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## Letter from the President

Wow, where has the last few months gone? It just seemed like yesterday everyone was in a rush to get the crops planted and now harvest is just around the corner. Time flies when you're having fun, and we have had a fun year with the IDGA!

Our spring show in Colfax had great animals that were exhibited and I know our judges enjoyed their time in Iowa! The state fair had beautiful weather and I'd like to thank all those who showed at the spring show and the Iowa State Fair, especially our friends from out of state, who went the "extra mile" to show with us! I'd also like to thank all the board members from this last year for their efforts and the constant emailing we do, if it wasn't for them, this association wouldn't run like as smoothly as it does today!

I'm also proud to say that this last year, the membership of the IDGA has nearly doubled! This is a strong reflection upon you, our members! I hope to see an even larger increase as the year comes to an end. At the Annual All-Member's Meeting this OCTOBER 4<sup>th</sup> @ 10:00 AM in Colo, IA, the second and final vote to update the IDGA Rules and By-Laws will be held. All IDGA members are invited and encouraged to attend the meeting and potluck lunch. We will have plenty of discussion and new ideas of how to keep leading the IDGA forward in a positive direction for the upcoming year. We have made a lot of progress this year, and I am excited to see where we can push ourselves for the upcoming year with our new goals! I encourage you to take part in that process with us!

- Shelby Cornelius

Iowa Dairy Goat Association President

Annual meeting is October 4<sup>th</sup> at 10 a.m. in Colo at the community center. We will

have the 2<sup>nd</sup> and final vote on the proposed changes to the rules and bylaws of IDGA. Following the meeting, we will have a potluck lunch. All members are encouraged to attend.

# Last N' News

Summer 2014

Notes from the Editor:

Goat people are the best! This has been a growing year for IDGA. The membership has almost doubled. We have had several fun events,. The spring show in Colfax was three rings this year and except for being cold it was a success. Even though it was cold we were warmed by the friendship that was shared there. We visited over some great meals and saw many beautiful goats.

The State Fair was lots of fun and we welcomed Nigerian Dwarfs for the first time. We had new exhibitors and our old friends that we may only see once a year. Again IDGA fed us a wonderful supper and then there was the auction. This year we could have used more animals on the auction so next year as those babies hit the ground, think about what you might like to sell and then nominate that animal. The non animal sales were really fun and the auction was a good money maker for IDGA.

This past Saturday the 30<sup>th</sup> of August was another great day for IDGA. IDGA sponsored its first AI clinic and it was a wonderful success. We had forty participants, and everyone seemed to have a great time. One of the best things for me was the new friends I made. I met many wonderful people who raise goats but don't show. It was an incredible day with everyone leaving full, from a great lunch, and their brains were full of new information. It was a great day for everyone.

I really enjoy all the opportunities I have had to meet and, work with people in IDGA this year. Everyone please remember the annual meeting October 4<sup>th</sup>. It will be in Colo again and I look forward to seeing you all there.

Thanks for letting me ramble,

Deb

Iowa Dairy Goat Association, Inc.  
Minutes Annual Board of Directors, All-Members Meeting  
October 5, 2013  
Colo, IA Community Building

Directors present:

Deb Konen

Ron Dengler

Jim McDaniel

Officers present:

Shelby Cornelius, president

Guinevere McIntyre, interim secretary

Judith Nayeri, interim treasurer

Agenda:

**Old Business**

## **Officer & Director Elections**

President: Jim McDaniel nominates Shelby Cornelius, Butch Sowers seconds  
No other nominations, ayes confirm: Shelby Cornelius voted in as IDGA President

Vice-President: Judy Nayeri nominates Deb Konen, Shelby Cornelius seconds  
No other nominations, ayes confirm: Deb Konen voted in as IDGA Vice-President

Board of Directors: 3 positions open, result of voting:  
Butch Sowers, 2-yr (2015)  
Colt Churchill, 2-yr (2015)  
Rod Van Wyk, 1-yr (2014)  
Current positions: James McDaniel & Ron Dengler (both 2014)

Secretary & Treasurer: to be appointed by board

## **Secretary Report**

Minutes from 6-29-13 board meeting are approved.

## **Treasurer Report**

\$7009 – starting account after transfer from previous treasurer  
\$ 428 – raffle income, IDGA Spring Show  
\$ 508 – raffle income, State Fair  
Outstanding bills have been covered  
As of Aug 31, balance is \$7,046  
Deb Konens motions to accept, Kathy seconds, ayes confirm.

## **2013 IDGA Spring Show**

James McDaniel, chair of IDGA Spring Show 2013 (stepping in as of Jan '13), presents overview of 2013 show. Loss of \$978.20, primarily due to last-minute change in judge and resulting air-fare cost. Colfax considered to be a good facility, despite snafu with sawdust removal. Thanks to all exhibitors who pitched in and the extra help from the Churchill family.

