

Junior Hereford Expo To Be Held At Rocking Chair Ranch

KANSAS CITY, Mo. — Junior Hereford members and their families will be "Rocking in Texas" July 20-23 at All-American Junior Hereford Expo to be held at Rocking Chair Ranch, Ft. McKavett, Texas.

The Rocking Chair Ranch's Lipan Spring Division, located approximately 25 miles southeast of San Angelo, will serve as the headquarters for all Expo activities.

As a veteran Expo host from 1985, Rocking Chair Ranch owner L.C. Whitehead, managers Harley Loso and Mark and Theresa McClintock, along with many Texas Hereford supporters, plan to show guests true "Texas-style hospitality."

Much attention will surround the show ring where junior exhibitors will compete for national recognition in the heifer, bred-and-owned bull, bred-and-owned heifer, steer and cow/calf divisions. Anticipated record totals of more than 300-head of cattle from 28 states are expected to be exhibited. Judge of the heifer and cow/calf divisions will be Kevin Jensen, Courtland, Kan., Chris Skaggs, College Station, Texas, will judge the bred-and-owned heifer and bull and steer divisions.

In addition to the cattle shows, the National Showmanship Contest will be held. In its 23rd year, the contest allows only one individual per state to compete.

Traditionally, the contestants have been evaluated on their fitting and show ring skills; however, for the second time in the history of the competition, contestants will be judged on their clipping, fitting and showing abilities.

Rocking Chair Ranch provided the opportunity at the 1985 Expo and, once again, will provide halter broke and unclipped heifers for the competition.

A new addition this year will be a junior and intermediate showmanship contest for junior members 14 years and younger. The competition is open to all junior

members and the exhibitors will only be evaluated on their showing abilities.

Outside of the show ring, everyone will have an opportunity to cool off in the Ranch's natural spring pool and canal.

A state challenge of canoe races will be one of the highlights. Each state team consisting of two juniors will paddle down the canal in hopes of earning the best time.

In addition, a celebrity canoe race will be held to entertain everyone.

Juniors will put their Hereford knowledge to the test during the Quiz Bowl Contest. The contest consists of a four-member state team answering questions pertaining to the Hereford breed and practices utilized in day-to-day cattle operations. Everyone will be able to test their cattle evaluation skills in the judging contest,

and cooking abilities and creativity will surface during the All-American Hereford Cook-Off.

Through the support of an anonymous donor, twenty-five-\$1,000 Scholarships of Scholastic Merit will be presented to junior members who have excelled academically and plan on attending college in the fall of 1994. In addition, the American Hereford Women will award two outstand-

ing junior members with \$500 John Wayne Memorial Scholarships based upon their scholastic, leadership, and agri-industry involvements.

For further information on the largest Hereford event of the year, contact the American Hereford Association, Youth Department, P.O. Box 014059, Kansas City, MO 64101, (816) 842-3757.



The Cumberland County Cooperative Extension Association recently held their annual meeting at the Penn Township Firehall, Huntsdale. Program highlights were presented by Nancy Hackett, Mechanicsburg, master gardener, center, describing her success with the 4-H Project "Meet the Plant" and Matthew Day, Shippensburg, right, who told of his 4-H dairy experiences this past year. Lamarline Hood, dean of the College of Agricultural Science, presented a "Penn State Update."



Donald Deckman, Mechanicsburg, received the AA Raudabaugh Memorial Award at the 1994 Cumberland County Cooperative Extension Association annual meeting. Deckman, left, is shown receiving a plaque from Mrs. Howard Peiffer, president of the Cooperative Extension Association and Lamarline Hood, dean of the College of Agricultural Science who presented a "Penn State Update."

Cumberland Extension Holds Meeting

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Firehall recently. The award recognizes leadership and service that Deckman has provided to the county in the past several years, according to the extension.

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ticipation in the All American Dairy Show and the National 4-H Dairy Judging Contest.

Lamarline Hood, dean of the Penn State College of Agriculture Science, presented a "Penn State Update" to those in attendance.



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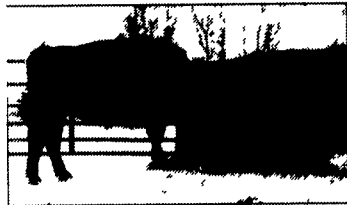
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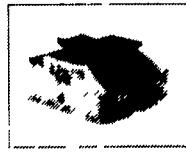
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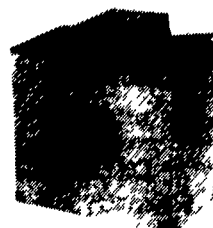
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