

34th PAADS

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register, as well as those intending to show their animals. Ownership of a dairy animal is not required.

White show clothes are requested. Registration is from 11:30 a.m. until 12:30 p.m., and the competition is to be in the Small Arena of the Complex.

Youth and adults intending to exhibit animals in any of the dairy shows arrive early to prepare their stalls and animals. The showmanship contest provides an opportunity for the youth to practice showmanship skills that will be needed in the ring.

However, youth who did not qualify for the state youth dairy show, those not intending to show, and those without animals are also invited to participate.

If youth bring their own animal just for the showmanship contest, it must meet and have proof of the PAADS health certification requirements before it will be allowed on the Farm Show premise.

Those youth without animals are welcomed to participate. All they have to do is find someone willing to lend the use of an animal for the contest.

Registration and entry is free, but contestants must provide their own show harness.

According to Lolly Leshner, an organizer of the PAADS, youth are to be divided into three age groups for the contest and the winner in each is to receive a \$500 savings bond to be given in the memory of Roger T. Green, longtime friend of the dairy industry. The bonds were donated by the Centre County Holstein Club.

Other prizes include a set of cattle clippers donated by Richard Mellinger, and a director's chair donated by Scottdale Supply.

The three age groups are to be: juniors, ages 8-11; intermediates, ages 12-15; and seniors, ages

16-21.

The top 10 in the senior division are to also be invited to compete in a fitting contest, with each being assigned a heifer at random and have one hour to fit the heifer.

Each contestant is allowed one helper to block and hold the head of the animal. The helper isn't allowed to clip brush, coach or spray the animal.

Youth associations of four state colored breed organizations also have meetings and social times planned for Sunday evening.

At 5:30 p.m., the Pennsylvania Brown Swiss Junior Association has scheduled "A Brown Swiss Youth Happening."

At 6:30 p.m., the Pennsylvania Junior Guernsey Breeders have scheduled a meeting and a social.

The Pennsylvania Ayrshire Youth have a meeting and social set for 7 p.m.

The Pennsylvania Junior Jersey Association has scheduled a meeting, also for 7 p.m., Sunday. The members are to combine a pizza party with their meeting, to be held in Meeting Room C, on the second floor near the Farm Show office.

At the same time, a careers and opportunities social has been scheduled with representatives from at least six universities to be present to recruit potential students, and to advise on minimum academic and testing standards and opportunities for careers.

Starting at 8 p.m., dairy youth exhibitors are invited to participate in the "Junior Dairy Show Olympics," an event designed for fun and fellowship.

A country craft show begins at noon Sunday and remains open until 8 p.m. The craft show is to continue through the end of the

PAADS, about 4 p.m., Thursday, with the crowning of the supreme champion of the six recognized dairy breeds — Ayrshire, Brown Swiss, Guernsey, Holstein, Jersey and Milking Shorthorn.

Monday

While the state youth dairy show is to kick off promptly at 8 a.m., the Invitational Youth Dairy Cattle Judging Contest starts at the same time.

The 28th annual invitational contest is set to have 35 collegiate, 4-H and FFA teams competing, some teams from as far away as California.

An awards banquet is scheduled to be held at 7 p.m. that evening to recognize the top achievers.

A 7:30 p.m. in the Small Arena an Ayrshire Sale is to be held with top quality animals offered.

Tuesday

Tuesday has three dairy shows scheduled.

The morning starts out with the All-American Ayrshire Show starting at 9 a.m. in one half of the Large Arena, while the Pennsylvania Fall Championship Show gets underway in the other half.

The All-American Milking Shorthorn Show starts at 3 p.m.

All three shows are highlights of the showing circuit for the year.

Doug Murray of Toulon, Illinois, is to judge the Ayrshire show, while Sherry Kreppf of Fredericksburg, Ohio, is to judge the Milking Shorthorn Show. The judge of the Pennsylvania Fall Championship was not announced.

At 10 a.m., the Junior Dairy Management Contest starts. This year, the contest includes the promise that the top winner will receive a \$1,000 prize.

According to a PAADS news release, Dr. Carl Brown, contest chairman, said, "The Pennsylvania Dairymen's Association will contribute the \$1,000 award to recognize the knowledge and skill necessary to win this comprehensive contest. This is a tremendous addition, and a wonderful show to support."

In the same news release, David Smith, the executive secretary of the Pa. Dairymen's Association, said, "The association wants to support activities that promote and enhance the dairy industry. This is a top notch contest that really exemplifies the variety of skills and information dairy farmers must demonstrate to be successful."

