

The Boer Goat Monthly November 2021 Newsletter



**PUMPKINS, CHRYSANTHEMUMS
AND KIDS ON THE FRONT PORCH
IS OUR KIND OF FALL!**

Thanks ABGA Member Shannon Haines for sending this photo!



ABGA is growing!

**So far in 2021, ABGA has
3,034 new members.**

**In 2020, we had 1,978
total new members.**

Boer Goat 101:

How to Fill Out a DNA Request Form

You asked for information on how to fill out a DNA Request Form, so we asked ABGA DNA Administrator Dalton Vaughn to write a step-by-step guide for you.

- 1 Go to ABGA.org.**
- 2 Hover over Resources - *Do Not Click*.**
- 3 Click on Forms.**
- 4 Scroll down; click on DNA Request Form.**
- 5 Download and open the form.**
- 6 When filling out the form there are several things to consider:**
 - You must be the owner of the goat before submitting the DNA request.**
 - If you need DNA for an unregistered goat, please put pending in the place for the registration number.**
 - Make sure you submit the goat's name and tattoos you will use to register the goat.**
 - Fill out the sire(s) information, if you don't know the VGL Case #.**
 - If there are multiple sires or dams, list them.**
 - If you want to run a Database Search, which tries to match DNA with every sire UC Davis has tested through ABGA, put Database Search in the sire's name. There will be a \$10 fee for this service.**
- 7 Fill out payment information.**
- 8 Then email the form to mail@abga.org or mail to 4258 S. Jackson St, San Angelo, TX 76903.**

Member Moment:

Like Grandfather, Like Granddaughter

There is a member in the making in Howe, Ind. Three-year-old "KiKi", the granddaughter of ABGA member Jack Baird, showed her first goat at the Michiana OctoBoer Bash ABGA Show.

"She absolutely loved it," this proud papa said. You've heard the saying following in his father's footsteps. Well, it's following in her grandfather's footsteps this time. "I believe she is hooked on goats now. She loves going with Papa and the goats."

In true Cowboy fashion, "KiKi" sports pink cowboy boots and a pink shirt, even though she calls herself a cowboy, explained Jack, who grew up in a horse family. He's been raising Boer goats for the last 3 years. Talking about his granddaughter carrying on the family tradition at Bairds Boer Goats makes him smile.

"I did 4-H, and we're looking forward to "KiKi" doing it." Then Jack stopped and said, "Actually, we'll get her involved in whatever she wants to do." Regardless of if it's 4-H or FFA or something else, he just likes the fact that "KiKi" enjoys what he does. "She's not blood-related, but she's our grandbaby."





SAVE THE DATE!

The Annual Member meeting is on Saturday, Dec. 11 in Tampa, Fla. It will also be on Facebook Live. We will keep you updated as it approaches. For more information, email mail@abga.org.



JABGA members attend FFA Convention & Expo

JABGA members Alaina Blair, Katelin Baldwin and Allison O'Neal represented the ABGA at the National FFA Convention & Expo in Indianapolis Oct. 27-30.

"It was cool getting to promote something I care so much about," said Alaina, who is a 16-year-old junior and FFA member at Bell High School in High Springs, Fla. She liked meeting new people and getting to experience new things. "There was a lot of interest in ABGA. A lot of people wanted to learn how to become a member of ABGA."

Alaina said many attendees took pictures at the booth too. Having a 'spin the wheel' feature helped make the ABGA booth a popular place to stop. "It was crazy busy most of the time," said 19-year-old Allison, who is from Modera, Calif. "We met a lot of people who own registered goats. They just didn't know about JABGA."

"We met with many corporations and organizations that are excited to partner with ABGA and bolster our member services and educational outreach," ABGA Executive Director Kathryn Carruth said.





Carcass Class Added to 2022 ABGA National Show

ABGA will implement a first-ever Ranch to Rail Goat Evaluation Class at the 2022 ABGA National Show. The point of the class is to highlight the aspects that make a quality meat goat.

