Nominations For World Conference Sales

The U.S. Ayrshire Breeders’ Association is seeking nominations for consignments to the 2016 World Ayrshire Conference Embryo Sale. The sale will take place on Saturday, October 1st in the Wisconsin Dells as the finale of the World Ayrshire Federation business meetings.

- Each member country is invited to consign four lots of embryo packages. The Sale Committee will confirm the final selections.
- Embryos must be exportable.
- The deadline to submit nominations to the ABA is May 1st, and embryos must be made at that time.
- Each embryo must have at least 87% purebred Ayrshire genetics.
- Early information on embryos consigned will begin appearing online at www.usayrshire.com June 1st and updates added as they become available.

World Ayrshire Conference Chairman Steve McDonald of Princeton, IL, says, “This will be a great opportunity to showcase the world’s leading Ayrshire genetics. We’re excited about hosting this event and encourage all of our Ayrshire friends around the globe to participate.”

In addition to the embryo sale, the World Ayrshire Event Sale will be held at the end of World Dairy Expo on Friday, October 7th at 2:00 p.m. This sale will be limited to a maximum of 20 live consignments, five embryo packages and three picks of flushes. All nominations for this sale must be made by August 1st to the ABA office or a member of the sale committee. The only exceptions will be draft animals. Only first and second place entries from the WDE show will be eligible for the draft.

Please contact the ABA office with your nominations or questions.

Ayrshire Yearbook

The Annual Ayrshire Yearbook will be published in September in time for the World Ayrshire Conference and fall national shows. The Yearbook is the perfect way to highlight some of the most prominent and influential Ayrshire females in the breed. It will also be published online at www.usayrshire.com and used for promotional purposes throughout the next 12 months at each event where the U.S. Ayrshire Breeders’ Association is represented, including international activities. You won’t want to miss this great promotional opportunity!

Promote the best cows and heifers in your herd, along with a color photo for each, pedigree/production information and anything else noteworthy about the animal. The cost is just $100 per animal, or a discounted rate of $75 per cow when you advertise four or more. Every Ayrshire herd in the U.S. should be represented in the Yearbook, whether it be your high producers, flush cows, show cows, promising heifers and more! Bulls with semen being marketed may also be advertised in the Yearbook!

Start making plans now to get your pictures ready as we won’t have time to wait. The deadline for entries is August 1, 2016. All photos must be in by August 15, 2016.

The final deadline for the 2016 REWARDS program is approaching!
Applications must be submitted by March 31, 2016. REWARDS is the solution for breeders looking for convenience and cost-savings to enhance the value of their Registered Ayrshires.
Applications are available online: www.usayrshire.com/news.
MARK YOUR CALENDAR!

DEADLINES
March 31, 2016 - Final deadline for 2016 REWARDS program
April 1, 2016 - ABA Intern applications due
April 4, 2016 - Advertising deadline for May/June Ayrshire Digest
April 10, 2016 - Classification sign-up deadline for KY, TN, NC, SC, GA, FL, AL, MS, LA, AR, MO, OK, TX
May 10, 2016 - Classification sign-up deadline for WI
May 15, 2016 - U.S. Ayrshire Breeders’ Foundation 2016 grant applications due
May 15, 2016 - ABA Virtual Tour sign-up deadline for the World Ayrshire Conference
June 10, 2016 - Classification sign-up deadline for CA, NV, AZ, NM, WA, OR, MT, ID, UT, CO
June 24, 2016 - Advertising deadline for July/August Ayrshire Digest
July 10, 2016 - Classification sign-up deadline for IN, MI, OH, WV
July 25, 2016 - Advertising deadline for U.S. breeders advertising in the September/October special Ayrshire Digest for the World Conference
August 10, 2016 - Classification sign-up deadline for NY, ME, NH, VT, MA, CT, RI

