

# RED WATTLE HOG ASSOCIATION NEWSLETTER

## RECOVERY PROGRAM COMING TO A CLOSE

The Red Wattle Hog Association Board of directors has voted unanimously to close the Red Wattle Recovery Program on January 1, 2013.

This program allows owners of purebred RW's that do not have registration papers to apply for Recovery Registration of these animals. It is important that all purebred

RWs be documented. Registration helps to document population, distribution and heritage of the Red Wattles. It also gives credibility to breeders who sell breeding stock, and registration adds value to animals sold as breeding stock.

Now is the time to make a concerted effort to locate any purebred Red Wattles

that have not been documented. And for those who have not registered purebred stock for several generations this is your opportunity to have these animals recorded and registered.

Follow the instructions on page 5 to submit animals for Recovery.

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## 2010 ELECTION RESULTS

Anneke Jakes the Breed Registry Manager at the ALBC graciously agreed to count ballots for the 2010 RWHA elections. The results of the election were announced at the RWHA Annual Meeting held at the Small Farm Show and Conference in November.

Your elected officers are:

Brian Jordan, President through November 2012

Jim Parker, Vice President through November 2013

Dot Jordan, Secretary/Treasurer through November 2011

Board of Directors Members at Large:

Clyde Grover, through November 2011

Cindy Huggins, through November 2011

Thank you to everyone that ran for office it is great to know we have so many people willing to serve.

RWHA Annual meeting at the Small Farm Show & Conference in Columbia, Missouri



# MINUTES OF THE 2010 ANNUAL MEETING

The meeting was called to order by President, Brian Jordan.

Individuals present were: Brian Jordan, Donna O'Shaughnessy, Keith Parrish, Clyde Grover, Ron Luce, John Koch, Erin Koch, Clarence Mays, George Loucks, Rebecca Lamb, Garrette Caryl, Terri Luce, Theresa Schieffelbein. Minutes of the 2009 annual meeting were read by Brian Jordan. A motion to approve the minutes as read was made by: Clyde Grover and seconded by Clarence Mays. The 2010 Treasurer's report was reviewed by the membership. A motion to accept the treasurer's report as written was made by Clyde Grover with Keith Parrish seconding the motion.

Old Business: Discussion of ratification of bylaws by the membership present followed. Motion to accept the bylaws as written was made by: Clarence Mays and seconded by Clyde Grover. Motion carried.

Copies of the RW Breed Standard were then circulated to those present. Discussion followed about creating a breed guideline in words and pictures to help new breeders more affectively and confidently select breeding animals. Teat count was discussed as an important trait to look for. It was suggested that gilts should have no fewer than 10 teats and Boars no fewer than 12 teats. Discussion followed on whether this would be a requirement or a guideline. Donna O'Shaughnessy agreed to help gather pic-

tures for this project. A suggestion was made that all breeders take pictures of their stock and submit them. Pictures submitted of hogs should include front, back, right and left side and a view looking down on the pig. Discussion followed about the variations within the breed from region to region and the importance of temperament of breeding Red Wattle hogs.

The subject of promotional items was discussed next. Brian outlined the Café Press online store program. Discussion followed about creation of an online store to produce promotional items. General agreement was reached to create the online store with Dot Parker Jordan to proceed with this process. An announcement was made that customizable electronic brochures are now available upon request from redwattles@hotmail.com

Discussion of the vacant Technical Director position came next. The difficulty of filling this position with an ALBC Master Breeder was discussed. Questions were voiced regarding what it takes to be ALBC Master Breeder certified. It was suggested that the bylaws be amended to remove this criteria. No decision was made at this time. It was agreed that this issue will be revisited at the next BOD meeting.

A question was voiced regarding helping heritage hog breeders to create feeder pools or coop arrangements. Brian agreed to contact

ALBC regarding this project. He will also check on the Meat Map project with ALBC.

Anneke Jake's {suggestion sent via email } that sellers pay for transfers/registrations at time of sale was discussed next. It was agreed the RWHA would recommend that all sellers pay the cost of registration or transfer and file the appropriate paperwork with the ALBC. Donna O'Shaughnessy motioned to approve this recommendation with Clyde Grover seconding.

