

## **Press Release for the 2007 National Belgian Blue Show**

Belgian Blue cattle breeders from across the Midwest took home top prizes and banners in their breed show Thursday, August 16, at the 2007 Iowa State Fair. The Belgian Blue breed allows cattle with low and high percentage bloodlines, as well as purebred animals, to register and participate in designated classes in the Fair competition. The National Event included the show, membership meeting, and a benefit auction.

The following awards were presented at the Annual Membership Dinner.

2007 Premier Cow

Schlichte's B.B.U.

Owned by Cindy and Kylie Schlichte of Schlichte Cattle Co., Merrill, IA

Sire: JTC Qousin Navigator

Dam: Schlichte's Sinai

Premier Bull 2007

MNP Blue Randa

Owned by Connie and Richard Brooks, MNP Farm Fair Grove, MO

Sire: Ridge Dean Mahogany

Dam: MNP Blue Razoo

Premier Breeder

Stanley Jones , Jones Cattle Company of Nacogdoches, Texas.

A long time breeder and promoter of the Blues. Stanley was one of the first to import cattle to the US.

Michel Lamarche is from Gérompont, Belgium. was the 2007 National Show Judge. The percentage show of the National Show was judged by Harold Brubaker of Asheboro, NC.

"The show was a huge success for the breed. We had an excellent show with very quality cattle viewed by a large crowd of spectators." C. Brooks – President, American Belgian Blue Association.

2007 National Show Results:

Grand Champion Bull - SCH Opium Ottis

Sire: Opium De Chocquenee, Dam: De LoOriginal Ginette ET

Shown by DeShazo Farms, Bokoshe, OK

Grand Champion Cow - Jones's Squirt ET

Sire: Franchi De La Bonne Raie, Dam: Jones' Tiffany

Shown by Jones' Cattle Company of Nacogdoches, TX

Sieren Cattle Company of Hedrick, IA exhibited the Grand Champion Low Percentage Female and the Reserve Grand Champion Percentage Bull banners.

Daniel Wilson of Redfield, IA earned the Reserve Grand Champion Low Percentage Female

title.

JSH Belgian Blues of Haines, OR, captured the Grand Champion High Percentage Female honors.

Buss Beef Barn of Denver, IA won the Reserve Grand Champion High Percentage Female, Reserve Grand Champion Purebred/Fullblood Female, Grand Champion Iowa Bred and Owned Female and Grand Champion Iowa Bred and Owned Bull titles.

Linders Belgian Blues of Marshfield, MO, took the Grand Champion Percentage Bull accolades.

Kountry Blues of Stanley, IA earned the Reserve Grand Champion Iowa Bred and Owned Female title.

MNP Farm of Fair Grove, MO, took the Reserve Grand Champion Purebred/Fullblood Bull banner.

Erik Buss of Denver, IA earned the Reserve Grand Champion Iowa Bred and Owned Bull honors.

Division champions in the Belgian Blue Cattle Show included:

Champion Low Percentage Prospect Steer – Erik Buss, Denver, IA  
Reserve Champion Low Percentage Prospect Steer – Sieren Cattle Company, Hedrick, IA  
Champion High Percentage Prospect Steer – Elmcrest Genetics – Kehril Kattle, Manchester, IA  
Champion Low Percentage Market Steer – Daniel Wilson, Redfield, IA  
Reserve Champion Low Percentage Market Steer – Daniel Wilson, Redfield, IA  
Champion Low Percentage Heifer – Sieren Cattle Company, Hedrick, IA  
Reserve Champion Low Percentage Heifer – Daniel Wilson, Redfield, IA  
Champion High Percentage Yearling Heifer – JSH Belgian Blues, Haines, OR  
Reserve Champion High Percentage Yearling Heifer – Buss Beef Barn, Denver, IA  
Champion High Percentage Cow/Calf – Linders Belgian Blues, Marshfield, MO  
Champion Percentage Bull Calf – Sieren Cattle Company, Hedrick, IA  
Reserve Champion Percentage Bull Calf – MNP Farm, Fair Grove, MO  
Champion Percentage Yearling Bull – Sieren Cattle Company, Hedrick, IA  
Reserve Champion Percentage Yearling Bull – Steve Kinser, Hugoton, KS  
Champion Percentage Senior Bull – Linders Belgian Blues, Marshfield, MO  
Champion Purebred/Fullblood Heifer Calf – Jones' Cattle Company, Nacogdoches, TX  
Reserve Champion Purebred/Fullblood Heifer Calf – Kountry Blues, Stanley, IA  
Champion Purebred/Fullblood Yearling Heifer – Jones' Cattle Company, Nacogdoches, TX  
Reserve Champion Purebred/Fullblood Yearling Heifer – Buss Beef Barn, Denver, IA  
Champion Purebred/Fullblood Senior Female – Kountry Blues, Stanley, IA  
Reserve Champion Purebred/Fullblood Senior Female – Schlichte Cattle Company, Merrill, IA  
Champion Purebred/Fullblood Bull Calf – Buss Beef Barn, Denver, IA  
Reserve Champion Purebred/Fullblood Bull Calf – Lacy DeShazo, Bokoshe, OK  
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