Animals will be shown in a standard show format before being slaughtered. Their carcasses will be evaluated to compare the differences. Exhibitors will be required to keep a record book to show their progress throughout the year.

Points will be assigned in each of three divisions: showing, carcass evaluation and record bookkeeping. ABGA will recognize winners in all three divisions, plus an overall winner.



ABGA has 11 videos on one of its YouTube accounts:

- How Do You Pronounce Boer?
- How To Trim Goat Hooves
- How To Tag Your Goat
- How To Tattoo Your Goat
- Interview with ABGA Executive Director: Kathryn Carruth
- ABGA @ The World Championship BBQ Goat Cook Off
- How To Show Your Goat with Hannah Kidder
- How To Register Your Goat

- American Boer Goat Association National Show 2021 III
- ABGA National Show 2021 II
- ABGA National Show 2021 I

Have you watched them? If not, you can at <https://bit.ly/ABGAVideos>.

Susan Burner Plans Weekend Event in Virginia



Backdrop Blvd. Seminar- Interstate Showdown Series

Nov. 6th, 2021

Clearbrook, VA

The last day to submit online entries is Nov 5th.
Entries are not accepted the day of show.

You can edit your entries online until Nov 5th.

Our Region 12 Director Susan Burner planned the upcoming weekend to learn more about goats. If you're in the Virginia area, you should check it out!

The free seminar is now from 1-4 p.m. Order of presenters:

1 p.m. - Katie Carruth will talk about ABGA updates.

2 p.m. - Randall White will review breed standards from a judge's point of view.

3:30 p.m. - Robby Currey from ReproLogix will talk about flushing & breeding options.

There will also be corn hole boards, so bring a chair to hang out & enjoy the fun! Seminar & banquet are in a heated building. The banquet begins at 5 p.m. Sign up at Showman.app. You must register by Nov. 5 to attend because of space & materials.

Calendar of Events

We have a fun November planned! Go to the Events Page on the American Boer Goat Association website to see the full calendar. Please email shows@abga.org if you think there is something incorrect or we are missing something.

JABGA Member a Finalist at National FFA Convention & Expo



JABGA member Emily Acevedo from Starke, Fla. was a 2021 American Star in Agriscience finalist at the National FFA Convention & Expo. Congrats Emily! You can watch and read how she became a finalist for this award at www.ffa.org/the-feed/meet-the-finalists-2021-american-star-in-agriscience/.



ABGA has published four podcasts: ABGA National Show 2021; Kenny Elwood; Michael Mpagi, Randy Dusek, and Kathryn Carruth; and Orsak Boer Goats. If you haven't heard them or want to listen again, you can at <https://bit.ly/ABGApodcasts>.



JABGA Contest Winners from Region Show in Ohio

Skillathon Contest – Junior Division: Colton Dahnke
Skillathon Contest – Intermediate Division: Cannon Wilhoit
Skillathon Contest – Senior Division: Logan Hollen
Public Speaking Contest – Junior Division: Annabelle Kitchens
Public Speaking Contest – Intermediate Division: Cannon Wilhoit
Public Speaking Contest – Senior Division: Logan Hollen
Sales Talk Contest – Junior Division: Colton Dahnke
Sales Talk Contest – Intermediate Division: Luke Hanna
Sales Talk Contest – Senior Division: Makayla Morris
Judging – Junior Division: Annabelle Kitchens
Judging – Intermediate Division: Boston Stapleton
Judging – Senior Division: Makayla Morris
Fitting Contest Champion – Junior Division: Cannon Wilhoit & Addison Shandy
Fitting Contest Reserve – Junior Division: Kortlyn Miller & Brade Wright
Fitting Contest Champion – Senior Division: Bailey Hanna & Tanner Dahnke
Fitting Contest Reserve – Senior Division: Macie Elliot & Wilson Kegley
High Point Overall – Junior Division: Annabelle Kitchens
High Point Overall – Intermediate Division: Cannon Wilhoit
High Point Overall – Senior Division: Logan Hollen
High Point Overall: Logan Hollen

WEBSITE MAKEOVER

ABGA hired a new company to finish redoing the website. While it is still in the middle of the renovation, it will now be done quicker. We are grateful for your patience during this process. If there is anything you would like to see on the website, please email editor@abga.org.



