STLA Spring Field Day & Annual General Meeting:
Join in the Fun on June 3rd
at the Dos Ninos Ranch near Harwood, Texas

Mark your calendars and plan to be on hand for a full day of Texas Longhorn learning and fun at the upcoming Spring 2017 STLA Field Day & Annual General Meeting to be held on Saturday, June 3rd at the Dos Ninos Ranch near Harwood, Texas (see driving directions and map on page 2).

Jeremy & Tina Johnson and their sons are our hosts for the Field Day and you are sure to enjoy your time while visiting their charming and lovely ranch location.

Our Field Day activities will focus on education and fun! The morning will begin with a hayride tour of the ranch to view the Johnsons’ foundation herd and learn more about Texas Heat BCB, the young sire being utilized at this point as they build the foundations of their breeding program.

FIELD DAY ITINERARY

9:30 AM
Meet & Greet Time / Coffee & Light Breakfast Foods
Silent Auction and Bucket Raffle Opens

10:00 AM
Hayride Ranch Tour Starts

11:00 AM
Tour Returns

11:15 AM
Demonstration: Freeze Branding (at the Barn)

12:30 PM
Bar-B-Que Lunch served

1:15 PM
Garrett Montgomery, DVM
HERD HEALTH: Diligence Does Pay Off

2:30 PM
STLA Annual General Membership Meeting with 2017 Youth Scholarship Presentations / Election of STLA Directors

3:30 PM
Social Time / View Cattle on Display / Visit with Vendors / Silent Auction High Bidders Announced

Please remember to bring your special Texas Longhorn items to donate for the STLA Silent Auction which will be held throughout the day. More importantly, bring your checkbooks and help support our Youth Scholarship Program with your purchases at the auction and also with buying tickets to win some great prizes at the STLA Bucket Raffle.
**LODGING INFO**

The STLA Field Day location is about 25-30 minutes travel time east of Lockhart, Texas. There are various hotels and other accommodations available in the Bastrop, Lockhart, and Luling areas. Here are a few top picks if you plan to drive in on Friday afternoon or evening and spend the night:

- **Best Western – Lockhart**
  1811 S Colorado St, Lockhart, TX 78644
  (512) 520-9390

- **La Quinta Inn – Luling**
  203 US-90, Luling, TX 78648
  (830) 351-5320

- **Holiday Inn Express - Bastrop**
  491 Agnes St, Bastrop, TX 78602
  (512) 321-1900

- **Best Western Bastrop Pines Inn**
  107 Hunters Crossing Blvd., Bastrop, TX 78602
  (512) 321-0900

Watch for the STLA directional signs marking the way to the Dos Ninos Ranch location.

**Texas Heat BCB**

Junior Herd Sire
at the Dos Ninos Ranch
a 2014 Son of Fifty-Fifty BCB

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**Please RSVP**

for the Field Day & AGM to Suzanne Perry at suzannep44@gmail.com or to Christy Randolph at lpinesranch@aol.com

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**Field Day Location Map**
Meet Our
STLA Field Day Hosts

San Antonio residents, Jeremy & Tina Johnson have two young sons which led them to the name for their ranch. This energetic family was able to find their little piece of happiness back in 2013 when they purchased land near Harwood, Texas, which is about 90 minutes from their home.

With their lifelong dream of owning a ranch now a definite reality, the Johnsons soon started to research various cattle breeds and were looking for animals that needed minimal care and had easy-going dispositions. Texas Longhorn certainly fit the bill and their many wonderful characteristics offered much, much more. The family found that were easily hooked on this breed when one adds in their majestic beauty and the fun of finding a colorful “surprise” with every calving.

Now at just four years into their cattle business, Dos Ninos Ranch is working on a solid breeding program with their Texas Longhorn herd. Jeremy purchased the colorful, Dickinson-branded bull, Drag Net, in early 2015 to be the ranch’s first herd sire. Drag Net is a 5-year old son of Drag Iron and after producing some outstanding offspring, he was recently sold in April 2017. They plan to keep three or four of the young Drag Net daughters as futurity heifers and foundation heifers.

