Upcoming Gelbvieh Events:

March 4, 2017 -- Judd Ranch Bull Sale Pomona, KS
March 4, 2017 -- Hilltop Farms Bull and Female Sale Carthage, MO
March 4, 2017 -- Flying H Genetics Bull and Female Sale Arapahoe, NE
March 9, 2017 -- Raile Gelbvieh Bull Sale Burlington, Co
March 11, 2017 -- Private Treaty Open House at Oswald and Sons Hutchinson, KS
March 14, 2017 -- Bar Arrow Cattle Co. Production Sale Phillipsburg, KS
March 18, 2017 -- Flying H Genetics Spring Bull Sale Butler, MO
March 26, 2017 -- Hightower Cattle Co. Bull Sale
March 31, 2017 -- All Important Dates, Sale Reports, and Ads due to Risa for April AI Issue

April 1, 2017 -- Circle S Ranch, Going to Grass Sale, Canton, KS

June 2-3, 2017 -- Midwest State Show

August 3-6, 2017 -- The Summit ~ Youth Conference Lincoln, NE

MEMBERSHIP REMINDER:

It is not too late to join the KGA. Basic Membership is $100. Basic-Plus is $250 with advertising in either east or west half of the state. Premium Membership is $400 where you get advertising in all of Kansas Spring and Fall. You can print a membership form from the website at http://kansagelbvieh.org/ and mail to Risa Overmiller information on the form. If you have not renewed your membership now would be the time to get that done also.

Advertising Costs:

If you would like to put a sale ad in it you may also do that; costs are: $25 for a camera ready 1/2 page or $35 for a camera ready full page, or Risa can create one for you and it will cost $40 for a 1/2 page and $50 for a full page. You must be a KGA member to put an ad in, you can become a member for $100 a year. Contact info. Risa Overmiller at overmillersteakbacon@gmail.com or by phone at 785-389-3522 (home).

2017 Kansas State Fair

Gelbvieh and Balancers can begin arriving on Sept. 12 at 8am, have to be in place by Sept. 13th at Noon. The Show will be Thursday, September 14th at 2pm. Cattle are released on Saturday, September 16th at 1pm.
Feeding the World is our #1 Priority

27th Annual Production Sale  Tuesday, March 14, 2017 at 1:00 p.m.
at Bar Arrow Cattle Company, North of Phillipsburg, Kansas

Selling  80 Gelbvieh & Balancer® Bulls
20 Gelbvieh & Balancer® Fancy Open heifers

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North Missouri Bull Sale  *  February 25, 2017
Kingsville Livestock, Kingsville, MO * 200 bulls!
All 18 month old bulls!  150 Homozygous Black bulls!  30 Red!
Bid & Buy at: CATTLEUSA.COM

South Missouri Bull Sale  *  March 25, 2017
Joplin Regional Stockyards, Carthage, MO * 200 bulls!
18 month old bulls and yearling bulls!  150 Homozygous Black bulls!  30 Red!
Bid & Buy at: DV Auction

• Guaranteed Sight-Unseen Purchases
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Thursday, March 9th, 2017

12:30 p.m. MST

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Sale Day Phone 719-346-8900

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5 SELECT OPEN BALANCER HEIFERS

Selling sons of the 2015 NWSS Champion Junior Bull—RAIL King James 3127A
Selling several sons of the 2012 Balancer Ring of Gold winner—3G Yarborough 186Y

- Several Homo Black & Homo Polled
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- Free Boarding Until April 1st

**RAIL DEADWOOD M 601D (BA 63)**
Sire: 3G Yarborough 186Y
MGS: EGL U709 (Northern Wind)
EPDS: CED 8 BW 1.5 WW 79YW 118 Milk 22

**RAIL DOC HOLLIDAY 659D (BA 63)**
Sire: 3G Yarborough 186Y
MGS: EGL U409 (Net Worth)
EPDS: CED 10 BW 0.9 WW 81YW 113 Milk 23

**RAIL MR DILLON 667D (BA50)**
Sire: 3G Yarborough 186Y
MGS: SCC Legend 542
EPDS: CED 11 BW 0.2 WW 64YW 91 Milk 16

**RAIL MR KING JAMES M 6129D (BA63)**
Sire: RAIL King James 3127A
MGS: SAV Net Worth
EPDS: CED 8 BW 2.5 WW 70YW 101 Milk 25

**RAIL MR YA MAN 691D (BA 38)**
Sire: DMRS Ya Man 138Y
MGS: TAU Mr Manitoba 13X
EPDS: CED 8 BW 2.5 WW 82YW 120 Milk 22

**RAIL MR 114Y 638D (BA 38)**
Sire: BABR 114Y (SAV Brilliance)
MGS: Mytty In Focus
EPDS: CED 12 BW -0.4 WW 78YW 128 Milk 28

Balancer Reference Sires:
GGGE 3G Yarborough 186Y (Warlock)
DMRS Ya Man 138Y (Net Worth)
RAIL King James 3127A
DLW Edison 048 (Edison 6718X)
TAU Mr Western Hauler 59Z
RAIL Mr Final Answer D 318A (SAV Final Anwer)

AI Reference Sires:
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Why are we leaving profits on the table?