Industry News

American Goat Federation needs your help! They have partnered with American Goat Initiative to collect input from goat owners across the U.S. and are asking you to take a few minutes to complete this survey: <https://bit.ly/AGFsurveyforUSDA>. They will present this to the USDA, research units and universities. The deadline is Nov. 5, and survey results will be discussed at 2021 annual meetings on Nov. 13.

Reminders From The Office

DNA Policy

To request a DNA Kit, you must be the owner of the animal.

UC Davis

According to Dr. Rebecca Bellone, Ph.D. UC Davis is attempting to put more staff in place, but they are running a minimum of 25-30 BUSINESS days

Registration

If you start a registration online, you ***must*** finish it online. If you encounter problems or technical difficulties, please contact us. Open/incomplete online registrations will cause delays in processing all other registrations. When doing a transfer on Onlive Live, the seller is responsible for the transfer to the

When Calling The Office

Your call to headquarters will be much easier & faster if you have your Member ID handy. If you don't know your ID, please e-mail mail@abga.org. Your member ID is also known as your account number.

Committees Set

behind.

new owner.

All committees have been set. Thank you to everyone who applied.

Be Ready to Renew Membership

Membership renewals are coming up, so make sure your contact information is up to date. If it isn't, please e-mail mail@abga.org.

Animal Naming

The ABGA is a family-oriented and youth-gear organization. Please do not register your animals with a name that can be considered rude, inappropriate, a racial slur or a curse word - in any language.

Annual Meeting Postponed

The annual meeting has been postponed. We would like to have it during the face-to-face meeting in December, so more information than just the financial data can be shared.

How to Email

Don't forget - send emails to mail@abga.org.

Transfer Change

ABGA members are no longer able to create non-member accounts online when transferring in the past. The feature has been disabled because too many accounts were created for one person.

Updated Judges List

The approved sanctioned show judges list has been approved. Reach out to shows@abga.org if you need a judge.

Looking for partners

We are looking for great partners! If you know of companies you would like to see partnered with ABGA, please contact katie@abga.org.

ABGA in Russellville Ky. this weekend

A couple of ABGA representatives will be at the Logan County Ag Arena, located at 255 John Paul Road in Russellville, Ky., for a Q&A session on Saturday, Nov. 6. Email operations@abga.org for more information.

UC Davis Udate

Upcoming Holiday Closures

The lab will be closed on the following University holidays:

November 11, 2021

November 25-26, 2021

December 23, 2021 - January 2, 2022

Please plan time-sensitive shipments accordingly.



We're closed!

ABGA Holiday Closures:

Thanksgiving: Noon Nov. 24-26

Christmas: Dec. 23-25

New Years: Dec. 31-Jan.1





recipe

Appetizer Goat Kabobs

ingredients

2 lb. goat meat cut into squares

1/2 C lemon juice

1/2 C vegetable oil

1/4 C soy sauce

3 T fresh parsley

2T chopped onion

1/2 t salt

1/2 t pepper

1 clove garlic, minced

directions

Mix all ingredients together. Marinate 2-3 hours. Thread goat on wooden skewers. Broil 3-4 minutes, 6 inches from heat, on each side. Baste occasionally with reserved marinade.

This is former JABGA Area 4 Director Issac Ridding's recipe that was featured in our JABGA's cookbook.

What is your favorite way to prepare goat for your family or the Thanksgiving holiday? We would love to see your recipes and share them on social media and in our e-newsletter and magazine! Please email them to editor@abga.org.

HAPPY THANKSGIVING



We hope your Thanksgiving is filled with pumpkin spice, everything nice and family, friends and food!

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