

Dutch Country Calf Sale Set For Saturday

LEBANON (Lebanon Co.) — For the third year, a pre-sale youth conference will be featured at the Dutch Country Calf Sale, Oct. 24 held at the Lebanon County fairgrounds.

Experts in the field of fitting and showing beef cattle, and hoof trimming, will supply advice and technical information to all participants, free of charge.

The Youth Conference will begin at 10:30 a.m. and will be followed by the club calf sale at 1:30 p.m., Saturday, Oct. 24.

Lancaster County Extension's Chet Hughes, a beef cattle and livestock specialist, will be leading a discussion on showing and fitting beef calves. He will be supplying tips to young beef exhibitors on blocking and fitting a calf, along with a discussion on how to present a calf in the showing.

Stanley Kleinfelder, a local hoof trimmer, will demonstrate the techniques he uses in keeping cattle "on their toes," stepping out and looking their best for the judges. He will explain why keeping calves hooves in good shape is important for maximum weight gains.

"This is the third year we have brought together some of the industry's most experienced people to provide an interesting and informative morning for young people and parents, alike," said Sheila Miller, sale chairman.

"The past years' events were great successes, and I heard positive comments from all the kids who came out to listen and learn. I believe even the most experienced 4-H'er will walk away from this pre-sale youth conference with something beneficial. I hope all county clubs take advantage of this free conference."

Two purebred Simmental females are also selling in this year's sale, consigned by Messick Farm of Middletown.

Several calves sold at previous Dutch Country Calf Sales have earned grand championship titles at fairs.

This year, Natalie Byler of Belleville showed her calf to grand champion steer at the Mifflin County Fair. This crossbred calf

was bred by Elmer Stehman of Robeson, who also bred the 1990 Lebanon County Fair champion steer shown by Kelly Bachman, of Annville.

Tammy Gelsinger of Wernersville exhibited her purebred Polled Hereford steer bred by Rolling Shade Polled Herefords to grand champion honors at the Reading Fair.

In 1990, Jeremy Manwiller, Robeson, showed his purebred Polled Hereford steer bred by Deutschland Farm, Womelsdorf, to grand champion honors at the 1990 Kimberton Fair, Chester County and the Denver Fair, Lancaster County.

Junior exhibitors who show their Dutch Country calves to

grand champion honors are eligible to receive \$50 gift certificates on a purchase of another calf to the next calf sale.

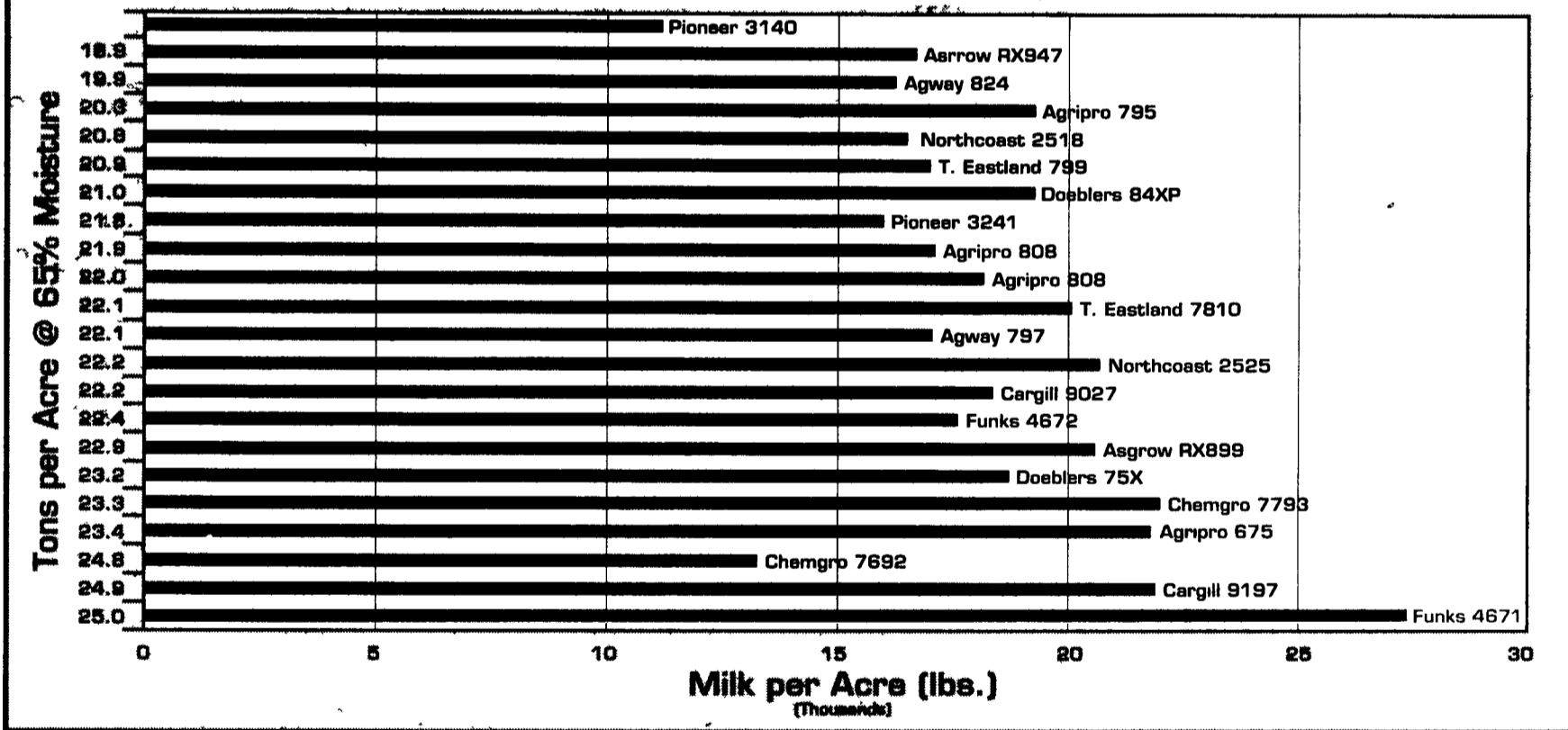
The Fifth Dutch Country Calf Sale consignors include: Daryl Bomgardner, Annville; Friendly Persuasion Farm, Henry Emrich, Annville; Eric Harnish, Lebanon; Eastern Land & Resources, Elenc Hitz, Annville; Ken Hebel, Grantville; Messick Farm, Middletown; and Elmer Stehman, Robeson.

For more information about the Dutch Country Calf Sale or the pre-sale youth conference, contact Sheila Miller by calling 215-589-5617 or writing to Dutch Country Calf Sale, c/o Sheila Miller, sale chairman, R.D. #1 Box 325, Womelsdorf, PA 19567.

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