Maryland Holstein Convention Held In Spite Of Snow, Sale Postponed

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Bridge, 2 years; Marlin Hoff, New Windsor, 2 years; Kevin Scott Hood, Middletown, 2 years; Jason M. & Donna G. Myers, New Windsor, 2 years; Lester M. & Wilma D. Strite, Hagerstown, 2 years; Kenlin & Mary Martin, Smithsburg, 1 year.

Jeff Myers, chairman of the Breed Improvement Committee, said he challenged Maryland breeders to be people of integrity and to create a foundation and example for our youth on our farms as well as in the show ring.

He congratulated Tom and Bonnie Remsberg for obtaining National Young Holstein Breeder recognition.

Due to the sale of his cattle, Myers is to turn over the chairmanship of the committee to Steve Wilson.

Myers presented the production awards along with a slide presentation of each farm receiving an award. Production awards are based on energy corrected milk (ECM).

(The ECM formula takes into account the protein and fat when adjusting the milk for components. This formula helps to identify cows and herds that produce high volumes of milk solids. The ECM formula is 7.2 x lbs. protein + 12.95 x lbs. fat.)

1992 Maryland Holstein Production Award winners and donors were, in the junior 2-year-old cow class, Mike Creek, Frederick, Conant-Acres Pontiac Sally-Et, for making 29,950 pounds ECM. The award sponsor was Remsburg Sales Service.

In the senior 2-year-old cow class, Lady's Manor Jeweled Cleitus made 32,561 pounds ECM, for My-Lady's Manor, of Monkton. The award sponsor was Kimstead Farm.

In the 3-year-old class, the winner was Unicorn Associates, of Union Bridge, for production by Unicorn Mark Lorraine, of 36,368 pounds ECM. The trophy sponsor was Whitelyn Farm.

Among the state's 4-year-old Holsteins, Grubby-Neck Ziggy Potts, owned by Robert J. Mereduth, of Federalsburg, was top with production of 38,415 pounds ECM. The trophy sponsor was Glad-mar Farm.

In the 5-year-old cow class, Savage-Leigh Farm, of Knoxville, received a trophy sponsored by Maple Lane Farm, for the production of 36,062 pounds ECM by Savage-Leigh Milkee Kristy.

A Savage-Leigh Farm cow also took the top ECM production honors of the 6-year-old and older cows, with Savage-Leigh Glenview Linda posting 43,045 pounds of ECM. The trophy was sponsored by Coldsprings Farm. the trophy.

For lifetime fat production, Maple Lawn Farms' Md-Maple Lawn Sue Sky Chief won for making 11,719 pounds of fat. Central Maryland Farm Credit ACA sponsored the trophy.

Other awards presented included that for:

• High Herd 89 Cows and Under for Milk, on DHI test — Tom and Joy Crothers, Oxford, with 56 cows making 25,849 pounds ECM;

• High Herd over 90 Cows for milk, DHI — Savage-Leigh Farm, Knoxville, with 151 cows averaging 25,185 pounds ECM;

• High Herd 89 Cows and Under for Milk, DHIR — Robert J. Meredith, Federalsburg, Hoodstead Farm Trophy 48 Cows 27818 ECM;

• High Herd over 90 Cows for milk, DHIR — Harmony Farm, Federalsburg, 137 cows averaging 25,919 pounds ECM;

• Owner of high MFP \$ Cow — Mike Creek, Frederick, for Conant-Acres Pontiac Sally-ET, calculated at \$319;

• Owner and Breeder of the highest MFP \$ Cow — Catoctin Embryo Transfer, Charles L. Bray & William L. Graves, Mt. Airy, Catoctin Melwood Lola-ET, with a \$308 value for MFP;

• High herd BAA, over 90 cows — Donald Wilcom, Ijamsville, with 101 cows holding a 108.8 BAA;

• High herd BAA, under 90 cows — Pintail Point Farm, Queenstown, with 55 cows carrying a 109.5 BAA;

• High CTPI Cow in Maryland — owned by Ronald Heffner, of Jefferson, Bayville Mark Evey-Et carries a CTPI value of 1,357;

• High CTPI Cow Bred and Owned in Maryland — owned by Gregory & Brad Wiles, of Williamsport, Futuraland Tesk Pamula carries a CTPI Value of 1,309.

Also during the convention, each committee chairman gave a report of their activities conducted during the past year.

National Director Marlin Hoff said he has been urging members to attend the Winter Forum meetings, bringing ideas and suggestions to pass on to the Brattleboro office.

Due to the cost of \$260,000 per year, he said the National Board voted to discontinue the free pedigrees with registrations beginning July 1, 1993. The Maryland Holstein Association voted to make a recommendation to increase fees \$1 to continue this service.

In other news, he said the national association will soon be sending out a notice encouraging members to contribute and become and involved in breed promotions throughout the membership.

The show committee reminded everyone to review the PDCA Field Day rules and adhere to the

dress code's white-on-white except for the Spring Show.

It was also announced that Har-

old Smith, of My-Ladys Manor Farm will be taking over as chairman of the Show Committee. Horace Backus, a member of the

national Board of Directors and well known pedigree man, was the convention guest speaker.

It is said he knows more about

the history of the Holstein breed of cattle than any one man currently alive. He talked about the importance of cow families and their impact on history.

"The great thing about breeding cows is it gives you the opportunity to excel," Backus said.



Maryland's 1992 Progressive Breeder Registry Award winners are, from the left, Clarence Stouffer, national Holstein Association representative, Marlin Hoff, Tom Moreland for the University of Maryland, Joe Schwartzbeck, Harold Smith, Jason Myers, Wayne Savage, Wayne Schrock, Charles lager, and Tom Dum, representative of the national association.



Maryland's 1992 ECM Production Award winners are, from left, Steve Wilson, Cam Davis, Harold Smith, Wayne Savage, and Chip Savage.



Maryland's 1992 Lifetime and DHIR Production Award winners are, from the left, Charles lager, Tom and Joy Crothers, award sponsor-representative Ted Ridgley, and Cindy and Wayne Savage.

The Lifetime Milk Production Award went to Maple Lawn Farms, of Fulton, for the efforts by Md-Maple-Lawn Sue Sky Chief, a cow that made 277,340 pounds of milk. Derrwyn Holstein provided charter members of a foundation to support youth programs through the national association.

Mel Hertzler, from the national office, told the group that national Holstein wants to be more visible

Md. Youth Honored

EVA MARTIN Maryland Correspondent FROSTBURG, Md. — The awards banquet of the Maryland Holstein Association was held here this week in the Magestic Gardens at the Comfort Inn.

Members of the association take pride in the accomplishments of their youth and award many trophies and scholarships to encourage the youth to attain even higher goals. This year there were two years of record book winners announced to catch up to the current year's winners, rather than always being 15 months behind in recognition.

Also, this year, Mark lager and Chip Savage will have their books sent to national competition.

Donna Myers, chairman of the Junior Committee, was given a certificate of appreciation for her \(Turn to Page A29)



Maryland Holstein Association's 1992 Individual Cow Production winners, are, from the left, Brad Wiles, Mike Creek, Cam Davis, Doug King accepting for Donald Wilcom, and Ryan Johnson accepting for Pintail Point Farm.