## **Iowa State Fair/ Select Breeder's Sale**

Ron Dengler, chair of Iowa State Fair Show, presents overview.  
Entries: 262 juniors, 221, seniors, 50 FFA/4-H

Jennifer Norberg has proposal in to fair board for Nigerians to show at State Fair; she is meeting with the fair board 2<sup>nd</sup> week of Oct.

Butch Sowers presents overview of Select Breeder's Sale. Positive selling; all sold but one.

- Kathy Rose asks about adding Nigerians to sale. Butch notes that as show chair, Tim Schmidt has final say, but that this is provided for in the rules.
- James McDaniels motions to give volunteer auctioneer \$50 restaurant gift certificate, Kathy Rose seconds, ayes confirm.
- More donated items to sell are needed; Judy Nayeri can store items.
- Tim Schmidt has asked about raising commission (10% currently). James McDaniels motions to keep at 10%, Kathy Rose seconds, ayes confirm.

## **IDGA Hospitality Booth at National Show**

Manned by Shelby Cornelius, Ron Dengler, Judy Nayeri, Deb Konen, Kathy Rose, Justin Korver, Britt

Ranschau-Korver.

Great success, donated banner and lots of food, many compliments by visitors (best hospitality booth)

## **Newsletter/ Facebook**

Facebook: page run by Shelby Cornelius and Deb Konen. Numbers have gone up after hospitality book and state fair.

Newsletter: going back to hard-copy, quarterly. Hard dead-lines coordinated appropriately with events are needed. Deb Konen will coordinate newsletter content into lay-out and send to James McDaniels, who will send to the printer. Judy Nayeri is getting a broader mailing list together.

Other: Kathy Rose motions to keep up reminder cards for annual meeting at state fair, Guinevere McIntyre seconds, ayes confirm.

## **Dues & Other**

Kathy Rose motions to keep current due pricing, Guinevere McIntyre seconds, ayes confirm.

Discussion of annual deadline for breeder's list payments.

Butch Sowers motions that the board makes a good decision by the end of the year and to communicate this clearly with members, Guinevere McIntyre seconds, ayes confirm.

## **New Business**

### **2014 IDGA Spring Show**

James McDaniels, show chair, presents:

Judges: Kristina Strickland, OR

Chuck Peterson, CO

Discussion of 2 vs 3-ring show.

Ron Dengler motions that the 2014 IDGA Spring Show be a 3-ring show, Deb Konen seconds, ayes confirm.

## **IDGA Banner**

Lori Wells motions for new, sturdier banner, Guinevere McIntyre seconds.

## **Best Udder Award**

Shelby Cornelius suggested IDGA sponsor an award for the best udder of show at ISF. Ron Dengler pointed out there were already premiums of \$20.00 for best udder of show and \$5.00 for best udder of breed. The state fair provides the trophies and awards so he would approach them for a trophy.

## **Constitution & Amendments**

See changes on bylaws: Article V sec A There shall be an annual meeting of the membership. The time and place to be determined by the president and board of directors.

Article V Sec A 1.A quorum at any meeting of the membership shall consist of at least fifteen (15) persons of the paid members.

Article VI sec A change monthly to quarterly.

Proposed amended changes, hand out to members at may show for 1st vote. 2 votes per member family.

## **Future Ways to Reach Out to Members**

Shelby Cornelius suggested AI clinic, potluck or some other way to gather members together another time

in the year. to socialize and learn something. Consider for next September.

## **IDGA Linear Appraisal**

Deb suggested wait for more info on linear appraisal

Butch would encourage smaller herds because large herds would have to do it on their own due to size.

motion failed

motion IDGA will not sponsor linear appraisal and pay \$225.00

Jaimie motion that IDGA explore options on linear appraisal and notify board of directors.

Short directors meeting following meeting voted to retain Guinevere as secretary and Judi as treasurer.

## **Iowa Dairy Goat Association Inc. Annual Meeting**

October 4<sup>th</sup>, 2014

### **Agenda**

*\*Officer Elections\**

*\*Treasurer's & Secretary's Report\**

#### **Old Business:**

Vote to amend IDGA By Laws.....	Shelby
2013 Spring Show.....	James
State Fair/Select Sale.....	Ron & Butch
Newsletter & Media Update.....	Shelby, Guinevere, Deb

#### **New Business:**

A.I. Clinic .....	Butch
2015 Spring Show.....	James
IDGA Banner.....	Shelby
IDGA Youth Rep.....	Guinevere & Shelby
IDGA Linear Appraisal.....	Officers
Share A Kid Program.....	Guinevere

