

2019 Rang Beef Cow Symposium

Tentative Agenda

Monday, November 18 – BQA Event

Scottsbluff County Fairgrounds, Mitchell NE

1:00 PM	Registration (\$20)
1:30 PM	BQA Introduction <i>Importance, NBQA Finding, VCPR, Record Keeping, Feeding and VFD, Employee Safety and Training, Biosecurity</i>
2:00 PM	BQA Rotation (30 minutes each) <i>Chute Side - Proper Injection Site; Proper Injection Technique (Syringes); Proper Implanting and Handling Implants</i> <i>Trailer Walk Around (New and Possibly Used) - Gross Weights and Ratings; Tools Onboard, Trailer Inspection Safety and Operation; Loading Recommendations Bumper Stickers</i> <i>Animal Health Product Handling and Storage (Refrigerator and Coolers) - Proper Temperatures and Direct Sunlight (Vaccines & Antimicrobials); Coolers Types (CattleVac, Homemade, Merck, etc); Mixing and Handling Vaccines (Read Label Instruction); Modified Live Product (Use: 1 hr, not carried over); BQA Thermometers</i> <i>Fitness for Transport and Euthanasia - Compromised Animals Evaluation and Movement; Protocol, Proper Location, and Equipment; Handling of Euthanized & Disposal; Posters</i>
4:00 PM	Stockmanship Demo (Live Cattle) Processing and Branding <i>Sorting; Rope, Drag, Wrestling; Processing Alley and Chutes</i>
6:00 PM	BQA Wrap Up and Certification <i>Paperwork & Quiz; BQA Assessment</i>
6:30 PM	Done

Tuesday, November 19

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8:45 AM	WELCOME/housekeeping	Karla Wilke
9:00 AM	Underutilization Tech	Ken Olson
9:30 AM	AI when does it pay	John Hall
10:00 AM	Three or four breeds and their traits to add to Angus based herd for complementarity but black hide	Benton Glaze
10:30 AM	BREAK	
11:00 AM	Implementing Profitable Reproductive Technologies	Julie Walker
11:30 AM	Alternative meats and alternative statistics: What do the data say?	Dr. Alison Van Eenennaam
12:15 PM	LUNCH	
1:30 PM	BREAKOUT SESSIONS	
	How to take, preserve and ship samples for DNA, BVD, or pregnancy testing	Kelly Heath, DVM
	Feed samples and reading feed analysis, and mineral tag	Janna Block
	Cowpie ology does NUTBAL work	Adele Harty & Jay Jenkins
	<i>Visit Vendors</i>	
3:00 PM	BREAK	
3:30 PM	Marketing Outlook	Jim Robb
4:10 PM	The Future of Your Ranch, the Future of Your Vision	Bethany Johnston, Ranch Transition Task Manager Nebraska Grazing Lands Coalition
4:40 PM	How the RA Brown Ranch kept the ranch in the family	Donnell and Kelli Brown
6:30 PM	Dinner and Bull pen sessions	Gering Civic Center 1050 M St. Gering, NE 69341

Wednesday, November 20

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8:00 AM	Trade Update	TBA
8:30 AM	Cow Lease - Cash Vs. Shares - Determining what is fair	Aaron Berger
9:00 AM	Adding value to our product: A cow/calf, a feedlot, and a meat science perspective	Britton Blair, Gary Darnall, Amanda Blair
9:30 AM	Hedging, marketing, risk management, who do you talk to	Wacy Kirkpatrick
10:00 AM	BREAK	
10:30 AM	Utilizing technology to better understand cattle grazing dynamics	Mitch Stephenson
11:00 AM	Ways to Dare to be Different	Vern Terrill
11:30 AM	PAP EPD's for Cow/calf producers	Scott Speidel
NOON	LUNCH	

1:30 PM	Maternal influences on the calf rumen microbiome and subsequent impacts on performance and efficiency	Hannah Cunningham @ UW feed efficiency
2:05 PM	Colostrum, vaccines, and setting up the newborn for success	Brian Vander Ley
2:40 PM	Demonstration of using dogs to move cattle	Juan Reyes
3:50 PM	BREAK OUT SESSIONS	
	ET demo, recips as a profit center, live demo of good recips	Jaclyn Wilson and Scott Lake
	Correcting malpresentation at calving	Dr. Caitlin Messerschmidt
	How to do your homework before the bull sale starts, EPDs, goals, and how's he look <i>Visit Vendors</i>	Caleb Boardman
6:10 PM	DONE	
6:45 PM	Dinner followed by Bull pen sessions	Gering Civic Center 1050 M St. Gering, NE 69341