Letter from the President

Hello everyone!

Show season is winding down for those of us in the southwest. In some areas of the country, it’s just beginning and for others, they are smack dab in the middle of a full show schedule. As I write this, I am looking forward to the Nigerian Dwarf's debut at the American Dairy Goat Association's National Show. It promises to be a fun filled week full of expectation. I hope to meet a lot of our members as well as see many of those "internet stars" that I often sigh over when surfing through websites.

Since taking over the office of president, our board of directors has accomplished many of our goals and we’ve put many more options on the table to look at as we progress. I’m looking forward to working with our directors to solve the association’s problems as well as take on new projects. I feel like we have a very passionate group with a wide range of purposes for our little girls. Some of us are hobbyists, others raise Nigerians strictly for show purposes, some have made them a part of a sustainable agricultural base, while others choose to keep pasture ornaments, and still others focus on a business plan that covers any number of goals. Whatever our reasons for raising our beloved goats, we have a common purpose, to promote our breed.

During my term as president, I hope we can dispel many of the myths surrounding Nigerian Dwarves and bring factual data to the fore so more folks who become involved in the breed over the next few years will have a more accurate picture of what they can expect when raising our diminutive dairy goats. Are you interested in milk quantity; we'll have that information for you? Are you interested in the average butterfat percentage; we'll have that information for you? How about height to production ratios, I'd like to have that available as well? I'm excited about this project and am thrilled to have a group of committee members taking an active interest as well.

Congratulations to our JuJu participants, All American Winners as well as our Total Performer winner. I hope to see many more of our members participating in our programs next year. Congratulations also to our Specialty Show winners! Great job folks! And since I'm handing out "kudos", a big shout out to all those 'Best in Show' winners. It seems we've had a rather large number of Nigerian Dwarves taking the top honors at shows this year. What an accomplishment!

I’d like to thank our volunteers as well. Thanks for all of your hard work and dedication to the breed club. It's appreciated!

Ellen F. Dorsey ~ President
American Nigerian Dwarf Dairy Association

Mark Your Calendars!

ADGA Convention- Oct 16 – 23
Look for a message from the Arizona Host Club in this newsletter! Do you have your reservations booked?
California Guacamole

By: Sharon Warren
DesertNanny Nigerian Dwarf Dairy Goats

Ingredients:

- 2 California avocados, about 1 pound
- ½ Cup finely crumbled, chilled, fresh white goat cheese
- ¼ Cup chopped, fresh cilantro
- 2 Tbsp chopped, toasted pistachio nuts
- ¼ tsp (or to taste) crushed, red pepper flakes
- 2 large cloves garlic, finely chopped

Instructions:

Coarsely mash (DO NOT PUREE) avocados. Fold in remaining ingredients. Guacamole is best made as close to serving as possible. For short-term storage, seal in an airtight container with a piece of plastic wrap against the surface of the guacamole. If you like what you are seeing in your newsletter and would like to help with new submissions, Please! send your ideas to: kekelani2003@yahoo.com

Want something for nothing? How about some free advertising?

The board has voted to create a set of display notebooks that are being used at conventions, conferences and shows such as the ADGA/AGS Nationals and other events where an ANDDA display table might be set up. These notebooks (one for each region) consist of a single herd display page for each ANDDA member. What is requested for the books is a single 8 ½ x 11 page that highlights your farm/herd. Your page can contain your herd information, contact and web information, some text and photos, however NO ADS are allowed since the intent for the note books is informative and not a for sale type of display. We are asking interested members to send their information ASAP so they can be included in the display at events this summer show season, and special events keeping it as up-to-date as possible. If you need some assistance in creating a display page or have any questions, please contact: Ellen Dorsey ellendill@sbcglobal.net
Spring 2010 Pima County Fair, Best in Show Winner!

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**ADGA Junior Best Doe in Show**

**DesertNanny BR Teresa**

**Sire:** DF Farms HD Barney Rubble V

**Dam:** DesertNanny Icy Blue Mama Mia 2*D

Pima County Fair, Tucson, AZ

April 17, 2010

Judge: Todd Biddle

206 all breed junior does
Goat’s Milk Vanilla Ice Cream
Yield: 2 quarts

3 egg yolks... beaten
1/2 cup sugar
1/4 t. salt
1 c. milk
2 c. heavy cream
1 T. vanilla

Mix first 4 ingredients slowly in a 2 quart sauce pan on low heat. Once the sugar is dissolved and eggs are blended thoroughly, cook mixture over medium heat, stirring constantly so bottom doesn’t stick. Take off stove when bubbles appear around edges of sauce pan. Cool and refrigerate about 2-3 hours.

