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**BLOCK & BRIDLE CLUB EMBLEM**

The Block & Bridle Emblem is significant to club members of every age. It represents the principles on which this club is built. Character, sincerity, and a moral life are depicted in the straight perpendicular of the "B" and are asked of members when they join. The distinct curves of the "B" are symbolic of the social pleasure, mental energy, and determination of members.

The meat block represents the material aspects of our life. The bridle stands for the behavior of Block & Bridle members, the control over ourselves that we try to maintain, the mannerisms and respect we show toward others, and the way in which we treat animals.

**PURPOSE OF THE CLUB**

On December 2, 1919, student representatives from four animal husbandry clubs met in Chicago, Illinois, and formed the National Block & Bridle Club. The local clubs became chapters in the new national organization. Nebraska was a charter chapter along with Iowa, Kansas, and Missouri. During this meeting, the chapters formed a constitution which included a statement of the clubs objectives.

**They are:**

- To promote a higher scholastic standard among students of Animal Husbandry
- To promote animal husbandry, especially all phases of student animal husbandry work in colleges and universities
- To bring about a closer relationship among the men and women pursuing some phase of animal husbandry as a profession.
HISTORIAN'S WELCOME

April 18, 1997

Dear Members, Supporters, and Friends,

The following year has been one of great excitement, hard work, and accomplishments for all members of the UNL Block and Bridle Club. We hope that with this annual you will see the Reflection of Perfection in our activities as well as the achievement of our members.

We eagerly anticipate the future progress of our club and the diverse fields of agriculture in Nebraska.

We would like to thank all members that helped to achieve an all time high in ad sales and hope that your hard work and dedication will be rewarded at National Convention in Denver, Colorado in 1998.

Additionally, we would like to thank all sponsors and advertisers who make this publication possible.

We would like to leave you with this thought in mind. This is one that we feel describes the ethics and goals of our members:

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- Risk more than others think is safe...
- Dream more than others think is practical...
- Expect more than others think is possible...

Sincerely,

Doyle L. Leefers
1996-97 Historian

Jeff Neumeister
Assistant Historian
April 11, 1997

Block and Bridle Club
Department of Animal Science
University of Nebraska-Lincoln

Dear Block and Bridle Club Members:

The objectives of the Block and Bridle Club, as stated when the National organization was formed nearly 80 years ago, are to promote scholarship among animal science students, to promote student activities in animal science at colleges and universities, and to bring about closer relationship among individuals pursuing the animal sciences as a profession. The University of Nebraska Block and Bridle Club in 1996-97 has continued to achieve these objectives on our campus. Congratulations on your achievements and contributions during this academic year.

Block and Bridle provides a multitude of opportunities for students to develop and practice their leadership skills. Success in the animal agriculture industries of the future will require excellent technical competence, communication ability, problem solving skills and team skills. The leadership and organizational skills you acquire in clubs such as Block and Bridle will be essential for the integration of all your other skills and knowledge to produce successful careers and valuable contributions to your communities and society. You can be justifiably proud of the leadership opportunities you provide to UNL students.

We extend our congratulations for the many honors and recognitions that have come to individual members and to the Club this year. We are especially proud that one of your members received the National Block and Bridle Club Outstanding Senior Award. And we extend our thanks to the officers and committee chairs whose dedication and commitment were so important to the past year’s accomplishments. Lastly, I would like to thank Dr. Kathy Anderson, Dr. Steve Jones and Dr. Daniel Pomp for their dedicated service as the Club’s advisors during 1996-97. Their efforts are appreciated.

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Are You An Active Member?

Are you an active member
the kind that would be missed
Or are you just contented
that your name is on the list?
Do you attend the meetings
and mingle with the flock
Or do you stay home
and criticize and talk?
Do you take and active part
to help the work along
Or are you satisfied to be
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The 1996 Fall Kid's day, held on October 16, had an attendance of 490 children plus their 112 sponsors. A new record was set on March 12 by the Spring Kid's Day, with an attendance of 690 children and 143 adults. It truly was an exceptional year for this event!

The chairpersons for the Fall were Jeff Neumeister and Casey Ramsel. The Spring Kid's Day was chaired by Kris Leska and Judi Woitalewicz. Thank you to all of the club members who volunteered their time and energy, you are the ones who make Kid's Day such fun and learning experience for the children.

