

Grass-Roots Makes Point at National Holstein Convention

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ownership, i.e. \$10...\$5, if the change of ownership is required where no actual sale has been made because of the death of a member, or is to a member of one's immediate family. The Board of Directors may, in addition to the minimum fees, prescribe fees which shall apply in any case when the application is not received within 30 days after the date of change of ownership.

New York State's revision of this proposal was adopted. The revision set a transfer fee of \$10 on all registration received in

Brattleboro, Vt., 45 days following the sale date. After 45 days the fee increases to \$25. The \$5 fee for transfers within a family was accepted as proposed.

Officers who were re-elected include president M. Duane Green, Michigan; vice president Max K. Herzog, California; director Robert Beauprez; and director B. J. Powell, Indiana.

New directors include Thomas Kelly, Pennsylvania, and winning an upset victory was the dark horse candidate, David Bachmann, Wisconsin, whose can-

didacy was announced on the floor by the Breeders' Majority.

In his address to the convention, president Greene suggested that the individual member is experiencing poor communications with the Association. "Maybe part of the problem of the Association is internal problems. The diversity of our membership makes the setting of policy and rules by the board and implementation by management a hazard."

He suggested replacing winter forums with member forums, where every member would be welcome. Directors would chair the meetings and members would lead discussion about issues they think are important to them. Staff would be there as resource persons.

Zane Akins, executive secretary, presented a four-part program to improve communications between the individual and the Association. The program called for a restructuring of winter forums, to open member forums; development of membership task forces on specific issues; funding for mail and phone surveys of members; and establishment by each director of a small group of respected members from which they can obtain regular feedback.

Viewing the organization at a crossroads, he noted that the Association can "continue to support genetic research programs and expand programs and services to help all Holstein dairymen to breed more efficient and productive dairy cattle. Or we can limit the Organization's efforts to recording of parentage and issuance of certificates with evaluation programs based on intuition."

He also proposed "that



Berks County's senior dairy bowl team took second place honors at the National Holstein Convention in Milwaukee, Wisconsin. Members, from left, coach George Merrill, Mark Moser, Doris Stump, Naomi Herbst, and Charlie Seidel.

Delegates place financial control of the association completely in the directors' hands. Decisions could be made in an objective environment as opposed to a political one, often times emotionally prompted by a lack of facts."

JUNIORS CONVENE DJM'S AND DAIRY BOWL WINNERS DECIDED

In a close contest that was tough and go throughout, Berk County, Pennsylvania's entry in the Dairy Bowl Senior Team Contest, fell short. They lost to New England representative in the contest.

George Merrill coached the Berks County team which won the right to compete at the National Convention by besting all other senior teams at the Pennsylvania Holstein Convention. Team members include: Mark Moser, Charles Seidel, Naomi Herbst and Doris Stump.

Michael Iager of Fulton, Md. and Douglas Wolfe of Richfield

Springs, N.Y. were two of the six Distinguished Junior Members named at the convention.

Iager is the eldest son of Judith and Charles Iager, Jr. Together with his two brothers, his uncle and family, and paternal grandparents, they own and operate Maple Lawn Farm. Iager is involved in all aspects of the operation from milking to field work to preparing their turkeys for market. He is currently a sophomore at the University of Maryland Institute of Applied Agriculture, majoring in dairy farm production.

Wolfe works with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Howard Wolfe, and his younger brother Mike on their 290-acre family farm. Wolfe handles all the various tractor jobs and assists with other jobs around the farm. Following graduation from State University of New York-Cobleskill, he plans to continue breeding top-quality registered Holsteins.



Among those breed leaders calling for Breeders' Majority mailing-list signup was the New Jersey Holstein treasurer, Genie Francisco.

National Sale Sparkles With \$76,000 Top

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MILWAUKEE, Wis. — A chilly wind blew misty rain outside the Wisconsin State Fairgrounds on Monday, dampening spectators but not spirits as the Century II sale kicked off the 101st National Holstein Convention.

High bid in the sale went to an empty sale ring. As several ringmen acknowledged buyer interest with enthusiastic shouts, bids jumped at a fast pace. At the \$76,000 mark, the gavel cracked and a male bull calf — due in August — went to the Brewer Syndicate of Mississauga, Ontario.

Buyers purchased the first choice of males from a flush to Arlinda Rotate by the EX-94 Ron-De-Ro Genie Wayne Spring.

The Wayne Springs Fond Apollo daughter carries a Cow Index of plus 1412 milk and a CTPI of plus 722 and is 38th on the Honor List. She holds both 305 and 365-day New York State records. At 4 years and 10 months, her 365-day record was completed at 43,161 pounds of milk and 1,496 pounds of fat with a 3.5 percent test.

Second high bid of \$73,000 was for a S-W-D Valiant heifer bred to Marshfield Elevation Tony and selling with five pregnancies guarantees. Hilltop Hanover B Damara-ET sold to Pintail Point Farms, Queenstown, on the Maryland Eastern Shore.

Her dam is the EX-91 Ocean-View Elevation Debbie, also a holder of New York State 365-day records. The next two dams are Excellent with records over 40,000 pounds of milk.

