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# A Gift So Good

## BID, RAFFLE AND SPIN THE BOTTLE TO SUPPORT THE NSBA FOUNDATION



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he National Snaffle Bit Association Foundation will host one of its largest fundraisers of the year during the NSBA World Championship Show and Breeders Championship Futurity next month at the Built Ford Tough Livestock Complex in Tulsa, Oklahoma. Through a number of activities, attendees and those watching from home can bid on silent auction items, obtain raffle tickets or participate in a Wine Pull as the Foundation works to support its core programs.

"All of the money raised during the NSBA World Show will be used to support the Foundation's programs as the need arises throughout the year," noted Lynn Campbell, development director for the NSBA Foundation.

#### SILENT AND ONLINE AUCTION

Perhaps the most familiar fundraising event hosted by the Foundation is the Silent Auction, which will take place this year August 11-15. "Two years ago, we added an online bidding component to the auction, which has become a lot of fun for everyone," Lynn noted. "People at home can bid, and even exhibitors in the barns can follow along to see if they've been outbid."

NSBA members and companies have been generous in donating a wide range of items that can accommodate any budget, from jewelry, artwork and specialty gift baskets to show clothing and custom show pads, tickets to sporting events and trips.

"We will be receiving items right up until the silent auction goes live at  $9:00\,\mathrm{a.m.}$  on Saturday, August 11," Lynn noted. "Be sure to pick up an auction catalog and get the supplement to the catalog that will include all last-minute donated items. The auction closes at noon on Wednesday, August 15."

Those watching from home (or in the barns) can also participate by going to this website when the auction goes live: http://nsba18.auction-bid.org. Bidders can register on the site up to two weeks prior to the auction.

#### RAFFLE TO WIN A CRICKET GOLF CART

New this year, the Foundation will offer 100 chances to win a Cricket SX3 electric golf cart for \$100 each. These light-weight electric carts seat four riders comfortably, operate extremely quietly and easily fold down to 28 inches for easy storage and transport. At just 32 inches wide, it is a perfect fit to tag along with RVs and horse trailers to the next NSBA event. Be sure to get your chance early—with odds of 1 in 100, tickets are expected to be gone quickly.

The Cricket SX3 golf cart is valued at nearly \$4,000 with accessories. The NSBA Foundation thanks Lakota Trailer of Ohio for its assistance in obtaining this wonderful cart.

#### SPIN THE BOTTLE (OF WINE!)

Attendees at this year's NSBA World Championship Show in Tulsa can also participate in a Wine Pull on Thursday, August 16. For a \$20 gift, participants will spin a bottle to determine which bottle of wine they will receive. A variety of red, white and blend wines from several prestigious vineyards will be available, with each bottle having a value of a minimum of \$20.

## SIT DOWN AND RELAX AT THE COWBOY CORNER

If you'll be attending the NSBA World Show this year, be sure to stop by the welcome center near the Silent Auction display area. The Foundation has provided comfortable chairs, snacks and beverages as a way to say "thank you" to everyone who has supported the NSBA Foundation's mission and programs throughout the year.

#### ALL GIFTS ARE WELCOME

Of course, donations of any amount are welcome at any time for the NSBA Foundation. Donations can be made online, in person or by mail. VISA, Mastercard, American Express and Discover cards accepted. Donations can be designated for any program, with the option to donate in memory of a friend or loved one.

For more information about the NSBA Foundation, please contact Lynn Campbell at lcampbell@nsba.com.

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