

Ayrshire Breeders To Host World Conference

BRANDON, VT — U.S. Ayrshire Breeders are preparing for a most exciting event to take place this fall. September 28th through October 14 they will be host of the Sixth World Ayrshire Conference. The conference, which is broken into three parcels is under the direction of General Chairman, Dr. Hilton Boynton.

The first parcel of the conference tour takes place in New York and Pennsylvania, starting September 28th with registration at the Penta Hotel in New York City. The first official event will be a reception welcoming our foreign guests hosted by the United States.

On Thursday morning the group will go to United Nations for breakfast and a tour of the building. From there they will take a cruise in New York Harbor to view our famed Statue of Liberty. Later in the day delegates will have time to "window shop" and dine at the restaurant of their choice.

Mrs. Edgar Scott will host the group on Friday at Ardrossan Farms, Villanova, PA. Ardrossan Farms is the top producing Ayrshire herd in the country with a herd average over 20,000 pounds on 100 plus head. Mrs. Scott has bred numerous 20,000 and 25,000 pound producers and six cows with the Ardrossan prefix have attained over 200,000 pounds of milk. In 1987 the Ardrossan herd was honored at the annual meeting of the association with six 150,000 Pound Certificates, nineteen 800 Pound Fat Certificates, thirty-nine 20,000 Pound Certificates (35 with over 800 fat and 6 over 1000 fat), twelve 100,000 Pound Certificates, three Protein Awards, five 25,000 Pound Certificates, their 28th Constructive Breeder Award

and the French Trophy for top production of herds of over 100 head.

In addition to the opportunity to view this outstanding herd and the lovely surroundings, the group will enjoy lunch courtesy of Mr. & Mrs. Scott.

The busses will load in the afternoon for a scenic drive to Lancaster, PA. Enroute to the hotel the group will travel through the Amish Country to see another facet of U.S. living.

Saturday, two outstanding Pennsylvania Ayrshire herds will be visited. The first on the schedule is Masonic Homes Farm, Elizabethtown. Masonic Homes is situated on 1730 acres and is diversified operation of general farm production, including 120 milking Ayrshires. Much of the farm's production is consumed by the 700 guests that make Masonic Homes their residence. Visitors will long remember the beautiful stone buildings of Masonic Homes as well as the fine Ayrshire herd. While at Masonic Homes, the staff will serve lunch to the conference delegates.

Charlie and Josie Gable & Family will host the conferees Saturday afternoon at their Conebella Farm, Elverson. This family farm is an outstanding representation of many American dairy farms. The 60-cow herd, housed in a tie stall barn, is known by Ayrshire breeders for outstanding test and longevity. The herd has won numerous production and type honors and in 1987 had 14 head over 800 pounds of fat. The ME herd average in 1987 was 17,211M 4.2% 730F.

On Sunday the group will enjoy a leisurely visit to Longwood Gardens. From there they will go to Philadelphia where they will

depart by plane for Wisconsin.

In Wisconsin, numerous other delegates will join the conference for Parcel II. Highlighting the stay in Wisconsin will be World Dairy Expo, sight of the 1988 National Ayrshire Show. It is hoped that over 300 Ayrshires will be in Madison for this the first National Ayrshire Show since 1979.

Before the festivities at Expo get underway, the conference will be at the Concourse Hotel. The theme for the Conference is "Looking to the Future." The keynote address will be delivered by Gene Meyer, Managing Editor of Hoard's Dairyman the afternoon of October 3.

The two day conference will include directors meetings and presentations from Mr. Andrew Dunlop, Vice President of the World Federation of Ayrshire Breed Societies; Mr. Jouko Syvanjarui of the Finnish Animal Breeding Association; Mr. Harley Nicholson, Eastern Breeders, Inc., Ontario, Canada; Mr. Goran Malmberg, Swedish Association for Livestock Breeding and Production; Dr. George Seidel, Jr., Colorado State University and Mr. Graeme Knight, Sec./Manager of the New Zealand Ayrshire Association. In addition to the papers prepared by these men, a panel discussion will be held. Countries represented will be Australia, Kenya, United Kingdom, Canada, Finland and the United States.

October 2nd, the group will have the opportunity to visit The House on the Rock before going to World Dairy Expo where the Ayrshire show will commence at 2 p.m. After the heifer show, at approximately 6 P.M., the International Sale will be held in the colli-

seum featuring 20 select Ayrshires. Thursday the group will return to the Dane County Exposition Center for the conclusion of Ayrshire Show which will feature a parade of class winners before the crowning of the Champion of the show. In addition to the individual classes, the breeders herd and state herd classes will be staged. After the show, time will be allowed for our guests to take advantage of the numerous other activities Expo offers including visiting the commercial exhibits.

The grand finale of events in Madison for the World Conference will be a banquet Thursday evening at the Concourse.

