

Jersey Breeders

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Norman, of Liberty.

Junior Achievement Award, Senior Division winner was Marscha Chess, of Fredonia.

Scrapbook Award, Junior Division winner was Lisa Battista, of McDonald. Scrapbook Award, Senior Division winner was Anna Calhoun, Dayton.

Winners in the Jacob M. Brunges Production Contest were Roberta McConnell, of Volant, for Jem Renegade Rhonda Renee, actual 305 day, 2-00, 16,288 pounds milk, 650 pounds fat, 569 pounds protein; Corey McConn, Burgettstown, Rankin Della

Delight, actual 304 days, 2-02, 3x, 17,897 pounds milk, 838 pounds fat, 614 pounds protein.

Jason Rankin, Burgettstown, Rankin Legend Bambi Fawn, actual 305 days, 4-03, 3x, 20,485 pounds milk, 910 pounds fat, and 690 pounds protein.

1992 All American Jersey Show participants were Holley Carbaugh, James Crouse, Bradley Reichard, Brian Reichard and Christopher Reichard, all of Franklin County; Janie Cole and Sasha Harris, Bradford County; Amy Plummer and Paul Plummer, Bucks County; Melanie Dietrich, Cumberland County; Matthew Furry, Crawford County; Thomas

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destruction caused by the deer?

The deer population in areas of Chester County and southern Berks County is immense. Park lands have a very large number of deer. Little is being done to control it. These deer are well fed and healthy from feeding on farmers crops and have two and sometimes three off spring a year. They are also smart and catch on to hunters quickly and retreat into pro-

Greenleaf, Blair County; Vicky Hewitt, Chester County; Michelle Proctor, Erie County; Sandra Searight, Beaver County; Scott Youse, Berks County.

tected areas only to return when it is safe to destroy more crops.

The wishy-washy comments from these deer worshippers are futile. Having been in two collisions with deer on no fault of my own with extensive damage done to my car, and having seen the destruction of crops, I cannot sympathize at all. Putting things in the proper perspective, something rational has to be done to control the deer.

Prolonging the doe season and making more doe licenses available and more accessible to purchase is extremely important. Opening up park land for a few days of controlled hunting is necessary. Owners of large tracts

of land that is usually protected should permit a few days of hunting on their land. I have even heard that animal lovers were buying up the doe licenses to keep them away from bonified hunters.

The restrictions on private land owners who attempt to control the deer themselves are too austere and impractical. A more common sense approach is needed. The Pennsylvania Game Commission should cooperate more with residents who have a deer problem to devise a means to reduce their deer nuisances rather than perpetuate them, which is the present problem.

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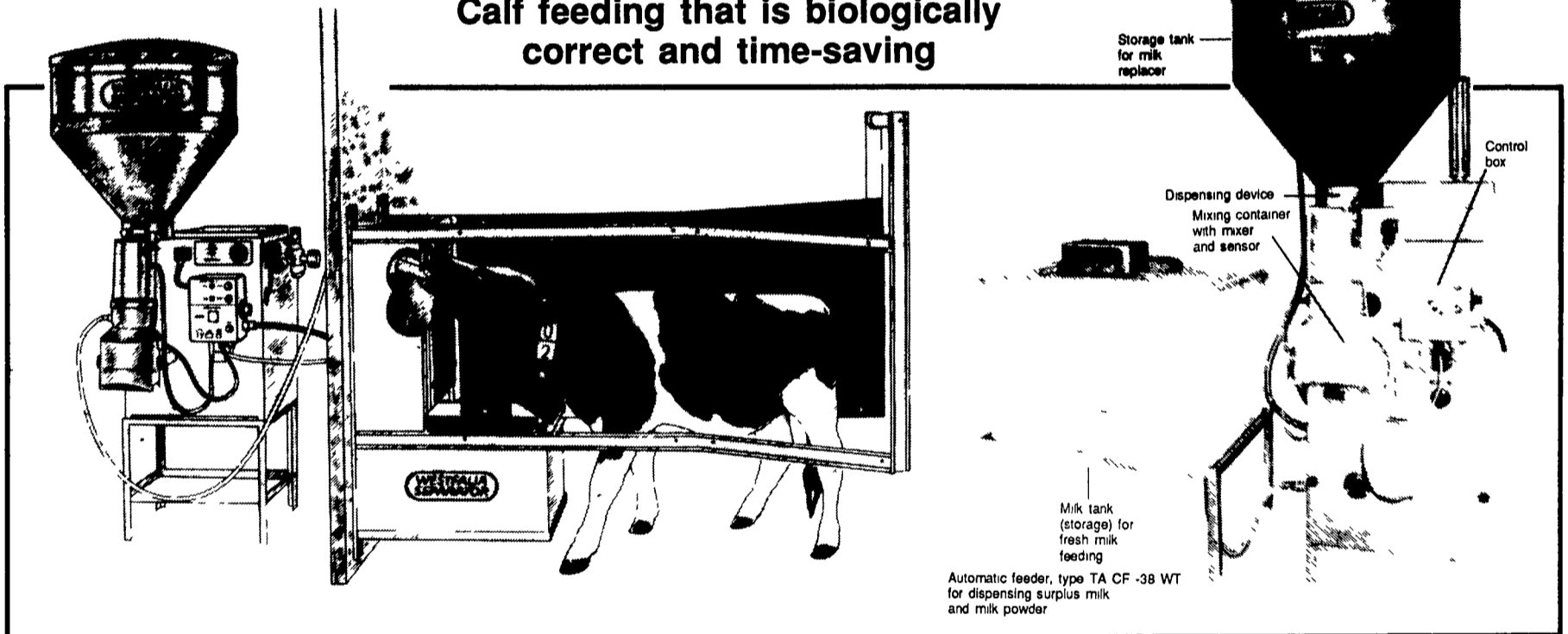
Even today, calves are housed in single cubicles or in small groups after birth. Each day they are fed with a bucket or suckling bucket. This method of rearing has been adopted because of the excellent possibilities for supervision it offers, although it does not optimally meet the biological feeding requirements of the calves.

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