Dusty stands patiently through his 20th annual Kid's Day!

Miss Judy Woitalewicz proudly sits upon her wild steed!

Club members display signs of their favorite species.

Who's teaching Who?

Please don't feed the animals

Trod Grabenstein a few years down the road

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This year's Block and Bridle Little Ak-Sar-Ben Showmanship contest was held on October 5th, 1996 in the Animal Science Arena. We had approximately 60 entries, and these entries were exhibited by 50 students. Each student was assigned a randomly drawn animal, and given one week to work with their animal prior to the show.

Little Ak-Sar-Ben is open to any student at the University of Nebraska-Lincoln who is interested in competing in a showmanship contest. Contestants may compete in beef, horse, sheep, or swine showmanship, and each of these classes were divided into two divisions: The novice division for people with no showing experience, and the expert division for people who have shown that species previously in a showmanship contest. The winner of each novice division then competes in the expert division, and each of the four expert division winners compete in a round robin contest to determine the overall Champion Showman.

Committee chairs Kara Greenwood, Carrie Yule, and Jared Walahoski would like to thank Dr. Ted Doane, Cindy Wolverton, Scott Tilton, and Chuck Story for judging the contest, and the Knights of Ak-Sar-Ben for sponsoring all of the plaques for the expert and novice division champions. They would also like to thank all of the contestants and everyone who helped to make this year's show a success.

NOVICE CHAMPIONS
SWINE-CHAD SHULTZ
SHEEP-CHRIS KONECKY
BEEF-JACKIE KNOOP
HORSE-PAT McINTEE
Each Novice Champion received a plaque donated by KNIGHTS OF AK-SAR-BEN

EXPERT CHAMPIONS
SWINE-MIKE HODGES
SHEEP-JEFF SINDELAR
BEEF-SHAWN MOSS
HORSE- CARRIE ANDERSON
Each Expert champion received a plaque donated by KNIGHTS OF AK-SAR-BEN and a $25 gift certificate sponsored by Block and Bridle Club

ROUND ROBIN
CHAMPION-SHAWN MOSS
RESERVE-MIKE HODGES
Both Round Robin winners received a plaque sponsored by KNIGHTS OF AK-SAR-BEN

Mike Hodges accepting a plaque sponsored by the Knights of AK-SAR-BEN from the chairpersons of Little AK-SAR-BEN

Left to Right:
Shawn Moss
Mike Hodges
Carrie Anderson
Jeff Sindelar

Shawn Moss poses with Little AK-SAR-BEN committee chairs: Jared Walahoski, Kara Greenwood & Carrie Yule

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On October 4, 1996, eleven Block and Bridle members loaded up in the "White Whale" and headed to Ames, Iowa for the 1996 North Central Region Block and Bridle Convention. The weekend was filled with fun and games, educational speakers, and tours. Specially, activities included a barn dance, a tour of ISU Veterinary Science, tours of campus, an ultrasound demonstration and much more. Some select individuals had a little more "fun" than others and received personal tours of campus and/or vehicles. Along with the fore mentioned activities we also spent time touring the “Eight Ball” and “Sleeping Like Hogs.” All in all, Ames showed everyone a good time and a big congratulations goes to Doyle Leefer on being elected the 1996-1997 NC Region Vice President.

Block & Bridle members that attended the Regional Meetings at Iowa State

Jeff Neumeister shows off his famous eating skills at the Baked Bean eating contest

Three girls & a dud.

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NATIONAL MEETING

On Dasher! On Dancer! On Prancer! On Vixen! No we didn’t go to the North Pole for National Meetings, but 3 Nebraska B & B members, under the supervision of Dr. Steve Jones, did leave the sub-zero temperatures of Nebraska (close enough to the North Pole) and headed to Orlando, Florida on January 22 for Nationals ’97. After a very enjoyable flight, where Doyle was able to see more snow than he had ever seen before, we landed in Florida to find only a third of all the luggage we originally loaded in Lincoln. But after Doyle’s twenty-some phone calls to the airport to check on the missing baggage, it finally showed up at 2:30 a.m. when Bryan had to answer the door to accept it because Doyle had already passed out.

