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slaughter lambs and slaughter ewes sold fully steady

STAUGHTER LAMBS Choice and Prime 2-3 40-60 lbs 100 00-140 00, 60-80 lbs 90 00-125 00 80-100 lbs 75 00-90 00, 110-130 lbs 65 00-75 00

STAUGHTER FWES Good and Choice yearlings and 2 year-olds 50 00-

Utility and Good 1-3 30 00-60 00

GOATS (All sold by the head) Billies Large 100 00-125 00, few up to 150 00 Medium 75 00-100 00

Mutton Choice and Prime 75 00-

Yearlings Choice and Prime 60 00-80.00

Nannies Medium 40 00-70 00 Kids Choice and Prime 50 00-70 00 Good 20 00-50 00

Lancaster County Weekly Cattle

New Holland, Pa. Report Supplied By USDA I riday, Jan. 25, 2002 CATTLE

CALVES THIS WEFK 2143 1771 LAST WEEK 2415 1620 1671 LAST YEAR 1944

CATILL Compared to last week's closing prices, slaughter steers sold 50-100 higher Demand was very good, with prices advancing mostly for the average Choice cattle Trading was very active for holstein steers and prices closed for the week 1 00-2 00 higher, instances 250 higher on the top end Slaughter heifers traded steady to 50 higher Feedlots in the Plains and Midwest reported few live cattle at 63 25-68 00 avg 66 99 and few dressed basis at 107 00-108 00 avg 108 03 Thursday afternoon Slaughter cows sold 2 00-3 00 higher on active trading. Slaughter bulls opened the week steady to 100 lower and closed 200 higher by late in the week Supply included 35 percent steers, 10 percent heifers, 42 percent cows, 5 percent bulls, with the balance feeders

SLAUGHTER STEERS High Choice and Prime 2-4 1200-1475 lbs mostly 70 50- 73 50, 1485-1540 lbs 67 50-71 75, few 1595-1615 lbs 65 50-68 25 Choice 2-3 1105-1485 lbs 69 00-72,00, high dressing 1-2 up to 73 50, 1485-1580 lbs 65 00-69 50, 1600-1645 lbs 63 50-65 25 Select and low Choice 2-3 1230- 1475 lbs 63 75-69 75, few 1650-1655 lbs 59 50-60 00

HOLSTEIN STEERS High Choice and Prime 2-3 1280-1400 lbs 61 25-63 50 Choice 2-3 1310-1590 lbs 58 25-60 50, late 59 00-60 50, 1615-1650 lbs 56 25-57 00 Select and low Choice 2-3 1165-1575 lbs 53 75-59 75

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Prime 2-4 1110-1460 lbs 66 00-70 00 mostly 68 00-70 00, few up to 72 75 Select and low Choice 2-3 1035-1470 lbs 64 25-68 75

STAUGHTER COWS PERCENT **1FAN WLIGHT BULK LOW DRESS-**ING Breakers 75-80 over-1400 lbs 39 25-44 75 36 75-40 25 Boners 80-85 over-1200 lbs 39 00-43 75 36 75-40 00 Lean (Hi-Yield) 85-88 over-1200 lbs 39 00-43 00 36 00-40 00 Lean 88-90 over-1000 lbs 38 25-42 50 35 75-39 50 Lean (Light-Wt) 85-90 750 -1000 lbs 37 00-42 50 35 00-38 00 SLAUGHTER BULLS Yield Grade 1 1030-2135 lbs 55 75-62 25 Yield Grade 2 1075-2330 lbs 45 00-56 00, late 48 50-56 00 Bullocks Select 2 individual 1150 lbs 56 50 CALVES. Compared to last week, vealers sold 5 00-9 00 higher Large slaughter calves not well tested Holstein bulls returning to farm traded 17 00 to as much as 58 00 lower for the week Holstein heifers were steady to 50 00 higher, with prices advancing on the lighter weights

VEALERS Good and Choice 70-125 lbs 50 00-66 00 Utility 60-90 lbs 11 00-

SLAUGHTER CALVES Not well tested

RETURNED TO FARM Holstein bulls 90-125 lbs 117 00-157 00, 80-90 lbs 120 00- 164 00. Plainer-type bulls 82-125 lbs 100 00-146 00, 75-80 lbs 132 00, weaker calves 65-110 lbs 32.00-92 00 Holstein heifers 83-115 lbs 420 00-650 00, 73 lbs 300 00 Plainer-type heifers 80-115 lbs 170 00-360 00. Beef-type bulls and heifers 75-90 lbs 155 00-235 00

Indiana Livestock

Homer City, Pa. Ihursday, Jan. 24, 2002 Report Supplied By Auction

CATTLE: 110. COWS: STEADY TO 3 00 HIGHER STEERS: CHOICE 2-3 1260/1570 LBS 65 50-69 75 SELECT 1-3 61 00-65 00 STANDARD 1-2 53 00-59 75 HOLSTEIN STEERS CHOICE 2-3 1570 LBS ONE AT 57 25

HEIFERS CHOICE 2-4 1190/1360 65 50-72 50 SELECT 1-3 COUPLE 58 00 & 58.25 STANDARD 1-2 48 00-55 75

COWS BREAKERS 75-80% LEAN 41 00-44 25 BONERS 80-85% LEAN 37 50-41 75 LEAN 85-90% LEAN 33 00-38 00, SHELLS DOWN TO 32.00 & DOWN BULLS. FEW YIELD GRADE 1 1550 LBS ONE AT 58 25 YIELD GRADE 2 1740 & 1815 LBS 49 25 & 50 00 FEEDER CATTLE SILFRS M-1 290/420 71 00-80 00,

