessary to pay attention to grass height. The UGA Forage team recommends a minimum grazing height of two inches. Once a given paddock nears this minimum, it is advised to rest this area until returning to a height of 6-8 inches. By considering the amount of land available and the number of cows being stocked, you can build a flexible rotation plan that allows each paddock sufficient recovery time before it is grazed again.

Forage Alternatives and Regional Recommendations

Bermudagrass continues to be a popular choice for forage production in Georgia. Still, it is only one option for forage; there are cool-season grasses, native species, and alternative management strategies which may better suit different soils, climates, and goals of cattle operations throughout the state. For a further look into grass species and forage planning, the Extension Bermudagrass in Georgia publication and the Georgia Forages: Grass Species are good resources. Your county extension agent can also suggest recommendations to address your specific pasture goals. Ultimately, including scouting, rotational grazing, and thoughtful forage selection can help support the goals of your cattle operation.

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Tommy Coley serves as the communication link between the American Hereford Association (AHA) and breeders in Alabama, Florida, Georgia, Mississippi, North Carolina, South Carolina, Tennessee and Virginia.

Coley attends Hereford sales and events as well as assists breeders with marketing and genetic selection. He also helps educate members and commercial producers about AHA programs and other beef industry opportunities. He joined AHA and Hereford World staff February 1, 2011.

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Benefits in GHA membership include: (1) the opportunity to consign cattle to association consignment sales; (2) receiving information about shows and field days sponsored by GHA; (3) receiving a quarterly newsletter updating activity of GHA and its members; (4) having your Hereford operation listed in the GHA biennial directory at no additional cost; (5) entering cattle in GHA shows; and (6) supporting an organized effort to promote Hereford cattle. In addition, you will be able to make new friends and learn what others are doing by attending the various activities such as sales, shows and field day.

GHA is a registered non-profit Georgia Corporation. A copy of the by-laws is available to anyone interested in joining the association. The association has been active since 1968.


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More Than Banners: A Heartfelt Recap of Junior Nationals

While banners, buckles, and first-place finishes are always exciting, Junior Nationals is about so much more. The experiences our juniors gained through competing and attending this year's event are ones they won't soon forget. Beyond the ribbons and awards, they brought home friendships, memories, and invaluable experience that can't be measured.

We are incredibly grateful to everyone who made it possible for our Georgia Junior Hereford members to attend. A special thank you to Shelly McQuaig for her unwavering support and dedication to these young leaders. We also extend our thanks to the parents who continue to encourage their children to grow, learn, and thrive in and out of the show ring.

We are so proud of the outstanding representation from the Georgia Hereford Association!

