

# Golden Gopher Futurity

## XLV

The Golden Gopher Futurity Program is an exciting program in Minnesota Holstein that many of you may not know about. If you have questions or would like to be involved please look at the application on page 21 or call the MHA office at 320-259-0637.



2019 TYPE FUTURITY WINNER:  
PINE-SHELTER CERA DORMN-ET VG-87  
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### MINNESOTA FUTURITY FACTS:

- The more entries the higher the payouts, down 25 places.
- There are two classes; Production & Type. You can choose one or both when entering.
- The production formula used is on 305 MEs.
- Past 1st-3rd place winners in production have ranged from values of \$4,469 to \$3,243.
- **Production Formula** : (# of Milk x .01) + (# of Fat x 1.15) + (# of Protein x 2.55) = S Value

### HOW TO ENTER:

- Look at your animals that were born between September 1st of the previous year to August 31st of the current year.
- Choose any animal that you believe has the potential of doing well in their class.
- Futurity Classes:
  - **PRODUCTION** - awards handed out at the All-Breeds Convention
  - **TYPE** - awards are handed out at the Minnesota State Holstein Show
  - **BOTH** - all animals are eligible to be entered in both classes
- Fill out the form on page 21 before March 7, 2020.

### 2019 PAYOUT:

This year's production recipients received nearly \$400 in payouts. This year's type participants received nearly \$1000 in payouts. Remember, the more participants, the bigger the payout.



# GOLDEN GOPHER FUTURITY XLV

## - TWO-YEAR OLD FUTURITY -

*The Golden Gopher Futurity is sponsored and governed by the Minnesota Holstein Association. Its purpose is to stimulate interest in breeding and developing outstanding Holsteins for production and type regardless of individual herd size. It is open to any Minnesota breeder of Holsteins identified through Holstein Association USA, Inc.*

This will be a continuing program with the 2020 competition designated as Futurity No. XLV, 2021 Futurity No. XLVI, etc. One nomination is required for each animal that competes. Competition will be in two categories - production or type - and animals may be entered in one or both categories. All nominations are the responsibility of the owner and must be made on regulation entry blanks, along with specified fees, postmarked by the nomination date and other rules. All money received from the nominations in each Futurity class shall make up the purse entered on the basis of their placings.

Any registered Holstein female, owned by a Minnesota Holstein Association member, and born from 9/01/18 through 8/31/19 is eligible for Golden Gopher Futurity XLV. One payment of \$25 shall be paid by 3/07/20.

A breeder may nominate any number of females in either the production or type class or both. Nominations must be postmarked no later than the due date.

### CLASS NO. 1-PRODUCTION

Animals entered must freshen no later than age two-years and six months. Herd must be on DHIR or standard DHIA test, all records to be adjusted

to two times a day milking. No owner-sampler records will be eligible. Animals must have a completed lactation before 12/31/21 to be considered for Golden Gopher Futurity XLV. Lactations ending in 2022 will be in competition for the Futurity No. XLVI. Awards will be based on 305 day mature equivalent milk, fat and protein production using a 3.5% test base for fat and 3.2% for protein. Animals must have a completed lactation of at least 275 days. Records will be verified by Minnesota DHI.

### CLASS NO. 2-TYPE

Animals nominated will be shown in a special two-year old futurity class at the Minnesota State Show, winners and awards to be based on the placing at that show. Showing in this class does not eliminate her from showing in the All-Minnesota two-year old classes. All rules and regulations of the show are to be adhered to. Placings will be made by an official show judge. The purse shall consist of all money received by nomination fees, less the expenses for its promotion and management. All money will be kept in a special fund and used only for futurity purposes. Money received for Class 1 Production nominations will be used only for that class and money received for Class 2

Type nominations will be used only for those animals entered in that class. The money in each class will be divided among placings as follow:

First Place - 15 %; 2nd Place - 10%; 3rd Place - 8%; 4th Place - 6%; 5th Place 5%; 6-10 Placings - 4%; 11-15 Placings - 3%; 16-25 Placings - 2%. Remaining 1% to be used for administration fees.

If fewer than 25 animals are competing, the remainder will be divided equally among the entries. Production winners will be recognized at the Minnesota All-Breeds Convention following the year of competition.

All nomination fees are committed to the purse. No refunds will be made whether an animal completes or eligibility is discontinued.

Any animal sold after being nominated will remain eligible if the new owner is a Minnesota Holstein member.

The Minnesota Holstein Association is sponsoring and governing the futurity and will not be responsible for any accident or injury in connection with the show.

## NOMINATION FOR GOLDEN GOPHER FUTURITY XLV

Name of owner at birth: \_\_\_\_\_

Registration Number: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Name of Animal: \_\_\_\_\_

Name of breeder: \_\_\_\_\_

Sire: \_\_\_\_\_

Date of Birth: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Check one box:

- Class No. 1 - Production                      \$25 due 3/07/20
- Class No. 2 - Type                                 \$25 due 3/07/20
- Both     \$50 due 3/07/20