Stir cream and vanilla into chilled mixture, pour into ice cream freezer and add dasher and motor. Fill outside container 1/3 full with ice then rock salt. 6 parts ice to 1 part salt. Pack with ice after maker shuts off and dasher is removed. Let stand packed with ice for several hours prior to serving. Top with fresh summer fruit or serve it plain. Enjoy!

ANDDA 2010 Performance Program Winners

2010 ANDDA Total Performer

GCH NC PromisedLand Beau-Nita 2*M E91 (ADGA)
ARMCH NC PromisedLand Beau-Nita 3*D E92.4 (AGS)

Owned and Bred by Keith and Marie Harrell
+B NC PromisedLand MG Beau +*S x GCH ARMCH PromisedLand GoodDay SunShine 2*D *M

2010 ANDDA All American Awards

Please refer to the website to review the list of beautiful animals.

http://www.andda.org/All_Americans/09AllAmericans.html
2010 ANDDA Juju Award Winners
For lactations of 305 days or less, completed before Juju entry date 2010
Open to all ANDDA members on Official DHIR Testing

Bronze Juju—At least 750-999 pounds milk or 37.5 pounds butterfat
Owner Doe Height Age DIM Milk BF% Pro Pro%
Heather Fair SilverAurora TH Xtreme Grace 4*D 4*M 20 5/8 2-00 305 857 46 5.4 34 4.0
Bonnie Chandler Fairlea Lindt 21 1/8 7-05 314 792 49 6.2 35 4.4
Bonnie Chandler Fairlea Tosca 20 3/4 4-09 283 768 41 5.3 33 4.3
Heather Fair SilverAurora TH XBean 3*D 3*M 22 1/4 2-04 276 741 45 6.1 36 4.9
Bonnie Chandler Fairlea Troy 21 1/8 6-02 280 736 43 5.8 31 4.2
Margie Dykstra Odeon DWC Honey Dew Blossom 20 2-11 301 590 42 7.1 24 4.1
Margie Dykstra Sugar-Pine MB Myst 21 3-00 273 600 39 6.5 25 4.2
Margie Dykstra Blythmoor CW Mulberry 20 2-02 299 560 39 6.9 24 4.3

Silver Juju—At least 1000-1249 pounds milk or 50 pounds butterfat
Owner Doe Height Age DIM Milk BF% Pro Pro%
Heather Fair Sandy Hollow SS Butterscotch 3*D 3*M 20 1/8 6-09 305 813 58 7.1 34 4.2
Heather Fair SilverAurora JC WhisperSweetly 2*D 2*M 20 1/8 3-08 305 932 55 5.9 43 4.6

Gold Juju—At least 1250 pounds milk or 67.5 pounds butterfat
Owner Doe Height Age DIM Milk BF% Pro Pro%

Platinum Juju—Permanent Champion (ADGA GCH) or Master Champion (AGS MCH)—producing 1250 pounds milk or 67.5 pounds butterfat
Owner Doe Height Age DIM Milk BF% Pro Pro%

Grand Award—Any doe over the age of 6, milking 900 pounds or more
Owner Doe Height Age DIM Milk BF% Pro Pro%

JuJu Sire Award—JuJu Sire has 3 or more daughters qualifying for any of the production awards listed above.
Owner Sire Daughter, Daughter, Daughter
*Age at freshening in Years. Months; DiM=Days in Milk (305 or less); Milk in pounds; BF=Butterfat in pounds; BF% = Butterfat percentage; Pro=Protein in pounds; Pro %=Protein percentage
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Does are listed in the highest category for which they qualified. Qualifying amounts for the category are indicated in bold. Within categories, they are listed in descending order, starting with the highest qualifier in milk. Following those who qualified in milk are those who qualified for the category on butterfat only, again in descending order. In case of a tie in milk as the qualifying amount, the doe with the fewer days in milk will be listed first. In case of a tie in butterfat as the qualifying amount, the doe with the higher milk production will be listed first. In 2010 all of the does which qualified for Silver Juju on butterfat alone, qualified for Bronze in milk. Eight of the does that qualified for JuJu awards in 2010 have their AGS Advanced Registry Master Championship and/or ADGA Grand Championship. There were no Gold, Platinum, Grand Award or JuJu Sire Awards given this year.

