

2001 National Highland Show The Largest Ever

DENVER, Colo. — The American Highland Cattle Association's (AHCA) National Show and Sale will be the largest showing of Highland cattle in North America.

Over 200 animals from across the U.S. and Canada will compete.

The AHCA National Show will be held on Friday, Jan. 19 at the National Western Stock Show in Denver, Colo. In addition to the show, 50 top consignments will be auctioned at the National Sale on Saturday, Jan. 20.

May 3-6 will be the annual convention in Harrisburg, and will focus on farm tours, hands-on workshops, a bull test sale and regional show.

In 2001, the Highland breed has two performance bull tests, one in Wyoming and the other in New York. These tests are an excellent tool for breeders to evaluate their bulls and select new herd sires.

Highland cattle are known for

their distinctive look, long flowing hair and wide horns. They originated in the Highlands of Scotland, where their ruggedness and maternal abilities were of paramount importance. Recently, cattlemen have not only appreciated their calving ease and lower maintenance, but are also discovering the tender, flavorful and well-marbled beef they produce.

The Queen of England raises Highland cattle and serves Highland beef. At the national show, all bulls will be ultrasounded to assist the judge and breeders in selecting animals that produce lean, well-marbled carcasses.

The National Show and Sale is just one of many activities and programs AHCA is offering its members. In fact, this show is the culmination of "Roll of Excellence" season where cattle from across the country competed in over a dozen recognized point shows. This year, the Highland Production Record

System (HPRS) will be introduced to help breeders manage and improve their herds.

AHCA has held this annual event at the National Western Stock Show since 1989. It has grown in popularity and this year's promises to be the best ever. The cattle will arrive Wednesday and all will be weighed and bulls ultrasounded.

Thursday evening a seminar and reception is set for members and other interested persons. The show is Friday, starting with junior breeding heifers followed by the record setting open show. On Saturday, 50 top lots will be offered at the National Sale.

For more information on any AHCA activity or the Highland breed, contact the American Highland Cattle Association at (303) 292-9102, ahca@envisionet.net or check the web site at www.highlandcattle.org.



Scottish Highlands originated in the Highlands of Scotland where their ruggedness and maternal abilities were of paramount importance.

Megan Little Is New Member Of American Angus Association

ST. JOSEPH, Mo. — Megan Little, New Providence, is a new junior member of the American Angus Association, reports Dick Spader, executive vice president of the national organization

with headquarters in St. Joseph, Mo.

Junior members of the association are eligible to register cattle in the American Angus Association and take part in Association sponsored shows and

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