WHITE DEXTER

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From Left to Right: Joanie Storck, Wayne Taylor, Dennis Salyers, Darrell Salyers, Kathryn Kobel, Phillip Dill, Lily Sholes, Deana Johnson, Kerby Johnson, Rob Dawson, Audrey Dawson, Dagny Johnson, Kinsey Jones, and Derek Welter.

<u>Announcements</u>

The 2023 Calendars are out NOW! Click here to order yours today!

Have you been waiting for White Dexter Merch? The WDCR Store is **COMING SOON!**

White Genetics testing now available through Texas A&M. Click here for more information.

MISSION STATEMENT:

The White Dexter Cattle Registry exists to provide simplistic and accurate registration, educate owners to breed with integrity, and advocate animal husbandry practices while showcasing new attributes of the 200-old-year Dexter breed. As a registry, we vow to highlight the versatility and enjoyment, White Dexter cattle can bring to new and existing herds while continuing to develop tools to increase their profitability by advancing their overall quality of the breed.



Top: Kinsey Jones and her napping heifer Lilly. Bottom: Lilv Sholes and her bull Fintan.

aking friends at Ozark Fall Farmfest '22!

It was a beautiful weekend in October for White Dexter Cattle Registry members to connect with thousands of visitors and share a piece of their hearts - the White Dexter breed. 28,000 people made their way through the gates at Ozark Fall FarmFest in Springfield, Missouri - and for 3 days the White Dexters were never without

visitors. The aisle was filled with chatter and excited squeals as people met the cattle and were in awe of their sweet demeanor and beautiful appearance. Children were grinning from ear to ear as they hand fed, brushed, or pet the cow of their choice. Onlookers seemed excited to listen to our breeders talk about their animals.

On the second night of FarmFest, the White Dexter Cattle Registry Meeting was held over a delicious meal of Dexter burgers and brisket, homemade Dexter cheese, and an wide variety of sides. Those who attended the meeting in person or virtually had the opportunity to vote in the official Conformation and Breed Standards, and discuss the new tools for White Dexter breeders - including the recently developed White Genetics testing.

As the weekend came to a close, it was safe to say the White Dexter breed found it's way into the hearts of thousands of new friends.

The next Ozark Fall Farmfest will be held October 6-8, 2023 in Springfield, MO. Mark your calendars and come join us!

Meet Our Founders



Joanie Storck

Joanie Storck, Rainbow Ranch (Haysville, KS), worked with vision and determination for over 20 years breeding the original foundation stock to complete the six-generation upgrade before releasing them to the public. In 2014, she offered two White Dexter bulls to the public: three breeders total in 2014. Since then, she has been instrumental in overseeing the massive growth (over 400 breeders) and evolving organization of the White Dexter Cattle Registry with the goal of keeping it simple and acting with integrity. "This breed is identified by the beautiful color. I like to call them 'Pasture Candy."



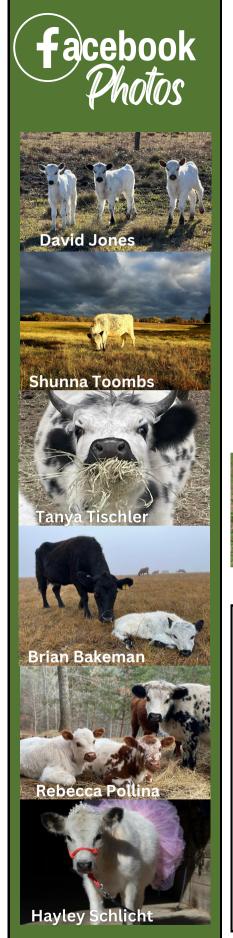
Phislip Diss

Phillip Dill, R LiL Farm (Burns, KS), bought the first set of registered black cows from Joanie and was hooked as soon as the white calves started hitting the ground so he bought Spartacus the next year. He is an outspoken ambassador for the breed, as anyone that has spoken to him can attest to! "The White Dexters were created as a way to have diversity in your pasture while keeping the wonderful Dexter traits we all love. Horned or polled, milk or meat, short or long-leg: they are all important to sustain and flourish the breed."



Dennis Safyers

Dennis Salyers, Pointer Ridge Farms (Ironton, OH), bought the foundation White Dexter bull, Rainbodacious. Dennis had been raising traditional Dexters for many years but was looking for a more enjoyable experience and a new adventure. By breeding his large herd into the White Dexter lines and facilitating the transition to our own registry, he has been integral in expanding the breed's influence. "The future of our breed requires continued integration of dexter bloodlines as well as discerning breeding practices to ensure that quality animals are used to further the breed. It is exciting and rewarding to be part of the foundation of White Dexters which, despite their growth, are still a new breed which will be greatly shaped by our current and future breeders."



How to Pick a Bull

Proper herd conformation starts with your bull. A bull is 50% of your herd, so making the choice of a herd sire should not come lightly. A great bull only comes along every once in awhile, and there are many different aspects to consider when looking for one.

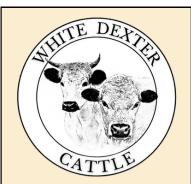
Temperment × Great Backline × Good Tail Set, Feet, and Legs × Broad Head × Depth × Proven Fertility with a straight, symmetrical scrotum and a compact sheath × Masculine Characteristics × Dam with a proven, conformationally correct udder × **Breed Standard Coloring**

It is imperitave that a herd sire has these traits to pass on to their offspring. When you sell a registered bull or bull calf, your farm name goes with him - along with your reputation as a breeder. Our goal is to further the quality of the White Dexter Breed! For more information on bull conformation, please click here.





Rainbow Simon



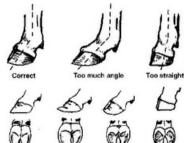
Introducing our new

Our White Dexter Cattle Registry logo was developed and implemented in Fall 2022. It was created using photographs of Dennis Salver's bull, **Pointer Ridge Brody** from Pointer Ridge Farm, and Audrey Dawson's cow Twice **Blessed Opal from Twice** Blessed Farm. The logo was designed by Lindsey Buckles and Deana Johnson.

ormation Corner

Feet and Legs are the foundation of the longevity of any animal. Poor structure can lead to early lameness and loss of production.

Feet- Short-Toed, Deep-heeled, and level. Feet should follow the pastern (below the ankle) in a 45 degree angle for the best mobility and flexibility.



Breed Standards were adopted by WDCR Members on October 8th of 2022 in an unanimous vote. Please click HERE to be directed to the Breed Standards webpage for more information.

Find Your White Dexter Find a Local Breeder