*If errors are discovered in the 2010 Juju Awards or 2010 Completed Nigerian Dwarf Lactation records, contact Production Committee Chair, Karyl Dronen, so that corrections can be published in the next newsletter.
Only Goat People......... Insert Photo: Jonathon Dill age 15 ‘The Kiss’

*believe in an 11th commandment: Thou shalt kid during daylight hours.
*think nothing of eating a sandwich while mucking out a stall.

*love the sound of goat voices during feeding time.
*make the best cheese on earth.
*kiss goats on the lips.
*buy vehicles that can haul goat crates.
*schedule vacations around show season.
*will end relationships over their hobby.
*can milk in the rain, sun, wind or snow.
*find some of their favorite things on a raffle table from a recent show.
*engage in a hobby that is more work than their day job.

*clip 25 goats in two days just in time to be ready for linear appraisal or a favorite show.
*can magically lower their voices five octaves to bellow at two head butting does.
*know (and care) more about their herd’s nutrition than their own
*have no problem speaking of semen, breeding and kidding stories at the dinner table.
*refer to their semen tanks as ‘Say Hello to my little Friend’
*know that a good hour in the kid’s pen is better than Zoloft any day.

Edited/reworded by: Katie Lewis, Double SunDog Ranch...idea from a yahoo horse list, author unknown

Who’s that goat kid belong to?!
By Suzanne Nevada - Silveraurora Dairy Goats

One of the few problems with Nigerians is identification. They come in so many colors and coat patterns; it’s easy to know just who that goat is. But sometimes you have a litter of kids and they all seem to look alike so you will need to mark them. How to identify those kids before tattoos are installed in their ears can take a little work when you have 2, 3, 4 or more birthings all within a few days too. You might want to purchase a small battery-operated clipper. $20-$30 each, you can find them in the shaver section of your favorite grocery store or general supply store. You won’t need anything fancy - a narrow-head dog clipper, a mustache or bikini clipper - any small hand held clipper will do with a head only an inch wide. When the doe gives birth and you have the kids dried off, just get out your clipper and select a spot on the doe to clip a small patch of hair one inch by one inch in size – perhaps the right thigh or hip, or wherever suits you. Then clip each kid in the very same spot as their dam’s clipping. If you’re headed to a show within a few weeks and don’t want to mark your doe, get a nice eraser board and hang it in the barn, write down the doe’s name, number and sex of kids, date of their birth, their colors, and where their clip spot is. You will put a little square clipping of hair in the same spot on each kid in the litter. For your next set of kids, put the clipped spot on a totally separate place on those kids. In some setups it’s simply not safe to put collars - either Tyvek ™, dog-type quick release, or Velcro ™ - on tiny kids that can get hung up on fencing wire or boards, so simply doing the little clip on each kid can help you identify who they belong to until they are old enough to tattoo. Another helpful hint is to get out that digital camera and take pics of the kids with their dam if you can. Taking pictures of each side of each kid certainly helps, and hanging a handwritten sign in the background as to whose kid this is and what sex will do nicely especially if bottle raising them instead and you don’t want the dam with them for photos. Between clipping a spot and photos, you’ll never wonder who that goat kid belongs to again!
From left to right: Jacob (Goat) Dorsey…. Starting them out early! 17 month old, Jacob Dorsey in Pee Wee Showmanship at the HeartLand Nigerian Dwarf Dairy Association Show, Norman, OK. Jarred (Goat) Dorsey…. 2 1/2 year old, Jarred Dorsey in Pee Wee Showmanship, Norman, OK at the HeartLand Nigerian Dwarf Dairy Association Show

Nigerian Dwarf babies were the hit of the birthday party in March where Double SunDog kids stole the show! Lower left to right Marci, (birthday girl) holding Cowgirl, Samantha. Daniella holding Cowgirl, Vanessa holding Barbie, big sister Samantha making sure the baby doesn’t get dropped.
Let's showcase one of our amazing members from Colfax, LA. Tammie DeHart raises Nigerian dwarf dairy goats under the herd name, La P’tit Colline. She has a talent that enables her to offer these absolutely gorgeous wood burning signs to breeders across the nation. She does a whole series of show signs, personal signs or custom signs of all themes. One thing that is so special is that she can incorporate what she does as a hobby to benefit the goat community. Way to go Tammie, you are a true artisan!
2010 ADGA National Show Grand Champion Senior Doe
and BEST UDDER

