

Texas Longhorns Off Ohio's Muskrat Road

BARNESVILLE, Ohio - Gibraltar is a ton of bright red specimen Texas Longhorn living at Dickinson Cattle Company on Muskrat Road just north of here. He's not just any ordinary steer - he was the International Texas Longhorn Association High Point Legacy Show champion for 1999.

Muskrat Road, or T712, is a country serpentine road starting on Ohio #800 and winding westerly to Fairview Road. It runs parallel to I-70 just a little over a mile to the south. This road cuts through the middle of Dickinson Cattle Company.

During the summer Longhorn cattle graze right up to both sides of the road. Tourist and locals often enjoy a low-key drive down Muskrat Road and gander at hundreds of brightly colored curly horned cattle.

In winter months the Longhorns are often nestled snugly down in the creek bot-

toms out of view. In order for winter public visibility, three champions have been selected by DCCI for exhibition conveniently placed on the south side of Muskrat and immediately after exiting off Ohio #800. They are a bull, Gizmo and two steers, Gibraltar and Senago. Gibraltar at age seven has a tip to tip horn length of more than 88 inches and Senago goes just beyond 77 inches at the tender age of five. The tip to tip measurement is the total amount of horn with a straight line tape to the end tips.

DCCI welcomes motorist to travel Muskrat and see two of the largest horned steers this side of California. One caution - electric fences are used so the boys don't decide to go play on I-70. While looking over the beef, kindly be certain your hip pocket doesn't touch the fence wires. Gibraltar is owned by DCCI

in partnership with Bob Snyder, a bank examiner from Columbus, Ohio.

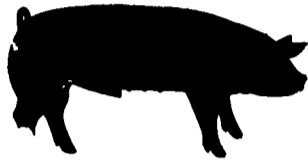
In the late 1800s, history and textbooks record that 15-20 year old Texas Longhorn steers grew up to six-foot horn spans. Modern beef-type Texas Longhorn steers will now reach more than six foot spreads at four to five years of age.

Numerous farms are starting to grown Longhorn steers because of their popular lean, healthy meat, their spectacular trophy horn spreads, and also just for the fun of it.

For more information on raising Longhorns, contact DCCI at (740) 758-5050.



"Gibraltar" is the 1999 International Champion High Point Region 3 Legacy Texas Longhorn Steer. He lives just north of Barnesville, Ohio. He is located for the winter in easy motorist view, compliments of Dickinson Cattle Company.



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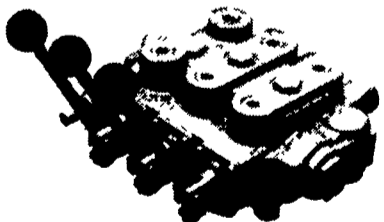
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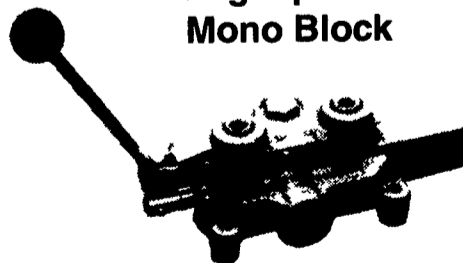
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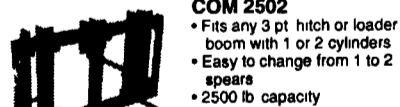


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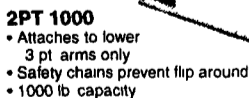
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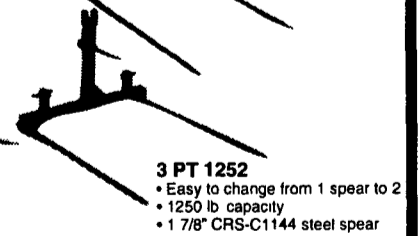
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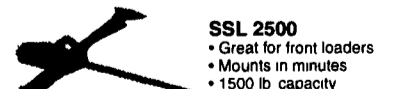
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