She was consigned by B. Giles Brophy, Hilltop Hanover Farm, Yorktowne Heights, N.Y.

Third high bid of \$67,000 was for a 3-year-old daughter of Arlinda Rotate. Donbar Rotate Trudy sold with signed bull contracts up to \$30,000, six pregnancies to Ned

Boy, and 18 embryo contracts. In her first lactation, at 1 year and 10 months, her 365 day record was 21,806 pounds of milk and 961 pounds of fat with a 4.4 test.

Her dam is a VG-86 Elevation and her second dam is by Jet Stream. She was consigned by Hardys Holsteins, Tipton, Mich., and purchased by Lou Whitaker, Harlam Georgia.

Fourth high bid of \$33,000 was for a 5-year-old Pete daughter. Sch-Mo Pete Lois, EX-93, was named All-Oklahoma and Reserve Grand. On her first test, she produced 112 pounds and is backed by an 88 point dam with 114,000 lifetime pounds of milk.

She was consigned by Bobby Peck, Oklahoma, and purchased by Charles Stroh, Connecticut.

Fifth high bid of \$32,000 was on a 6-month old daughter of Arlinda Rotate. Gillbrook RH Caressa-ET is out of the Paulo-Bro EMP Columbia cow (EX-90-GMD), who has three records over 30,000 pounds of milk and one over 35,000 pounds. Her next dam is EX-95 and has records over 31,000 pounds of milk.

She was consigned by Gillbrook Farms, Pennsylvania, and purchased by Ebony Bull Capital, Pennsylvania.

Sixth high bid of \$29,000 was for a 4-year-old VG-85 daughter of Valiant. Belleview Valiant Jennie-ET sold with an AI contract to Ned Boy and Rotate, as well as embryo export contracts. Her dam is an Excellent Elevation daughter with a 6-year-old record over 36,500 pounds of milk.

She was consigned by Frank Bialozynski, Wisconsin, and purchased by the B Syndicate, Wisconsin.

Seventh high bid of \$28,000 was for a 4-year-old daughter of Valiant. Mun-Cre Valiant Misty was bred by Lester Poust of Muncy, Pa. and sold with \$19,500 in contracts and pregnancies by Ned

Boy, Kirk Boy and Rotate. This VG-86 cow topped last year's All-American sale held in Harrisburg and produced 30,900 pounds of milk in her last lactation.

She was consigned by Nova Rose Ltd. of Illinois and purchased by Misty Associates.

Two entries sold for \$25,000.

The first, eighth high bid of \$25,000 was for a Valiant heifer. Long-Haven Valiant Samantha's dam, a Very Good Bell daughter, produced a record of 37,521 pounds of milk as a 3-year old. Her next dam, VG-88 has a 4 year and 10 month record of 47,281 pounds of milk.

She was consigned by Long-Haven Farms, Michigan, and purchased by Ebony Bull Capital, Pennsylvania.

A second bid of \$25,000 was for a 7-year-old daughter of Glendell. Hi-De-Ho Glendell Niki, a proven red carrier, is a maternal sister to the bull Hi-De-Ho Sunset Kid-Red. As a 6-year old, she completed, in 365-days, a record of 23,760 pounds of milk with a 4.3 percent test.

Kelly Elected National Director

MILWAUKEE, Wis. — Thomas W. Kelly, Tyrone, Pa., was elected to the position of National Director for the Holstein-Friesian Association of America at the National Convention early this week, replacing William Pettit, New Jersey, who was not eligible for re-election.

As a breeder of registered Holsteins since 1974, Kelly has developed a top herd of 70 cows averaging over 21,000 pounds of milk, 750 pounds of fat, and 650 pounds of protein with a 103.5 B.A.A. Kelly is director of the Pennsylvania Holstein Association where he served as chairman of the Program Development and

Evaluation Committee, the Membership Activities Committee, and general chairman of the 1983 State Holstein Convention.

Kelly has been a delegate to the National Convention for six years, past president of the Penn State Dairymen's Club, past president of the Blair County Extension Executive committee, director of the Morrison Cove Dairy Show and past director of the Blair County's Farmers Association.

Prior to entering farming, Kelly worked as an agricultural extension agent in Blair County, fieldman for the Pennsylvania Holstein Association, district manager for Curtiss Breeding

Service, fieldman for HFA in New England and New Jersey, and manager of the Pennsylvania All-American Dairy Show, Keystone International Livestock Show and the Pennsylvania Farm Show competitive entries.

He is currently a director for West Central Farm Credit System of Baltimore Bank, Pennsylvania PDCA representative on state 4-H and FFA Dairy Show, Armsby Committee member to evaluate and provide future direction for Penn State's College of Agriculture. Kelly also serves his community as an officer in school and church organizations.



Although the bidding pace was lively, the ring was empty as the sale topper went for \$76,000. The high-seller was a bull calf by Rotate to be born in August.

She was consigned by Karl Waters, Wisconsin, and purchased by James and Joan Knutson, Wisconsin.

The sale averaged \$9,800 on about 133 head. Horace Backus,

sale pedigree reader, commented, "The sale presented a realistic value of registered Holstein cattle today."

Tom Morris and Jim Hoskens, Wisconsin managed the sale and served as auctioneers.