

Hallowell urges spectators - exhibitors contact

Livestock men confront Hallowell

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 HARRISBURG — Several livestock associations found it impossible Tuesday that getting to the man on top is an impossibility when it comes to the Pennsylvania Secretary of Agriculture. Secretary Hallowell spent two full hours listening to discussions with representatives of the Pa. Sheep and Wool Growers, Penn-Mar Shropshire Soc., Pa. Polled Hereford Soc., Pa. Livestock Soc., Pa. Charolais Soc., and the Pa. Angus Soc. One of the main topics of conversation was the need for more space at the Show Complex.

monies be appropriated for a new building. "Hallowell pointed out that legislators are sometimes not aware of the needs of agriculture, especially those from urban area, so they need to be contacted and informed of the need for improvements at the Farm Show," Darcey said.

Both the Secretary and the livestock people were aware of the vast number of spectators who visited the Farm Show this year. But, no one could come up with the actual number of people who walked through the complex.

In their meeting, the idea of possibly charging a nominal admission fee was exchanged.

According to Frank Darcey, president of the Pa. Sheep and Wool Growers, Secretary Hallowell is aware of the need for an additional building, and he is familiar with every nook and cranny of the present facility. Hallowell told the livestock reps that legislation will be acted on by the Pa. legislators this month which will set up the budget. He said that anything for a new building is set to go, now all that is needed is the funds to start a contract for construction.

He stressed the need for everyone, not only livestock commercial exhibitors, to contact their representatives in the State House and Senate and ask that

and would eliminate the crowded show schedules.

Secretary Hallowell noted that some of the commercial exhibitors also mentioned this possibility. He said there were so many spectators that salesmen had to fight crowds to talk to potential clients, noted Darcey.

The cattlemen requested new tie outs for next year's show, along with a security light.

"There were instances this past show where cattle were turned loose during the night

by pranksters," Darcey stated. "The security light would allow the security guards to keep a better watch on the cattle tie-out area."

The livestock reps also pointed out to the Secretary that they felt the trucks which stayed at the Farm Show from Saturday until Friday should be parked away from the buildings, in a designated area.

"This would eliminate some of the congestion in the parking lots next to the

barns," Darcey added.

"As beef exhibitors we also mentioned the poor electrical system in the beef barns, with outlets hanging from the ceilings where nobody can reach them," the Pa.PHA president recalled. "And we told Secretary Hallowell how the circuit breakers would go off when two people plugged into the outlets, holding up the exhibitors."

"All told, we covered 14 points," Darcey said, "and the Secretary listened very

patiently. We were all favorably impressed with his willingness to talk. We all know that if you can't communicate, you can't solve problems.

Attending the meeting were: Clyde Brubaker, Pa. Sheep and Wool Growers; Frank Darcey, Pa. Polled Hereford Assoc.; Cliff Orley, Pa. Charolais Assoc.; Jesse Terry, Pa. Livestock Assoc.; Craig Peterson, Pa. Polled Hereford Assoc.; Walter Laird, Pa. Angus Assoc.; and Barbara Platt, Penn-Mar Shropshire Assoc.

Hog mange on upswing, spraying recommended

FORT WAYNE, Ind. — With more producers turning toward larger, total confinement units, hog mange is an increasing problem. Without a routine spraying program, mange can rob producers of weight gains and cause increased scours problems.

Sarcoptic hog mange, the most common type of mange in the U.S., is caused by parasitic mites which burrow deep into the skin, according to Dr. John Hottell, Master Mix swine veterinarian.

"Early signs of sarcoptic mange mite infection usually begin over the face, around the ears, or in other places where the skin is tender and the hair is thin," Hottell says.

Within six weeks, the lesions can spread and multiply over the neck, shoulders, body and legs until the entire body is involved. In older pigs, the first signs may appear around the ears, tail, and between the front and hind legs.

The irritation and itching caused by hog mange causes the animals to rub and scratch vigorously, resulting in skin inflammation and restlessness. Producers with mange in their herds suffer losses from poorer growth rates and higher incidences of scours.

"Sarcoptic hog mange is a widespread problem wherever swine are raised. Naturally, it is more

prevalent in the areas where swine numbers are the greatest," Hottell says.

Twenty-one percent of 1000 carcasses examined in a Nebraska slaughter house revealed varying degrees of sarcoptic mange mite infestation, he adds.

"Pigs of all ages and conditions are susceptible to sarcoptic mange, but usually the disease is less severe and spreads less rapidly in well-fed, well-kept rigorous animals than in weak or unthrifty hogs," he says.

To prevent hog mange, the veterinarian recommends producers treat all new hogs before they are added to the herd.

Incoming hogs should be

sprayed twice at four-day intervals with a high-pressure spray to force insecticide into the mite tunnels.

Sprays which combine lindane and toxophene, have been shown to be the most effective in eradicating the mites.

When spraying, special attention should be given to the inside of the ears, as well as between the front and hind legs and over the rest of the body.

"If a herd is already infested with sarcoptic mange, the herdsman should direct his spraying efforts to the sows, since they are the source of infection for the

baby pigs," Hottell says. He recommends the sow herd be sprayed every two weeks from the time of breeding until 30 days before farrowing.

Again, the spray should be directed inside the ears, in addition to the rest of the body.

Hottell suggests producers consider using a dipping vat similar to those used for sheep. Since there are no hog dipping vats available commercially, some producers have built their own.

With all insecticide products, producers should read and follow label directions.

Stay warm in the coldest weather

YORK — There are simple rules for staying warm outdoors during winter.

One rule is staying warm is easier than getting warm after you have gotten cold.

Wind on a moist surface, such as the skin, increases the cold by causing evaporation. Wind chill is a function of temperature and wind speed, so work should be paced to avoid sweating.

If bare skin must be exposed to the cold, it should be kept out of the wind. People should turn their backs to the wind, to protect their faces which must be exposed for

vision. Most of us do this automatically. The ski mask, which exposes only the eyes, is a piece of clothing to help this problem recently in common use.

Some other reminders about keeping warm:

Loose clothing in layers creates pockets of air and air is a good insulator.

Circulation is necessary for the blood to warm the body.

Boots and belts should be comfortable.

Gloves should not be too tight.

Mittens are better than gloves allowing the fingers to give supportive warmth to

each other.

Circulation can also be improved voluntarily for short periods of time by exercise. Swinging the arms and stomping the feet can warm cold toes. Running a bit can warm the whole body, but overdoing it to sweating will make one colder in the long run. Shivering is nature's way of making a person run without going anywhere he wants to or not.

Drinking cold beverages will cause a heat drain on the body as will eating snow or ice. Drinking warm or hot liquids is preferable in cold weather.

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Goat Club welcomes new member

FLEMINGTON, N.J. — At the last meeting of the Hunterdon County Kids 4-H Goat Club, one new member, Jeff Peterson, was welcomed. Jeff has one Toggenburg goat.

The club discussed what games were going to be played at the Goat Club Holiday Party & Covered Dish Dinner.

Members also made plans for a Club Christmas Party.

Members will go caroling through Bloomsbury, followed by a Christmas Party at the home of Mrs. Peck, club leader. Everyone is to bring a gift that can be used by goats. Reported by Kathy Haines, Club Reporter.

