

13TH *Idaho Cattle Association* ANNUAL **GRASS FUTURITY**

IN THE PAST 12 YEARS, PARTICIPANTS HAVE RAISED OVER

\$500,000

in support of:

CATTLE ACTION LEGAL FUND
POLITICAL ACTION COMMITTEE
BEEF COUNTS

and for the reinforcement of
the Idaho cattle industry.



ENTER YOUR CALF TODAY!

ARE YOU READY?

*Entries open from now until May 1st!
Contact the office for more info.*

ABOUT THE COMPETITION

It's that time of year again! Cattle producers throughout the state are about to put their eye for cattle & genetics to the test.

The Grass Futurity competition kicks off in early May and continues throughout the summer, over a span of 4 months. Top gainers for each month will receive a prize and overall average winners are awarded cash and prizes!

We invite you to survey your herd for the best gain potential or pick a yearling up at the auction. Your entry fee is the steer you enter and is a tax-deductible contribution. Your participation allows the Idaho Cattle Association to raise valuable funding for the Cattle Action Legal Fund. The top gainers will win cash, prizes and, of course, bragging rights. Each entry also receives Grass Futurity branded swag, with repeat participants awarded a special 5-year gift as well.

Don't have a steer? Partner with a business or friend to get entered! We have many individuals who like to partner on steers, so if you'd like to get connected with someone, call the office and we can help you get set up.

Entries are required to fill out the entry form & email or mail back to the ICA office. Email : michelle@idahocattle.org or mail to : Idaho Cattle Association, PO Box 15397, Boise, ID 83715

GRASS FUTURITY REGULATIONS

DELIVERY:

All calves will be delivered to UI Nancy M. Cummings Research, Extension & Education Center (NMCREEC) in early May. The ICA will make all pickup and delivery arrangements. ICA will assume ownership of all cattle upon delivery and all calves will be branded with ICA's official registered iron.

RECEIVING PROGRAM:

All calves will receive the following upon arrival to NMCREEC, or at a time designated by the consulting veterinarian : 8 way clostridial (blackleg) vaccination, 5 way MLV vaccination for BRD, deworming, implanting, and an ear tag. All products will be provided by the ICA and its Allied members.

WEIGHING CONDITIONS:

All calves will be weighed upon arrival to monitor their health. Calves will be weighed again for their on-test weight, on 2 consecutive days. Their on-test weight will be an average of these 2 consecutive weights. Calves will continue to be weighed on a monthly basis to monitor their gain and overall health. The off-test weight will be the average of 2 consecutive day weights, taken at the completion of the futurity. Each calf's average daily gain & total weight will be calculated from the on-test and off-test weights.

NUTRITION

All calves will be placed in a secured lot and fed alfalfa/grass hay, free choice for approximately two weeks prior to the initial weigh-in. Free choice mineral formulated for UI's grazing programs will be provided at all times, as will water. All calves will be grazed on irrigated grass/legume pastures, which are managed using intensive grazing methods. Depending on the availability of pastures, futurity calves may be grazed with UI's replacement heifers.

HEALTH MANAGEMENT

The health of all futurity calves will be monitored daily by NMCREEC staff. Calves will be treated, as needed, for foot rot, pinkeye, pneumonia, etc. as determined by the ranch manager. If necessary, calves will be placed in the "sick pen" until they are healthy enough to co-mingle and return to pasture.

PICK UP

All calves will be shipped out within seven days of the end of the futurity period. NMCREEC will provide labor for load out and will make arrangements for brand inspection. ICA will make all arrangements for the pickup and payment for shipment to market.



ENTRY FORM

To validate your entry, please complete this form & email or mail to the Idaho Cattle Association.

Mail to :
PO Box 15397
Boise, ID 83715

Email : michelle@idahocattle.org

Please call the office with any questions, (208) 343-1615

Consignor's Name(s) _____

Please list the name (ranch or individual) the way you want it published in results

Consignor's Address _____

Email *REQUIRED* _____

This is where monthly results will be sent - please list all addresses for results to be e-mailed

Phone Number _____

Number of Livestock _____ Brand _____

Brand Location _____ Color _____

By signing below, I confirm that I will be donating a calf to the Idaho Cattle Association (ICA) as my cost of entry into ICA's 11th annual Grass Futurity. I understand the calf I am donating will become official property of ICA. I am aware of all official contest rules and will abide by such; otherwise, I will be disqualified from the contest.

Signature _____

Signature (if multiple partners) _____

Date _____ Jacket Size _____

1 per entry