The Recovery program phase out was next on the agenda. Copies of the recovery guidelines were distributed to those attending. It was announced that Recovery will close January 1, 2013. Specific questions regarding individual hogs were addressed and everyone was encouraged to recover any known Red Wattles that are not currently registered with the RWHA/ALBC. How to become a member of RWHA and the new voting/membership system was reviewed. Several folks stepped up to become new members at the meeting. Next on the agenda came the Life Time Achievement Award created by the Board of Directors earlier this year. Discussion followed regarding what the award should constitute within a \$75/year budget. A plaque or Red Wattle T-shirt was suggested. Erin Koch motioned that a plaque be created for this award. This motion was seconded by Terry Luce. Discussion followed on how

to market finished hogs. Suggestions included: local grocers, approaching Chefs, farm store, and farmers markets. It was noted by Donna and Keith of South Pork Ranch that they sell by the 1/2 and whole hog to chefs and this includes organ meats and feet and heads. They noted that they cannot produce animals quickly enough to meet the demand. How to present your meats to let people know you have a quality product was also discussed. It was noted that a too low price sends a message that you do not have anything special to offer.

The next item on the agenda was the Breed Up Program and the phase out of this program. Copies of the instructions for using the breed up program were distributed. Members were encouraged to consider this program.

Next, Brian Jordan announced the 2010 election results: Vice President: - Jim Parker, Board of Directors Members at large - Cindy Huggins and Clyde Grover

Discussion followed regarding the poor return of ballots for the election. Brian encouraged all present to exercise their right to vote. He called for any suggestions for increasing the participation in elections. No consensus was reached.

At this point, Donna O'Shaughnessy asked that each member present stand to introduce themselves and their farm. Introductions followed. A motion to adjourn the meeting was made by Clyde Grover. Seconded by: Clarence Mays

## BREED UP PROGRAM IS STILL AVAILABLE

The RWHA Breed Up Program is still available. This program allows breeders to bring new genetics into the RW breed using a controlled breeding program. This program is available to all RW breeders.

To participate breeders need to contact the RWHA by letter to register their Breed up Program. Letter should include: Name, Farm Name, contact information and the Names/numbers of the animals which will be used to start the breed up program.

This is how the program works:

This plan is the breed up program approved for the Red Wattle Hogs. **Only purebred Red Wattle boars shall be used.** Other breed boars on Red Wattle sows will not be allowed. We must protect our purebred females and only use them to produce pure stock. Breed up programs must be documented with ALBC AND RWHA.

1st Litter	1/2	50%
2nd Litter	3/4	75%
3rd Litter	7/8	87.5%
4th Litter	15/16	93.25%
5th Litter	31/32	96.88%

1. Mate a registered Red Wattle Boar to a female of choice. Ear notch and document resulting females. Females only will be registered and marked with 50% purity by the American Livestock Breeds

Conservancy (ALBC) Pedigree Registry. (Registration form must be submitted to ALBC).

2. Mate a registered Red Wattle Boar with a 50% Red Wattle female from the first litter. Ear notch and document resulting females. Females only will be registered and marked with 75% purity by the American Livestock Breeds Conservancy (ALBC) Pedigree Registry. (Registration form must be submitted to ALBC)

3. Mate a registered Red Wattle Boar with a 75% Red Wattle female from the second litter. Ear notch and document resulting females. Females only will be registered and marked with 87.5% purity by the American Livestock Breeds Conservancy (ALBC) Pedigree Registry. (Registration form must be submitted to ALBC)

4. Mate a registered Red Wattle Boar with an 87.5% Red Wattle female from the third litter. Ear notch and document resulting females. Females only will be registered and marked with 93.25% purity by the American Livestock Breeds Conservancy (ALBC) Pedigree Registry. (Registration form

must be submitted to ALBC)

5. Mate a registered Red Wattle Boar with a 93.25% Red Wattle female from the fourth litter. Ear notch and document resulting females. Females only will be registered and marked with 96.88% purity by the American Livestock Breeds Conservancy (ALBC) Pedigree Registry. (Registration form must be submitted to ALBC)

6. 96.88% pure Red Wattle Hogs eligible for registration must meet guidelines outlined in the Red Wattle Hog Breed Standards. Pictures of front, back, left side, and right side views must be submitted with registration form. Pictures and registration form must be sent to: RWHA, 7024 Spearsville Rd, Morgantown, IN 46160

Pictures will be inspected by the RWHA Board of Directors. Upon approval of the RWHA Board of Directors the registration application will be forwarded to the ALBC Pedigree Registry.

7. The Red Wattle Hog Association reserves the right to cancel registrations on animals that do not meet the breed standard or if it is determined the animals are fraudulently represented in any way.

