

Pa. breeders collect All-American honors

LANCASTER — Next week, Holstein breeders from across the Commonwealth will gather in Harrisburg for the annual state convention.

The meeting offers breeders a chance to enjoy a well-earned vacation, exchange ideas and reminisce about the 1981 show season.

At least two breeders will be celebrating the recent news of their All-American picks out of five Pennsylvania nominees.

The Arthur Baxters of Stoneboro just got word that their junior heifer calf, Garden-Acres P Penny received an All-American Honorable Mention. And the only Pennsylvania bull nominated, Gor-Wood-D Elevation Rocky-ET, owned by Gordon and Dorothy Wood, Mansfield, finished with High Honorable Mention.

Three other breeders were in the running. Cinda Oakes, Cochran, a Holstein Junior member, had an intermediate calf, Vel-Rus Elevation Boots Lovely in the All-American and Junior All-American competition. The Lovely calf earned a Junior AA High Honorable Mention. In addition, Oakes' second Junior AA nominee, Vel-Rus Marvex Penstate Maria, received Junior AA Honorable Mention.

Star Bright Holsteins, Bath, had an AA nomination in their top 4-year-old, James Hill Elevation Betsy and Bradford County breeders, Lynn and Bonnie Miller were nominated for their junior yearling heifer, Apache Royal Heritage-ET.

In addition to the AA recognition, Baxter's Penny heifer, a Pete daughter earned All-Pennsylvania honors along with another Baxter heifer, Garden Acres Goldyvale. The dams of both heifers, are by a homebred bull, Garden Acres Trade Mark. The bull is by Elm-croft Pontiac Chieftain Son out of a 93 point Marquis. The dam of the Penny heifer, Garden Acres Donna, a Very Good 88, boasts a top record of 26,567 pounds of milk and 918 pounds of fat for a 347 day lactation as a 4-year-old.

The Trade Mark bull has a great influence in the Baxter herd with five milking daughters. Four of them are Very Good and one

carries a score of 91 2E. The Mercer County dairy carries a rolling herd average of 19,293 pounds of milk and 665 pounds of fat on 42 cows.

Gor-Wood-D Acres' AA pick, Gor-Wood-D Elevation Rocky-ET, Very Good 88, is the only son of the Woods' "once in a lifetime cow," according to Ron Wood.

Rocky's dam, U Kasgar Roberta Rockman, 3E 94 finished her lifetime production with 179,509 pounds of milk and 6,068 pounds of fat. She made her best record of 27,132 pounds of milk and 1,099 pounds of fat, as a 12-year-old on 365 days.

In her lifetime, the Tioga County brood cow has produced one High Honorable Mention AA, one Honorable Mention AA, One Honorable Mention All-Canada 2-year-old. She was twice named All-Pennsylvania Dam and Daughter with two different daughters. All of her scored offspring have classified no less than 86, with two scoring Excellent. The Woods maintain a rolling herd average of 17,868 pounds of milk and 637 pounds of fat on 122 cows.

The AA nominee of Crawford County Junior Cinda Oakes, Vel-Rus Elevation Boots Lovely is a Sweet-Haven Lochinvar Boots daughter out of a Very Good, Kingway Elevation Very. The fancy calf earned Junior All-Pennsylvania Intermediate Calf honors.

Towanda breeders, Lynn and Bonnie Miller's AA nominee, Apache Royal Heritage-ET, is an Elevation daughter out of Royal Haven Brett Sherry, Ex 95, picked as AA 4-year-old in 1978. The junior yearling is due in July to Valiant.

James Hill Elevation Betsy, the AA nominee of Star Bright Holsteins, is by Elevation out of James Hill Paclamar Betty-Twin. Currently bred to Carlin M. Ivanhoe Bell, the Star Bright nominee carries a top record of 24,008 pounds of milk and 868 pounds of fat on 365 days.

When the Holstein breeders gather next week and the talk shifts to fancy cows, among those names dropped most likely will be, Rocky, Betsy, Lovely, Penny and Heritage.

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With more than 650 animals eligible for AA nominations, Pennsylvania's only bull nominee, Gor-Wood-D Elevation Rocky-ET earned High Honorable Mention for his breeders, Gordon and Dorothy Wood, Mansfield. The 2-year-old bull, an Elevation son, is out of a 3E 94 point Rockman daughter, U Kasgar Roberta Rockman. Photo courtesy Gordon Wood



All-American Honorable Mention junior heifer, Garden-Acres Penny, owned by the Arthur Baxters of Mercer County compiled an impressive show record last year including a second at the Central National and Eastern National and a third at the North American in Louisville, Ky. Photo courtesy Arthur Baxter

N.J. Holstein breeders plan spring forum

FLEMINGTON, N.J. — The annual "Spring Forum," conducted by the New Jersey Holstein Association for its members and all other interested dairymen, will be held on Tuesday, March 2, at the Andover Firehouse, Rt. 206, Andover. The program will begin at 9:30 a.m., according to Lester Jones, Jr., Medford, Chairman for the event.

Speaker will be Dr. Jim Jarrett, DVM and noted writer for Hoards'

Dairyman. He will discuss all aspects of dairy herd health. In addition to being a very knowledgeable "cow" vet, Dr. Jarrett is an excellent speaker, says Jones.

The program will be repeated in South Jersey at 7:30 p.m., same day, at the Dutch Inn Motel, Gibbstown. There will be a nominal registration fee. Pre-registration is not required.

Central Jersey Holstein club names officers

FLEMINGTON, N.J. — Bernard Beatty, Bethlehem Township, was elected president of the Central Jersey Holstein Association at a recent meeting of the board of directors. Beatty succeeded Mark Douglass, Pittstown, N.J., in the leadership of the 95-member organization.

A life-long resident of Hunterdon, N.J. Beatty was born and raised on the family farm located on the West Portal-Asbury Road. He and his father, Sam, operate the 160-acre dairy farm. The herd consists of 55 registered Holsteins

and 50 head of young stock.

Beatty is married to the former Sharon Teets and they have three daughters and twin sons.

George Alles, Raritan Township was re-elected vice-president, Floyd Schwab, East Amwell was elected secretary-treasurer.

Other directors are: Charles Rogers, Raritan Township; William Teets, Clinton Township; and Howard J. Sutton, Tewksbury.

Committees were named and activities scheduled for the year during the board's reorganization meeting.



Vel-Rus Elevation Boots Lovely, an AA nominee and Junior AA High Honorable mention, finished a successful 1981 show season for her 18-year-old breeder Cinda Oakes, Cochran. The Sweet-Haven Lochinvar Boots daughter collected blue ribbons at the North American Dairy Exposition, Pennsylvania Junior Show, Northwest 4-H District Show, and the Crawford Co. 4-H Show, where she was named Junior Champion.