

# Pennsylvania Ayrshire Association Sends News

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PA Ayrshire Promotions  
WAMPUM (Lawrence Co.) —

What a weekend as a mop of people, cows, and confusion began to slowly take on the shape of an organized group working together toward a common goal. It was a collaboration of many families and friends as all worked together. Does this not sound how things should be today in the dairy industry? Well that is exactly what happened at the Ayrshire convention. Cooperation and enthusiasm is vital to keeping any organization, business, and family together. And let's face it, we need to stay together to be strong in the world of high tech non individualized person.

At the Ayrshire convention held this past April, cooperation and enthusiasm were both in abundance. Many families from western PA united together toward a common goal, to make the convention a success. People volunteered their time, artistic and creative abilities to help with decorations and hospitality communications. The greatest contribution that this convention relayed was the youth activities. The cattle were prepared by 4-H and FFA members from the area. All of the kids worked together with such skill, harmony, and professionalism one would never guess by the quality of the workmanship that these kids were not professionals. They all conducted themselves in a very enthusiastic and cooperative manner. If something needed done you can be sure they did it right.

One thing that is quite mentionable is the manner that the cattle were clipped. There were six kids to an animal, two on the head, one on either side, one clipping the rear, and one getting oil, changing blades, cleaning up, or whatever the other five needed. If this is how the future looks I am glad that I will also be a part of it. If we all can work together toward a common goal and be successful in our attempt, then anything is possible.

I would like to urge all of you who own an Ayrshire or have an interest in becoming a member of an organization that promotes this kind of cooperation and enthusiasm within itself, please don't hesitate to give me a call at 412-658-0655. I know there are many Ayrshire breeders out there who are not yet members and I

would like to encourage your support. It does not matter if you own 100 Ayrshires or none at all. We all have the same goal, we want to tell everyone how PROFITABLE PENNSYLVANIA AYRSHIRES are.

Remember, enthusiasm is contagious, let's start an epidemic!!!  
**Hall of Fame**

This year the PA Ayrshire Hall of Fame had a very distinguished inductee, Mrs. Hope Scott of Ardrossan Farms in Villa Nova, PA. Mrs. Scott took over managing the farm in 1949. She and her husband, Edgar have two sons, five grandchildren, and seven great-grandchildren.

The heritage of the Ardrossan Ayrshire dates back to 1910 when the nine original cattle were transported from Scotland to Philadelphia by ship. Then they were taken by train to Bryn Mawr Avenue, from there they were walked to the 650-acre spread of Ardrossan. The Ayrshires and Mrs. Scott have worked well together over the years. She expressed, "How tough the cow was, while they didn't eat as much as a Holstein. The Ayrshire is more intelligent, quicker, and much more fun to handle." Well she has reason to sound so confident about her cattle, after all they are still one of the highest producing herds of 100% registered Ayrshires in the United States. She contributes her theory of selecting bulls to her father, who always told her one must maintain the size and substance of an animal in order for it to produce well and have a long life. He said it was possible to let size go for one generation, but no longer or the longevity will be gone. Another important aspect of her father's theory was to control disease. A very good preventative is not to buy animals from other herds and expose them to your herd. This preventative has been practiced at Ardrossan, not a single animal has been bought since those originals from Scotland. Now the herd numbers have grown to 125 milking age females with a total of 300 head. Mrs. Scott stresses that the herd at Ardrossan is line bred, not inbred. Many American bulls as well as Canadian, Scottish, and homebred bulls are used to promote a wide spread genetic base. Young sires are used a great deal. According to Mrs. Scott young sires are the key to improving the breed. There are



At the spring Pennsylvania Ayrshire show at Beaver Falls are from left, Jesse and Gay Rodgers with the reserve champion; David Trotter, judge; Scott Lackey with the champion; and Dale Maulfair, president, Pennsylvania Ayrshire Association.

not enough bulls to choose from by just using proven sires. The overseas market is one thing that can be used by American Ayrshire breeders to expand our potential. And is there ever potential! Ardrossan was home to the first million pound herd which consisted of four animals who had produced a million pounds of milk in their lifetime. There are several opportunities for Ayrshire breeders from across the country to bring the Ardrossan blood lines into their herd. There are on average 15-20 head consigned to several sales throughout the year. Also some private sales take place.

