

## **2008 National Gelbvieh & Balancer Sale**

**January 13, 2008**

**Denver, Colo.**

**Auctioneer: Jim Birdwell, Fletcher, Okla.**

**Sale Manager: Nick Wells, Colby, Kan.**

2.5	Bulls	\$9,800
5	Bred Females	\$6,330
2	Fall Open Heifers	\$2,100
9	Spring Open Heifers	3,710

The National Gelbvieh & Balancer Sale hosted a standing-room only crowd at the Beef Palace Arena on the National Western Stock Show grounds.

Topping the sale offering was the Breeder's Choice Bull Futurity Champion, ACKG Dakota 3T, consigned by Poker City Ranch of Agenda, Kan. This February 2007 bull is a homozygous black, homozygous polled son of former Futurity Champion XXB Big N' Rich 911P. Beastrom Gelbvieh Ranch of Pierre, S.D., was the buyer at \$15,500 for full possession and half semen interest.

Jumping Cow Gelbvieh of Ramah, Colo., offered a unique opportunity to choose any animal in its 2007-08 show string. Verner Farms of Georgia bid \$9,000 for the chance and chose JCGR Bar GT Ms Crossover 166S, a Balancer bred heifer out of BT Crossover and the Grand Champion Balancer Female at the 2007 NAILE in Louisville.

Eagle Pass Ranch of Highmore, S.D., consigned EGL Tasha S022 ET, an XXB Titus 880K daughter out of former National Champion Female, EGL Farah ET. This female sold bred to EGL Sleep Nights 2179 for twin Balancer heifer calves. Triple K Gelbvieh of Bonner Springs, Kan., bid \$7,000 for this package.

The high selling open heifer came from MC Johnson & Sons of Tilden, Neb. This March 21, 2007 Balancer heifer is sired by CTR Good Night 4743P out of a CTR Vision 2483M female. Cedar Top Ranch of Stapleton, Neb., joined forces with DMD Livestock of Beaver City, Neb., to purchase this heifer for \$5,750.

Pearson Cattle Company of Lake City, S.D., consigned the next high selling lot, PCCI Ms Foxtrot 7335T. Mettler Gelbvieh of Canton, S.D., bid \$5,000 for this purebred female.

Kelsie McEndaffer of New Raymer, Colo., bid \$5,000 to own RTRT Thunder Kiss 65T. This black Balancer open heifer is sired by JRI Extra Exposure 285L71 ET and was consigned by Michael Rea of Berthoud, Colo.

Rounding out the top sellers was Lot 17 from Swanson Cattle Company of Oxford, Neb. Bar Arrow Cattle Company of Phillipsburg, Kan., and Blackhawk Cattle Company of Oregon, Ill., paired up to buy this Balancer heifer sired by Rito 6I6 of 4B20 6807 for a final bid of \$4,250.