11 W 520/720, 72 00-83 50 HLIFERS FEW M-1 310/470, 65 00-76 00, COUPLE 590 & 730, 60 00 &

BULLS FEW M-1 335/585, 73 50-

CALVES 95 VEALERS CH 268 LBS ONE AT 92 50 GOOD 270 LBS ONE AT 79 00 STANDARD & GOOD 95/110 LBS 40 00-65 00 STANDARD & GOOD 70/85 LBS 40 00-60 00 UTIL-11Y 60/95 LBS 20 00-35 00

TARM CALVES HOISTEIN BULLS STEADY NO 1 90/125 LBS 115 00-145 00, ONE AT 152 50 NO 2 80/130 LBS 70 00-117 50

HOLSIEIN HEIFERS NO 1 80/115 LBS 520 00-650 00, NO 2 95/100 LBS COUPLL 195 00 & 450 00 BEEF TYPE BULLS & HEIFERS 75/105 LBS 110 00-200 00

HOGS 12 BARROW & GILTS 45-50% LEAN 255/265 LB. 44.50-46 00 SOWS 1-3 465/640 LBS 29 00-32 25 MED 468 LBS ONE AT 15 00

FEEDER PIGS 26 1-3 20/25 LBS 32 50-37 00/HD 3 20/30 LBS 17 00-

SHEEP NO MARKET TEST GOATS NO MARKET TEST.

Greencastle Livestock

Greencastle, Pa. Report Supplied by PDA Thursday, January 24, 2002 CATTLE 171

COWS. 100-150 HIGHER THAN LAST THURSDAY HOLSTEIN STEERS CHOICE 2-3 (FEW) 1225/1270 LBS. 55 00-59.00 SELECT 1-2 COUPLE STANDARD 1-2 41 00 & 42 50. SELECT 1-3 ONE STANDARD 1-2 44 00

COWS. BREAKERS 75-80% LEAN 38 25-45 50, MOSTLY 40 00-43 75 BONERS 80-85% LEAN 37 25-44 75. MOSTLY 39 00-43 00 LEAN 85-90% LEAN 34 00-41 75 SHELLS 32 00 & DOWN, BULLS YIELD GRADE 2 COUPLE 1385 & 2190 LBS 49.25 & 52 75. FEEDER CATTLE STEERS M & L2, FEW 920/995, 53 00-60 00, L3, COUPLE 1025 & 1045, 47 00 & 50 00 HEIFERS. M2, ONE 615 LB AT 61.00. L3 HOLSTEIN, COUPLE 435 & 445, 50 00 & 54.00. BULLS: M2, ONE 1005 LB. AT 46.00.

CALVES 217 VEALERS STAN-DARD & GOOD 70/100 LBS (FEW) 42 50-65 00 UTILITY 55/95 LBS (FEW) 20 00-37 50 FARM CALVES. HOLSTEIN BULLS 10 00-15 00 LOWER NO 1 80/125 LBS. 125 00-152 50 WITH MOST WEIGHTS OVER 90 LBS . 130 00-150 00 NO 2 90/125 LBS. 70 00-127 50 HOLSTEIN HEIF-ERS STEADY NO 1 80/120 LBS 370.00-535 00 NO 2 65/90 LBS 130.00-340 00 BEEF TYPE BULLS & HEIF-ERS (FEW) 75/85 LBS., 100 00-180 00.

HOGS 2 SOWS 1-3 ONE 590 LBS AΓ27 50 ONE MED 395 LBS AT 8 50

Cost-Cutting, Environmental Practices Highlight Conference

ADA, Ohio — Farmers looking to cut production costs while improving their environmental impact may find such opportunities through research information, management practices and technology updates being highlighted at the annual Conservation Tillage and Technology Conference, Feb. 25-26 at Ohio Northern University in Ada, Ohio.

The conference will cover a wide range of topics including agriculture-related panel discussions, strip till research, weed and pest management, soil fertility, GMO crops, value-added farming, crop consulting, soil and water quality issues, precision agriculture and producer programs.

The event is being sponsored by Ohio State University Extension, Northwest Ohio Soil and Water Conservation Districts, United States Department of Agriculture Natural Resources Conservation Service, USDA Farm Service Agency and the Ohio No-Till Council.

'The conference is designed to help farmers become more profitable and more environmentally responsible using conservation tillage and other technologies," said Randall Reeder, an Ohio State Extension agricultural engineer. "It's a fact that sediment is still the number one pollutant in terms of volume and it also carries chemicals that are attached to it. Keeping the soil on the land where it belongs not only minimizes environmental damage, but maintains soil quality. Topsoil is a tarmer's most valuable resource."

Over 50 speakers from landgrant universities, the farming sector and agricultural industries and organizations will be speaking at the two-day conference. Highlights include a discussion of the 2002 Farm Bill, the latest in GMO crops from Monsanto and a presentation by Ohio State geologist Lonnie Thompson on the effect glaciers have on the land.

"We have topics that target livestock farmers, a group that you wouldn't think would be interested in a conservation tillage program. But there will be several topics related to livestock operations that have a heavy emphasis on environmental quality, such as composting,' said Reeder.

Conference sponsors are also offering sessions on soil and water quality issues targeted specifically to crop consultants.

This one day session will likely give them the desired five CCA (Certified Crop Advisor) credits, which are pretty difficult to come by," said Reeder.

Early registration is \$20 per day or \$30 to attend both days. Registration after Feb. 11 is \$30 a day or \$40 for both days. For a copy of the agenda, registration information, or directions to Ohio Northern University, contact the Hancock County Ohio State Extension office at (419) 422-3851 or the Allen County Soil and Water Conservation District at (419) 223-0040.



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