

## Campbell-Amherst Cattleman tour Tri County and SW Iowa

On June 8<sup>th</sup> Todd Scott, Campbell County Extension, and two leaders from the Campbell-Amherst Cattle Marketing Group, Joe Albert, and John Hutcherson, arrived in SW Iowa for a four-day tour of cattle operations. Their goal was to visit with producers about the cattle they will have on an August 9th Tele-auction and also look into retained ownership opportunities. Jerry Sorensen acted as their tour host.

The group had lunch with the TCSCF staff on Tuesday before taking off to visit operations. Darrell Busby explained the working of TCSCF and answered questions. That afternoon they stopped at Friends Feedlot and also toured Warden Angus. Wednesday included stops at Kay Farms, Nilan Feedlot, Carson Feeders, Bentley East and finished up at S&B.

Thursday took them to Gregory Feedlots, Tri Tower Farm in the morning. They had lunch with board member Paul Ackley and he discussed his experience with retained ownership. Next was Highland Farms new feedlot followed by a tour of Hays Beef Development Center. They were joined for dinner that night with board member Ron Dunphy in Creston.

First stop on Friday took them to Clan Farms then Atlantic Locker, Van Meter Feedlots and Schechinger Feedlots. They seemed excited about the opportunities to work with TCSCF and the feedlots they met. Hopefully some of the cattle will find their way the Iowa so the group can capture both performance and carcass data on their genetics.

Campbell-Amherst Cattle Marketing Group will sell approximately 8 loads of black hided steers and heifers that have been sorted and graded. For more information go to

<http://www.campbellamherstcattle.com/>



Group visiting with Larry and Brad Kay



Discussing feedstuffs with Gary Nilan



Driving feed allies with Jeff Clausen



Visiting with Bruce Bentley



S&B Feedlots



Processing barns at Gregory Feedlots



Discussing expansion plans of Roger and Cale Jones Smith



Discussing the Campbell-Amherst sale with Ken