8. The applicant will pay all costs that may be involved in the breed up program.

### DURATION OF BREED UP PROGRAM

The Breed Up Program will close on January 1, 2013. All animals which have been documented with the ALBC and RWHA as part of a breeder's Breed Up program prior to this date shall be eligible to complete the breed up to 96.88% pure and be included in the Red Wattle Registry as laid out by the rules of the Breed Up Program even if the successive matings are not completed by January 1, 2013. However, breed up programs started after February 11, 2010 must be completed in five years or less from the date the Breed Up program was initiated to be considered for registration.

NOTE: Registration numbers for breed up animals will be comprised of the letter "B" a number, followed by a period and the number representing the percentage RW the animal is.

*For example:*

B2740.50

Breed up animal number 2740 is 50% Red Wattle

## SHOW YOUR PIGGY PRIDE!

The Red Wattle Hog Association  
announces its new online store:

<http://www.cafepress.com/savetheredwattles>

Thanks to Café Press we are able to offer original T-shirts, Sweat shirts, hoodies and other Red Wattle gear.

Profits from the **Save The Red Wattles** online store go toward programs to promote and preserve Red Wattle Hogs through the efforts of the RWHA.

Check back often to see new items as they are added.

Show your piggy pride and help save the Red Wattles!



<http://www.cafepress.com/savetheredwattles>

## Red Wattle Breed Standard

Red Wattle Hogs should be of red coloring. Color may range from almost yellow to almost black, with medium red being preferred.

Each hog presented for registration shall have:

Good feet and sturdy, straight legs set well apart by a broad chest.

A well muscled, free moving active body

A back that is firm, not soft and pliable

A nose of medium length: straight or slightly concave

The following ear conformations are acceptable: erect, tipped or lop.

These hogs shall be of good, quiet disposition.

Each animal shall have 2 well formed wattles.

# Red Wattle Hog Association Recovery Program

To submit hogs for recovery the owner must supply the following: pictures of the front, back, right side and left side of the hog with at least one picture showing the 2 wattles clearly, and a completed application form for recovery. Pictures and application should be mailed to the RWHA secretary. (Pictures and documents may be sent USPS or by email.) The secretary will then copy the application and pictures to the members of the RWHA Board of Directors. Voting by the directors will follow. If the animal visually meets all requirements for a Red Wattle hog as set out by the breed standard, the owner will be contacted and a Recovery Registration number (R1) will be issued by the ALBC Pedigree Registry. The first litter from a Recovery Registered hog (sow or boar) must also be submitted in the same manner to the RWHA Board of Directors. If all animals visually meet the requirements for a Red Wattle Hog, then Recovery Registration numbers (R2) will be issued by the registry.

Offspring from R2 animals will be qualified for full registry if the animal fully meets the Red Wattle Hog Association breed standards.

The Red Wattle Hog Association reserves the right to cancel any recovery program registration if: the animal does not breed true to the breed standard and/or it is determined the animal was fraudulently represented in any way.

The Red Wattle Hog Association Recovery Program will close January 1, 2013.

Recovery forms are available upon request from:

redwattles@hotmail.com or RWHA, 7024 Spearsville Rd, Morgantown IN 46160

If you have questions about the program contact Dot Parker Jordan, Sec/Treas at the address above or call:

812-360-7765

## AMMENDED RWHA BYLAWS APPROVED

The amended bylaws of the RWHA were reviewed at the annual meeting and approved by the membership.

A copy of the bylaws are included with this newsletter for your convenience.

Any questions should be directed to:

RWHA  
7024 Spearsville Road  
Morgantown IN 46160

OR

redwattles@hotmail.com



**DON'T FORGET TO RENEW YOUR MEMBERSHIP IN THE  
RED WATTLE HOG ASSOCIATION FOR 2011!**

# Red Wattle Hog Association Membership Form 2011

Name \_\_\_\_\_  
Farm Name \_\_\_\_\_  
Address \_\_\_\_\_  
City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_  
Phone \_\_\_\_\_ Cell \_\_\_\_\_  
Email \_\_\_\_\_  
Website \_\_\_\_\_

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It is very important to keep our census of hogs up to date.  
Please indicate the number of hogs you have in the following areas:

Registered Red Wattle Females \_\_\_\_\_  
Registered Red Wattle Males \_\_\_\_\_ Castrated Males \_\_\_\_\_  
Crossbred Females \_\_\_\_\_ Crossbred Males \_\_\_\_\_

If you have not already done so, please enclose your 2011 dues:  
\$25 for Single membership (1 vote)  
\$40 for Farm/Family membership (2 votes)

***Membership runs from January 1 – December 31***

*Please make check payable to:*

*Red Wattle Hog Association*

Send dues to:

Red Wattle Hog Association  
C/O Dot Jordan, Sec/Treas.  
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