By: Callahan Grund

Have you ever laid there in bed dreaming of a new tractor, big barn, and grass for miles? I know I certainly do that every day in class when I should be paying more attention! But how can we achieve these goals as ranchers in today’s industry? Sitting in my Animal Science class talking about genetics and breeds of cattle got me thinking of the solution to increase profits, the simple solution called Crossbreeding. It amazes me how commercial producers within the industry are bound and determined to breed strictly straight bred, one breed cattle that simply cannot compete with Crossbred cattle within the industry. One thing that growing up within the Gelbvieh industry has taught me is that when it comes to Crossbred cattle 2+2 does equal 5, and with the traits that our cattle possess, we sit in the driver seat for profitability within the commercial sector.

We see this within other aspects of agriculture where crossbreeding takes the strengths of two different genetics and drastically improves the end outcome. Imagine farmers not using hybrid corn varieties within the corn industry? Our yields would be slashed in half or 2/3 of what they are today and it would be almost impossible to hear of 200 bushel corn.

Heterosis, or hybrid vigor, is known as the superior performance of the crossbred calf to the average of the straightbred parents. Crossbreeding gives breeders not only heterosis, but you are also expanding your gene pool. As you can see in the chart, the effects of heterosis in just crossbred calves adds up to almost 19%. Along with these astounding numbers, how do Gelbvieh influenced crossbred cattle sit in the driver’s seat as the most profitable cattle?

However, not only do the crossbred calves outperform their contemporaries within a group, but the cows also hold a significant advantage. In the age of sustainability where we as producers are trying to make everything sustainable to feed the world, crossbred cattle lead the charge.
These same effects of heterosis in calves, apply the same for heifers as they mature into cows. In the article Crossbreeding Keys to Profits in Farm Weekly, Dr. Wade Schafer, said that when highly crossbred dams produce highly crossbred calves there is about 20% increase in production. That 20% extra in production is compared to straightbred dams and calves. He also went onto say that producers can get up to a 30% increase in longevity of a cow because she is highly crossbred. He says, this is due to the combined boost that hybrid vigor delivers in production and reproduction.

The increased profit should be one of the driving factors in crossbreeding. The vastly increasing improvements in production efficiency measured in weaning weight per cow exposed that is listed above, supports higher profit and sustainability. With an increasing demand for quality beef and the declining number of cow herds and cattle on feed, it is essential for profit minded ranchers to concentrate on the increased production efficiency of crossbreeding within their herds.

In our everchanging world as we attempt to balance things such as sustainability, increasing world population, decreasing land mass, and ranchers profitability, crossbreeding just makes sense. The tremendous benefits gained from crossbreeding of quickly obtaining the less heritable traits of longevity, fertility, and growth, should be the route for any profit driven cattlemen. Gelbvieh and Balancer cattle are the perfect solution to gaining you profits and making that dream of a new tractor, barn, or grass a reality.

For more information on the benefits of crossbreeding and how they can impact your herd, you can type in the following link on an article co-authored by K-State Cow-Calf Extension Specialist Dr. Bob Weaber and University of Nebraska Cow-Calf Extension Specialist Dr. Matt Spangler.

Triple K Gelbvieh is selling by private treaty it’s fall 2015 born bulls.

For a listing of bulls please visit www.triplekgelbvieh.com

Please call for more information
2017 OPEN HOUSE
Private Treaty Bull Sale

Saturday, March 11th @ 10:00am
12:00 Lunch Provided
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Congratulations to Dave and Cindy Judd!
The Kansas Gelbvieh Association would like to congratulate Dave and Cindy Judd of Pamona, KS. Dave and Cindy were inducted into the American Gelbvieh Hall of Fame in 2017.

46th Annual AGA National Convention
Dave and Cindy Judd Inducted into Gelbvieh Hall of Fame

Dave and Cindy Judd of Pomona, Kansas were inducted into the American Gelbvieh Association (AGA) Hall of Fame for 2017. The induction took place on Thursday, December 1, 2016, during the Cattlemen’s Profit Roundup lunch at the 46th Annual AGA National Convention in Lincoln, Nebraska.

