

Buckeye Breeder's Series

The Buckeye Breeders Series (BBS) is now part of the OCA BEST program

New for 2020-2021 the BBS BEST points division, formerly known as the Best of the Buckeye program, features cattle bred in Ohio and runs throughout the BEST show season.

Registered steers and heifers bred by an Ohio breeder are eligible. Crossbreds are not eligible. Beginning with the Scarlet & Gray Midwest Showdown held Jan. 2-3, 2021 at the Clark County Fairgrounds in Springfield and continuing at the remaining BEST shows, BBS cattle entered in the BEST program will have their own separate set of points that will run parallel to the BEST program, like the Novice and Bred & Owned Divisions whose points are a subset of their regular class points. BBS placings and points will coincide with the show's original class placings.

BBS cattle and their breeders who are OCA members will be recognized at every BEST show.

BEST participants will enter cattle eligible for the BBS through the BEST program's online nomination and show entry website at no additional cost beyond the \$60 per animal BEST nomination fee. Entries for the BBS may be made for eligible cattle at any point throughout the season and BBS points will accrue with their first show.

**There will no longer be a BBS breeder nomination fee. BBS Cattle will be entered by the exhibitors by nominating them for the BEST program at \$60 per head.*



FOR BBS BREEDERS

Breeders who are OCA members with BBS qualified cattle in the BEST program will be entered to win a one year's use of 835M John Deere Gator.



FOR BBS EXHIBITORS

Exhibitors showing BBS qualified cattle will be entered to win a one year's use of a 26' Eby Ruff Neck Final Drive Trailer. This trailer is in addition to the trailer awarded to a BEST participant each year. There will be 2 trailers this year - one specifically for BBS exhibitors!

The winners of the trailer and the gator will be drawn at the BEST banquet in May.

For cattle to be eligible for BBS points, they must be registered and bred by an Ohio breeder. ET calves and calves out of purchased bred cows are eligible if they list an Ohio producer as the breeder. Note if BBS eligible cattle are registered in multiple owners' names, as-long-as one of the owners listed on the registration paper is from Ohio, the animal is eligible for nomination.

The Cattle Battle, Jan. 30-31, and the Ohio Beef Expo, March 21, BEST shows will feature additional BBS steer and heifer breed division championship drives

The top two BBS animals from each class will come back following each breed's final drive to show for the BBS final drive. A BBS champion and BBS reserve champion animal will be named from BBS eligible cattle in every heifer and steer breed division. The Ohio Beef Expo will award additional premiums to the Champion and Reserve Champion BBS cattle in each division. Breed associations may make additional premium donations to their breed's BBS cattle. All breed association premium donations will be recognized.

BBS cattle can be entered through the last show of the season, the Ohio Beef Expo BEST Show. BBS eligible cattle sold in 2021 Ohio Beef Expo breed sales can be entered into the BBS points division by making a BEST program nomination and entering the Ohio Beef Expo BEST Show immediately following the sale, providing the new owner is eligible to participate in the BEST program.

Both breeders who are current OCA members and exhibitors of the top placing BBS cattle will receive year-end awards at the OCA BEST Awards Banquet on May 1, 2021.

Ohio breeders are encouraged to use the BBS logo in their sale advertisements and promotions. The logo can be downloaded at ohiocattle.org.

2020-2021 BBS Sponsoring Partners



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