

# Jersey sale averages \$805

SHIPPENSBURG — Jersey enthusiasts gathered at the Shippensburg Fairgrounds on the 4th of July for the second annual Cumberland Valley Jersey Breeders Sale. Although there was a good sized crowd in attendance for the pre-sale luncheon and sale, bidders were scarce as the 37 cows and bred heifers sold for an average of \$805.40.

Five cows surpassed the \$1000.00 mark with another four selling for \$900.00 or more.

High selling animal of the day was the bred heifer consigned by John Bishop VI, of Ogston Farm, New Jersey. Ogston Ultimates Goldie sold for \$1600.00 on the bid of Craig and Terry Rhein, R3, Pine Grove. The two brothers, in business on their mother's, Meadow View Farm, stated that their dairy needs more milk and Ogston animals have always done well for them.

"Goldie", due in July, is a daughter of Ogston Samson Ultimate, a young sire being

developed at Ogston Farm. His first five milking daughters average MCD is +4330M and +174F. Goldie also boasts a Milestones Generator dam with records to 17,194M and 670F at four years, two months of age. The granddam also has records over 15,000 M and 700 F.

Two cows tied for second high selling honors and both sold to Gerald Hart, R2, Mifflintown. Oracle Peggy Amy, consigned by John and Amy Vanderstappen, Greenville, and Vantage O Brother Duchess, consigned by Don and Angie Koontz, Fredonia, brought \$1575.00 each on the bid from Hart. The two three year olds boasted good milk records and butterfat tests over 5.1%.

The consignment of Helen McCahon, Downingtown, brought \$1525.00 on the successful bid of Beth Reinhart, LeMaster. The last animal to reach the \$1000.00 mark was Windy Acres Vermonter Candy, who was consigned by William Eick, Columbia Cross Roads, and purchased by Vaughn and Eileen More, Chambersburg, for \$1050.00.

The sale was auctioneered by Ralph Horst and pedigrees were read by Doug Reinhart.-R.P.



The high selling animal of the Cumberland Valley Jersey Breeders Sale was Ogston Ultimates Goldie. Selling for \$1600.00 on the bid of Craig and Terry Rhein, R3 Pine Grove, Goldie was consigned by Ogston Farm, represented by Tim Manning, on the right. At the halter is Beth Reinhart.

## Association offers computing services

STATE COLLEGE — Agriculture Information Systems (AIS), State College, has recently established the Eastern Computing Farmers Association to benefit those farmers using microcomputers in their farm operations.

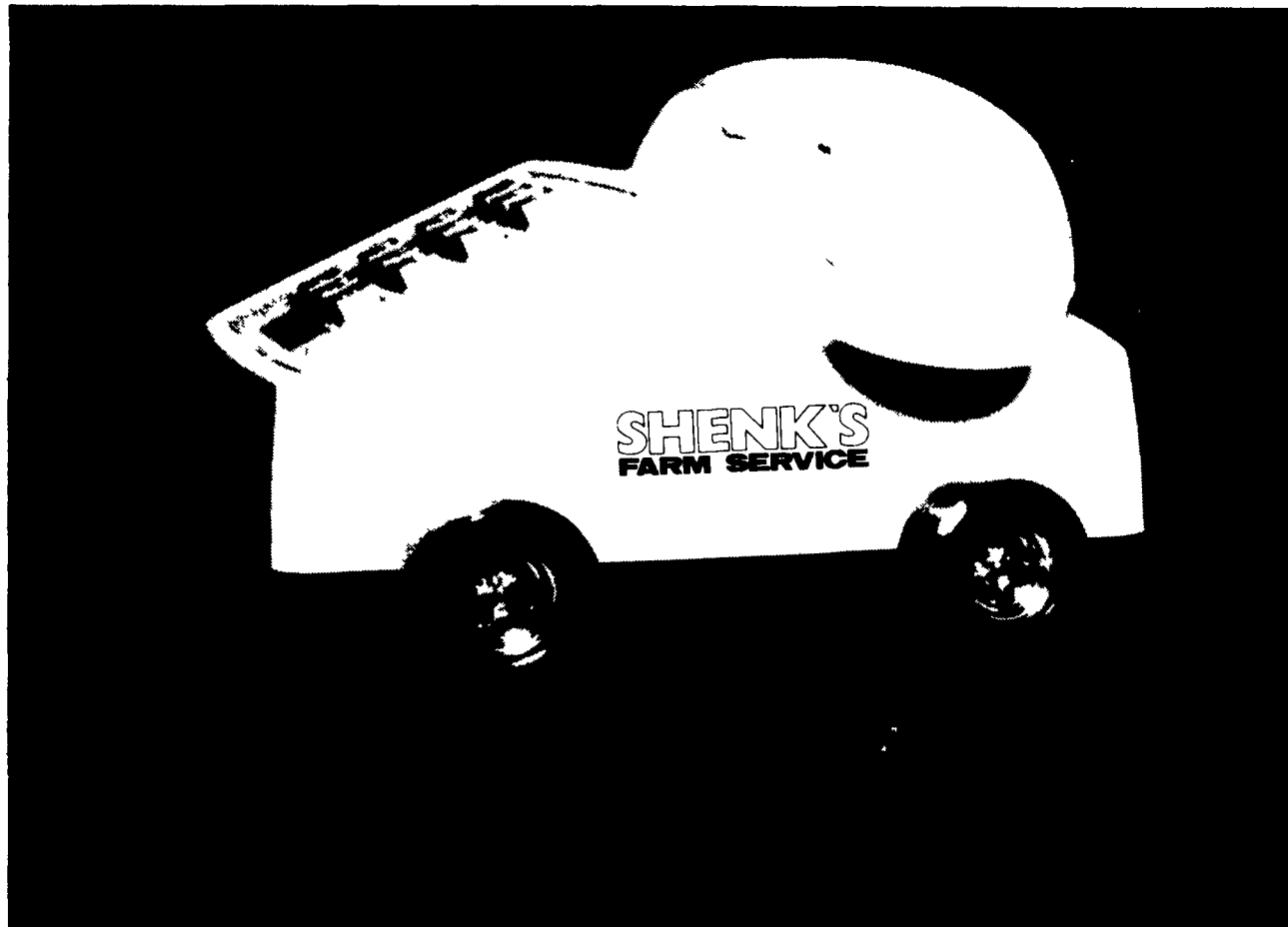
With more farmers incorporating microcomputers into farm business strategy, the Eastern Computing Farmers Association (ECFA) saw a need to supply information and services to these farmers. The association is open to those living in Delaware, Maryland, New Jersey, New York, Pennsylvania, Virginia and West Virginia.

Among membership privileges is a monthly newsletter, "Eastern Computing Farmer," which will target the specific agricultural computer management needs of farmers in the East. The newsletter, to be edited by Jeff and Debi Smith, will feature articles on accounting and record-keeping, herd management, ration balancing, crop records and other computer applications for the agribusinessman.

In addition, each issue will provide valuable application tips, purchasing guidelines, profiles of individual farmers using computers, University and Extension updates, local and regional ag computing events and computer news applicable to the farm computer user.

The association is the first of its kind, providing services to the Eastern ag computer user. ECFA will provide members with free ag computer consultation by phone, access to an extensive ag software library, ag computing conferences and seminars, independent consulting services, group discounts on computer supplies, with more planned for the future.

Charter membership fee is \$35. For membership information and a free trial issue of newsletter, "Eastern Computing Farmer," write to the Eastern Computing Farmers Association at P.O. Box 366, State College, Pa., 16804, or call toll-free 800-225-5800.



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