Dave and Cindy were joined by their son, Nick; daughter-in-law, Ginger; and grandchildren, Lily, Levi, and Lacy at the awards ceremony. Roger Gaiz, Hiawatha, Kansas, and past AGA Hall of Fame inductee, presented Dave and Cindy with the award.

The AGA Hall of Fame recognizes individuals for their lasting contribution to the growth and development of the Gelbvieh breed. That contribution is through the influence of cattle they have bred, breed promotion efforts, and leadership provided to the association.

Dave and Cindy Judd started Judd Ranch in 1981 with the goal of producing profitable and functional genetics for commercial cattlemen. Judd Ranch raises Gelbvieh, Red Angus and Balancer cattle. Today, the operation is run by Dave and Cindy, along with their two sons and their families, Nick and Ginger and Brent and Ashley. This past October they held their 26th Annual Cow Power Female sale and they will hold their 39th annual bull sale this March.

Dave and Cindy Judd have been members of the American Gelbvieh Association since 1983. They have been very active throughout their time as AGA members, including Dave Judd serving on the AGA Board of Directors from 2004-2009.

In 2016, Judd Ranch was listed in Beef Magazine’s Seedstock 100 list, which is a listing of the top seedstock producers in the beef industry.
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Saturday, April 1, 2017
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Congratulations to LeDoux Ranch!
The Kansas Gelbvieh Association would like to congratulate LeDoux Ranch of Agenda, KS. LeDoux Ranch won the American Gelbvieh Foundation Steer Challenge and Scale and Rale Sire-Identified Carcass Contest.

LeDoux Ranch of Agenda, Kansas, took home high honors including, top value steer and top carcass steer in the inaugural American Gelbvieh Foundation (AGF) Steer Challenge and Scale and Rale Sire-Identified Carcass Contest.

The AGF Steer Challenge was a competition amongst individual Gelbvieh and Balancer-influenced steers in which the judging criteria focused on average daily gain in the feedyard, carcass value and overall top value animal, which combined average daily gain and carcass value. The Steer Challenge gives an opportunity for participants to donate a steer to the AGF. All proceeds from the donation go toward research and development within the Gelbvieh breed. The AGF Sire-Identified Carcass Testing Contest judges individuals steers, which were in a group of three or more animals from the same contemporary group, on those same qualities and also awarded a top-performing pen. In its first year, the AGF saw nine ranches participating with a total of 35 animals on feed.

LeDoux Ranch took home $3,800 in prize winnings for their steers’ performance in these contests. LeDoux’s winning steer in the AGF Steer Challenge took home top carcass value and top value animal. This steer was sired by SGB Jacked Up Z794. The same steer also took home top accolades in the Balancer division of the Scale and Rale contest including second highest average daily gain at 4.27 pounds per day, top carcass value at $1,116 with a 1,060 pound hot carcass weight and a 15.3 in? ribeye. This steer also took home top value Balancer animal with a value of $1,120, USDA Yield Grade 3.8 and a quality grade of USDA Choice when harvested in July 2016.

The AGF continues to help advance the Gelbvieh breed through its support of research and development. For this reason, the AGF launched its first ever Steer Challenge and Scale and Rale Sire-Identified Carcass Testing Contest. These two projects together provide the information and funds necessary to generate data sets to advance Gelbvieh carcass merit.
Get The Power You Need From Our AI Sires:

**POST ROCK ASTRONAUT 157A2  HOMOZYGOUS BLACK HOMOZYGOUS POLLED**

Astronaut is simply one of those bulls that comes along just every so often even in the most focused breeding programs. His progeny are noted as being very moderate in frame size with soundness and eye appeal and near breed average performance. His dam records a 101 BW, 106 WW, and 103YW ratio's on her calves and has a son who was a Balancer Futurity runner-up in 2017.

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**POST ROCK POWER STROKE 95B1**
BLACK, HOMOZYGOUS POLLED

Post Rock Power Stroke’s EPD’s include top 10% CE and 5% BW with useful growth numbers. His calves have a lot of quality and eye appeal. At Post Rock we use him on both our Purebred and lower percentage Balancer heifers. His first 6 sons post a 110 IMF, 110 REA ratio’s on ultrasound.

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**POST ROCK POWER BUILT 37B8**
RED, HOMOZYGOUS POLLED PUREBRED

Power Built needs to be included in your AI plans. His progeny have the added rib shape and muscle combined with eye appeal and soundness that’s in high demand. He’s certainly breeding to his exceptional EPD’s and his progeny arriving at Post Rock last fall and this spring are rapidly surfacing to the top.

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