Seriously, Florida was truly a learning experience for Deb, Bryan, and Doyle. The Nebraskan’s encountered aspects of agriculture that one could never imagine until seeing it in person. Whether it was the Brahman influence cattle or the entire aspect of a sod farm, it was all “New” territory for those that came from the Midwest.

During the four day stay in Orlando, attendees were able to visit the Florida Cattlemen’s Trade Show, listen to a variety of speakers on Florida’s agricultural industry, and of course, tour parts of Disney World. The highlight of convention for the Nebraska clan was the Awards Banquet were the 1995-96 Annual received fourth place overall. The club also had the opportunity to have the fifth place Junior Scholarship Award Winner in Judi Woitalewicz and the first place Outstanding Senior in Deb Roeber.

During their visit to Epcot,
Bryan, Deb & Doyle get in touch with their childhood idol

Deb Roeber accepts her Outstanding Senior award at the National Convention

Bryan & Doyle's' future isn't really all that bright

The Block & Bridle members that had fun in the sun:
(Left to Right:) Bryan Helms
Doyle Leefers
Deb Roeber &
Dr. Steve Jones

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Christmas Lunch marked the end of the 1996 Block and Bridle events.

Tricia and Todd Grabenstein were the co-chairpersons for the December 13th feast which was prepared by Dr. Roger Mandigo and the Meat Lab Staff. During the luncheon the winners of the Little MAEC (Market and Breeding Divisions) Contest, as well as the members of the Junior and Senior Livestock, Horse, and Meat Judging teams, and the current Block and Bridle officers were announced. We would like to thank everyone for helping out and for coming, it was a great way to complete the semester, and a good opportunity for the staff and students to mingle and discuss Christmas Break plans.

**BEEF PIT**

The officers for the fall semester gathered on August 24th and worked a four and half shift at the "Beef Pit." With the help of Block and Bridle, over 1200 people were served 4800 pounds of beef during the 1996 Nebraska State Fair. A big thanks to those officers and members at large that took the time to take orders, serve food, and even clean tables.

Judi, you really shouldn't have your finger up there, especially when you're serving food!

Dan, you are supposed to recruit customers for the Beef Pit, not pick on little girls.
QUARTER HORSE SHOW

The 1997 horse show was held in Columbus, NE this year and went very well. Jodi Jones, Casey Ramser, Troy Anderson, and Rick Kusek were the co-chairs for the horse show and did an excellent job of organizing and running the event. Aside from the snow on Sunday, 95 ropers stayed, making up a large portion of the horse show. This year we also tried an open team penning which followed the AQHA team penning. Mike Scholz added to the late night of team penning by auctioning off the Calcutta teams.
1996 HONOREE - MAX WALDO

Family:  Wife:  Tryka (Patricia)
Children:  Leslie, Lee, Linda
Grandchildren:  Jered, Amber, Laura, Cara, Megan, Jessica & Thomas

Background:

Max Waldo, Vice President of Waldo Farms, Inc. of DeWitt, was selected as the 1996 Block and Bridle Club Honoree at the University of Nebraska. Max was born June 6, 1939 in Franklin, Nebraska. After a move to Weeping Water, Max began his formal education in a one-room school in Cass county and graduated from DeWitt High School at the age of 16. He received his Bachelor of Science degree from the University of Nebraska in 1960 at the age of 20. Max and his wife Tryka, also a UNL graduate, were married in 1959. They have three children and seven grandchildren.

Waldo was cited for his contributions to the swine industry, his community service and his willingness to work with young people. He was selected by members of the UNL Block and Bridle Club and the Department of Animal Science who agreed that one of his greatest contributions is his willingness to work with young people. Waldo, a leader in the swine industry at the local, state, national and international level, has adopted new technology and shared successful techniques with producers world wide.

Max joined his father in the operation as a full partner after he graduated from UNL. Their SPF herd and intensive performance testing began at that time. In spite of extreme fluctuations in profit and losses, expansion has been on-going in order to maintain a competitive edge in providing breeding stock for the ever increasing size of operations within today's rapidly changing swine industry.

