

Greencastle Livestock

Greencastle, Pa.
Sept. 3, 1998

CATTLE: 144. COWS MOSTLY 3.00 LOWER THAN LAST THURSDAY.

COWS: BREAKERS 75-80% LEAN 33.75-38.75, LOW DRESSING 31.50-33.00, BONERS 80-85% LEAN 31.00-34.50, LEAN 85-90% LEAN 24.75-31.75, SHELLS DOWN TO 21.50. BULLS YIELD GRADE 2 FEW 1390-2045 LBS. 39.50-43.25. BULLS: FEW L2 250-600 LBS. 40.50-49.00.

CALVES: 303. STANDARD & GOOD 80-115 LBS. 22.00-29.00, UTILITY 60-85 LBS. 10.00-23.00. FARM CALVES: HOLSTEIN BULLS 10.00 LOWER WITH SPOTS TO 20.00 LOWER. NO. 1 195-120 LBS. 50.00-80.00 WITH LATE SALES DOWN TO 35.00. NO. 2 80-115 LBS. 30.00-55.00 WITH A FEW DOWN TO 27.00. HOLSTEIN HEIFERS NO. 1 80-115 LBS. 80.00-160.00, NO. 2 70-90 LBS. 25.00-57.50 WITH ONE AT 75.00. BEEF TYPE BULLS & HEIFERS 80-85 LBS. FEW 47.50-55.00.

HOGS: 13. SOWS: FEW 1-3 240-300 LBS. 18.00-21.00. BOARS: 270-320 LBS. 14.50-15.00, FEW 360-410 LBS. 9.00-10.00.

FEEDER PIGS: 0 NO MARKET TEST. SHEEP: 6 FEW CH 95-115 LBS. 61.00-69.00. SLAUGHTER SHEEP COUPLE 31.00 & 36.00.

GOATS: BILLIES: LARGE NO MARKET TEST.

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CATTLE: Compared to last week's closing prices, slaughter steers sold steady to weak. The market's potential looked good early in the week, but by Thursday pressure loomed and prices slipped slightly lower in the face of the three-day weekend and reduced slaughter rates. Western feedlots lost yet another dollar this week with the bulk of sales posted at 56.00. However, cattle feeders will get little sympathy from hog producers as local hog prices dropped as much as 8.00 this week. Local Holstein steers closed .50-1.00 lower and heifers ended mostly steady in a light test. Slaughter cows finished .50-1.00 lower and slaughter bulls sold steady to .50 lower. This week's supply was made up of around 39 percent slaughter steers, 5 percent slaughter heifers, 37 percent slaughter cows, 6 percent bulls and the balance were feeder cattle.

SLAUGHTER STEERS: High Choice and Prime 2-4 1125-1460 lbs 60.00-64.00, couple ideal individuals 1410-1450 lbs 65.00-66.00. Choice 2-3 1075-1475 lbs 58.00-61.50, few high dressing 1-2 up to 63.50 and low dressing 4-5 down to 55.00; 1490-1535 lbs 56.00-57.35. Select and low Choice 2-3 1005-1515 lbs 53.00-59.35. Select 1-3 995-1465 lbs 50.75-56.25.

HOLSTEIN STEERS: Individual Prime 2 1355 lbs 57.75. Choice 2-3 1255-1630 lbs 51.00-54.85. Select and low Choice 2-3 1080-1595 lbs 48.85-52.25. Select 1-2 1115-1630 lbs 46.25-49.75.

SLAUGHTER HEIFERS: High Choice and Prime 2-4 1055-1235 lbs 60.00-62.25. Choice 2-3 1090-1270 lbs 57.00-58.85. Select and low Choice 2-3 1010-1435 lbs 53.75-57.00. Heiferettes: Few Choice 3-4 1000-1245 lbs 48.00-49.50. Commercial and Standard 2-4 990-1500 lbs 45.00-46.00.

SLAUGHTER COWS: PERCENT LEAN WEIGHT BULK LOW DRESSING Breakers 75-80 pct lean over-1400 lbs 37.25-41.75 34.75-38.25 Boners 80-85 pct lean over-1200 lbs 34.75-39.50 32.00-35.50 Lean (Hi-Yield) 85-88 pct lean over-1200 lbs 33.50-37.75 31.75-34.50 Lean 88-90 pct lean over-1000 lbs 31.75-35.25 29.00-33.50 Lean (Light-Wt) 85-90 pct lean 750-1000 lbs 29.00-33.75 26.50-31.00

SLAUGHTER BULLS: Yield Grade 1 1020-2020 lbs 46.50-54.00, few heavy-muscled Limousin 1375-1410 lbs 54.00-56.00. Yield Grade 2 1050-2515 lbs 41.00-46.50. Bullocks: Select 1-3 800-1480 lbs 45.50-55.00, consignment of Charolais X 1095-1265 lbs 58.00-65.00.

CALVES: Compared to last week, vealers closed 1.00-4.00 lower and slaughter calves sold 5.00-10.00 lower. Holstein bull farm-calf prices ended steady with very little volatility this week. Holstein heifer trading was not nearly as active this week and prices were mostly 35.00 lower.

VEALERS: Good and Choice 70-110 lbs 18.00-29.00. Standard and low Good 70-100 lbs 15.00-22.00, few 50-70 lbs down to 11.00.

SLAUGHTER CALVES: Good and Choice 200-350 lbs 70.00-100.00. Standard 200-350 lbs 50.00-75.00; 350-500 lbs 50.00-68.00; 500-600 lbs 49.00-52.00.

RETURNED TO FARM: Holstein bulls 95-125 lbs 50.00-88.00 few up to 90.00. Plainer bulls 80-115 lbs 29.00-63.00. Holstein heifers 80-115 lbs 125.00-228.00, late mostly 145.00-185.00. Plainer heifers 70-100 lbs 45.00-150.00.

Holstein Association Offers IP, PC System

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EASY 3.0, an upgrade to accommodate the American ID numbering system, is available

and should be used for all future electronic registry applications. The new herdbook design with the Registered Holstein Ancestry (RHA) percent has been programmed to replace the IHF, Qualified and Registered levels. The new NAAB code number with the country codes is also incorporated in the program.

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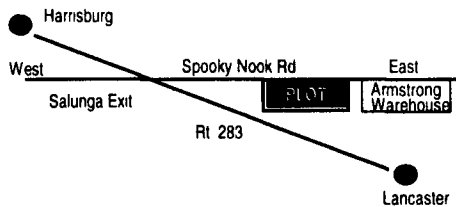
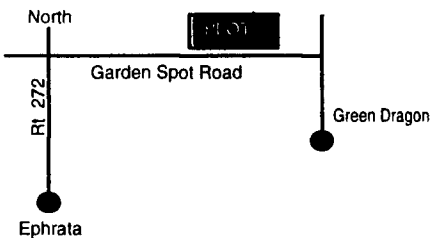
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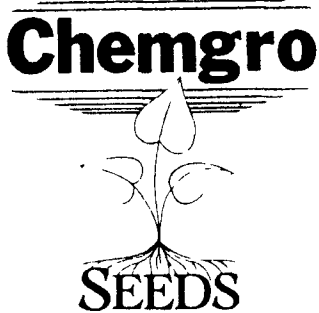
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