Mrs. Scott supports the youth of the PA Ayrshire Association by donating the calf to the Spring Calf and Heifer Sale each year. All the proceeds from the calf go to the youth. She feels the future relies heavily on the youth and is willing to do her part in helping out. She feels the need to increase membership with the Association and to get everyone working together, not against each other. If everyone would join together and discuss the problems facing the Ayrshire breed and would be willing to compromise for the good of the breed. Problems would become scarce.

In addition to Ayrshires, Mrs.

Scott's interests include trustee of the Brandywine Museum and Conservatory, Honorary Chairman of the Arthritis Research, and Chairman of the Devon Horse Show (the largest outdoor horse show in USA - proceeds go to benefit the Bryn Mawr Hospital). She contends that there is room for both women and men in aspects of agriculture. The assistant herdsman at Ardrossan is a woman. She works with men every day and finds that they have given her no opposition at all. It is important for a woman not to be intimidated by men. She contends that she likes and rather enjoys people.

At a young age Mrs. Scott was influenced greatly by her parents, Robert L. and Hope Tyler Montgomery. Also her great aunt, Helen Beech Tyler. Now, she contributes her success to her husband of 70 years, Edgar. She respected and admired their success and was very conscious of it! Her nomination to the Hall of Fame was announced to her on her late father's birthday. It was a very meaningful honor since her father had also been inducted to the Ayrshire Hall of Fame in 1991.

Mrs. Scott has much enthusiasm for the future of the Ayrshire cow. And is willing to share that enthusiasm with many. It is people

like her that help make the future appear that anything is possible. It is the PA Ayrshire's Hall of Fame's privilege to have Mrs. Hope Scott in the Hall of Fame.

### New Ayrshire Princess

Introducing the new royalty representing the PA Ayrshire Association, Miss Karen Neville is the 1994-95 Ayrshire Princess and Katie Young is the Alternate Princess.

Karen Neville, 15 of Bradford County was crowned the 1994-95 PA Ayrshire Princess by outgoing princess, Samantha Hillyard. Karen is the daughter of Vincent and Debbie Neville and has two younger brothers Chris and DJ. Her activities include varsity cheerleading for North East Bradford, softball, dairy judging, market lambs, 4-H, and Ayrshires. Karen's Ayrshires are housed at her grandparents, Doug and Donna Stewart's Locust Lane Farm. She currently owns 10 Ayrshires of her own. Her first cow has given her two heifers and that's how it all began! Karen is very active with showing her Ayrshires in several local fairs. She also exhibits at the All American. Karen also helps to prepare cattle for classification. She plans to pursue a career in physical therapy.

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## Pa. Holstein Announces Jr. Judging Schools

STATE COLLEGE (Centre Co.) — The Pennsylvania Holstein Association this week announced details of its 1994 Junior Holstein Judging Schools.

All junior members, regardless of dairy cattle breed affiliation, are invited to attend the school closest to their home. 4-H and FFA members are also invited to attend.

The entry deadline is June 17. According to a news release, each school runs from noon the first day, to noon the second day.

Scheduled for judging are eight to 12 classes of dairy cattle, during which instructors will attempt to cover all the basics of judging cattle, including type evaluation, terminology, class breakdowns and how to effectively give reasons.

Each person in attendance will have an opportunity to work one-on-one with an experienced judge on reasons giving.

The school for those in the western part of the state is set for (Mon-

day and Tuesday) June 27 and June 28, with Butler County Holstein Club serving as host, and Tom Smith, of Lancaster, serving as the school official.

The school for those in the eastern part of the state is set for (Wednesday and Thursday) June 29 and June 30, with the Franklin County Holstein Club serving as host. Creedin Comman, of Carlisle, is to serve as official.

The cost of the school is \$25 for those staying overnight. That cost includes schools costs, hotel room and an evening meal.

For those who elect to commute, the cost is \$15 which covers school costs and an evening meal.

This year, a second member of a family who attends will receive \$5 off of registration costs.

For more information, contact the Pennsylvania Holstein Association at 839 Benner Pike, State College, Pa., 16801, or call (814) 234-0364.

### 1994 Jr. Judging School

#### Registration Form

(Deadline for tickets is June 17)

List of those attending:

NAME \_\_\_\_\_

ADDRESS \_\_\_\_\_ PHONE \_\_\_\_\_

#### Check The School You Will Attend

\_\_\_ WESTERN Butler County, June 27-28

\_\_\_ EASTERN Franklin County, June 29-30

I have enclosed \$ \_\_\_\_\_ for Overnight

I have enclosed \$ \_\_\_\_\_ for Commuter

Total \$ \_\_\_\_\_

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