## **TEXAS LONGHORN BREEDERS**



Dear Texas Longhorn Exhibitors, Breeders and Friends,

The Texas Longhorn Breeders Gulf Coast Association (TLBGCA) invites you to participate in the **2024 TLBGCA Spring Show**. The World Qualifying Youth and Open Haltered shows (including Miniature divisions in both Youth and Open) will be held on **May 10<sup>th</sup>**, **11<sup>th</sup> and 12<sup>th</sup>**. Please note that the venue has been changed; this year's shows will be held at the **Grimes County Fairgrounds**, located at 5220 FM 3455, Navasota, TX.

New to this year's event will be a Youth Points-Only show on Friday evening. The primary Youth show will be held on Saturday, and the Open show will be held on Sunday. All three shows will include both standard and mini cattle.

Following the Youth show on Saturday, we will have dinner on site. At the dinner we will give away some calves (via random drawing) to some lucky kids, as well as scholarships to some graduating high school seniors. We will miss the majestic live oak trees we used to gather under at Miracle Farm, but we should still have a pleasant and relaxing end to a great day of showing.

Sunday will begin with Cowboy Church at 9:00 a.m. The show will start at 9:30 a.m. The Open show will start with a showmanship competition open to all exhibitors in the Open show. Hey youth, are you good enough to compete with the adult exhibitors? Adults, can you beat the kids?

The full schedule of events and entry forms can be found at **www.TLBGCA.com**. Entry forms will only be accepted on-line. There is a separate form for each entry. At first this may seem like a lot of extra work for those completing the forms, but the forms utilize autofill, so you can fill out multiple forms just about as fast as you could fill out a single form with multiple entries. By having a single form for each entry, we will be able to download the entries into a spreadsheet, which will make the generation of the show program much quicker. If you have questions about the entry forms, please feel free to contact Stephen Head at 979-549-5270 or by e-mail at headshorns@hotmail.com. Entries are due by 4/24/24. Late fees will be assessed after 4/24/24.

## **Accommodations**

Unfortunately, this weekend is graduation for Texas A&M University. The primary two hotels in Navasota appear to be Comfort Inn and Days Inn. At last check, there were still some rooms available at both of these, but they are a bit pricey because of graduation. There is also a "working-class" (old) hotel called Navasota Inn; the prices there are about ½ of the Days Inn and about 1/3 of the Comfort Inn prices, but so is the quality. Brenham is 25 miles away and there are numerous hotels there. Hempstead is 21 miles away, but I haven't checked for hotels there.

If you would like to support the show financially, we have sponsorship opportunities available. You can select a sponsorship level when completing the payment page for the show entries. And if you are interested in providing a very rewarding opportunity to a kid by donating a calf for the drawing, please contact Kathy Lewis, 937-367-4277, for details.

I hope that you will make plans to participate in the 2024 TLBGCA Spring Show. This is a great opportunity to enjoy the spring weather, visit with friends and get those last few animals qualified for the TLBAA World Expo. If you have any questions, please contact me. The TLBGCA and the exhibitors of the Gulf Coast area look forward to seeing you at Grimes County Fairgrounds in Navasota, TX, on May 10th - 12th.

## Stephen Head

305 S. Downing Angleton, TX 77515 979-549-5270 headshorns@hotmail.com