

To all of our fellow New England Brown Swiss Breeders and Enthusiasts,

Greetings from the New England Brown Swiss Association. This past year has been very challenging for all Dairy Farmers with record high fuel, fertilizer, energy, feed, and all production costs, in addition to severe drought conditions in the Northeast and much of the nation.

Congratulations to our Youth and Adult exhibitors who exhibited at local, Regional, and National shows. New England had 8 Bell Ringers this year and many top placings at spring show, Northeast National, World Dairy Expo and Louisville.

As most of you are aware, we lost our longtime President Bob Gould in June. Bob always loved Brown Swiss and did an outstanding job as President NEBSA promoting the breed at all levels. In addition to Bob, longtime Brown Swiss Breeders Lou Brodner of Canaan, CT, Raymond Conway of Jefferson, NH and William Kelly II of Winchester, NH passed as well. We recognize their decades of service, their many accomplishments and contributions to the success of their state and New England Association. Our Condolences to their families.

Due to the Pandemic, for the first time since 2019, NEBSA met November 19, 2022. Election of officers: Mike Cronin, President; Mike Olsen, Vice-President; Christine Belder, Secretary; Marcia Clark, Treasurer; Sarah Belder, Youth Representative. It was also voted to make Annual Membership dues due on January 30th. Please continue to support and participate in NEBSA.

A Spring Picnic and meeting is tentatively being planned 05/21/2023 at Young Mens Club in Hadley, MA. We hope to see many of our members there in addition to anyone who is interested in Brown Swiss, so Please spread the word.

Sarah Belder and Laurie Cuevas are updating and re-shaping the NE Brown Swiss Web Page. Check out the page.

Reminder, the National Youth Lease deadline is June 1, 2023. Your paperwork MUST be into National office by June 1.

The Core Mission of NEBSA has been and continues to be promoting the Brown Swiss Breed and Brown Swiss Youth Programs.

Sincerely,

Michael Cronin, President