Waldo's duroc herd is the oldest known continuously operated herd in the world having begun in 1895, and since 1970, has been the largest recorder in the United Duroc Swine Registry. Other breeds have been added in recent years in order to better serve the needs of the commercial producer. Their total recordings of the four pure breeds they produce make them the largest performance tested purebred swine recorder in the United States. Sales of breeding stock have been made in 49 states and over 25 countries. Max has visited and lectured in several of these countries including Mexico, Canada, Korea, the Philippines, Taiwan and China. Max has been active in the livestock industry for 40 years during which he has played a vital role. He has been a leader, specifically, in the field of swine performance testing and genetic improvement. As a UNL graduate, he has been very supportive of the Animal Science department. He has provided livestock for judging team workouts, has led on-farm seminars for Animal Science majors and has served as guest lecturer in several Animal Science classes.

Max has served the University as a member of the Agriculture Alumni Board, President's Advisory Council, Nebraska College of Technical Agriculture Advisory Committee, and the Agriculture Builders of Nebraska. He has served as a board member for several swine associations within the industry and is an active member of the Nebraska Pork Producers Association. He is past president of the Nebraska Duroc Association, Nebraska SPF Association, Nebraska SPF Export Corporation and the National Swine Improvement Association and is presently serving on the National Pork Producers Council. Max has received a number of awards for his efforts including Out-Standing Alumnus Award from Alpha Gamma Rho, Builders Award from the Nebraska Pork Producers Association, National Hog Farmer Service Award, Pork All-American, Seed Stock Producer of the Year, Newcomen Society of the United States, Public Service to Agriculture Award from the Nebraska Agribusiness Club and the Lincoln Journal-Star Honor Farm Family award.

Besides national livestock organizations, Max enjoys community and church activities. He served 12 years on the local school board and is involved in many areas of the United Methodist Church. He finds his greatest joy in times spent with his children and grandchildren.
IN HONOR OF...

MAX WALDO
1996
HONOREE OF
THE YEAR

Outstanding Senior Scholarship
Judi Woitajewicz

Junior Scholarship
Jared Walahoski

Outstanding Initiate
Carrie Ortegren

Outstanding Sophomore
Bryan Helms

Outstanding Junior
Jared Walahoski

Honorary Members
Doyle Wolverton
Aaron Wull

Senior Work Horse
Shawn Moss

Mike Cull Award
Jared Walahoski
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JUDGING TEAM AWARDS

Derrick Family Scholarships
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 Ryan Baumer
 Steve Johnson

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 Blake Kuebler—2nd in Senior Division
 Jason Hirschfeld—1st in Junior Division

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On Saturday March 22, 1997, 92 exhibitors participated in the 24th Annual Big Red Beef Show, which was held at Platte County fairgrounds in Columbus, NE.

Larry Hafer from Seward, NE judged the market, breeding, and showmanship classes. The show consisted of 65 market animals and 71 breeding heifers representing 10 breeds.

The champion market steer was exhibited by Todd Prinz of Westpoint, NE. The reserve champion steer was exhibited by Adam Pryor of Woodbine, IA. The champion and reserve market heifers were exhibited by Kalya Peterson of Nebraska City, NE, and Chelsea Tuttle of Dorchester NE respectively. The overall Supreme Breeding Heifer which was also the champion Commercial Heifer was exhibited by Steph Cronin of Omaha, NE. Nate Kolterman of Loma, NE exhibited the Reserve Supreme Breeding Heifer which was the Champion Shorthorn Heifer.

The Champion and Reserve Showmen of the Junior, Intermediate, and Senior Divisions were as follows: Tucker Tejkl of Leigh, NE, Levi Roeber of Ashland, NE, Beau Klug of Columbus, NE, Kent Nelson of Ansley, NE, Squire Johnson of Bennet, NE, and Robyn Wilson of Kearney, NE respectively. The beef show chairmen would like to thank all the sponsors and exhibitors for making this year's show a big success. We would also like to thank all the Block and Bridle members who helped with the show.
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CATTLE SALE - FRIDAY
LITTLE MAEC CONTEST
MARKET & BREEDING DIVISION

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This year the Little MAEC (Market and Breeding) contest was held on December 6, 1996, with one hundred and fifty-six students competing. This event allows any University of Nebraska student to compete in a livestock judging contest within the area of three species: Cattle, Swine, and Sheep. Additionally, the participants were able to evaluate live animals for carcass characteristics, such as ribeye, loineye, backfat, and yield and quality grade the different livestock. Deb Roeber, Mike Newston, and Doyle Leefers, would like to thank the Senior Livestock Judging Team for assisting, Pete Olson, and Dr. Keith Gilster in officially placing the classes. Awards were presented at Christmas lunch for top Senior and Junior livestock evaluator; in addition to, the top contestants in each specie.

