Cattlemen's Field Days Set

PORT MATILDA (Centre Co.) — The Pennsylvania Cattlemen's Association will co-sponsor two field days in mid- and late-July.

The July 24 field day will be at ErReR Hill Farm, Friedens (Somerset County), Pa. ErReR Hill Farm is owned by Sidney Riggs and managed by Bob Hay, who is also vice president of the Pennsylvania Cattlemen's Association.

The Field Day will be co-sponsored by the Somerset County Cattlemen and the Pennsylvania Angus Association.

There will be tours of several interesting cattle and land management practices at the ErReR Farm Field Day, emphasizing conservation practices which not only enhance soil and land conservation, but that also contribute to more productive and efficient cattle management. The tours will include stream bank protection, grazing systems, and other practical land management methods.

The program will include presentations by Dick Spader, executive secretary of the American Angus Association; Burton Eller, executive vice president of the National Cattlemen's Association in Washington, D.C.; Drs. Erskine Cash and John Comerford, Department of Dairy and Animal Science, Penn State University; and several Soil Conservation Service specialists.

There will also be commercial exhibitors with equipment, services, and products for field day participants to view and discuss.

Burton Eller

ErReR Hill Farm is primarily a purebred Angus operation with 200 mature cows, but also finishes cattle for market.

The Somerset Cattlemen's Association will provide the lunch with the help of the cosponsors.

The Pennsylvania Simmental Association Field Day on July 17, also cosponsored by the Pennsylvania Cattlemen's Association will be at Ken Faust's Hidden Oaks Farm near Gettysburg (Adams County), Pa. The Adams County Cattlemen's Association will also be involved in helping to host the event. The Simmental Association/PCA Field Day will include many youth activities, which are always popular with both youth and adults.

"The Summer Cattlemen's Field Days have always been popular with people involved in all segments of the cattle industry, and with producers involved with other enterprises. We have also had many representatives from magazines and newspapers at these events — it has been an educational and enjoyable time for everyone," according to Dr. Lowell L. Wilson, secretary of the Pennsylvania Cattlemen's Association and professor of animal science at Penn State University.

Information about the Field Days can be obtained from the Pennsylvania Cattlemen's Association, (814) 692-4208, Bob Hay (814) 445-2008, or Ken Faust (717) 334-5966.

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College Plans Field Day

NEWARK, Del. — The College of Agricultural Sciences at the University of Delaware has expanded Farm and Home Field Day on Wednesday, Aug. 11 to an all-day format.

The grounds of the Research and Education Center on Route 9 just west of Georgetown will be open from 8:30 a.m. until 5:30 p.m. with exhibits, demonstrations, and tours for homeowners and farmers.

Wagon tours in the morning and afternoon will highlight environmentally compatible agriculture, with a focus on agronomic and vegetable research as well as woodlot and wildlife conservation. As part of a safety program, visitors can be screened for their cholesterol count, hear a dermatologist discuss skin cancer and safe-sun practices, and learn about protective equipment used in agricultural production.

To entertain the children, field day will feature a petting zoo and facts on agriculture from costumed characters.

Throughout the day a lawn and garden expo will focus on how to correctly calibrate lawn and garden spreaders that are used for fertilizers and pesticides, how to use soil test results, and how to install a lawn irrigation system. Consumer and commodity groups will staff informational booths. In addition, commercial exhibitors will present ongoing demonstrations of new spray techniques for agronomic and vegetable crops.

Bigelow Is Coordinator

STATE COLLEGE (Centre Co.) — David Bigelow, of Williamsburg, has been named coordinator of training for Pa.DHIA.

Bigelow has been an employee of Pa.DHIA for nine years, serving the last four as region manager for the northwest region.

In addition to his field experience, he bring to the position a sincere desire to serve the needs of the members. His responsibilities include designing and implementing effective training programs for new technicians, planning advanced programs and monitoring technician performance.

Through improved training and communications with the nearly 200 field staff employees, Bigelow said he expects to see an increased technician to member flow of information.

His honors include being named the 1985 Oustanding Rookie of the Year by Pa.DHIA, receiving the Award of Merit from 1986 through 1989, and was named the Blair County Jaycee Outstanding Young Farmer in 1982-83.

He and his wife, Patty, live in Williamsburg with their two children. He is an active member of the Williamsburg Indpendent Bible Baptist Church, and is a member of the Blair County Farmers' Association, serving as a director and chairman of its Governmental Relations Committee.

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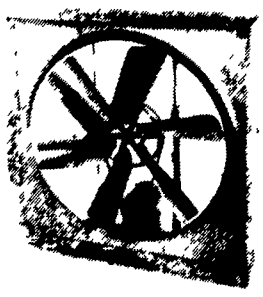

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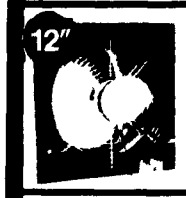

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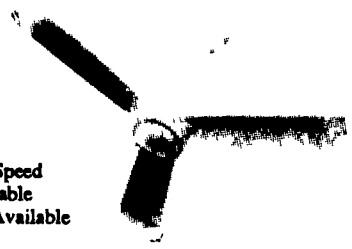

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