

FLORIDA STATE FAIR SANTA GERTRUDIS SHOW

Judging: 3:00 P.M., Thursday, February 9, 2012

The Santa Gertrudis Breeders International has designated the 2011 Florida State Fair as a Super Point Show.

RULES AND REGULATIONS

1. All exhibits of Santa Gertrudis breeding cattle must meet the requirements for registration as outlined in the Santa Gertrudis *Standard of Excellence* and shall be governed by the last revised version of the *Rules and Regulations for Approved Santa Gertrudis Open & Junior Shows* as approved by the board of directors of Santa Gertrudis Breeders International, P.O. Box 1257, Kingsville, TX 78364. A copy may be obtained by contacting the association or reviewed at www.santagertrudis.com.
2. Each owner must be a bona fide member of SGBI. This means the active or junior member has paid all current dues and fees with no outstanding balances on their account.
3. **ALL** animals accepted for exhibition in an SGBI sanctioned show are subject to inspection at each show between arrival on grounds and prior entering the show ring. The inspection will be conducted by a committee comprised of two (2) members of the Shows and Exhibits Committee and one (1) from the Breed Standards Committee.
4. Heifers 24 months of age or older to be eligible must have produced a calf or be safe in calf as verified by a graduate veterinarian. If animal is open due to being in an embryo transfer program this fact must be verified by a written statement signed by a licensed embryo technician.
5. A cow shown with calf at side:
Calf must be her natural calf meeting the Standard of Excellence.
Calf must be registered if older than thirty (30) days. If calf is less than 30 days of age it is subject to registration.
6. All senior bull classes (late junior yearling bull and over) must have either a nose ring or a nose clip for show purposes.
7. All animals must be individually identified by tattoo and/or numerical fire or freeze brand.
8. To be eligible to compete in SGBI approved junior shows, animal(s) must be recorded in the name of the junior member. This recorded junior must feed, fit, care for, and show the animal entered. *Ownership deadline is April 1 for all animals born May 1 and thereafter and November 1 for all other animals.*
9. All animals must be exhibited with the hair brushed down on the entire body, legs, and tail with no foreign objects attached to the animal in a manner as to alter the animal's conformation or change its appearance. ***Exhibitors failing to abide by this rule will not be allowed to show.**
Specifically, all hair must be brushed down slick; head clipped smooth; underline clipped blending sides; udders and teats clipped with no long hair to emphasize udder; ears clipped as to environmental and local standards; neck and brisket clipped; body clip using common sense as to season; leg hair clipped (no steer or Brahman clips) and do not leave long from hock or knee to hoof; tailhead clipped; pull switch or brush out (no ball, etc.); trim tail (no shear except back side). Fitting handbook should be studied.
10. Each animal exhibited must be exhibited with the correct age and shown in the class corresponding with their correct age. SGBI reserves the right to tooth animals without prior notice to the breeders in order to verify age of cattle.
11. Entries in each class will be placed 1,2,3, etc. Animals are to be presented in descending order according to age.
12. Polled classes will be **entered at the same time as class entries are required by each show**. Animals will be lined up according to age for the judge.
13. To be eligible to show in Best of Polled, animals to be slick polled with no scurs, no scars, no dehorning and with no evidence of horny tissue.
14. There must be a least five (5) exhibitors and twenty-five (25) head of cattle, or a minimum of fifty (50) head of cattle to constitute a recognized Santa Gertrudis Show.
15. In all shows in which fifty (50) head or less are entered, all early and late classes may be combined at the discretion of the show officials.
16. Classes with over thirty (30) entries should be divided into sections and section winners return for final placing.
17. The judge **must** be an SGBI-approved judge.
18. Dress for exhibitors participating in SGBI sanctioned Open and Junior shows shall be of neat and clean clothing of collared shirts with sleeves, belts, no midriff showing and appropriate footwear – no tennis shoes . Exhibitors may wear hats or go bareheaded – no caps.
19. Juniors showing in open shows is allowed and encouraged. Entry must be shown by the owner or immediate family member (sister, brother, mother, father, grandparents, legal guardian). No animal may be fitted or shown by any open exhibitor at any time during the junior's ownership period. An exception is transportation feed and care to a show may be allowed. Refer to junior ownership rules.
20. Each animal shall be presented in the show ring in its natural conformation and structure **without** alteration or modification. Alteration or modification shall be defined to include any surgical, chemical, electrical, pharmaceutical or other appearance change save only branding, tattooing, foot trimming or dehorning. Additionally, no pumping or filling of an animal with a liquid, diuretic or any other substance is allowed. **ALL** animals and exhibitors found to be in violation of this rule will be banned for life from showing at SGBI approved shows.
21. If entries are not properly fitted and good herdsmanhip followed, the owner may be asked to not display their cattle until adhering to the proper procedures as outlined in our herdsmanhip paper.

