

# Red And White Holstein Association Headquartered In Crystal Springs

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CRYSTAL SPRINGS (Bedford Co.) — An old timer in Bedford County once said, "There just ain't nothing prettier than a whole herd of Red and White Holsteins in a field full of yeller dandelions." It was this type of enthusiasm for the once unpopular breed of cattle that helped to create the American Red and White Dairy Cattle Society. Located in Crystal Spring, it is the only organization of its kind with headquarters in Pennsylvania. The Red and White Dairy Cattle Society was started by John

George in Kansas. Eventually, "The Red Bloodlines," a monthly publication for Red and White owners, was established and the headquarters moved to this rural Pennsylvania community located near Breezewood. In September of 1988, an official open house was held for the new home of the publication, which now is headed by John Carpenter. The building, a modern, comfortable facility, was paid for entirely by donations from Red and White owners. "The Bloodlines" has six full-time employees and a circulation of 3,000 delivered worldwide.

According to Carpenter, research has shown that the founders of the RWDCA were breeders of Milking Shorthorns. Chief among them was John C. Gage of Duallyn Farm in Eudora, Kans. Most of these early breeders were acquainted with the "Red Holstein" as a genetic color variation of the black and white Holstein breed and viewed these cattle first as a means to infuse needed new blood into the Milking Shorthorn and, later, as a promising venture in themselves.

For a time, the Red Holstein-Milking Shorthorn cattle were entered in an appendix registry of the Milking Shorthorn Society.

Carpenter stated that it is only in the United States that black and white cows are popular. "At least three-fourths of the dairy cattle in the world are in hot countries, and Red and Whites stand the heat better."

"A Red and White Holstein occurs due to a genetic recession," he explained. "At one time, farmers thought it was disgraceful to have a red and white calf in a Holstein herd. Today, they feel quite differently. On today's auction block, a red and white cow will always be worth more than a black and white if all other factors are equal."

The Red and White Holstein Association now sponsors sales



The new light and modern headquarters of the Red and White Dairy Cattle Association is located at Crystal Spring.

each year. The fall show, which is held around the first of October, will be in Wisconsin. The spring

show moves around. In the spring of 1990, it will be in Syracuse, N.Y.

## Forestry Seminar

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The seminar will begin with a short introduction at the Econo-Lodge in Cambridge, Md. From there, participants will travel to three forestry sites in Maryland and Delaware aboard a luxury bus. Each stop will emphasize different components of forest management.

The first stop will be at the Nanticoke Boy Scout Reservation near

Sharptown, Md., where attendees will learn about forestry services available from consultants and state, federal, industry and Extension foresters. Participants also will learn how to identify various tree species and how to figure volumes of trees by measuring them with forestry equipment.

Woodlot owners interested in attending the Delmarva Forestry Seminar should call Bob Tjaden at 301-827-8056 no later than October 9. The registration fee is \$15 and includes lunch.



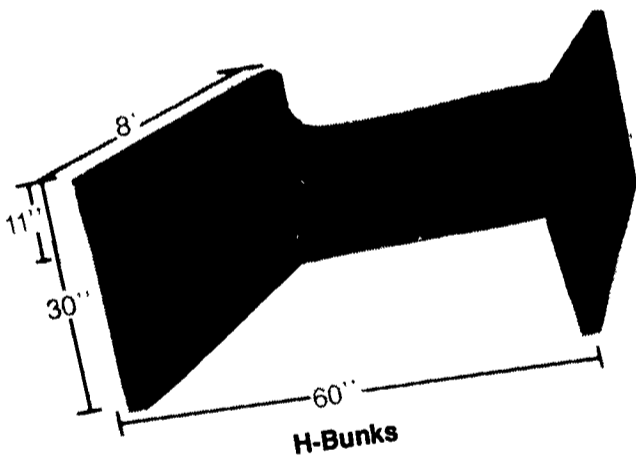
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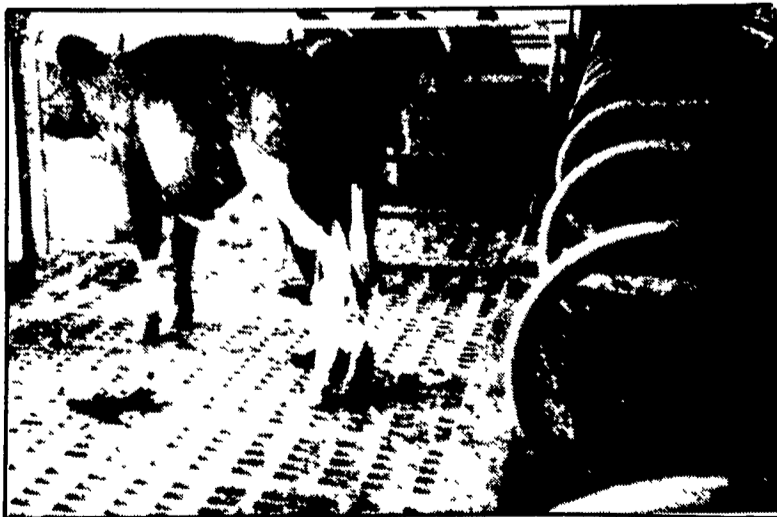
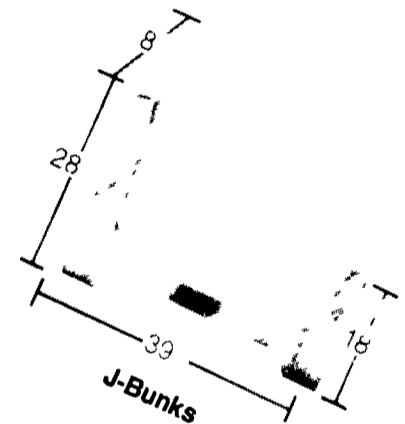
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