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Derek Jungels
Jungels Shorthorn Farm
Kathryn, North Dakota

Jungels Shorthorn Farm was originally started by Derek's uncle, Leroy, at age 13, with the purchase of a heifer from Hammer Bros Shorthorns, Hannaford, ND. Derek's dad, Dennis, became involved several years later when eleven females, with Kelbern breeding, were purchased from Wallace Volker of Binford, ND. These 11 head joined offspring of the original female, Royal Comet. In the early 60's a herd bull, Kemville Baronet, son of Louada Brunel, was purchased from John Esau of Kenmay, MB, at the Canadian International. Other females were added from Ekness Bros. In the late 60's, herd bulls, Homedale Leader's Prince, from Manville Bates, Hel-Lo-Na Consert, from George Zimmel, and Cedar Ridge Juggler 24th, from David Brockmueller, were purchased in partnership with Melvin Dronen, EmDee Shorthorns, of Finley, ND. Melvin retired in 1971 and his farm and cattle herd were sold to Dennis under the prefix of "DeeJay's" to distinguish it from Leroy's herd, JSF. It was on this farm where Derek developed a passion for the Shorthorn breed seeing herd sires such as Sutherland Ransom 338, and Byland Spellbound 2AW155. When Derek started 4-H he took the prefix of "Dee's" to identify his cattle. Later, with Leroy no longer in the business, he returned to the prefix "JSF".

Upon graduation from college, Derek made several herd visits and attended as many sales as he could. In December of 2000, Derek found, and later purchased with his dad, RB Eagle 255th from the Rocker Bros herd, Seward, NE. This bull put JSF on the map, siring outstanding sons and daughters. His full brother, RB Eagle 239 was later purchased from Harold Bertz, leaving a son who's progeny have excelled in the recent feedlot trials, JSF Top Hand 34R.

In the summer of 2002, Derek purchased a farmstead south of Kathryn, ND which is now the ranch headquarters. Over the years, females have been added from the McClean Ranch, Coulee City WA, JR Ranch, Othello WA, and Lauer's Polled Shorthorns in KS. The remainder of the Rocker Bros herd was leased in the fall of 2007 and in the spring of 2008, the first JSF/RB calves were born in ND to a partnership that worked well for both JSF & RB. Currently, JSF breeds 300 head of cows annually along with developing over 150 heifers for sale commercially. JSF also employs an embryo transplant program, implanting 50 embryos. Derek manages this ranch operation,

while holding down a full-time position as a bank president for First State Bank of North Dakota, in LaMoure, ND, serves as a director of the LaMoure Community Development Corporation, Secretary/Treasurer of the North Dakota Shorthorn Association, and is on the Livestock Committee for the North Dakota Winter Show.

Certainly, JSF would not be where it's at today without the use of Jake's Proud Jazz 266L, one of the most prepotent herd sires in Shorthorn history. Another bull who's left a mark on the program was SBR Tsunami 20T, purchased from the Stangl Shorthorn herd, Rick & Sandy Osterday, Java, SD. Unfortunately this bull was lost due to injury, but his son, JSF Troubador 37W, see's natural service for JSF and has already produced the top selling son in Durhams for Denver 2012, JSF Limitless 87Y. Another Tsunami son, JSF Gauge 137W, the record and top selling bull from Durhams for Denver 2011, now owned by Byland Polled Shorthorns and Select Sires, is being utilized heavily AI. Mapelton Colonel Gus, Leveledale Righteous, SULL Red Demand, GCF Sterling, and JSF Alliance 0438, comprise the current herd sire battery at Jungels Shorthorn Farm.

In 2007 Derek decided to hold the first "Durhams for Denver" Bull sale with 20 bulls in Denver. The private treaty bid-off has been held annually "In the Yards" ever since and it has grown to become a fixture of the National Western Stock show for Shorthorn enthusiasts and industry players alike. The sale now numbers 50 + bulls sold annually, being used naturally in 27 states, 4 Canadian provinces, and utilized AI in the US, Argentina, Brazil, Australia, New Zealand, and South Africa. Derek initiated his first female sale, Durham Nation, in October 2011 in Seward, NE. Derek was a candidate for the Beef Improvement Federation Outstanding Seedstock Producer of the year award in 2011 and was named to the BIF Seedstock Producers Roll of Excellence. Derek has always been is a very goal oriented individual, determined to do his very best in whatever he strives to do. The goal of his work with the Shorthorn breed is to help Shorthorn gain back its commercial acceptance and appeal to see it thrive as it once did, for the good of the whole.