Committee Chairmen:
L to R
Doyle Leefers,
Unadilla, NE
Deb Roeber,
Ashland, NE
Mike Newston,
Ravenna, NE

Junior Division
Top Overall Team
Mike Webster
Albion, NE
Mike Hodges
Julian, NE
Jason Hirschfeld
Benedict, NE
Brent Pohlman
Plymouth, NE

Senior Division
Individual Hog Winner
Jeremy Dorsey,
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Senior Division
Market & Sheep Winner
Blake Kuebler,
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Junior Division
Overall Winner
Individual Breeding & Hog Winner
Jason Hirschfeld,
Benedict, NE

Junior Division
Individual Sheep Winner
Cindy Zimmerman,
Plymouth, NE

Junior Division
Cattle Winner
Jeffrey Graham,
Belden, NE

Senior Division
Overall Winner
Individual Breeding & Cattle
Individual Beef Winner & Overall Winner - Meats Division
Overall MAEC Contest Winner
Jeff Neumeister,
Weeping Water, NE

Junior Division
Individual Market Division
Terry Houser,
Cambridge, NE
LITTLE MAEC CONTEST  
MEATS DIVISION

On April 1st 1997, the Block and Bridle club in conjunction with the Animal Science Department held the annual spring meats contest. This contest was open to any undergraduate at the university and participation was encouraged by a number of Animal Science faculty. One hundred students participated in the junior division of the contest and 12 students took part in the senior division. The contest gave the students a chance to judge classes of beef, pork, and lamb and answer questions on those classes. We would like to thank Jay Wentther and Rebecca Ross for officiating the contest, as well as the members of the club for helping at the contest and tabulating.

The Overall Junior Division Team Members:
Team Name: 3 Wranglers (L to R)
Ryan Baumert, Chairman; Cory Rains, Dorchester, NE; Greg Kohnz, Neligh, NE; Bob Lantis, Sutherland, NE; Terry Houser, Chairman

As Chad drools over the ribs, the other contestants furiously take notes.

Chief! Chief! The contest isn't over yet?

Chairmen
Ryan Baumert, Howells, NE
Terry Houser, Cambridge, NE

Senior Division
Individual Pork Winner
Jeff Sindelar, Howells, NE

Junior Division
Individual Beef Winner
Drew Glasshoff, Waco, NE

Junior Division
Individual Lamb Winner
Justin Holl, Kenesaw, NE

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Individual Pork Winner
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The State Ag Ed Livestock Selection Contest was held on Friday, April 4. Sixty-five senior teams and 100 junior teams participated, with approximately 660 participants. The contest consisted of market steer, market hog, market lamb and a cull/keep class. The senior individuals also gave three sets of oral reasons and frame and muscle scored 10 market steers.

The results of the contest were as follows:

**Senior Team Division**
1. Elgin
2. Wisner-Pilger
3. Howells-Clarkson

**Junior Team Division**
1. Cedar Rapids
2. Logan View
3. Tekamah-Herman

Several Block and Bridle members spent numerous hours tabulating. The day began at 5:15 a.m. with registration of the senior teams. The tabulation came to an exhausting end at about 8:00 that evening. The Block and Bridle members completed the results in an efficient and accurate manner. Thank you to all the hard work the members put into the big task. A special Thank You to Aaron Wulf who put in many long hours organizing and tabulating the results. Your efforts do not do unnoticed by the Block and Bridle members!

**Kara Greenwood & Bryan Helms-Co-Chairs**

Additionally Block and Bridle Members assisted Doyle Wolverton and faculty with the Livestock Management contest. Approximately 370 FFA members used their knowledge in six different areas: beef, swine, sheep, horse, dairy, and poultry. Contestants were required to take a written test, identify different instruments, and calculate production problems in each specie.