Rosasharn's Haiku
Owned and Bred by Anne Petersen

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2010 ADGA National Show Reserve Grand Champion Senior Doe

AGS Rosasharn's Buckwheat Honey
Owned and Bred by Anne Petersen
2010 ADGA National Show Grand Champion Junior Doe

NC PromisedLand RC Bella

Owned by Jill Whomble and Shelly & Joshua Thomas of Heaven's Hollow Dairy Goats in Wray, Colorado
Bred by Keith & Marie Harrell, NC PromisedLand

2010 ADGA National Show Reserve Grand Champion Junior Doe

Little Tots Estate Camellia
owned by Rusty Repp

PRODUCTION AWARDS

HIGH INDIVIDUAL PRODUCTION and HIGH INDIVIDUAL BUTTERFAT
GCH AGS CEASAR'S VILLA LV BREEZY
NC PROMISEDLAND

HIGH LIFETIME PRODUCTION AND HIGH LIFETIME BUTTERFAT

AGS ROSASHARN'S BUCKWHEAT HONEY
ROSASHARN
AGS NATIONAL RESULTS

Pictures can be seen at http://www.agsnationals.com/Pictures/Nigerian.html

2010 AGS National Show Grand Champion Senior Doe
and BEST UDDER
Majyk Hills GWD Antonia Novella
owned by Mary Jo Clendening

2010 AGS National Show Reserve Grand Champion Senior Doe

ARMCH Lost Valley Callisto
owned by Audrey & Amy Kowalik

2010 AGS National Show Grand Champion Junior Doe
Lost Valley DAX Revelation
owned by Audrey & Amy Kowalik

2010 AGS National Show Reserve Grand Champion Junior Doe
Lost Valley ML Cabernet
owned by Audrey & Amy Kowalik
ADGA Convention

This preliminary program reflects the speakers and events that have been confirmed as of April 15, 2010. There may, of course, be some changes as the convention draws near. Complete programming and fee schedule will be available in the 3rd Quarter News & Events and on the Convention website as soon as possible. Hope to see all of you in Tucson.

Elizabeth (Betty) Henning, Local Chair, ADGA 2010 Convention

Preliminary Program

**Saturday, October 16**
Youth program, Day 1
Linear Appraisal Training Workshop, Day 1
Spotlight Sale tent setup

**Sunday, October 17**
Hospitality Room open 7AM-4PM
Youth Program – Day 2, field trip +
AASRP Programming, Day 1
Linear Appraisal Training Workshop, Day 2
Pre-Judges Training Conference

**Monday, October 18**
Hospitality Room open 7AM-4PM
Spotlight Sale Tent open
Youth Program – Day 3
AASRP Programming, Day 2
Judges Training Conference – Day 1
Body Products workshop with Caroline Lawson
The Gothberg Farm experience – workshop with Rhonda Gothberg
“Farmstead Creamery Advisor” with Gianaclis Caldwell
Buck Management, “Our kings and their jewels” with Teresa Wade

Youth Banquet and selection of 2011 ADGA Youth Representative
Tuesday, October 19
Sable Breeders meeting
Nubian Breeders meeting
Hospitality Room open 7AM-4PM – Hosted by Golden Guernsey breed club
Spotlight Sale Tent open
Judges Training Conference, Day 2
Beginning AI workshop – Day 1
“Ricotta for lunch” workshop with Anne Jones
Herbal Foundations workshop with Kat Drovdahl
Body Products Judging – Day 1
Cheese Judging – Day 1
“Great American Goat Registry Opera” with Steve Considine
DHI and Linear Appraisal information sessions
“Crow’s Dairy – An Arizona Success Story”

Welcome Dinner and Pioneer Program

Wednesday, October 20
Saanen breeders meeting
LaMancha breeders meeting
Hospitality Room open 7AM-4PM
Spotlight Sale Tent open
ADGA Board of Directors Meeting Day 1
Beginning AI – Day 2 (animal work)
Cheese Judging – Day 2
Body Products Judging – Day 2
Boer Goat Judging Workshop
Beginning Cheesemaking workshop
Traditional Emergency approaches workshop with Kat Drovdahl
Tour of Southern Arizona wineries
Pack goat hike in the Catalina Mountains