22. Every exhibitor, in consideration of his/her entry being accepted, agrees to submit any animal so entered by him/her to inspection and agrees to have such animal submitted to any tests as may be designated and requested by the Shows and Exhibits Committee, or the authorized representatives of the relevant show or fair, and agrees that the conclusions reached by the committee/representative as to whether such animal is unethically fitted or over age, shall be final, without recourse, against SGBI and designated personnel. Any false representation, interference or unprofessional conduct on the part of any exhibitor will be dealt with by the Shows and Exhibits Committee according to the equities of the case.
23. Any person who furnished the birthday of the animal to SGBI either on the IPRA of some other document (whereby that birthday information is transferred to the registration certificate) and that animal is exhibited in a SGBI approved show with an incorrect age and the age determined by the SGBI designated veterinarian exceeds the age listed on the registration certificate by more than 30 days, the person furnishing the birthday above and such person furnishing said information to SGBI for inclusion on the registration certificate shall be barred from showing in an SGBI approved show for a period of six (6) months for the first offense, one (1) year for the second offense and for life for the third offense. However, the animal, if transferred to another owner, may be placed in the correct class and be shown again.
24. For and in consideration of the opportunity to participate in any SGBI approved show, each exhibitor hereby releases SGBI, its officers, directors and representatives from negligence, any and all claims, suits and judgment past, present or future, arising from or connected with the administration or use of such test or examination and the resulting decision there from.
25. Any exhibitor desiring to dispute or challenge the results of any test, exam, or show rule enforcement, as applied to his/her animals, shall do so in accordance with procedures established by the rules of the association.

26. APPEALS:

- a. The Chairman of the Shows and Exhibits Committee and the Vice President of Youth Activities in conjunction with the person(s) responsible for coordinating the individual shows will continue to be primarily vested with authority to determine whether animals entered show meets the standards formally approved by the Breed Standards Committee.
- b. In the event the Vice President of Youth Activities or individual show coordinating official disqualifies an animal from participating in a youth show and the exhibitor wants to appeal the disqualification, the appeal process outlined below must be followed.
- c. In the event the Chairman of Shows and Exhibits or individual show coordinating disqualifies an animal from participating in a sanctioned show, and the exhibitor wants to appeal the disqualification, the appeal process outlined below must be followed.
- d. Additionally, **any** exhibitor participating in an individual youth show or other SGBI sanctioned show that wants to appeal a breed standards disqualification decision by either the Vice President for Youth Activities/youth show coordinating official or the Chairman of Shows and Exhibits/show coordinating official must follow the appeals process outlined below.

Appeals Committee

The appeals committee will be comprised by the following three (3) members – the Vice President of Breed Improvement, the Vice President of Marketing and Promotions and the Executive Director of SGBI. All three (3) members must be present to constitute a quorum. All decisions rendered by the Appeals Committee will be binding and final for all appeals submitted to the committee.

Appeals Procedure

- a. All qualification/disqualification appeals and appropriate supporting documentation submitted by exhibitors must be submitted in writing to the Executive Director of SGBI. The written appeal must be accompanied by a \$200 process fee. No waivers will be granted to the requirements for written appeals and the upfront \$200 fee.
- b. Exhibitors must file written appeals postmarked or via e-mail within five (5) business days following the date of the show governing the qualification/disqualification decision by the primary officials (Vice President of Youth Activities/show coordinating official or Chairman of Show and Exhibits/event coordinating official).
- c. The Executive Director will be responsible for the coordinating meetings of the Appeals Committee and forwarding copies of the appeal and supporting documentation to the other committee members.
- d. The Appeals Committee will render a final decision within five (5) business days following receipt of the written appeal, appropriate supporting documentation and the \$200 fee.
- e. In the event an exhibitor appeals a disqualification decision by the primary official and the Appeals Committee **approves** the exhibitor's appeals, the animal covered by the appeal will be qualified to participate in all future SGBI sanctioned events
- f. In the event an exhibitor appeals a disqualification decision by the primary official and the Appeals Committee disapproves the exhibitor's appeal, the animal covered by the appeal will be disqualified from participating in future SGBI sanctioned events. Additionally, any points or rewards previously given to the owner of the animal will be forfeited.
- g. In the event an exhibitor appeals a disqualification decision by the primary official and the Appeals Committee rules that the animal covered by the appeal **does not** meet breed standards, the covered animal will be disqualified from participating in future shows and the owner of the animal will forfeit any points and awards previously granted.

