

Maryland Holstein Convention recognizes breeders

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HAGERSTOWN, Md. — Maryland Holstein breeders met last weekend, for their annual state convention, hosted at the Ramada Inn, Hagerstown.

Highlights of the business meeting included the election of new state officers and directors. Results of this election are: president, Joseph Schwartzbeck, Union Bridge; vice president, Ed Stanfield, Randalltown; and secretary-treasurer, John Morris, Frederick.

Directors receiving the nod for three years include: Donald Crother, Rising Sun; Michael Haines, Taneytown; Jeffrey Moore, Centreville; Curtis Day, Damascus; and John Schenning, Bel Air.

The 1985 Maryland Holstein Production Awards were also given out at this time. Robert Meredith, Federalsburg, received the award for the high record for a two year old in 305 days or less, with the record of 28,065 pounds FCM.

The junior award in this category went to Michael Iager, Fulton, with the record of 23,126 pounds FCM.

Marlin Hoff, New Windsor, was the recipient of the award in the three-year-old class with a production of 31,513 pounds FCM. The junior winner was Ian Hoff, New Windsor, and the record of 23,840 pounds FCM.

Recognized in the four-year-old group was Marlin Hoff, with the

production 31,707 pounds of FCM. Richard Bender, Accident, was the junior receiving this honor with the record of 26,859 pounds FCM.

The category of five to ten year old went to Robert Meredith, and the record of 37,027 FCM. The junior division five-year-old award went to Matthew Hoff, New Windsor, and the production of 31,944 pounds FCM. The junior winner in the six year and over group was O. Clay Smith, Jefferson, and the record of 31,944 pounds FCM.

McGuire Brother, Kenndyville took the award for the 10 years and over class with the record, 27,317 pounds FCM.

Robert Meredith was the recipient of the award for the owner of the high lactation herd 90 cows and under for milk in both the DHIR and DHI categories.

The DHIR winner of this award in the over 90 cow herd was Marlin Hoff with the DHI award going to Maple Lawn Farms, Fulton.

Coldsprings Star Bride and her production of 256,670 pounds of milk garnered the high lifetime award for Marlin Hoff. The junior winner in this category was Matthew Hoff and his cow, Kit-Way Coldsprings Jaki-Twin and her production of 151,440 pounds of milk.

Oren Bender, Accident and his cow, Cove Run W. F. Goldie Gem took the high protein award with the record, 1,058 pounds protein.

The high lifetime production of fat recognition went to Fireydale

Sunshine Maud Betty with the record, 10,180 pounds of fat. She is owned by the Firey Brothers, Clear Spring.

Progressive Breeder Award recipients were: Kingstead Farm, 31 years; C. Renn Remsburg and Son, 24 years; Maple Lawn Farms, Inc. owned by Ellsworth Iager and Sons, 19 years; Marlin Hoff, five years; Schenning Brothers, five years; Carl Bender, three years; Del Myr Farm owned by Roger and Jeff Myers, three years; Donald Wilcom, three years; Oren Bender, two years; Harmony Farm owned by Frank and Barbara Covey, two years; Dan Hollingsworth, III, one year; Marlin and Eva Martin, one year; Warner Brothers of Frederick County, one year; and David Yoder, one year.

Dr. Francis H. Fox, DVM, Cornell University, spoke at the convention on the topic, John's Disease. Dr. Fox admitted this is a problem and an embarrassment for the Vet Industry since diagnosis takes several months.

Presently, intense research money for this disease is not available since it is not a specific problem for humans such as TB is.

Dr. Fox urged breeders to vaccinate for it and to remove calves from their mothers if diarrhea develops. He concluded by stating that current research is hopeful of finding an effective treatment in the near future.

The Maryland Holstein Association annually awards

scholarships at its convention. This year two new \$500 Scholarships to the University of Maryland Institute of Applied Ag were awarded. The recipients were Becky Long, Thurmont and Bill Allen, Jefferson.

Two \$500 Scholarships were given to the University of Maryland College of Ag to Steve Hockman, Hagerstown and Greg Wiles, Williamsport.

Also receiving scholarships were Lisa Firey, Eric Knutsen, James

Swift, Jedonne Swift, William Swift and Kelly Shaw.

The Maryland Convention Sale sold 51 head with a sale average of \$2072. The top animal sold was Coldspring Jetson Pica ET for \$8500 to Pablo Echevarria, Tunkhannock, Pa. Pica was consigned by Marlin Hoff, New Windsor who retained half interest.

The sale was managed by Remsburg Sales Service.

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Delaware Valley College is the site for this program. It is located on Route 202 in Doylestown just off the Route 611 bypass. Speakers for the day include extension agents from Bucks, Lehigh, Chester,

Berks, and Montgomery Counties Personnel from Delaware Valley College will also be included in the day's program.

A registration fee of \$10 for adults and \$5 for students is being charged. Late registration will be accepted at the door but will not include lunch.

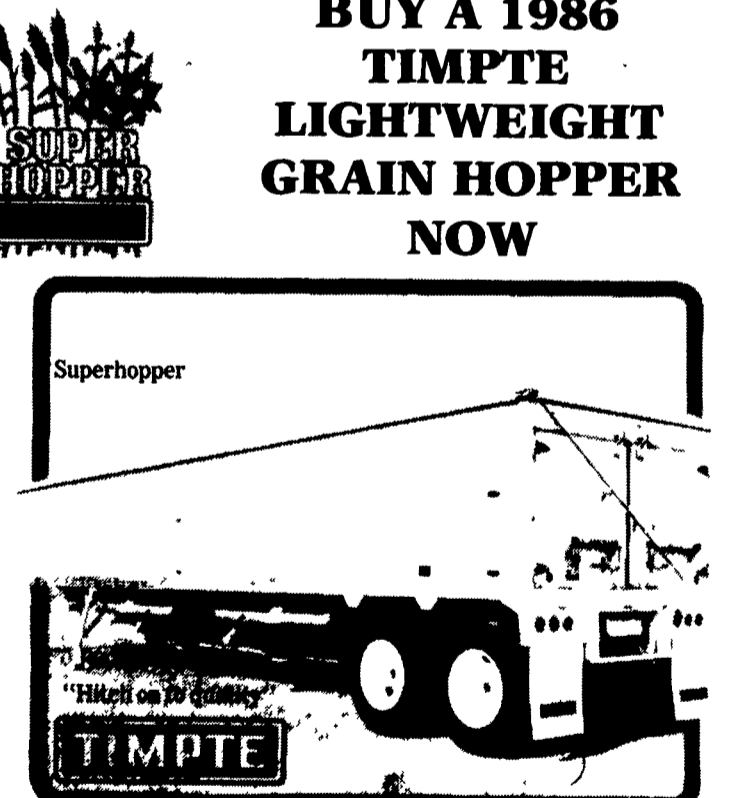
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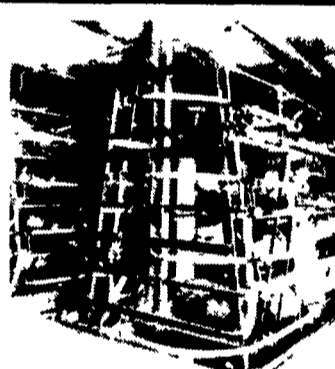


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