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Officers will be elected at the first Board meeting.

We are now taking application for the 2014 JABGA Leadership Conference that will be at Kansas State University. Dr. Brain Farris is working hard to put together a great conference. We are going to have a ropes course exercise to work on leadership and team building. This should be an exciting opportunity for all youth that are 13 years old and older. If you are interested in the experience download an application from the youth selection of the abga website. www.abga.org

As soon as I have more details I will post them.

Leadership applications available under the Youth Tab on www.abga.org.

The JABGA scholarship applications have arrived in the ABGA office and winners will be announced at the JABGA Annual Membership Meeting in Grand Island, Ne. The Meeting will be June 11 @ 6:00 p.m.

IT'S SHOWTIME!!!

JABGA Goat Judging Contest - A fun competition where young goat enthusiasts compare their goat judging skills with those of industry professionals.

Scrapbook Contest – A competition that provides an opportunity for youth to display their accomplishments in areas of JABGA, 4-H, FFA, Community Service and Boer goats. Scrapbook Contest Criteria is available under the Youth Tab located on www.abga.org. Deadline Extended until May 23, 2014.

Photo Contest – A competition that highlights creativity and diversity among young Boer goat enthusiasts. The categories for this year's contest are Boer goats, Landscape and People. Photo Contest Criteria is available under the Youth Tab located on www.abga.org. Deadline Extended until May 23, 2014.

Public Speaking Contest – A competition that speaks out! **Entry deadline extended until June 9** by 7:00 P.M. The categories for the Public Speaking contest (Peewee Division: 8 & Under (3-5 minutes), *What are your daily activities with your goat(s)?* (Jr. Division: 9 -14 (4-6 minutes), *What does your goat(s) mean to you?*, (Sr. Division: 15 & Over (5-7 minutes), *What could you do to improve the goat industry?*

Speaking Criteria is available under the Youth Tab located on www.abga.org.

Goat Costume Contest – This is a new contest. This should be lots of fun. There are two THEME: Most of Original Super Hero and Contestant's Choice. Goat Costume Criteria is available under the Youth Tab located on www.abga.org.

Boot Scramble – A load of fun; the boot scramble is a competition full of excitement and enthusiasm. Must wear boot to compete this year.

ABGA AWARDS APPRECIATION DINNER - Location will be announced at a later date. The JABGA live auction and silent auction will be held after the dinner. JABGA Scholarship recipients will be announced at the Dinner.

Annual Membership Meeting - The annual membership meeting will be held Wednesday June 11, 2014 at 8:00 p.m.

Silent & LIVE Auction – Everyone is urged to bring an auction item. E-mail the JABGA Youth Coordinator @ cindy@abga.org your name, address and what item you are donating to the JABGA auctions.

2014 NT'L SCHEDULE

Monday, June 9

6:00 am – 4:00 pm unloading
6:00 am – 4:00 pm ABGA Check In (All animals must be checked in during this time)
8:00 am – 4:00 pm Weigh In for **ALL** junior goats (All recorded slips must be turned into office by 5:00 pm)
6:30 pm – JABGA Meet & Greet & Scavenger Hunt

Tuesday, June 10

9:00 am - JABGA National Show
Noon - Lunch
1:00 pm - Resume JABGA National Show

Wednesday, June 11

9:00 am – JABGA Showmanship
Resume JABGA National Show
Noon - Lunch
Noon - JABGA Judging Contest
1:00 pm - Percentage Doe Show
Percentage Pair Classes immediately following the Percentage Doe Show
Percentage Get of Sire
Percentage Doe Herd
6:00 pm – JABGA General Meeting
7:00 pm - JABGA Public Speaking Contest
8:00 pm - General Membership Meeting

Thursday, June 12

8:00 am - Jr Fullblood Does
Noon - Lunch
Noon - JABGA Goat Costume Contest
JABGA Boot Scramble
6:00 pm – ABGA Awards Appreciation Dinner

Friday, June 13

(Diabetes Awareness Day – Proceeds to be donated to the American Diabetes Association)

8:00 am - Yearling and Senior Fullblood Does
Noon - Lunch
Noon - Old Timer's Showmanship
Produce of Percentage Dam
Fullblood Doe Pairs classes

Saturday, June 14

8:00 am - Fullblood Bucks
Noon - Lunch
Buck Pair Classes
Pair Class – Best Pair of Kids – both sexes represented
Group Classes
* All animals must be out of the barn by 8:00 am Sunday

Goats must be registered in the JABGA member's name only. No ranch or family name can be listed in the owner!!!!