Thursday October 21
Nigerian Breeders meeting
Alpine Breeders meeting
Hospitality Room open 7AM-4PM – Hosted by Michigan Dairy Goat Assn.
Spotlight Sale Tent open
ADGA Board of Directors – Day 2
Livestock guardian dog workshop with Erick Conard
Cheesemaking with Gianaclis Caldwell
Tami Parr speaks on cheese making and marketing
Midgoatery (Natural Midwifery) workshop with Kat Drovdahl
Body Products presentations by Maria Gelnett and Catherine Timberlake
CAE, CL, Johnes with Lee Ann Fosdick, DVM
Improving your AI Success with Teresa Wade
Funding for goat operations with Scheree Atchison, NLPA Sheep & Goat Fund
Preparing a successful business plan with Mary Trimble, MBA

Products Reception and Flashlight sale

**Friday, October 22**
Oberhasli Breeders meeting
Toggenburg Breeders meeting
Hospitality Room open 7-3
Spotlight Sale tent open
Livestock guardian dog workshop with Erick Conard
Farm welding demonstration with Terry Johnson
Type Conference
Operating a Petting Zoo with June Johnson
Fitting your goat for success in the show ring – Debbie Emholtz
Herd Health Q & A with Lee Ann Fosdick
Farmstead Creamery Advisor with Gianaclis Caldwell

Banquet and Ball

**Saturday, October 23**
Champagne Brunch
Spotlight Sale

**ANDDA YOUTH MEMBER SHINES!**

Amelia Caldwell of Pholia Farms in Oregon, earned the prestigious award of Premier Youth Exhibitor at the June 2010 ADGA National Show in Kentucky. Congratulations to Amelia for her hard work to achieve such an amazing recognition!
INTRODUCING ANDDA

The American Nigerian Dwarf Dairy Association (ANDDA) was formed to promote the recognition and improvement of Nigerian Dwarf goats as a productive dairy breed and to help breeders increase their understanding of dairy conformation and their expertise in the care and management of miniature dairy goats.

Of course, Nigerian Dwarf dairy goats make wonderful pets. Breeders and pet owners alike appreciate their small size; neat, colorful appearance; and docile, affectionate temperament. However, functionality and reproductive vigor are the twin cornerstones of intelligent breeding programs for any species or breed of domestic animal; which means, for Nigerians, striving toward the all-important goal of excellence in dairy character and conformation. All breeders who share this concept of the breed do not necessarily routinely milk their does.

The ANDDA aims to serve the needs of anyone who has a serious interest in the milking potential of Nigerian Dwarf goats; who would like to learn more about dairy conformation and dairy character in the "scaled-down' versions; and/or who simply appreciates the beauty, elegance, and reproductive soundness of a dairy-proportioned Nigerian Dwarf goat.

ANDDA was instrumental in getting the Nigerian Dwarf recognized as a true dairy breed by the American Dairy Goat Association. ANDDA acts as the breed representative to ADGA and AGS. The club sponsors advertising to promote the breed and provides educational/promotional materials to introduce the breed to newcomers to Nigerians and to provide newcomers with information on the breed.

ANDDA sponsors All-American and Total Performer programs to provide recognition to excellence in breed programs, and sponsors Nigerian Dwarf Specialty competition at dairy goat shows.

Your membership includes a newsletter with discounted advertising for members and a listing on the club's webpage at http://www.andda.org ANDDA's Yahoo group provides a venue for Nigerian Dwarf goat breeders to share information with other club members.

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THE ASSOCIATION FOR NIGERIAN DWARF DAIRY GOATS

ANDDA MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION

MEMBERSHIP DUES: $15 (U.S. funds) for an Affiliate Membership or for the first Individual Membership in a household, $5 for each additional Individual Membership in the same household.

Yes! I want to join ANDDA. Enclosed is my check or money order for $_______ ($U.S.) made payable to ANDDA. Send to: ANDDA • c/o Christina Jones, P.O. Box 142, Oolitic, IN 47451

Membership Name: ______________________________________________________________________

Additional Individual Members (if any): _______________________________________________________

Herd Name: ____________________________________________________________________________

Address: _______________________________________________________________________________

City, State, Zip: __________________________________________________________________________

Telephone: (____)______________ Email: ____________________________________________________

Website: http://___________________________________________________________________________

Signature:________________________________________ Date:__________________________________

Refereed by______________________________________________

_____ YES, I would like to be included in the online Breeder's Directory. Please list any contact information that you do NOT want posted on the web:

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What services do you offer? (Circle all that apply): kid sales — adult sales — stud service — frozen semen
The 2010 Membership Directory is available online: http://www.andda.org/membership.html