Tractor Tally

Buck Tractor Pull May 25, 1985

5 Mod.

1. Jeff Franty, Windsor, Pa., F.P.; 2. Nathan Wolfe, Bedford, Pa., 296.5; 3. Gary Mills, Fallston, Md., 289.0.

1000 S.S. Garden Tractor

1. Leonard Hollinger, Mountville, Pa., 121.5; 2. Loren Ressler, Mountville, Pa., 88.5; 3. Joe Rakowski, Collegesville, Pa., 74.2. 1200 S.S. Garden Tractor

1. Leonard Hollinger, Mountville. Pa., 120.10; 2. George Eby IV, Elizabethtown, Pa., 109.10; 3. Joseph Rakowski, Collegeville, Pa., 99.4.

Street-FWD

1. Larry Baltoyer, Lancaster, Pa., F.P. F.P. F.P.; 2. Roy Eshelman, Elizabethtown, Pa., F.P. F.P. 256.2; 3. Mervin Moyer, Grantville, Pa., F.P. 299.10. 7 Mod.

1. Curt Luckenbill, Schuylkill Haven, Pa., 269.7; 2. Nathan Wolfe. Bedford, Pa., 262.2; 3. Thomas Zimmerman, Mt. Joy, Pa. 261.6. **Street Semis**

1. Wilbur Nauman, Ephrata, Pa., F.P.; 2. Carl Spickler, Elizabethtown, Pa.; 255.2; 3. Ronald Wilburn, New Providence, Pa., 252.11.

9 Open

1. Robert Wittenbrader, Jr., Lake Ariel, Pa., 299.3; 2. Gary Mills, Fallston, Md., 296.7; 3. Earl Henderson, Baldwin, Md., 247.9.

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1. Ronnie Hughes, New Windsor, Md., 258.10 ft.; 2. Howard Meredith, Wye Mills, Md., 256.10; 3. Jerry Hart, Vandalia, Ohio, 1750 Mini

1. John Fairbanks, Fitchburg, Maine, F.P. 250.0; 2. Dennis Horst, Chambersburg, Pa., F.P. 231.3; 3. John Seylar, Chambersburg, Pa.,

7000 Mod. Kenneth Owens, Harwood, Md., F.P.; 2. Willard Will, Central City, Pa., 288.4; 3. Thad Will, Central City, Pa., 280.7.

6200 4WD

1. Glenn Davis, Hollywood, Fla., F.P.; 2. Tony O'Steen, West Green, Ga., 292.7; 3. Howard Lewis, New Carrollton, Md., 289.5.

PennMar purchase

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this is a one-time assessment, and producers would be able to buy or sell shares, in \$500 increments, based on their changing requirements.

Along with the common stock and commodity stock necessary to become a co-op member and market hogs, preferred stock will also be offered to hog producers, as well as anyone else interested in

the co-op only from an investment standpoint.

Although producers generally favored the program, most were hesitant to sign on the dotted line.

"It's presented in a well thoughtout manner," noted one Manheim hog finisher, "but I think it's going to cost them more to operate than they're saying.'

One farrow-to-finish operator from Ronks was in agreement. "I

York farm tour planned

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bookkeeper, and a second son, Steve, is employed off the farm.

In addition to having ample opportunity to observe the graceful thoroughbreds, visitors will see displays of various types of tack, including western, exercise and jockey saddles, and shoeing equipment.

The Harry and Dorinda Arnold dairy herd grazes on land steeped in local history, and tracing back to original land grants.

The Arnolds purchased the 130acre general farm in 1955, from the late Anna Huber, founder and president of the York Visiting Nurse Association for 40 years. She was the last descendant of the family which had purchased the land from Thomas and John Penn, sons of William Penn. An original deed, inscribed on animal skin and dating to 1772, in "the twelvth year of the reign of King George III," is a prized family possession.

Arnold remodeled the barn in 1957, and it presently houses their herd of between 35 and 40 milking Holsteins, a large portion of them of the Red and White Holstein breed. About 40 head of replacements are raised at all

times, as well. Cropping program centers on corn and alfalfa, for use in the dairy herd feeding program.

Dorinda is a registered nurse at Memorial Hospital. The couple's five children, Annette, Kathryn, Lee, Christopher, and Philip work at various off-farm professions.

Special hostess at the Arnold farm will be York County Dairy Princess Joyce Ruppert, with samples of flavored sterile milk from Dairymen, Inc. Other dairyrelated items of interest planned are a display on the daily feed consumption of a cow, and an exhibit by American Breeders Service.

Base for the haywagon tours will be a centrally-located large tent, housing various ag-related craft, commodities and food displays. Periodic demonstrations of sheep shearing are planned. Wagons will leave the base area at frequent intervals throughout the day.

All three participating farms are south on Route 462, between Wrightsville and Hellam. Visitors should take Route 30 to the Wrightsville Exit, and follow the farm tour signs.

don't think they'll have enough working capital," he said, noting that slaughtering 3,000 hogs a week will cost the plant \$330,000 a week. based on a per-head price of \$110. "And then after two weeks you've got to start paying your employees, too.'

Another Manheim producer was reluctant to comment on the financial picture, but had high praise for the co-op's emphasis on quality.

PACMA sales manager Royal Palmer explained that producers will be paid according to the "lean yield system" with backfat thickness at the last rib being the determining factor. "We can no longer afford to say 'I don't care what happens to my product after it leaves the farm,'" Palmer said, emphasizing that paying a premium for top quality pork is one way of producing the kind of red meat that consumers demand.

Most producers agreed on this point, noting that paying higher prices for lean hogs gives producers more incentive to improve their stock.

And producers generally agreed that the cost of co-op membership was minimal. "What's \$1,000 if you have a market," one pork producer commented. "You can pay that for one good boar."

Though no banks have committed funds to the venture, Goss noted that a number have indicated interest. "I don't have any reservation that we're going to make this work, if you want it," he told producers. "When it comes to making money, I can't think of anything other than a co-op that will get the job done."

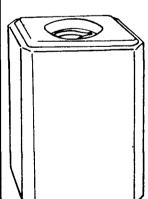
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