### **Adjourn**

*Proposed changes:*

**Article V sec A There shall be an annual meeting of the membership, the time and place to be determined by the president and board of directors.**

*Formerly: There shall be an annual meeting of the membership the first week in November, the time and place to be determined by the President and Board of Directors.*

**Article V Sec A 1. A quorum at any meeting of the membership shall consist of at least fifteen(15) persons of the paid members.**

*Formerly: A quorum at any meeting of the membership shall consist of at least twenty (20) persons of the paid members.*

**Article VI sec A Change [monthly] to [quarterly].**

**Proposed amended changes, hand out to members at May show for 1st vote. 2 votes per member family.**

***Formerly: The Board of Directors shall see to the issuance of a monthly newsletter to inform the members of the activities, plans, meetings, and other pertinent information to the Dairy Goat Industry.***

#### IDGA Open Linear Appraisal Session

Applications for 2014 sessions are now closed, but there will be a private session held in Grinnell, IA, on October 11 at 4pm. This will be a very small session with only Jasper Farm goats being appraised, but you are invited to come observe, and we hope this will be the foundation for future group IDGA Linear Appraisal sessions.

ADGA Linear Appraiser John White is scheduled to run the session. John White has raised goats for 30-plus years, both dairy and meat breeds, and has several times been a national show judge. At the 2013 ADGA National Convention, he presented a mini-workshop on evaluating type. And from personal experience, I can say that he is an excellent teacher!

This is a great chance to learn what a linear appraisal session is all about. If you love to go to shows and learn from the judge, a linear appraisal session is just like that but with so much more information, and very personalized.

With the timing of our region's 2014 Linear Appraisal sessions coming well into fall, many breeders chose to hold off on Linear Appraisal this year. Every year ADGA rotates the timing tho, so next year's session will come earlier in the season. This may be your start to join in on the session with your herd in 2015!

If you are interested in coming, please contact me, Guinevere McIntyre, directly at [jasperfarm@live.com](mailto:jasperfarm@live.com) or 641-236-5120.



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Purebred/American

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B=Oberhasli  
S=Saanen  
T=Toggenburg  
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## 2014 Breeders List

### Notes from the Editor

Don't forget this newsletter belongs to the members. It is your way to keep in touch with every member in the state. If you have news or anything to buy, sell, or trade let me know so it can be in the newsletter.

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Wow how the year goes by. We struggled with severe cold and endless high winds all winter long. It's amazing how we anticipate the warmth of Spring, and wait and wait, and think to ourselves, "we have time" it's not even warm yet, I don't need to hurry on those registration papers, I don't need to get my clippers serviced and ready for action. The same goes for the IDGA Spring show committee,, although we anticipated most of the show challenges, we still lacked on a couple issues. The main one I wondered about were our show and breed sponsors. Usually we solicit enough sponsors to cover our expenses but I'm not sure we accomplished that goal this year. We as members realize that our Spring IDGA show is not intended to be money raiser however we do need to at least make that break even goal. With that being said, we had a very calm peaceful show. This was our first try at a 3 ring show and I thought it really went well. Our biggest hiccup was probably our ability to obtain judges, retain them, and then get them here. 2 of our judges were detained at mid transit airports and gave us some worries. In the end they all made it and we had a great weekend. I would like to thank John Pfieler, Tracey Stempke, and Kris Frailey for judging our 3 ring show. Many Champions were crowned and the crowd of exhibitors seemed well pleased. One change we as a show committee are anticipating is moving our show to the first weekend in June. Sue Loftus, our Friend in Nebraska, has for the time being joined forces with Cole Meader to combine Weeping Water and Lancaster together while the NB State Vets work out details of TB testing. Should we end up holding our show in June that would help us get past the cooler weather and graduations. One other thing I'd like to ponder about our show is the fact of goats on Saturday that earn their Permanent championships, then return to the next sanctioned ring and are shown which may perhaps hinder another animal from getting it's championship. Now just because it made Champion in one show doesn't guarantee it gets it in another ring... Then you have to ask this question? If I pull my animal that just earned its Permanent will the rest of that breed have enough animals to be sanctioned? These tend to be political questions we face. Exhibitors get frustrated and some people go home upset. I was asked by more than one exhibitor "what should they do"? Pull their animal or leave it? My general response is that ultimately it's not up to me... If we have enough to sanction the breed and can get by by pulling a new permanent champion then since our show is NOT a premium payer then perhaps we should pull the animal... Great question with many answers.

While at our show I stood back several times and enjoyed the peace of the event. Several new families were attending, they seemed to be well received and many of our founding fathers were taking them under their wing and helping with the newbie questions and guiding them through the day. It is refreshing to see these new faces. It is our reward to make sure these people get a positive experience. Just like you leading an animal into the ring, the first impression to the judge is the most important. So then it is with our new visitors to our show. If we as weathered show people bicker or whine, or act in such a fashion that miss represents us ethically or professionally then shame on us. Our IDGA membership is currently on an up rise. Let's keep the energy flowing through all the circuits.

