

# 2026 Colorado Breed Bash



BRUSH, CO – Youth honed their skills, exhibited their registered cattle and practiced for Junior Nationals at the annual *Colorado Breed Bash*, held May 30-31 at the Morgan County Fairgrounds.

The 2026 events kicked off Saturday with Colorado CattleWomen's fun Beef Ambassador program, followed by Breed Bash's various contests - salesmanship, photography, speech and quiz bowl - held to help sharpen communication and enhance ag knowledge for more than 70 youth participants.

The stiff competition continued Sunday in the youth showmanship contests. The registered cattle, exhibited in breed-specific shows, also were evaluated by judge Dustin Frank of Nebraska. He then called back each breed Grand Champion to select the overall prize - *Multi-Breed Supreme* in female, bull, and steer categories.

*Breed Bash* was a collaborative effort by junior advisors from Colorado's Angus, Charolais, Hereford, Limousin, Mini Hereford, Shorthorn and Simmental associations. Numerous monetary patrons, including Summit-level sponsor Morgan County Commissioners, aided the volunteers in putting on the 2026 *Breed Bash*.

Multi-breed youth skill contest results:

**Photography** – Avery Kimble, senior champion; Tyla Thomas, senior reserve champion; Jax Grove, intermediate champion; Clay Kraft, intermediate reserve champion; Kashton Blach, junior champion; Kort Braunsroth, junior reserve champion; Coy Reed, peewee champion; and Lughton Crawford, peewee reserve champion.

**Public Speaking** – Mataya Kraft, senior champion; Jayme Gittlein, senior reserve champion; Stetson Decker, intermediate champion; Archer Dubois, intermediate reserve champion; Adley Blach, junior champion; Charlea St. Louis, junior reserve champion; Sloane McEndaffer, peewee champion; and Ethan Kreps, peewee reserve champion.

**Salesmanship** – Mataya Kraft & Kaylee Anderson, senior champion team; Kendra Arpin intermediate champion; Trotter Thomas & Jax Grove, intermediate reserve champion team; Diem Schuppe, junior champion; Ethan & Tanner Kreps, junior reserve champion team; Rhett Golemboski, peewee champion; and Hayden Hill, peewee reserve champion.

**Quiz Bowl** (mixed age division teams) – Tyla Thomas, Tayvn Lock, Raylan Schuppe and Parker Redus, champion team; and Donavyn West, Elena Vostrejs, Griffin Grove and Asa Payne, reserve champion team.

Results for the registered cattle youth shows include:

**Angus showmanship** – Avery Kimble, senior champion; Mataya Kraft, senior reserve champion; Clay Kraft, intermediate champion; Cole Sumpter, intermediate reserve champion; Adley Blach, junior champion; and Sophie Groshans, junior reserve champion.

**Multi-breed showmanship** – Scarlett Carney, senior champion; Avery Kimble, senior reserve champion; Trotter Thomas, intermediate champion; Piper Warren, intermediate reserve champion; Rylen Kreps, junior champion; Easton Hill, junior reserve champion; Lughton Crawford, peewee champion; and Kaizley Blach, peewee reserve champion.

**Angus Female Shows** - Clay Kraft with Kraft Lady C 4023, grand champion Phenotype & Genotype female; and Mataya Kraft with Kraft Erica 5281, reserve grand champion

Phenotype & Genotype female; Hazel Payne with RSR Maggie 903 and HLP Rose 896 at side, grand champion bred & owned cow/calf pair; Clay Kraft with Kraft Lady C 4023, grand champion bred & owned female; Avery Kimble with AR Lazy JB Annie Lu 562, reserve grand champion bred & owned female; Sophie Groshans with Dal Porto Sandy 5518, grand champion owned female; Adley Blach with Vision Lady 539, reserve grand champion owned female; Sophie Groshans again with Dal Porto Sandy 5518 named Supreme Angus Female and Clay Kraft again with Kraft Lady C 4023, named Reserve Supreme Angus Female.

**Charolais Female Show** – Hayden Hill with OCR Ms. Carrie N29, grand champion female.

**Hereford Female Show** – Charlea St. Louis with FCC 211 Callie 5843, grand champion female; and Teagan St. Louis with KJ DCC 181H Emerald 923N ET, reserve grand champion female.

