

Pa. Junior Holstein Announces Contest Deadlines

STATE COLLEGE (Centre Co.) — The Pennsylvania Junior Holstein Association has announced several projects, programs and deadlines this week.

According to news releases, the Junior Holstein Association is selling Holstein clothing as a promotional effort and fund raising project.

The items are all manufactured by major name-brand companies, such as Russell Athletic Wear, and Hartwell shirts. The clothing features Pennsylvania Holstein wording and the ideal Holstein cow picture.

"These items make excellent Christmas gifts," according to the news release. "Why not order yours today and help our Junior Holstein members?"

In addition, the association has announced four contest deadlines for Jan. 1, leaving little time to get

submissions entered.

The contests affected include its achievement scholarship, of which three \$1,000 educational grants are to be awarded; the Pennsylvania Junior Progressive Breeder Award contest; the 30,000 pounds cow award; and the Breeder of an Excellent Award.

Ayrshire Association Announces Registration Special

BRATTLEBORO, Vt. — The Ayrshire Breeders Association made two announcements recently involving new staff and a reduced, limited-time registration fee.

According to news releases made this week, effective immediately, all Ayrshire animals aged more than 24 months can be registered for \$21 through the Ayrshire Breeders' Association main office in Brattleboro, Vt.

Those who apply and meet the criteria for the awards are to be recognized at the Pennsylvania Junior Holstein Convention Awards Program, set for Feb. 13 at the Ramada Inn, in Gettysburg.

All application forms, and more information, are available through the Pennsylvania Holstein Association. Telephone (814) 234-0364.

The achievement scholarship is based on involvement in dairy work, accomplishments, need and future plans for involvement in the agricultural industry.

The progressive breeder award recognizes those junior members how have bred registered Holsteins that meet production and type standards above breed average.

The 30,000-pound production award is self-explanatory, except that the production must be accomplished by a junior-member bred cow within a 305-day lactation.

The breeder of an Excellent award, of course goes to any junior Holstein member who has bred a cow that scores Excellent and applies.

"We wanted to provide our members with a way to catch up on any animals that are over 24 months and not yet registered," said Ayrshire President Art Gaddis. "Only by registering animals can the Ayrshire breed continue to improve itself."

Ayrshire board members approved the price — which is the same as would be charged for an animal aged 8 to 12 months — at their November board meeting in Louisville, Ky., according to the

news release.

For more information, write to: Ayrshire Breeders' Association, Brattleboro, Vt., 05302-1608; or call (802) 254-7460.

In other news, the association announced it has hired Rob Schroll as general manager, and Jill Stahl as program coordinator.

According to the news release, as general manager, Schroll is to be responsible for the overall operations of the office. He is also to

serve as executive secretary, treasurer and clerk.

Stahl's duties as program coordinator are to primarily be "coordination of information from the Ayrshire Office to the membership," according to the release.

She was previously managing director of the international market department at Holstein Association of America. She is to also serve as advisor to the Ayrshire Board of Directors on international opportunities and strategies.

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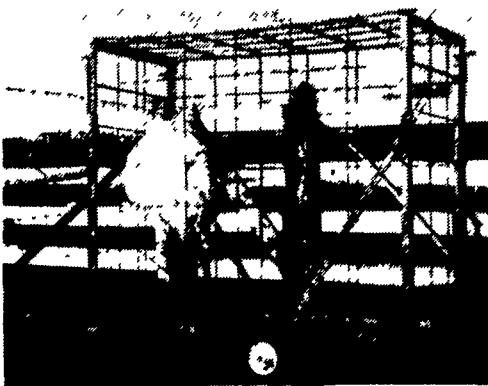
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