Last but certainly not least a huge thank you to the McDaniel family, James and Jamie spent many personal hours preparing for this show, the supper served on Saturday night, and the long night involved cleaning after we're all home safely in bed. As a former show Chairman I know the hours, effort, loss of family time, and monetary involvement it takes. Along with James and Jamie, Deb, Judy, and Colt pitched in to guarantee our show success. Once again Deb stayed glued to the computer and phone and made sure James and myself were kept aware of breed number changes and secured our knowledge that we were going to pull off the show. To Colt,

one of our recent committee members, I say many thanks, I'm jealous of your youth. Your incentive to create a great club inspires us all. Judy, thanks again for your raffle and its rewards to our general fund, your raffle helps insure the future of our show. We have just under 300 days to prepare for our next show... If you feel the urge to volunteer, to add some comments, some advise, or anything can help our cause, don't be bashful, all our numbers are listed on the website.

Till our paths cross again.... Butch Sowers, Tack Pen Philosopher

## **Tack Pen Philosophy**

### **Special points of interest:**

- Annual meeting is October 4<sup>th</sup> at 10:00 am in Colo. Don't forget the potluck lunch. This is a great time to pay your membership dues for 2015!
- We will be having the 2<sup>nd</sup> and final vote on the proposed changes to rules and bylaws of the IDGA at the annual meeting.

### Marketplace

For Sale: Small Square Straw Bales \$3.50/bale

Great for bedding or just to give goats something to chew on.  
High quality and under cover.

Contact Ben Lehman  
Polk City, IA 515-291-2656

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For Sale: Alpine and Nubian Semen

#### Alpine

SG+\*B Sunshine Rehma Relent ('98BUOB)  
+\*B Sunshine Immo Influx  
\*B Sunshine Rehra Ribald  
\*B Sanstorms First Class  
+\*B Pleasant Grove Maxxuum King  
+\*B Glacier Sunbear  
\*B GCH Gingham Goats Mystical Sensation  
\*B Emperor Sonny

#### Nubian

\*B CH Acorn Acres Shaman

Semen handled only by professionals, & can be shipped anywhere.

For prices and quantities available, please contact:

Contact Terry Van Tuyle, Gingham Goats  
563-539-2505 [tvt@neitel.net](mailto:tvt@neitel.net)

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Reasonable rates with maintenance option,  
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Completed examples: [www.iowadairygoats.org](http://www.iowadairygoats.org), [www.jasperfarmiowa.com](http://www.jasperfarmiowa.com),  
[www.meadowvalleydairygoats.com](http://www.meadowvalleydairygoats.com)

Contact Guinevere McIntyre, Jasper Farm Nubians  
jasperfarm@live.com 641-236-5120

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### For Sale:

2 ADGA Recorded Grade 2014 Kids  
50% Oberhasli, 50% LaMancha

Gotta Get Some Era Delta Dawn & Gotta Get Some Era Honor Bound.  
They have been shown ADGA and 4-H and are very easy to handle.  
\$200 each

2012 LaMancha Buck  
Rancho-Snowfall Rhone Hermes  
Serious inquiries only.

Contact Jennifer Seffron  
402-658-2365

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For Sale: 2 Purebred Nigerian Bucklings  
without papers  
Caramel buckling born 4/17/14  
Tri-colored buckling born 5/7/14

\$50 each

Contact Meredith Breiting, Queen Anne's Lace Nigerians  
641-325-1111 [aspinnerseilidh@yahoo.com](mailto:aspinnerseilidh@yahoo.com)

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For Sale: Purebred Alpine and Nubian Bucklings  
Show herd with Champion bloodlines

Accepting reservations for Purebred Alpine and Nubian Doelings

Contact Ma's Acres  
Judith Nayeri 515-250-4836

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For Sale: 50 Bred LaMancha/Saanen Yearlings  
\$300/doe

Due to kid June 1; Sire's dam milked 4,000 lbs

Contact Kevin Helgerson  
563-382-4890

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Birch-Haven Toggenburgs

We have several young bucks for sale for \$250. each weaned, out of first fresheners with lovely udders and 12# of milk at their peaks. Will be classified in October. After that, \$350. 4-h'ers & FFA members, \$50. discount/ Folks 65 or older will get \$100. discount off every purchase. Can deliver for small fee for gas.

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Doris Gronewald  
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- Purebred
- American
  
- Alpine
- LaMancha
- Nubian
- Saanen
- Toggenburg
- Oberhasli
- Recorded Grade
- Nigerian Dwarves
- Other (Please List)

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