MI Cattlemen’s 24th Annual Expo A Success for the Beef Industry

OKEMOS - The 24th Annual Michigan Beef Expo gave cattle producers an opportunity to showcase some of the best seedstock genetics available. This year’s special event included eight breed shows and sales, youth contests, an extensive indoor trade show and a junior steer and heifer show.

Approximately 78 consignors exhibited 115 head of cattle from Michigan, Illinois, Indiana, Kansas, Ohio and Pennsylvania. The Expo Supreme Champion Bull was awarded to the Shorthorn Champion Bull consigned by AJ Show Cattle, from Concord, MI. He sold for $3,100 to Tom Gumper of Jackson, MI. The Supreme Champion Heifer was awarded to the Chianina Champion Female consigned by 3G Ranch, of Kendallville, IN and sold to Brian Decker, Leonidas, MI for $3,750. The high selling female overall was a Hereford heifer consigned by the Herman Family, from Continental/Edgerton, OH. She sold for $6,250 to Dan and Robin Riker from Ionia, MI. The high selling male overall was a Shorthorn bull consigned by Narrow Brook Shorthorns. He sold to Little Cedar Cattle Co., Beaverton, MI for $5,200.

The Beef Expo, a project of the Michigan Cattlemen’s Association, is designed to promote the beef industry through sales, shows and displays of seedstock genetics, focus media attention on the beef industry, unite the various breeds and provide an opportunity to share in a major statewide beef industry promotional event.

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Breed Champions

**Angus** – Fitzner Farms from Wolverine, MI had the Champion Angus Female and the Champion Bull was awarded to Rains Angus, Mercer, PA.

**Beefalo** – The Champion Beefalo Female was consigned by Frosty Pine Farm, Carsonville, MI and the Champion Beefalo Bull was exhibited by High Evergreen Farm, Grand Junction, MI.

**Chianina** – 3G Ranch, Kendallville, IN had the Champion Female and KVO Chiangus, Hamilton, MI had the Champion Bull.

**Hereford** - The Champion Female was consigned by the Herman Family, Edgerton and Continental, OH and Laudeman Farm, of Bremen, IN, exhibited the Champion Bull.

**Limousin** - The Champion Limousin Bull was exhibited by Red Rock Limousin, Ionia, MI.

**Maine-Anjou** – Encore Livestock, of Gillman, IL consigned both the Champion Female and Champion Bull.

**Shorthorn** – The Champion Shorthorn Female was exhibited by Buchholz Farm, Charlotte, MI and the Champion Shorthorn Bull was shown by AJ Show Cattle, Concord, MI.

**Simmental** - The Champion Simmental Female was shown by Marshall Hillside Farms, Concord, MI and Rich Beef and Grain, Sandusky, MI, was awarded the Champion Bull banner.

Breed Sales

One-hundred-fourteen cattle lots totaled $263,269. The females averaged $2,128 on 77 lots and 37.5 bulls averaged $2,651. In addition, fifteen embryos grossed $10,210.

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