Sale In Ag Arena

UNIVERSITY PARK (Centre Co.) — Pennsylvania's Meat Animal Evaluation Center is finalizing plans for the 18th Performance-Tested Boar Sale, scheduled for 6 p.m. on August 18 at Penn State's Ag Arena.

To encourage attendance by people whose schedules may not otherwise permit, the sale has been scheduled during Ag Progress Days, held at the Russell E. Larson Agricultural Research Center in Rockspring, approxi-

Many of Pennsylvania's more progressive swine breeders have consigned pens of four boars, each from one sire and one or two litters. Boars on test are from the Yorkshire, Duroc, Hampshire, and Landrace breeds. Weighing between 40 and 65 pounds on delivery, the boars are given a one- to two-week adjustment period depending on their weight, weighed at least every two weeks, and taken off test when the pen weight



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averages 230 pounds.

Test measurements used to determine index values include average daily gain, pen feed efficiency, and backfat thickness and loineye area, as determined by ultrasonic scan. The boars are also evaluated for structural and breeding soundness by a committee of swine breeders and University swine specialists. The animals must meet minimum requirements for soundness and underline to be considered for the sale, which will feature approximately the top 75 percent, by index, of the sound

For more information on the Performance-Tested Boar Sale, contact Glenn Eberly, director, Meat Animal Evaluation Center, 651 Fox Hollow Road, State College, PA 16803, (814) 238-2527 or (814) 865-5857.

1,708 Acres To Conserving Use

LEESPORT (Berks Co.) -Berks County farmers will remove 1,708 acres from crop production to conservation uses, according to Richard Troutman, chairman of the Berks County ASCS office.

"The acreage reduction land makes up the total cropland removed from production under the 1993 farm programs," Troutman said. "Generally, this is eligible land that has been devoted to a small grain or row crop in one of the past five years."

By removing this acreage from crop production, a tremendous savings of soil and water resources will be realized. To protect it from wind and water erosion, the idled cropland acreage may be covered with either trees, grass,

legumes, small grains, or residue from minimum-till or no-till practices which also serve as a protective cover.

"To be eligible for full program benefits, producers must maintain conservation protection on this acreage throughout the program year," Troutman said, "and keep the land free from weeds, insects, and rodents." The ASCS official said producers who fail to carry out conservation provisions of the 1993 acreage reduction program contract will be out of compliance and ineligible for price support loans, deficiency payments, and other program benefits.

Nationally, 19.9 million acres of cropland will be idled under the 1993 farm programs and devoted to conserving use.

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Moonlight born 5-11-92; 3. Tim Bishop - IJB

Miss Lily Mirage born 5-1-92. Class 5: 1. LeeAnn Tice - Meadow Hill Semele born 3-26-92; 2. Tammy Gelsinger -MF Courtney born 3-18-92; 3. Tammy Gel-singer - MF Katelyn born 3-21-92.

Class 6: 1. Tim Bishop - Simme Valley Bridgette born 2-11-92; 2. Travis Tice - Tice's Ringer born 2-18-92; 3. Garrett Tice - Tice's Lucky born 2-6-92.
Class 7: 1. Raymond Stough - Deerfields

Denise born 1-7-92; 2. Tim Bishop - TJB Master's Pretty Lady born 12-31-91. Champion Helfer: Katle Myers - DVF

Champion Heller: Katle Myers - DVIIronstone Beauty born 9-3-92.
Reserve Champion Heller: Tim Bishop Simme Valley Bridgette born 2-11-92.
Steers- Lightweight Class: 1. Wade
Myers - Drucks Top Round; 2. Jason Wagner
- Rascal; 3. Richard Kerper - Mitchel.
Middleweight Class: 1. Raymond Stough
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- Black Knight; 2. LeeAnn Tice - Shadow; 3. Garrett Tice - Chocolate.

Heavyweight Class: 1. Matt Messick; 2. Richard Kerper - Montgomery; 3. Tim Bishop

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Seniors: 1. Eric Berkheimer - Champion Senior Shewman; 2. Tammy Gelsinger; 3.



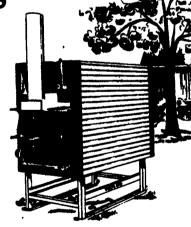
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