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Contests Test Gelbvieh Junior Skills at the Gateway Classic

Excellent weather and tough competition greeted participants at the American Gelbvieh Junior Association (AGJA) Gateway Classic. The Heart of America Gelbvieh Association and Heart of America Junior Gelbvieh Association co-hosted the event with the American Gelbvieh Junior Association, which 150 plus contestants and their families attended July 8-13 at the Missouri State Fairgrounds in Sedalia, Mo.

Following are the complete contest results from the 2007 AGJA Gateway Classic. The placing is following by the name of the exhibitor and exhibitor's home state.

Poster Contest

Junior Division

Champion: Chase Tabor, Kansas; Reserve: Emma McDonald, Missouri; 3. Emmie Robertson, Missouri; 4. Menzi Spiller, Texas; 5. Meredith Clark, Kansas; 6. Justin Vehige, Missouri; 7. Rachel Ibach, Nebraska; 8. Morgan Winchester, Missouri; 9. Quentin Clark, Kansas; 10. Sierra Price, Texas

Intermediate Division

Champion: Chris Mackey, North Carolina; Reserve: Kara Cavalli, Kansas; 3. Ashley Skeels, Texas; 4. Courtney Spencer, Missouri; 5. Brittany Dockins, Arkansas; 6. Kyleigh Barbour, Florida; 7. Tyler Beenken, Iowa; 8. Whittany Dockins, Arkansas; 9. Dustin Aherin, Kansas; 10. Emily Hayek, Iowa

Senior Division

Champion: Katlynn Sullivan, Alabama; Reserve: Kaitlin Mitchell, Missouri; 3. Carrie Tilghman, Kentucky; 4. Shellina Hayek, Iowa; 5. Logan Dockins, Arkansas; 6. Tana Cooper, Kansas; 7. Dustin Volek, South Dakota; 8. Kaycie Shearer, Kansas; 9. Janelle Hayek, Iowa; 10. Sara Mowry, Michigan

Advertising Contest

Junior Division

Champion: Kendra Schafer, Minnesota; Reserve: Tiana Garcia, Colorado; 3. Tanner Aherin, Kansas; 4. Justin Vehige, Missouri; 5. Sam Riebel, Minnesota; 6. Elizabeth Krajewski, Nebraska; 7. Madison Schafer, Minnesota; 8. Bethany Mackey, North Carolina; 9. Shiana Meyer, Missouri; 10. Sydney Taubenheim

Intermediate Division

Champion: Courtney Spencer, Missouri; Reserve: Seth Arp, Wisconsin; 3. Kali Myers, Missouri; 4. Justin Taubenheim, Nebraska; 5. Ashley Skeels, Texas; 6. Lauren Ibach, Nebraska; 7. Macayla Potter, Oklahoma; 8. Grace Hammer, Kansas; 9. Dustin Aherin, Kansas; 10. Sarah Hixson, Missouri

Senior Division

Champion: Alisha Koxlien, Wisconsin; Reserve: Julianna Kruse, Iowa; 3. Katlynn Sullivan, Alabama; 4. Heather Dykstra, Illinois; 5. Kaycie Shearer, Kansas; 6. Amanda Hennings, Iowa; 7. Kassidy Formanek, Iowa; 8. Shellina Hayek, Iowa; 9. Dustin Myers, Missouri; 10. Andy Lindgren, Illinois

Sales Talk

Junior Division

Champion: Meredith Clark, Kansas; Reserve: Justin Vehige, Missouri; 3. Emma McDonald, Missouri; 4. Callahan Grund, Kansas; 5. Grady Hammer, Kansas; 6. Tanner Aherin, Kansas; 7. Kodi Gehl, Nebraska; 8. Jackson Reibel, Minnesota; 9. Sierra Price, Texas; 10. Tiana Garcia, Colorado