27. PROCEDURES TO FILE PROTEST:

1. File protest with show that infraction occurred. Follow their protest rules.
2. File the same protest with the Shows and Exhibits Committee. Contact the chairman.
3. Three (3) exhibitors must sign the protest.
4. All protests must be in writing and accompanied by a deposit of \$100.00, cash or certified check, which will be forfeited if protest is not sustained. Such protest must state plainly the cause of the complaint or appeal and must be delivered to the Shows and Exhibits Committee within twenty four (24) hours after the occasion for such protests.

5. Order of hearing a protest:
 - a. Chairman of Shows and Exhibits Committee
 - b. Action by Shows and Exhibits Committee
 - c. Final action by Board of Directors
 - d. Follow appeal procedure as outlined in Rules and Regulations
6. All rules and regulations that have been properly protested to the Shows and Exhibits Committee shall be subject to the following penalties:
 - a. Loss of Premium money
 - b. Loss of Awards
 - c. Suspension from showing the subject animal as deemed necessary. Penalty may be for one (1) show, two (2) shows or three (3) shows, or as long as deemed necessary for the offense.
 - d. Suspension of the exhibitor being the same as other SGBI Rules penalties.
28. Failure to adhere to each shows specific rules shall also be subject to these penalties. Proper protest procedures must be adhered to according to that particular show's rules. SGBI will follow each show's rules and any action taken by a show will be upheld by SGBI in relation to its bearing on our point show system.
29. **DISQUALIFICATIONS:** An exhibitor who has been disqualified from competition in any livestock show or has had a premium withheld or withdrawn on the grounds of rule violation(s) will not be allowed to compete in other shows. This shall include, but is not limited to, disqualification for fraud, misrepresentation, unethical fitting or deception. Judging procedures will not be interrupted for protest investigation; and depending on the basis of the protest, a decision may be withheld until a thorough investigation is completed. No complaint or appeal that a judge over-looked an animal will be considered. If any exhibitor, in any way, whether in person or by their representative, interferes with the judge(s), or shows any disrespect to them or to show officials, the existing show may excuse him/her from the ring and exclude them from further competition; exhibitor premiums that may have been awarded may also be withheld. If an animal is disqualified after having won awards or premiums, the animals placing below him/her may be moved up (at the option of the Shows and Exhibits Committee) to fill the vacated position.
30. **RULES FOR HIGH POINT AWARDS**
 - a. For each point show, first place class winner will receive 2 points; second place class winner receives 1 point; Division Champion receives 3 points; Reserve Division Champion receives 2 points; Grand Champion receives 5 points and Reserve Grand Champion receives 4 points; Best of Polled receives 1 point but does not count towards overall points.
 - b. Get of Sire and Produce of Dam points go toward Exhibitor/Breeder of the Year Awards.
 - c. Points will stay with animal if sold.
 - d. The Sire and Dam of the Year should have points from at least two (2) different offspring.
 - e. All points earned at the National Open Show are to be doubled.

SANTA GERTRUDIS PREMIUM SCHEDULE

1st=\$100, 2nd=\$90, 3rd=\$80, 4th=\$70, 5th=\$60, 6th- 10th=\$50

Premiums - Classes 1,2,3,4,5,8,9,10,11,14,15,16,17,23,24,25,26,27,30,31,32,33,36,37,38,39,40,46,47

