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Canadian Bull Tops Breeder's Choice Bull Futurity

After six years of not being able to participate in the Breeder's Choice Gelbvieh Bull Futurity or the National Western Stock Show, Davidson Gelbvieh of Ponteix, Sask., made the most of their first trip back to Denver winning the 2009 Breeder's Choice Gelbvieh Bull Futurity.

With a change in the voting format, the 2009 edition of the Breeder's Choice Bull Futurity attracted some of the best young bulls in the breed. Futurity members met Saturday morning to evaluate all of the entries in the futurity and vote for their top three. The top three vote getters in the preliminaries were then invited to be part of the Bulls in the Ballroom event at the Red Lion Hotel on Saturday evening. Futurity members then re-voted on the three finalists to determine the champion.

Davidson Gelbvieh earned a \$27,000 check for its Futurity Champion, DVE Davidson Powerhouse 13U, a homozygous black, homozygous polled son of STON Secret Weapon 6S out of a DVE Davidson Pld Blk Jim 6L daughter.

Kansas-based operations, Post Rock Cattle Company and Judd Ranch, had the runners-up in the Breeder's Choice Gelbvieh Bull Futurity. Post Rock Cattle Company of Barnard, Kan., entered DCSF Post Rock Mass Appeal ET, a homozygous black polled son of BTI Granite 2135M out of DCSF Post Rock Twila 223M2.

Judd Ranch, from Pomona, Kan., entered JRI Secret Service 270U85. This black, double polled purebred is a son of JRI Top Secret 253M75 ET out of an FHG Flying H Extra 150D daughter.

The Breeder's Choice Bull Futurity also presented a scholarship to a worthy junior Gelbvieh member during the futurity festivities. Andy Lindgren of Atlanta, Ill., earned the second annual Breeder's Choice Bull Futurity Scholarship.

The Breeder's Choice Bull Futurity honored Jerry Mettler of Canton, S.D., for his efforts on behalf of the futurity since its inception at the 1998 National Western. After 12 years as the Bull Futurity Manager, Mettler is stepping down to pursue other interests.

Champion Photo Caption:

Breeder's Choice Bull Futurity Chairman Ken Flikkema, left, presents the championship check to Vernon and Eileen Davidson, daughter-in-law Tara Davidson, and son Ross Davidson, who is at the halter.

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