

Chester Holstein Club Presents Awards

WEST FALLOWFIELD (Chester Co.) — The Chester County Holstein Association held its annual awards and election meeting Oct. 20 at the West Fallowfield Christian Day School.

According to Jane Pepple, with the association, there were 10 awards presented, including six youth awards, as well as an election of directors.

In the youth awards, the outstanding FFA member was Julie Sollenberger with the Owen J. Roberts Chapter.

Kevin Nolan, with the Octorara Chapter was named the outstanding FFA dairy student.

The Chester Holstein Club also has a program that recognizes the total dairy project accomplishment of junior members, including record book keeping and animal production and showing.

The top winner overall was Christy Guest. The top first year member was Drew Harrop.

In youth protein production

awards, Erica Lloyd won in the first-lactation division with her Lundale Sandman Sara, with a 305-day record on a lactation started at 2 years, 2 months, with 26,456 pounds of milk, and 3.1 percent, or 825 pounds protein.

Bradley Guest had the top high protein producing mature cow, with his Century Oak Steady Elizabeth producing 29,031 pounds of milk, and 991 pounds of protein in 305 days, during a lactation started at 3 years, 4 months of age.

There were four adult production awards made.

The top protein producing first lactation winner was Ridge Star Bellewood Lana, owned by Jim and Peter Miller, owners of Ridge Star Farm. Lana made 34,020 pounds of milk, 929 pounds of fat, and 1,052 pounds of protein in a lactation started at 2 years, 2 months of age.

Breck-A-Dee Farm, owned by Ed Breckbill, had the top protein producing mature cow, Coleman-

Crest Lincoln Lida. She made 35,616 pounds of milk, 1,264 pounds of fat, and 1,250 pounds of protein in a 305-day lactation started at 5 years, 6 months.

The Club member herd with the high BAA was Breck-A-Dee Farm with 108.1 percent. The BAA is a rating that compares the classification of the age class animals in a herd compared to the national average.

The high lifetime production award was presented to Victor Stoltzfus for his 11-year-old cow, Stolclifs Mindy, with 206,827 pounds of milk, 8,338 pounds of fat, and 6,964 pounds of protein.

In other business, re-elected as director was Victor Stoltzfus; while Ken Umble, and James "Rudy" Allen of Russelville, were newly elected.

Richard Hostetter was named state director representing the Chester Club.

10. A survey of more than 200 sweet-corn growers in New York indicates that 69 percent of them have adopted at least half of the "IPM elements" defined for that crop.

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Here is a "top ten" sampling of developments reported this year:

1. Injury from the "strawberry clipper," long thought to be a significant pest, has virtually no effect on strawberry yield for many varieties commonly grown in New York.

2. New York fresh-market tomato growers may cut pesticide use by 12.5 pounds per acre by using a disease forecasting model and increase their earnings by \$3,000 per acre due to staking and

mulching.

3. IPM scouting saved field crops growers \$1,000 to \$7,000 apiece.

4. Biological control of a major mite pest is being achieved in Long Island vineyards.

5. Treatment for two major grape diseases could be limited to a specific two- to three-week period during which grapes have been found to be vulnerable to them.

6. Moderate seeding rates may lead to healthier turfgrass stands than high seeding rates, while providing equivalent aesthetic results.

7. A new lawn grub "decision rule" could reduce the need for insecticides by 50-80 percent.

8. New insect-resistant varieties of alfalfa had higher yields, higher net value per acre, and lower insect damage than susceptible varieties in a year of unusually heavy insect pressure.

9. Adequate weed control was achieved in cabbage by substituting cultivation and cover crops for herbicides.

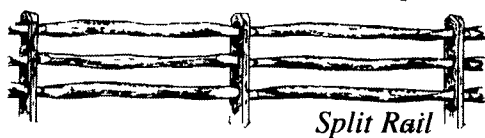
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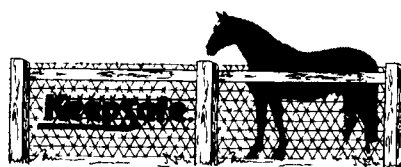
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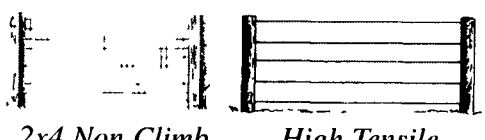
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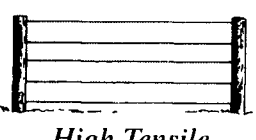
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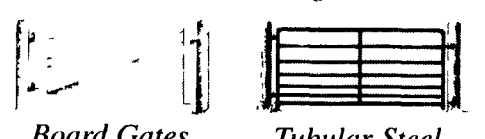
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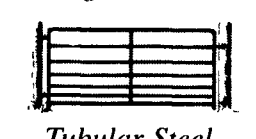
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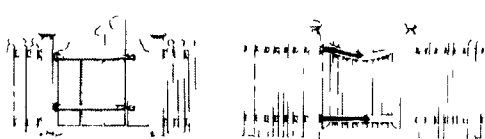
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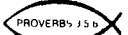


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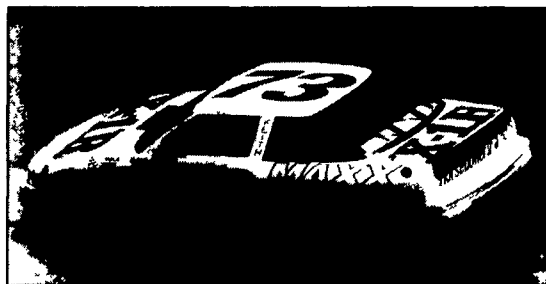


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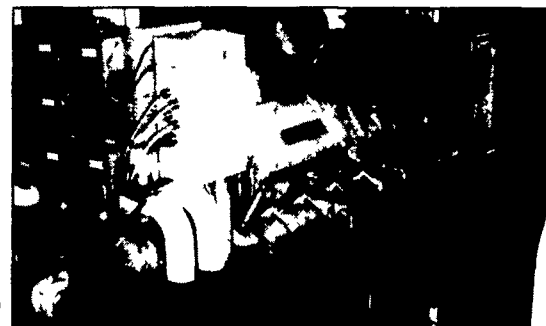


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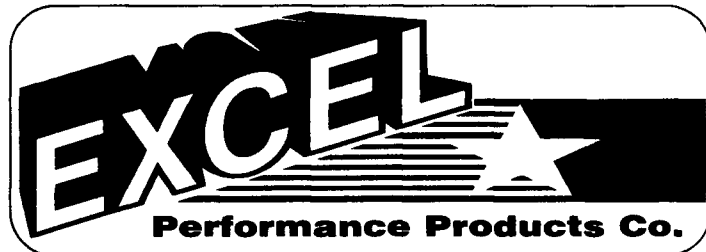
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