

Top Lancaster DHIA Cows By Protein For October

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KENT HOFFER		LEBANON						
313	RH	4-11	301	28,138	3.4	961	3.2	899
346	RH	3-2	305	24,965	3.5	882	3.4	849
255	RH	8-1	305	27,928	3.9	1076	3.0	845
377	RH	1-10	305	26,299	3.5	912	3.1	821
CURTIS L MARTIN		LEBANON						
125	GR-H	5-9	305	23,914	4.3	1033	3.4	813
DANIEL B SHIRK		NEWMANSTOWN						
MOUNTY	RH	3-6	305	25,129	3.0	753	3.2	811

YORK COUNTY								

DAVID STEWART		DELTA						
JAMAIC	RH	6-8	305	31,565	3.8	1187	3.1	993

JEFF HBINDEL		BROGUE						
LENTZ	RH	3-6	305	29,986	3.8	1151	3.2	951
SALLY	RH	3-0	305	28,769	3.0	862	2.9	832
MAIDEN	RH	5-4	265	23,455	3.9	921	3.4	805
NICKIE	RH	2-2	305	25,379	3.3	840	3.2	802
BBSHORE FARMS		NEW CUMBERLAND						
JBAN	RH	3-7	305	27,776	3.9	1094	3.3	928
ELWOOD T KRICK		DELTA						
76	GR-H	2-11	305	26,430	3.4	900	3.3	863
MC RAL DAIRY FARM		EAST BERLIN						
1616	GR-H	5-1	305	29,363	3.2	929	2.9	843
GLEN DAUGHERTY		BROGUE						
PAULA	GR-H	3-10	305	27,677	3.3	910	3.0	841

Pumpkin Varieties, Health Topics At Field Day

BEDMINSTER (Bucks Co.) — More than two dozen producers and agri-industry representatives were on hand in early October at a Penn State-sponsored Pumpkin Variety Demonstration Field Day here at the Penn-Vermont Farm.

Dr. Michael Orzolek, Penn State horticultural specialist, spoke at the field day, examining pumpkin samples at the site.

Several growers brought pump-

kins to inspect.

Orzolek provided information about varieties of pumpkins on display and the makings of a healthy pumpkin at the Bedminster Township farm.

On hand for the field day were Judy and Ken Bupp, of the farm; Scott Guiser, Bucks County extension agent; Emelie Swackhamer, Lehigh-Northampton horticulturalist; and Alan MacNab, Penn State plant pathologist.



At the pumpkin field day were, from left, Dr. Michael Orzolek, Penn State; Emelie Swackhamer, Lehigh-Northampton horticulturalist; Scott Guiser, Bucks County extension agent; and Alan MacNab, Penn State plant pathologist.

Tractor Shares Limelight On NASCAR Circuit

NEW HOLLAND (Lancaster Co.) — With a top speed of 12 mph, the New Holland Boomer™ tractor isn't the fastest vehicle on the NASCAR circuit, but it's certainly one of the most popular. It's painted like a race car, sounds like a race car, and shares the spotlight with New Holland's Busch Grand National race car at major speedway prerace shows and other special events.

"We can hardly get the race Boomer unloaded before people crowd all around it," said Herb Alfrey, parts manager at New Holland's Atlanta branch. "People look at it and chuckle. Everyone is amazed at how much it looks like a race car. They just fall in love with it."

The crowd-pleasing Boomer is a New Holland compact tractor, painted and modified to look and sound just like its automotive counterpart, down to the red and black pinstriping, the blue and white New Holland name and emblem on top of the hood, and #2 on the side. Huge rear flotation tires, straight pipes and lots of gleaming chrome complete the Boomer's sporty look and sound.

"We actually have some parts on the race Boomer that are exactly like the parts used on

the race car," said Herb Alfrey. "If you open the hood, you'll see some of the same types of hydraulic lines and water lines."

The similarities between the two, however, are purely cosmetic. Unlike the New Holland Chevrolet Monte Carlo race car, which qualifies at speeds exceeding 180 mph, the 27 hp race Boomer can reach a top speed of only 12 mph.

"We have a lot of fun with it," said Dave Knight, manager for compact tractors, who originated the idea for the race Boomer. "We built the race Boomer to tie in with our NASCAR promotion, and the fans seem to really enjoy the novelty of it."

For all its fun, the race Boomer has a serious purpose. "Even though thousands of fans go to the races and see the New Holland car, they might not know that New Holland makes compact tractors," Knight said. "The Boomer is a very popular compact tractor. It's the perfect size for the weekend farmer who has few acres as well as for landscapers and people who do grounds maintenance work. The tractor is made in Georgia and the main market for it closely matches the audience of NASCAR races. It's a great way to promote the tractor."



Dr. Michael Orzolek, left, with Judy and Ken Bupp at the pumpkin variety day in Bucks County.



A group of 30 growers gather around Dr. Michael Orzolek, kneeling, at the field day. Standing at right is Scott Guiser, Bucks County extension agent.

Coalition Hosts First Pa. Field Day

HUNTINGDON (Huntingdon Co.) — The Pennsylvania Grazing Lands Forage Conservation Coalition hosted the first Pennsylvania State Grazing Field Day, pasture walk, and tour of Bob Hockenberry's Project Grass Beef Farm in northern Huntingdon in October.

Fifty-two people and 26 Pennsylvania counties were present.

The Pennsylvania Grazing Lands-Forage Conservation coalition (GLFCC) is a farmer/producer driven, non-

profit board in partnership with NRCS. The state grazing field day was paid for by Armstrong County Conservation District, Kittanning, and the GLFCC executive board of directors.

Dr. William Stout of the USDA agricultural research service, University Park, and J.B. Harold, coordinator of "Project Grass," obtained the speakers for the field day.

The goal of the GLFCC is to get grazing education, technical assistance, and grazing cost-share to Pennsylvania producers.