Rosettes - Classes 6,7,12,13,18,19,28,29,34,35,41,42

Awards - Classes 20,21,43,44

Association Awards - Classes 22, 45

Class Number and Name

Females

1. Early Summer Heifer Calf, calved May 1, 2011 or later
2. Late Junior Heifer Calf, calved March 1, 2011 – April 30,2011
3. Early Junior Heifer Calf, calved Jan.1 - Feb. 28, 2011
4. Late Senior Heifer Calf, calved Nov. 1 - Dec. 31, 2010
5. Early Senior Heifer Calf, calved Sept. 1 - Oct. 31, 2010
6. **Champion Heifer Calf (from classes 1, 2, 3 and 4)**
7. **Reserve Champion Heifer Calf (Remaining first place heifers, plus second place heifer from class that produced the Calf Champion)**
8. Late Summer Yearling Heifer, calved July 1 - August 31, 2010
9. Early Summer Yearling Heifer, calved May 1 - June 30, 2010
10. Late Junior Yearling Heifer, calved March 1 - April 30, 2010
11. Early Junior Yearling Heifer, calved Jan. 1 - Feb. 28, 2010
12. **Champion Yearling Heifer (from classes 7, 8, 9 and 10)**
13. **Reserve Champion Yearling Heifer (Remaining first place heifers plus second place heifer from the class that produced the Yearling Champion)**
14. Late Senior Yearling Heifer, calved Oct. 1 - Dec. 31, 2009
15. Early Senior Yearling Heifer, calved July 1 - Sept. 30, 2009
16. *Late Two-Year-Old Heifer, calved April 1 - June 30, 2009
17. *Early Two-Year-Old Heifer, calved Jan. 1 - March 31, 2009
18. **Champion Senior Female (From classes 13, 14, 15 and 16)**
19. **Reserve Champion Senior Female (Remaining first place heifer plus second place heifer from class that produced the Senior Champion Heifer)**
20. **Grand Champion Female (Senior, Yearling and Calf Champion females competing)**
21. **Reserve Grand Champion Female (Remaining Senior, Yearling or Calf Champion females plus the Reserve Champion from the class that produced the Grand Champion Female)**
22. **Best of Polled Female Award - Must be smooth polled with no horny tissue**
 - * Must have produced a calf or be safe in calf as verified by a graduate veterinarian.

Bulls

23. Early Summer Bull Calf, calved May 1, 2011 or later
24. Late Junior Bull Calf, calved March 1, 2011 – April 30, 2011
25. Early Junior Bull Calf, calved Jan. 1 - Feb. 28, 2011
26. Late Senior Bull Calf, calved Nov. 1 - Dec. 31, 2010
27. Early Senior Bull Calf, calved Sept. 1 - Oct. 31, 2010

28. **Champion Bull Calf (From classes 22, 23, 24 and 25)**
29. **Reserve Champion Bull Calf (Remaining first place bulls plus second place bull from the class that produced the Calf Champion)**
30. Late Summer Yearling Bull calved July 1 - August 31, 2010
31. Early Summer Yearling Bull, calved May 1 - June 30, 2010
32. Late Junior Yearling Bull, calved March 1 - April 30, 2010
33. Early Junior Yearling Bull, calved Jan. 1 - Feb. 28, 2010
34. **Champion Yearling Bull (From classes 28, 29, 30 and 31)**
35. **Reserve Champion Yearling Bull (Remaining first place bulls plus second place bull from class that produced the Yearling Champion)**
36. Late Senior Yearling Bull, calved Oct. 1 - Dec. 31, 2009
37. Early Senior Yearling Bull, calved July 1 - Sept. 30, 2009
38. Late Two-Year-Old Bull, calved April 1 - June 30, 2009
39. Early Two-Year-Old Bull, calved Jan. 1 - March 31, 2009
40. Aged Bull, calved July 1 - Dec. 31, 2008
41. **Champion Senior Bull (From classes 34, 35, 36, 37 & 38)**
42. **Reserve Champion Senior Bull (Remaining first place bulls plus the second place bull from the class that produced the Senior Champion Bull)**
43. **Grand Champion Bull (Senior, Yearling and Calf Champion bulls competing)**
44. **Reserve Grand Champion Bull (Remaining Senior, Yearling or Calf Champions plus the Reserve Champion from the class that produced the Grand Champion Bull)**
45. **Best of Polled Male Award - must be smooth polled with no horny tissue**
46. **Produce-of-Dam: Two offspring, the produce of one cow, within age limits of individual classes and exhibited in their respective classes.**
47. **Get-of-Sire: Three animals all by one sire and from at least two dams, both sexes represented, within age limits of individual classes and exhibited in their respective classes.**