SALES
April 1, 2016 - Ohio Ayrshire Spring Sale, Columbus, OH
April 8, 2016 - New York Color Breeds Sale, Syracuse, NY
April 8, 2016 - Kentucky National Sale, Louisville, KY
April 9, 2016 - Wisconsin Spring Sale, Neillsville, WI
April 16, 2016 - PA Spring Sale, Shippensburg, PA
June 17, 2016 - Grand National Ayrshire Sale, Oklahoma City, OK
October 1, 2016 - World Ayrshire Conference Embryo Sale, The Dells, WI
October 7, 2016 - World Ayrshire Event Sale, Madison, WI

MEETINGS
June 13-17, 2016 - National Ayrshire Convention, Oklahoma City, OK
September 20 - October 9, 2016 - World Ayrshire Conference, USA

SHOWS
April 1, 2016 - OH Spring National Ayrshire Show, Columbus, OH
April 9, 2016 - NY Spring Carousel Ayrshire Show, Syracuse, NY
April 16, 2016 - PA Open Spring Heifer Show, Shippensburg, PA
September 19, 2016 - Mid-Atlantic National Junior Show, Harrisburg, PA
September 20, 2016 - Mid-Atlantic National Show (heifers), Harrisburg, PA - Judge Mary Creek
September 21, 2016 - Mid-Atlantic National Show (cows), Harrisburg, PA - Judge Mary Creek
September 22, 2016 - Eastern States National Show at The Big E, West Springfield, MA - Judge Robert Fitzsimmons
October 6, 2016 - International Show (heifers) at World Dairy Expo, Madison, WI - Judge Molly Sloan
October 7, 2016 - International Show (cows) at World Dairy Expo, Madison, WI - Judge Molly Sloan
November 5, 2016 - Southern National Junior Show at NAILE, Louisville, KY - Judge Julie Hemp
November 8, 2016 - Southern National Show at NAILE, Louisville, KY - Judge Selwyn Donald

Please send your calendar dates to the ABA office!

ABA Fee Schedule
Effective January 1, 2015

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Male registration fee for those born before July 1, 2011
(Males: Under 8 months | $25.00 | $35.00 |
Males: 8 to 24 months | $60.00 | $70.00 |
Males: 24 months & older | $75.00 | $100.00 |

Male registration for those born July 1, 2011 & later
(Fee includes DNA testing fee)
(Males: Under 8 months | $100.00 | $110.00 |
Males: 8 to 24 months | $150.00 | $160.00 |
Males: 24 months & older | $200.00 | $210.00 |

MEMBERSHIPS
Junior, valid until 21 years of age | $10.00 |
Senior | $25.00 |
Corp. or Partnership | $25.00 |

DNA Testing
Females | $45.00 |
Males (for those on REWARDS, otherwise included with registration fee) | $45.00 |

TRANSFERS
0-60 days from sale date (domestic) | $15.00* | $20.00 |
More than 60 days from sale date (domestic) | $30.00* | $35.00 |

From Canada to the United States
To Canada, 0-60 days from sale date | $20.00 | $20.00 |
To Canada, > than 60 days from sale date | $25.00 | $25.00 |
Family transfers | $7.00 | $10.00 |

Re: reservations
Farmer (one-time charge) | $50.00 |
Tattoo number/letters (one-time charge) | $20.00 |

Pedigrees
Three-generation pedigree | $6.00 |
Four-generation pedigree | $8.00 |

Sire Summaries
Blue Book - One year subscription (3 issues) | $30.00 |

Ayrshire Digest
One year, periodical rate | $35.00 |
Three years, periodical rate | $95.00 |
One year, first class rate | $50.00 |
Three years, first class rate | $130.00 |

Breeders’ Directory
One year, International (U.S. funds) | $60.00 |

Rush Fees
Rush fee for registration transfer processing | $35.00 |
Overnight shipping registrations/transfer | $35.00 |

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$100 annual fee plus $18 per milking age female

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The ABA office will be closed in observance of the Easter holiday on Friday, March 25, 2016