

# Why we show cattle ...



**Majestic Lightning 717 SGMR**

GED	BW	WW	YW	M	TM	ME	HPG	CEM	St	MA	RE	F
6	-0.6	32	68	24	40	1	9	5	5	0.13	-0.09	0.01

- Grand Champion Bull 2008 Eastern National Show
- 2008 National Show Grand Bull, NILE, Billings, MT
- 2008 Grand Bull, NAILE, Louisville, KY
- 2009 Grand Champion Bull, NWSS, Denver, CO



**Whitestone Blockana X234**

Out of Feddes Blockana 807, sired by LCC Glance

GED	BW	WW	YW	M	TM	ME	HPG	CEM	St	MA	RE	F
3	1.3	40	73	21	41	0	7	3	10	0.02	0.09	0.00

- 2008 Calf Champion, NAILE, Louisville, KY
- 2009 Reserve Calf Champion, NWSS, Denver, CO



**Majestic Blockana 728 SGMR**

She is sired by Perks Advancer 9088 and her dam is a maternal sister to Lightning sired by LCC Major League A502M.

GED	BW	WW	YW	M	TM	ME	HPG	CEM	St	MA	RE	F
3	2.0	44	78	21	43	4	8	3	7	0.05	0.14	0.00

- 2008 Grand Female, Eastern National Livestock Show

Since cattle have been registered, pedigrees and the exhibition of cattle have served as a method by which cattle can be evaluated. Since this time, various methods for evaluating cattle have come to assist breeders in the often difficult task of objectivity within one's own breeding program. Total Herd Reporting and EPDs are such tools. Ultrasound is a technologically advanced tool that tells us what's under the skin. DNA testing for markers is so technologically advanced it tells us what the heritable traits will be passed on. All of these combined provide the modern seed-stock producer with a wealth of information and an unprecedented opportunity to improve our breed.

While on a per-head basis the show ring is by far the most expensive and labor intense, it is tried and true. There are a lot of "show cattle" that when hung up on a hook do not cut well. There are plenty "performance cattle" that lack proper structure and phenotype. There are "carcass cattle" that are light muscled. There are cattle with great Genestar results that may or may not turn those traits into profitability.

At the end of the day we are ambassadors for our breed. Often new breeders, juniors and breeders from abroad only see our breed at major shows. Balanced traits means more to us than what's on the registration paper, the ultrasound data or the DNA card. We will continue to employ all of these methods to explore our "Pursuit of Perfection."

**Our charge at Majestic Meadows is to breed Angus cattle that "Look as good as they perform."**

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