**Mini Hereford Female Show** – Parker Redus with MC Miss B 2503, grand champion female; and Coy Reed with MC Miss Rossie 2501, reserve grand champion female.

**Shorthorn Female Show** – Donavyn West with LDB Brave UH 522, grand champion female; and Reese Lock with WSCC Steck Chelsie DM 548N ET, reserve grand champion female.

**SimGenetic Female Shows** – Easton Hill with KLER YC Barbies Destiny 529N, grand champion purebred Simmental female; Adley Blach with AJ-B Zinnia, reserve grand champion purebred Simmental female; Scarlett Carney with GCC4 Vivian 501N, grand champion percentage female; and Sophie Groshans with R/C JSE Naomi 226N, reserve grand champion percentage female.

**All Other Breeds (AOB) Female Show** – Jax Grove with THAZ Miss Falcon 25N (Chianina), grand champion female; and Tyla Thomas with TFOR Nancy 302N ET (Limousin), reserve grand champion female.

**Supreme Multi-breed Females** – Scarlett Carney with her Grand Champion Percentage Simmental, Supreme Overall Female; Sophie Groshans with her Grand Champion Angus, Reserve Overall Female; Easton Hill with his Grand Champion Purebred Simmental, 3<sup>rd</sup> Overall Female; Sophie Groshans with her Reserve Grand Champion Percentage Simmental, 4<sup>th</sup> Overall Female; and Jax Groves with his Chianina AOB Grand Champion, 5<sup>th</sup> Overall Female.

**Charolais Bulls** – Emily Lori with FHR Bronco 2502P, grand champion bull; and Jacob Lori with FHR Avalanche 2501P, reserve grand champion bull.

**Hereford Bulls** – Teagen St. Louis with SCC Demand of Class 77N, grand champion bull.

**Mini Hereford Bulls** – Elena Vostrejs with MFFA Clyde, grand champion bull; and Ana Castaneda with CH Canelo, reserve grand champion bull.

**SimGenetic Bulls** – Jason Dias with Mr. Amstel 2503N, grand champion percentage Simmental bull.

**Supreme Multi-Breed Bulls** - Emily Lori with her Grand Champion Charolais, Supreme Overall Bull; and Jacob Lori with his Reserve Grand Champion Charolais, Reserve Overall Bull.

**Angus Steers** – Hattie Self with LA Chewbacca 825, grand champion steer; and Levi Anderson with Kraft Incentive 5280, reserve grand champion steer.

**Charolais Steers** – Joseph Lori with BCR Jeff, grand champion steer; and Easton Hill with CAG EFFN Hadley, reserve grand champion steer.

**Hereford Steers** – Stetson Decker with both FCC K001 Mr. Kool 5215, grand champion and DVOR 308 J3 Dominate 5264N, reserve grand champion steers.

**Mini Hereford Steer** – Hayes Dixon with LB Rocky, grand champion steer.

**Shorthorn-Plus Steer** – Josiah Anderson with 5J Steer 22N, grand champion steer.

**All Other Breeds (AOB) Steers** – Kort Braunsroth with EBK Nuc Spot (Maine-Anjou), grand champion steer; and Beau Dixon with KJSC How Great 50N (Maine-Anjou), reserve grand champion steer.

**Supreme Multi-Breed Steers** – Kort Braunsroth with his Maine-Anjou AOB Grand Champion, Supreme Overall Steer; and Joseph Lori with his Charolais Grand Champion, Reserve Overall Steer.

The 2026 participants stretched from Rifle and Montrose on the west slope and from Iliff to Manzanola on the east slope of Colorado, as well as youth from Nebraska and New Mexico. Courtesy exhibitor photos are available on [www.britimages.com](http://www.britimages.com) or <https://www.facebook.com/coloradobreedbash>.

The junior advisor team, which coordinated the multi-breed field day, announced that the 2027 Breed Bash will be June 5 & 6, 2027. The event, annually held the weekend after Memorial Day, is open to ag youth from Colorado and adjoining states. Cattle entries must be registered.