Intermediate Division

Champion: Kara Cavalli, Kansas; Reserve: Sydney Gehl, Nebraska; 3. Justin Teeter, North Carolina; 4. Dustin Aherin, Kansas; 5. Kaisha Jurgens, Nebraska; 6. Justin Taubenheim, Nebraska; 7. Chris Mackey, North Carolina; 8. Tanner Taubenheim, Nebraska; 9. Garrett Teeter, North Carolina; 10. Lauren Ibach, Nebraska

Senior Division

Champion: Andy Lindgren, Illinois; Reserve: Shellina Hayek, Iowa; 3. Kaycie Shearer, Kansas; 4. Adam Distler, Missouri; 5. Katlynn Sullivan, Alabama; 6. Dustin Myers, Missouri; 7. Tara Krajewski, Nebraska; 8. Sydney Wilkinson, Colorado; 9. Alison Baker, Indiana; 10. Matthew Davidson, South Carolina

Quiz Bowl

Junior Champion Team: Kansas—Tanner Aherin, Callahan Grund, Kyle Cavalli & Meredith Clark

Junior Reserve Team: Minnesota—Madison Schafer, Kendra Schafer, Sam Riebel & Jackson Riebel

Intermediate Champion Team: Garrett Teeter, Justin Teeter & Christopher Mackey, North Carolina, and Amy Mowry, Michigan

Intermediate Reserve Team: Kansas—Dustin Aherin, Emily Knapp, Cole Buffo & John Robert Shearer

Senior Champion Team: Katlynn Sullivan, Alabama; Kyleigh Barbour, Florida; Carrie Tilghman, Kentucky; and Sydney Wilkinson, Colorado

Senior Reserve Team: Tahanee Embry, Texas; Andy Lindgren, Illinois; Sara Mowry, Michigan; and Matthew Davidson, South Carolina

Photo Contest

**note that some individuals will have more than one photo placing in the top 10.*

Junior Division

Champion & 3rd place: Grady Hammer, Kansas; Reserve & 10th place: Colton Spencer, Missouri; 4. Tiana Garcia, Colorado; 5. Kacie Jurgens, Nebraska; 6. Callahan Grund, Kansas; 7. Meredith Clark, Kansas; 8. (tie) Tanner Aherin, Nebraska, and Justin Ringkob, South Dakota; 9. Emma McDonald, Missouri

Intermediate Division

Champion: John Robert Shearer, Kansas; Reserve: Tanner Taubenheim, Nebraska; 3. & 5. Mark Welle, Iowa; 4. & 9. Emily Hayek, Iowa; 6. Dakota Fowler, Texas; 7. Jessica Potter, Oklahoma; 8. Kaisha Jurgens, Nebraska; 10. Tyler Beenken, Iowa

Senior Division

Champion: Sydney Wilkinson, Colorado; Reserve: Sara Mowry, Michigan; 3. Carrie Tilghman, Kentucky; 4. Kaycie Shearer, Kansas; 5. Tara Krajewski, Nebraska; 6. & 8. Shellina Hayek, Iowa; 7. Chad Russell, Wisconsin; 9. Shelby Rush, Missouri; 10. Emily Griffiths, Indiana

Editor's Choice Award: Emmie Robertson, Missouri

Impromptu Speaking

Junior Division

Champion: Justin Vehige, Missouri; Reserve: Callahan Grund, Kansas; 3. Tanner Aherin, Kansas; 4. Kodi Gehl, Nebraska; 5. Menzi Spiller, Texas; 6. Meredith Clark, Kansas; 7. Kendra Schafer, Minnesota; 8. Grady Hammer, Kansas; 9. Tiana Garcia, Colorado; 10. Kyle Vehige, Missouri

Intermediate Division

Champion: Dustin Aherin, Kansas; Reserve: Kaisha Jurgens, Nebraska; 3. Chris Mackey, North Carolina; 4. Kara Cavalli, Kansas; 5. Garrett Teeter, North Carolina; 6. Justin Taubenheim, Nebraska; 7. Justin Teeter, North Carolina; 8. Brian Krajewski, Nebraska; 9. Tricia Goes, Nebraska; 10. Tyler Beenken, Iowa

