

Maternal Edge Female Sale

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Crossville, Tenn.

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As part of the Five-Year Plan, the inaugural Maternal Edge commercial female sale was held in Cross Plains, Tenn. on November 3.

The 127 Gelbvieh-influenced commercial females tallied more than \$100,000, a strong sale considering the long dry summer in the southeast and the fact that this first-year effort was largely made up of open heifers. Topping the consignments were six commercial Gelbvieh cross heifers with Balancer-sired steer calves at side. The pairs were consigned by Gale Rippi of Galax, Va. and averaged \$1,616. Commercial pairs at the time were selling for \$1,100 in southeastern sale barns.

Gelbvieh breeders Gary Tilghman and John Barteo, Sr. helped the AGA Staff coordinate the event.

Photo Caption:

Gale Rippi, Rippi Farms of Galax, Va., consigned six commercial pairs that garnered a great deal of interest at the first Maternal Edge Gelbvieh-influenced female sale.

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