Texas Heat BCB, is a big-horned son of the well-known bull, Fifty Fifty BCB, and is the young sire selected to take over duties for Drag Net. He is owned in partnership with Donnie & Marilyn Taylor. The 2.5 year-old “Heat” will be

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FIELD DAY GUEST SPEAKER
Herd Health: Diligence Does Pay Off
Garrett Montgomery, DVM

The time and effort an owner invests in any wellness program for ranch animals has rewards for the foundation stock, their offspring, and for the owners. Dr. Montgomery will update you on some of the best practices for always keeping your herd in top shape throughout the year and bring information on some of the latest products available for effective parasite control and worming. He will also cover proper vaccination protocols and overall herd health concerns for the various seasons. Handouts will be provided based on his presentation with additional notes for you to take home and add to your resource files or to utilize for any additional study that you might want to do.

Dr. Garrett Montgomery practices large animal medicine with the Chisolm Trail Veterinary Clinic located in Luling, Texas. He is grew up in Corpus Christi and received his DVM from Texas A&M University in 2010.

ANNUAL DUES REMINDER

If you have not paid your STLA dues for 2017-2018 please print out a Membership Form from the website and send in your renewal form and your check to the address noted on the form.

Dues are payable on May 1st of each year and STLA offers different payment options and membership levels: 1-year, 5-year, and 10-year sustaining memberships for adults and a youth membership for those folks 17 years old and younger.

You can also pay your dues at the check-in table at the upcoming Field Day & AGM on June 3rd.

CONGRATS TO ALL OF OUR 2017 STLA SCHOLARSHIP WINNERS

Be sure to congratulate each of our 2017 Scholarship recipients. We are very proud of these young people and the hard work and dedication they show to our association and to the Texas Longhorn breed.

You can read more about each of these outstanding students and their future educational plans in the Scholarship section of the STLA website.

We wish each of you all the best in the coming years. And, we are excited that STLA can be a part of your education and future success!
THE SOUTH TEXAS LONGHORN ASSOCIATION

Did You Know?
You can easily stay current with the latest news by visiting our STLA Facebook page. Look there first for posts about upcoming shows and events along with other important messages about things happening with STLA.

For those of you not utilizing social media sites like Facebook, then STLA is also sending out group e-mails of those very same news items to all current members to make sure you stay updated with the latest information from STLA.

Be sure you have included news@stla.org in your e-mail address list to be able to receive these group mailings in your InBox (otherwise, they may land in your spam folder).

See more about STLA at www.stla.org

DON’T MISS OUR STLA SHOWS!
The South Texas Longhorn Association is THE busiest affiliate in the Texas Longhorn world and does tremendous work to sponsor four outstanding shows each year for youth and adult showmen. All of our shows are TLBAA World Qualifying and include Youth, Open Haltered, and Free (or Non-Haltered) competition.*

Keep watch on our Events Calendar at www.stla.org for the exact show dates to be announced soon as planning is already underway for the 2017-18 season. Make sure you are there and a part of these great STLA shows!

December 2017
STLA WinterFest Show and the STLA Futurity

February 2018
Texas Longhorn Show at the San Antonio Stock Show & Rodeo

March 2018
Texas Longhorn Show at Rodeo Austin

April 2018
Rockdale Spring Shows
Three Separate Shows across a 3-Day Weekend!

* Due to facilities limitations, the Rockdale Show does not include Non-Haltered competition.

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paired with selected females in the herd and with the Drag Net daughters coming up. The ranch will be expecting their first calf crop carrying Heat’s strong horn-producing genetics starting in 2018.

Along with acquiring (and growing) some quality foundation females, Rancho Dos Ninos is steadily working toward a solid breeding program to provide Texas Longhorns with the “whole package” - beautiful color, strong genetics, size, easy disposition, and of course, lots of pretty HORN. The Johnsons are active in the STLA, TLBAA, ITLA, The Millennium Futurity and several other futurities and sales, plus the various horn measuring contests throughout the year. Jeremy was also elected as a Director on the STLA Board in May 2016.

The Johnson Family invites you to come spend a fun-filled day at the ranch and hopes you will enjoy seeing their herd!

You can learn more about the Texas Longhorns at the Dos Ninos Ranch by visiting www.dosninosranch.com.