Senior Division

Champion: Jeremy Griesbaum, Missouri; Reserve: Sydney Wilkinson, Colorado; 3. Chad Russell, Wisconsin; 4. Hailey Robertson, Missouri; 5. Tara Krajewski, Nebraska; 6. Katlynn Sullivan, Alabama; 7. Carrie Tilghman, Kentucky; 8. Sara Mowry, Michigan; 9. Amanda Hennings, Iowa; 10. Janelle Hayek, Iowa

Team Fitting

Champion Junior/Intermediate Team: Nebraska—Justin Taubenheim, Tanner Taubenheim, and Sydney Taubenheim

Reserve Junior/Intermediate Team: Nebraska—Sydney Gehl, Kodi Gehl, Lauren Ibach, and Rachel Ibach

Champion Senior Team: Nate Munger, South Dakota & Dustin Myers, Missouri
Reserve Senior Team: Dustin Volek, South Dakota & Zachary Butler, Tennessee

Livestock Judging

Junior Division

Champion Team: Mitch and Tiana Garcia, Colorado; Bethany Mackey and Austin Teeter, North Carolina

Reserve Team: Minnesota—Jackson and Sam Riebel; and Kendra and Madison Schafer

Individuals: Champion—Callahan Grund, Kansas; Reserve, Justin Ringkob, South Dakota; 3. Tanner Aherin, Kansas; 4. Sydney Taubenheim, Nebraska; 5. Tiana Garcia, Colorado; 6. Austin Teeter, North Carolina; 7. Justin Vehige, Missouri; 8. Jackson Riebel, Minnesota; 9. Grady Hammer, Kansas; 10. Bethany Mackey, North Carolina

Intermediate Division

Champion Team: Kansas—Dustin Aherin, John Robert Shearer, Cody Tucker and Van Tucker

Reserve Team: Nebraska—Sydney Gehl, Tricia Goes, Lauren Ibach and Kaisha Jurgens

Individuals: Champion—Dustin Aherin, Kansas; Reserve: Wyatt Taylor, Colorado; 3. Kaisha Jurgens, Nebraska; 4. Justin Taubenheim, Nebraska; 5. Amy Mowry, Michigan; 6. Garrett Teeter, North Carolina; 7. Tanner Taubenheim, Nebraska; 8. Justin Teeter, North Carolina; 9. Lauren Ibach, Nebraska; 10. Grace Hammer, Kansas

Senior Division

Champion Team: Missouri—Kyle Kendrick, Ryan Distler, Hailey Robertson and Keaton Kendrick

Reserve Team: Tahanee Embry, Texas; Zachary Butler, Tennessee; and Emily Griffiths & Alison Baker, Indiana

Individuals: Champion—Emily Griffiths, Indiana; Reserve: Michael Rea, Colorado; 3. Kyle Kendrick, Missouri; 4. Sara Mowry, Michigan; 5. Ryan Distler, Missouri; 6. Britney Volek, South Dakota; 7. Sydney Wilkinson, Colorado; 8. Hailey Robertson, Missouri; 9. Nikki Hojer, South Dakota; 10. Zachary Butler, Tennessee

Senior Ambassador: Katlynn Sullivan, Alabama

Junior Ambassador: Justin Vehige, Missouri

Creative Writing

Champion Junior: Tiana Garcia, Colorado

Reserve Junior: Mitch Garcia, Colorado

Champion Intermediate: Kara Cavalli, Kansas

Reserve Intermediate: Amy Mowry, Michigan

Senior Champion: Carrie Tilghman, Kentucky

Rookie of the Year

(awarded to first time Classic participant earning the most points placing in contests)
Emma McDonald, Missouri

Junior Herdsman of the Year *(voted on by peers)*: Tana Cooper, Kansas

State Herdsmanship: Missouri

State Challenge Cup *(state earning most points for participation)*:

Champion: Missouri

Reserve: Kansas

For more information on Gelbvieh junior programs visit www.gelbvieh.org. The 2008 Blue Ridge Classic will be held in Waynesville, N.C.

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