N.J. Holstein Breeders To Tour Central Pa.

BELVIDERE NJ. — The Rutgers Cooperative Extension in cooperation with the Warren County, New Jersey, Holstein Association, is sponsoring a bus tour to dairy operations into Pennsylvania's Blair and Centre counties on March 31.

There are two pickups locations.

The bus is to leave the upper parking lot of the Wayne Dumont Jr. Administration Building promptly at 7:15 a.m. The administration building is located along Rt. 519, one mile south of Belvidere.

The bus is also to make a stop at the truck stop in Columbia at 7:30 a.m.

The bus is expected to return to the Wayne Dumont Jr. Administration Building about 10:30 p.m.

The itinerary includes a visit to five farms with outstanding herds and facilities.

A visit is to be made at Courter Farms, in Mill Hall, owned by Paul Courter. It has a 4-year-old tie-stall barn and new heifer facilities. Courter milks 70 cows and has a 23,000 pound milk rolling herd average. His BAA is 103.1.

The group is also to stop at Ulmer Farms, in Bellefonte. Owned by Dan Ulmer, it has a new heifer barn, a tie-stall barn, and he milks 75 cows with a 23,000 pounds milk RHA. The herd has a BAA of 105.

Spring Lake Farm, in Tyrone, is a farm owned by Tom Kelly, who has worked as a classifier for Holstein Association. He has a tie-stall barn with 85 cows and a 25,000 pounds milk RHA. He also raises his heifers in a free stall facility.

The tour is to go to Altoona to visit Blackcrest Farms, owned by Robert and John Black. The two milk 71 cows in a tie-stall banr and the herd has a 23,500 pound milk RHA, with a 105.5 BAA. Half the herd is comprised of animals carrying the red and white gene. Also, 25 bulls bred and born at farm are in use in artificial insemination studs. The partnership also was featured in the December 1993 issue of Hosltein World magazine.

Also on the stop is a visit to the Evergreen Farms, in Spruce Creek, Huntingdon County, owned by Wayne Harpster. To knowledge, the farm is the largest facility in Pennsylvania and was designed to handle more than 1,400 cattle on three-times per day milking. Built in 1993, a set of two long, drivethrough freestall barns is connected to a double-40 milking parlor.

The family farm includes more than 2,200 acres and has 50 employees, in addition to a number of unique aspects, such as flush cleaning of the free stalls and a processed manure-liquid irrigation

system.

The tour should be a memorable one. Deadline for registration is Tuesday, March 28, and the cost for the bus is \$18 per person.

Participants should bring a lunch to eat on the bus between stops. Also, the bus is scheduled to stop at Buckhorn Family Restaurant on the return trip, with each participant responsible for his meal.

For more information, call William Kerkendall, president of the Warren County Holstein Association, or Everett Chamberlain, Warren County Extension agricultural agent at (908) 475-6503.



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With Fertilizer and Cloverseed	Acre	10.50	10.80	10.70
Seeding Alfalfa, Clover, Etc.	Acre	9.40	10.00 ·	9.70
Broadcast Seeding (On Grain Fields)	Acre	5.70	6.30	6.00
Cleaning Grain Seed:				
With Treatment	Bu.	.66	.76	.71
Without Treatment	Bu.	.48	.59	.54
Ground Equipment:				
Spraving For Weed Control:				
Excluding Material	Acre	7.00	6.60	6.80
Spraving For Corn Borer:				
Including Cost of Material	Acre	9.60	10.40	10.00
Excluding Cost of Material	Acre	6.40	6.90	6.70
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Including Cost of Material	Acre	9.00	9.80	9.40



Excluding Cost of Material	Acre	6.80	6.80	6.80
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Fixed Wing	Acre	8.40	8.60	8.50
Helicopter	Acre	9.80	10.50	10.20
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Local	Bu. per mile	.13	.13	.13
Long Distance	Bu. per mile	.26	.13	.13
Grain Storage	Bu. per Month	.04	.04	.04
Stalk Shredding, P.T.O.	Acre	8.20	8.40	8.30
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Dry	Acre	5 80	5.40	5.60
Liquid	Acre	6 30	6.50	6 40
Side Dressing	Acre	6 60	7.00	6.80
Grinding Feed:	Acte	0.00	7.00	0.00
Corn, Oats or Barley	Cwt.	57	.58	58
Cord and Cobs	Cwt.	.55	57	56
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Additional Charge For Mixing	Cwt.	.18	19	19
Machine Tiling (No Tile)	Foot	.58	.60	.59
Back Hoe	Hour	35.00	40.00	38.00
Sawing Wood (Chain Saw)	Hour	12.30	12.50	12.40
Post Hole Digging	Hole	.98	.94	.96
Manure loading	Hour	23.00	24.00	23.50
Manure Spreading	Hour	24.00	25.00	24.50
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