Open to all 4-H and FFA members, the competition tests the contestants knowledge of heifer judging, linear trait and pedigree analysis, meats identification, grain and forage identification and nutrition, farm and food safety, dairy cow food and leg health, and farm business management.

After the morning competition, the top five finalists are to be interviewed by a panel of three judges representing the dairy industry. They are to be asked something to test their understanding of current issues in the dairy industry.

Sponsors also provide cash awards to the top 10 teams in the 4-H and FFA divisions, along with plaques, ribbons and trophies.

According to Leshner, last year there were 70 contestants. A strong showing is expected this year.

At the same time the the Junior Dairy Management Contest kicks off, so does the Pennsylvania 4-H and FFA Dairy Judging Forum, an educational program.

Wednesday

The National Guernsey Show is set to start promptly at 9 a.m., Wednesday, and it will share the Large Arena with the Eastern National Brown Swiss Show — two top quality shows.

Dennis Patrick, of Woodbine, Maryland, is to serve as judge for the National Guernsey Show, while Robert Fitzsimmons is to judge the Brown Swiss show.

At 5 p.m. Wednesday in the Dairy Activities Center, which is in the Northeast Building of the Farm Show Complex, the All-American Buffet is to be held with special recognitions being made.

The buffet also serves as a preliminary for the Eastern National Holstein Sale which was organized slightly different from previous sales.

According to Leshner, the sale was designed to highlight the daughters of some of the top 12 bulls in the breed. The daughters were selected to offer a good selection to the buyer looking to purchase high indexing animals, as well as the buyer looking for high type.

The sale starts at 7 p.m. and is managed by the Pennsylvania Holstein Association.

The last day of PAADS is truly the climax of the week, starting out with the Eastern National Holstein Show (animals entered in the Pennsylvania Fall Championship are automatically eligible) and the Mid-Atlantic Regional Jersey Show.

There is no fee to attend the event and parking is free. The PAADS is sponsored by the Pennsylvania Dairy and Allied Industry Association in cooperation with the Pennsylvania Department of Agriculture and the Farm Show Commission.

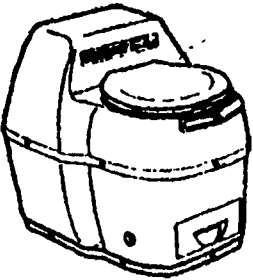
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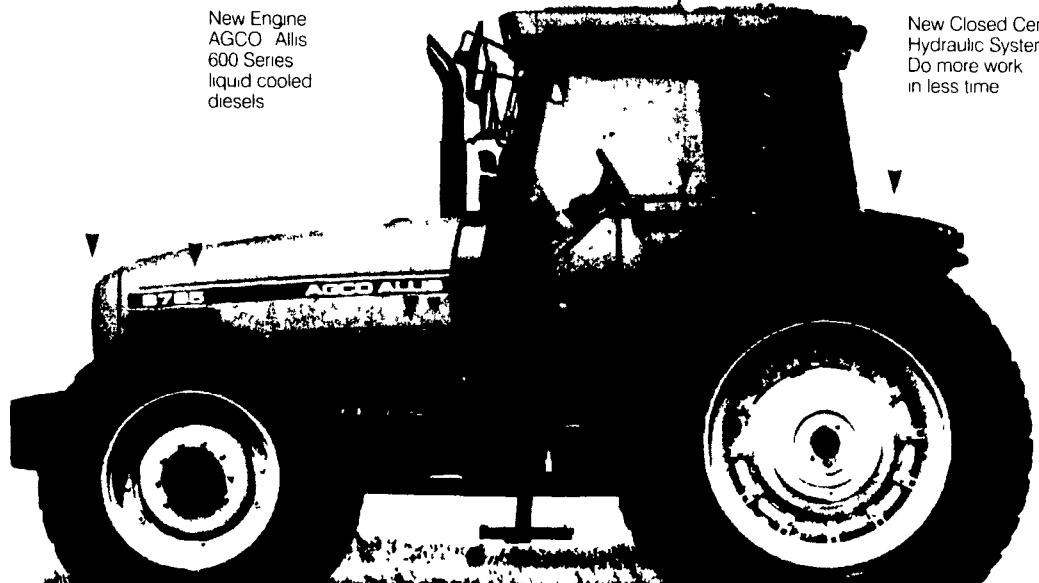
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