From Madison it's on to Iowa for a visit to a cavern, grain storage facility and to the dog races. Hopefully, Mother Nature will cooperate and the guests will be able to see the splendor of the fall colors on the Mississippi. It is hoped that we can give our foreign guests a well-rounded view of U.S. life, not only with Registered Ayrshires, but other aspects of farming and day to day life in our great country.

While in Iowa, the Zumbach family will host a hog roast as well as a tour of their Mid-Western Ayrshire farms. After the hog roast and entertainment, the group will leave for Cedar Rapids for lodg-

ing. From Cedar Rapids, delegates can continue to Parcel III to return to their homeland.

Those electing to continue their stay in the United States will be flown to Las Vegas for a day of "relaxation." The next day, the group will visit the Grand Canyon and Hoover Dam. The final destination for the group is Albuquerque, N.M., via Wupatki National Monument, Sunset crater, and the Petrified Forest.

In New Mexico, the group will be the guest of Shady Dale Farm, the operation of World Federation President Raymond Jarratt. The most leisurely part of the conference, time is allotted for visits to an Indian Cultural Center, museums, shopping and other activities.

The conference is a first for U.S. Ayrshire Breeders and has been supported through the sale of donated animals, donated semen and general contributions. Two hundred foreign guests from Kenya, New Zealand, Scotland, England, Finland, Sweden, Canada and Australia are expected to attend.

For more information on the World Ayrshire Conference, contact Ayrshire Breeders' Association, 2 Union St., Brandon, VT 05733.

Snyder Testifies On Farm Policy

HARRISBURG (Dauphin) — A spokesman for the Pennsylvania Farmers' Association (PFA) recently testified on future farm policy before a meeting of the national Democratic Platform Committee at University Center.

Marvin Snyder, a Northumberland County egg and grain producer, testified on behalf of the statewide, voluntary farm organization which represents over 23,400 farm families. He outlined PFA's position on national farm policy, conservation, dairy programs, food safety and biotechnology.

Addressing national farm policy, Snyder said, "We favor a market-oriented agriculture with supply and demand rather than government action ultimately determining production and price." Snyder said PFA supports the "direction of the Food Security Act of 1985 and is opposed to modifications in the program that would change that direction away from the market-oriented goals of competitive loan rates, voluntary stock reduction programs and income supplement as farmers

move toward a market-based agriculture."

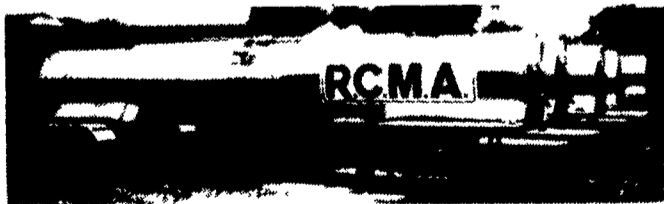
As for government conservation programs, Snyder said PFA favors, "A federal program of cost-sharing through income tax credits for soil and water conservation practices and structures which contribute to enduring conservation and environmental enhancement by reducing the discharge of soil particles." PFA recognizes the importance of maintaining a productive soil resource, Snyder told the committee.

On other issues, Snyder told the platform committee that PFA favors a dairy price support program that will automatically bring supplies down to demand levels. The continued judicious use of farm chemicals and drugs was also supported by PFA. Snyder said, "Any undue curtailment of the safe and appropriate usage of these products will result in lower quantities of food and fiber at higher costs to consumers." Finally, Snyder said PFA supports the use of biotechnology as a research tool for agriculture.



CONGRATULATIONS

to the northeast dairy families working together to achieve success in the marketplace! Your recent efforts at securing the Regional Cooperative Marketing Agreement (RCMA) over order premium have attained a milestone with which to safeguard dairy income and hold intact our dairy-based food and farm system here in America's Northeast.

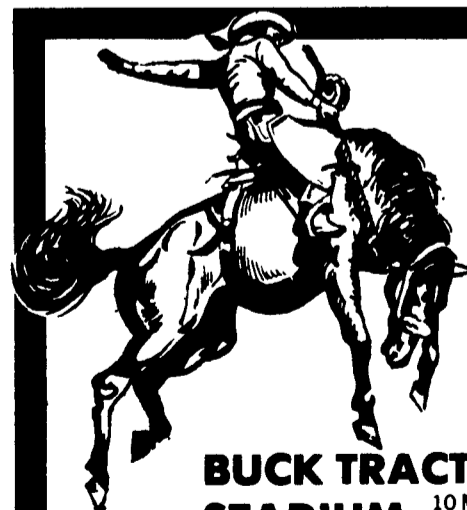


We, the undersigned secretaries and commissioners of agriculture, applaud your efforts toward achieving unity within the ranks of northeast dairy producers.

We further urge your continued diligence and wish you every success. Your actions toward retaining this important marketing opportunity secure a brighter future for all of us who work and participate in northeast agriculture.

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