

Video Help Available

We now have available upon request a videotape to learn at home, or in the Extension Office for those of you that might not have a VCR, more about your Monthly Report (Red, White and Blue Sheet). This video can help you interpret areas of the Monthly Report that may have been unclear

to you. This video is approximately 25 minutes long and can be viewed as time permits. We suggest that you request this video and return as soon as you can. We can honor your request via the technician (supervisor) that visits your herd each month or you can call 1-800-344-8378 and ask for

Fee Committee Forms

The PA DHIA Field Service Pricing Advisory committee will provide a member-directed process for communicating field service pricing recommendations to the PA DHIA Board of Directors through the Finance and Personnel Committee.

The committee's scope will be limited to the rates charged for labor, equipment, supplies and related costs associated with services provided on test day in counties that have merged with PA DHIA.

- * The committee shall review the current schedules of field services fees from the merged associations
- * Determine the most equitable manner to assign various types of costs for service to members
 - * Recommend to the PA DHIA

board, through the Finance and Personnel Committee, the method to use (i.e.) (the model) for charging members for the various costs associated with providing field services on test day

* Recommend the ideal number of different rate structures needed to reflect differences in labor, transportation, and other costs around the state

* Develop and recommend a method for completing the transition to the ideal number of rate structures and time schedule for completing

* Complete all recommendations to the PA DHIA board by April 1993

* Help implement and communicate the equitable pricing structure within each representative's local county committee Dixie or Michele.

As you may already know the DHIA Monthly Report has a lot of information that can help you in making decisions on individual cows on your farm. DHIA production records are only valuable to you the producer if they are used to help identify problems and find solutions to making your farm more profitable.

This video was made possible by Jim Clark the McKean County Extension Agent and assisted by our DHIA staff.

DHIA At State Holstein Picnic

Pennsylvania DHIA will participate in the Pennsylvania Holstein Picnic to be held in conjunction with an open house at Evergreen Farms in Huntingdon County on Aug 15. Evergreen is owned by Wayne Harpster.

DHIA will set up an ARIS Demonstration along with a presentation on a lap top computer and the Labor Efficient Program (LER). In addition, in the exhibit area, DHIA will have literature available on DHIR, heifer management, Dairy Comp 305, stable cards, SCC, optional reports and the new Herd Summary II. DHIA staff will assist dairy farmers to explain or answer questions. "Look for DHIA in three different locations," says Dixie L. Burris. "Stop by

SCHEDULE OF EVENTS FOR PA. DHIA

July 28 ARIS Advisory Committee Meeting, Bedford Presbyterian Church, Bedford July 31 and August 1 Pa. DHIA Technician Summer Conference, Altoona

Aug 5 ARIS Advisory Committee Meeting, Bradford Co. Extension Office, Towarda

Aug 15 Exhibit. State Holstein Picnic, Evergreen Farms, Huntingdon County

Aug 18 - 20 Ag Progress Days, Rock Springs, PA

Sept 7 Service Center Closed - Labor Day Holiday

Sept 17 Lycoming County Committee Meeting

Nov 12 North East Caucus Meeting of National DHIA

Nov 26 Service Center Closed - Thanksgiving Holiday

Dec 25 Service Center Closed - Christmas Holiday

1993 District Meetings 9:30 A.M. to 3:00 P.M.

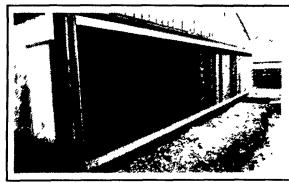
Jan 26 Central District, Family House, Mifflintown

Feb 8 Southeast District, Berks Co. Agr. Center, Leesport

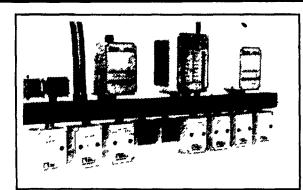
Feb 10 Southwest District, Ramada Inn, Somerset

Feb 11 Northwest District, Venango Co. 4-H, Franklin Feb 12 Northeast District, Towanda Elks Club, Towanda

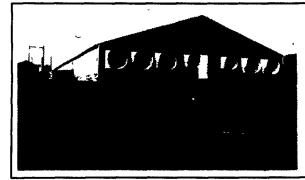
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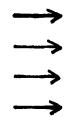
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