DATES & DEADLINES

May 2014

- 23- Photo Contest postmark deadline
- 23 - Scrapbook Contest postmark deadline
- 1- Leadership Conference Application Due

June 2014

- 9- Public Speaking Contest Deadline
- 9-14 - JABGA National Show (Grand Island, NE)

July 2014

- 1- Leadership Conference Application Due
- 5- Area 1 Regional Show, Angel City, CA
- 5- Minne-Goat-A JABGA Sanction Show
- 12-Area 2 Regional Show, Central City, IA
- 14-17 JABGA Leadership Conference
- 18-20 JABGA/ABGA Face to Face Board Meeting

August 2014

- 15- State Fair of West Virginia
- 30- Colorado Boer Classic

Rules for Sanction JABGA shows

1. Exhibitors must be in accordance of the JABGA By-Laws in terms of age and be an active member of the Junior American Boer Goat Association. **Must present JABGA Membership card at check-in.**
2. If the child is present and physically able, they must show their own animal unless they have multiple entries; then they must have another **JABGA member** to show the animal for them.
3. If the child is physically unable or not present due to circumstances such as death in the family, family emergencies, religious reasons, etc; they must have a **JABGA member** show for them, and it must be reported before the goats arrive at the show.
4. JABGA members under the age of nine (9), as of January 1, or members with physical or mental disabilities are allowed to have a heeler in the class, but the member must help in the presentation of the animal. The heeler must be a JABGA member.
5. **All goats must be registered in the JABGA member's name only. No ranch or family name can be listed in the owner section of the certificate.**
6. All ABGA rules, breed standards, classes, judges and entries apply.

Judges

- Judges for JABGA sanction shows are required to be ABGA Sanctioned Show Judges whose name is released no later than sixty (60) days prior to the show date. Host show will be responsible for hiring the judge.

Prizes- To be provided by the ABGA:

- Ribbons for 1st-5th place
- Rosettes for Division Champions and Reserves and Grand and Reserve Champion will read:
JABGA
Sanction Show
Champion or Reserve Buck, Fullblood Doe
or Percentage Doe

Entry Fees

- Entry fees must be **between \$10 to \$20 with late fees no more than double the entry fees.** There will be no pen fees for JABGA Sanction Show. Entry fees will be retained by the host show to cover expenses of show.

Drug Testing

- Drug testing cannot be refused if the show deems necessary.

Cheating

- No specific cheating rule in place but the show may enforce one if deemed necessary. Responsibilities of Host Show
- The host show should provide its own volunteers; the JABGA will not send JABGA board members to assist with the show.
- All documentation must be sent to the Youth Coordinator within thirty (30) days of the date of the show.
- The host show is responsible for taking care of all of necessary paper work for the JABGA Sanction Show.
- The host show will be responsible for paying judges fee, judges travel expenses and facility expenses.



NEED ALL YOUR FAVORITE RECIPES

The JABGA is creating a cookbook as a fundraiser, so we are needing all your grandma's, mom's and even dad's best recipes. We are also going to have a special section for **Goat Recipes**.

Send all recipes to cindy@abga.org

The JABGA will also be selling ad spaces for the 2015 JABGA/ABGA Calendar. Get with a JABGA member or contact Cindy Dusek

Calendar Pricing Example

Full Page Ad	\$1000.00
½ Page Ad	\$550.00
¼ PAGE Ad	\$300.00
Small Ad Space beside Month	\$150.00
Save the Date for sale	\$15.00
Birthday and anniversary	\$5.00
15 x pages	
24 small ad	

A Season of Change



By: Cindy Dusek

The Spring season brings the promise of new beginnings and new adventures for the Junior American Boer Goat Association. The JABGA Board of Directors approved a new version of the JABGA Bylaws on May 13, 2014. The new Bylaws will be presented to the ABGA Board at the July Face to Face. The Youth Builder Program has also produced a successful avenue for the organization. The JABGA hopes to submit a change to the Youth Builder.

I hope to incorporate a Show Point Series for the JABGA.

I look forward to continue to work with the JABGA Board to incorporate new programs that will continue to create a bright future, and reach out to all members collaborating each aspect of the organization: leadership, scholarship, education, goat-related activities, promotion, 4-H and FFA.

If you have any questions don't hesitate to e-mail me at cindy@abga.org or call 325.226.1470



I want to thank the 2013-2014 JABGA Board of Directors for all their hard work and deductions to the Association. I

Estep Sheep & Goat Supply has graciously offer any customer that tells them that they are a member of the ABGA/JABGA they will donate 1% of their sale back to the Jr. Association. They look forward to the opportunities to help support the youth and at the same letting people know who they are and what they can offer. Plus they have also donated a trimming table for the JABGA Auction at the National.

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