The results were as follows:

**Team**
1) Superior
2) Tekamah-Herman
3) Albion
4) Harrison (tie for third)

**High Individual in Dairy**
Lance Steinhause-Norris

**High Individual in Beef**
Brandon Pohlmann-Tri-County

**High Individual in Sheep**
Patrick Peterson-Rushville

**High Individual in Horse**
Jessie Baldwin-Pender

**High Individual in Poultry**
Rita Wallace-Blue Hill

**High Individual in Swine**
Derrick Dawrow-Diller

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**STATE AGRICULTURAL EDUCATION CONTESTS**

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**Though the tabulating took most of the day, Angela & Steph are still going strong**

**I'm sure Sonya & Kara were glad this was the last time that they had to do that darn tabulation.**

**As usual, Dan watches everyone else work while Misty is all smiles**

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JUNIOR & SENIOR MEATS JUDGING TEAMS

JUNIOR MEATS TEAM

The 1997 junior meats judging team completed the spring semester after competing at two national contests. Contests included the National Western Intercollegiate Meats Judging Contest in Denver, Colorado and the Southwestern Meats Judging Contest in Ft. Worth, Texas. The team placed 8th out of 9 teams at the National Western and 6th out of 6 teams at the Southwestern.

This year’s team was coached by Jay Wenther and assisted by Becca Ross.

Results:

National Western:

Team:
6th beef judging
7th beef grading
5th pork judging
6th lamb judging
6th placings
7th reasons
8th total contest

Individual:
Terry Houser:
9th pork judging
9th lamb judging
5th placings

Southwestern:

Team:
3rd beef judging
9th pork judging
6th total beef
6th lamb judging
3rd placings
6th reasons
6th total contest

Individual:
Terry Houser:
9th beef judging
6th pork judging

Jeff Sindelar:
6th placings

Diane Bohaty:
8th pork judging
8th lamb judging
2nd placings

SENIOR MEATS TEAM

The 1996 University of Nebraska Senior Meats Judging Team participated in the Iowa State Invitational with the team ranking seventh Overall in the contest. The team placed sixth in Lamb Judging. Ryan Baumert tied for fifth in Beef Judging.

At the American Royal, Kansas City, MO, the team was eleventh Overall and placed third in Lamb Judging. Doyle Leefers ranked fourth in Lamb Judging.

Front Row L to R: Ryan Baumert, Howells; Tammy Fojtik, Coach; Luke Kleen, Ruskin;
Back Row L to R: Elton Aberle, Department Head; Steve Johnson, Wisner; Doyle Leefers, Unadilla; Dennis Busron, Advisor
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MEAT ANIMAL EVALUATION TEAM


UNITED NATIONAL COLLEGIATE MEAT ANIMAL EVALUATION CONTEST
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MADISON, WI - February, 1997

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NOBLE RULER
Scott Stehlik
The Junior Livestock Team participated in the National Western Livestock Judging Contest. This contest was held in Denver, Colorado.

The Junior Livestock Team

The 1996 University of Nebraska Senior Livestock Judging Team participated in the following contests:

- Mid-America: Wichita, KS
- American Royal: Kansas City, MO
- North American International: Louisville, KY
- Kansas State University: Manhattan, KS

The 1996 team participated in workouts in Nebraska including a Fall-Western Nebraska workout. The 1996 team appreciates all the help.

Front Row L to R
Chris Hansen, Dan Wolfe, Buffy Williams, Amie Schleicher, Jeff Neumeister

Back Row L to R
Jeremy Dorsey, Adam Olsen, Blake Kuebler, Tony Nicholson, Kurt Knutson, Mike Scholz, Dave Cichoracki, Jared Walahoski. Not pictured: Pete Olsen (Coach), and Elton Aberle (Department Head).

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ANIMAL SCIENCE QUADRATHLON

The annual Animal Science Quadrathlon was held in the Animal Science Complex on April 31st and March 1st. Twenty-three teams competed in the local contest, which is divided into four sections. The four sections are: lab practicum, written exam, oral presentation, and quiz bowl. Their was a tie for first place after the tabulation of the scores, which was broken by the team ranking in the lab practicum. The first place team was "The Block and Bridle Elite," which consisted of Bill Ference, Troy Anderson, Jeremy Dorsey, and Jared Walahoski. Second place went to "Team B," which included Kara Greenwood, Carrie Yule, Lisa Ternus, and Jenny Reel. The top place team represented the University of Nebraska in regional competition, which was held in DesMoines, Iowa on March 16-19. Their sponsors for the trip to DesMoines were Dr. Edd Clemens and Dr. Jess Miner from the Animal Science Department.

Event Winners
Quiz Bowl: Team B
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