

Biotech Delivers Better

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acre average yield. Varieties grown in twin rows were Peto 696 and Ohio 7983. The plug transplants were planted from May 8-26 at a population of 9,800 plants per acre. The single rowers were spaced five feet apart with an in-row spacing of 11 inches. Tomatoes are planted in a four-year rotation following corn or soybeans in years 1 and 2 followed by tomatoes in years 3 and 4; a cover crop is planted after tomato harvest. Fertilizer was applied to soil test recommendations. A pesticide program was also followed.

• Class 4 Machine Harvest (15-24 acres): Marlin L. Cassel, Manheim, harvested 657 tons for Furman Foods on 19 acres for a 34.5 tons per acre average yield. Peto 696 was the only variety. The plug transplants were planted from May 8-10 at a population of 10,000 plants per acre. The single rows were spaced five feet apart with an in-row spacing of 10 inches. Tomatoes are planted in a two-year rotation following corn, and tobacco is planted every 6th year. Fertilizer was applied as necessary, in addition to pesticides.

• Class 2 Hand Harvest (6-14 acres): Robert MacBeth, Biglerville, harvested 369 tons of tomatoes for Furman Foods on 13.5 acres for a 27.4 tons per acre average yield. Heinz 7681 was the only variety. The plug transplants went in from May 10-15 at a population of 8,500

plants per acre. The single rows were spaced 46 inches apart with an in-row spacing of 16 inches. Tomatoes are planted in a four-year rotation following sod, wheat, and a hay crop. Lime and fertilizer were applied as necessary. In addition, a pesticide program was followed.

Sponsors of the annual luncheon are Pik-Rite, ISK Biotech, Zeneca, Miles Inc., and Rhone-Poulanc. The club is sponsored by the Penn State Cooperative Extension Service and Furman Foods, Northumberland.

Concurrent with the conference was the meeting of the state horticultural associations of Pennsylvania, Maryland, and New Jersey.

On Tuesday night, the combined fruit and vegetable growers banquet honored several for their contributions to the industry:

• Joe Stite, of Strite's Orchards, Harrisburg, for the best roadside marketing display at the Pennsylvania Farm Show.

• Dwight Mickey, Chambersburg, best bushel award at the Farm Show.

• Dean Carey, Biglerville, with the Outstanding Grower Award for dedicated service to the fruit industry and the state horticultural association.

Editor's Note: More coverage of the conference in the next issue.

Forms Change

A few cosmetic changes by the members have been requested to the Reproductive Report.

The summary data on the Reproductive Management Report is being put back on the last page. Pa. DHIA had just recently started printing on the first page, but we were asked if we could print the information on the last page, not the first.

Starting Monday, Feb. 7, the herds that process this change plus the Remarks area on the report will be made a little wider. This will allow for the dairymen to write in this area management information.

To do this, they had to make a few minor changes to a few of the columns preceding the Remarks column.

The year will be eliminated in all of the columns on this report except for Last Calving and Bred Column.

Please note that Pennsylvania is in a better position to respond to these types of changes with the laser printed forms. If you should have any questions please let your technician know or call 1-800-344-8378.

STATE COLLEGE (Centre Co.) — The annual meeting of the Pa. Dairy Herd Improvement Association is set for Feb. 18 and Feb. 19, at the Toftrees Resort and Conference Center in State College.

All members are invited. Call (800) 344-8378 for reservations.

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DHIA Service Center, Orchard Road, University Park, PA 16802

Pa. Dairy Herd Improvement Association Annual Meeting

FRIDAY, FEB. 18

8:30 - 11:30 a.m., at the Library — Orientation for county committee board members and chairman, and county presidents and committee. Theme: "I'm New on the Local Committee/Board, What Do I Do?"
10 a.m. - noon, in the Lobby — Registration.
Noon - 1 p.m., at La Papillon Restaurant — Lunch.
1 p.m. - 5 p.m. — Alternative program for spouses.
1 p.m. - 5:30 p.m., in the foyer — Trade Show.
1 p.m., in Conference Rooms A & B — General Session begins with welcome by Frank Omer, president Pa.DHIA.
1:15 p.m. — Guest speaker Gordon Conklin, "Toward the 21st Century."
1:45 p.m. — Board report by Frank Omer.
2 p.m. — Talk on BST, Michael O'Conner, PSU professor.
2:45 p.m. — Break
3:15 p.m. — DHIA Leaders Panel.
4:45 p.m., History Room — Exhibits.
6 p.m., in the Foyer and exhibit area — Social Hour, also meet with Jennifer Grimes, state dairy princess.
7 p.m., in Conference Rooms A,B, & C — Awards Banquet, Floyd Myers, master of ceremonies.

SATURDAY, FEB. 19

7:30 a.m. - 8:30 a.m., La Papillon Restaurant — Breakfast.
8 a.m. - 10:30 a.m., in the foyer — trade show.
8 a.m. - noon — alternative program for spouses.
8:30 a.m. - 8:45, Conference Rooms A&B — Belinda Wicker, "How's Your Morning?"
8:45 a.m. - 9:20 a.m., Conference Rooms A&B — Jud Heinrichs, PSU associate professor, "Body Condition Scoring," and "Using the Summary From Your DHIA Reports."
9:20 a.m. - BREAK
9:45 a.m. - 10:30 a.m., Conference Rooms A&B — Beth VanHorn, extension agent, "Putting Both Sides Of Your Brain To Work."
10:30 a.m. - 10:50 a.m., Conference Rms A&B — David Slusser, "General Manager's Report."
10:50 a.m. - Noon, Conference Rms A&B — Business Meeting, Frank Omer, presiding.
Noon - 1 p.m., LePapillon Restaurant — Luncheon Buffet, picnic style, eat in or take out.
1 p.m., Conference Rooms A&B — Pa.DHIA Board Meeting.

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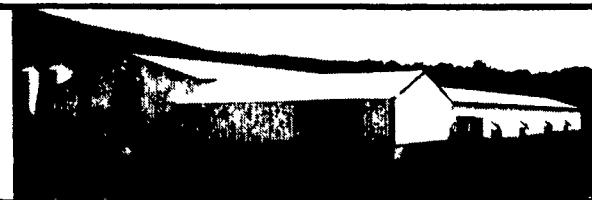
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Monday, February 7, 1994, at 12:00 noon**