

Holstein Convention Posts Tours

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Farms is a premiere standard-bred training farm.

• **Tranquility Farms — Tour #2**

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Tranquility Farms is located in the fertile Tranquility Valley in Warren and Sussex counties. It is owned by Larry and Carol Freeborn and their children, Jessie, 15, Erin, 13, Zach, 10, and Becky, 5. The current farm operation consists of a 330-head Holstein herd of which 140 cows are milked in two tie-stall barns. The herd average is 26,350 pounds milk, 3.9 percent — 1,040 of fat, and 3 percent — 794 of protein, with a herd BAA of 107.2. The breeding program is focused on using highly reliable, good type bulls that are plus on components. Tranquility Farms is a diverse operation, with the main focus being the dairy business. They have a growing roadside market and greenhouse business and see a great future in this endeavor. They sell hay to New Jersey's growing horse industry and straw for the fall decorative and mulch market. The crop operation consists of 600 acres, of which 310 are owned and enrolled in New Jersey's Farmland Preservation Program. They grow 275 acres of corn, 135 acres of alfalfa, 100 acres of grass hay,

and 80 acres of vegetables, mainly sweet corn and pumpkins, and cut flowers.

• **Norz-Hill Farm — Tour #2**

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Norz-Hill Farm consists of more 1,200 acres and is in the New Jersey Farmland Preservation Program. Norz-Hill is home to more than 450 registered Holsteins. They have 300 cows on DHIR Test and will be expanding to 400. They are home to several top index and show-winning cow families. They have placed more than 25 bulls into AI studs and have marketed and sold embryos worldwide. The feature index family is the Norz-Hill Cleitus Winken Ex family. Members of this cow family include Norz-Hill P Winner Ex 93 at Taurus Service and Norz-Hill Bench Winnie Ex 92. They work with two Winchester granddaughters of Winken that are high on the TPI List. Both cows complete eight generations of VG or Ex with more than 3.5 percent protein and 4 percent fat. Both cows are contracted. In the show ring they have been successful at regional and na-

tional shows, and at the New Jersey State Show. In the past 12 years they have had six grand champions, seven junior champions, been premier exhibitor seven times, and premier breeder three times, while showing in the New Jersey state show. They have bred 12 Excellent cows (up to Ex 94) and developed 35 more.

• **Cedar Lane Farm — All Tours**

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Started in the 1940s, this family owned, multifaceted agricultural enterprise encompasses dairy, cropping, equine, forestry, and wildlife management. The prefix "Milk & Honey" is synonymous with producing high-quality milk and genetics. The Holstein BAA of 109.6, along with a rolling herd average of more than 25,000 pounds of milk and a low cell count, exemplifies herd quality. The same holds true for the other two breeds housed at Cedar Lane Farm. The Brown Swiss and Jersey herd classification scores average E-92 points and carry on this tradition of excellence. Cedar Lane Farm welcomes all visitors anytime to

view any of the ongoing agricultural endeavors and a special invitation to Holstein convention visitors.

All tours will end at Cedar Lane for a "surf and tanbark" picnic meal. The meal can be bought separately from the tours. The farm is 2-2½ hours away from Atlantic City (each way).

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We hope you enjoy your visit to Tranquility Farms.

Tour #3

Clover Valley Farm, Inc.

Fritz and Jean Wainwright have operated Clover Valley Farm for 47 years. Their sons who are fifth generation farmers now manage the farm. The farm consists of about 200 acres with 330 registered Holsteins with an RHA of 26,000 and more than 300 young stock. Clover Valley has four bulls in AI studs. The dairy operation is owned and operated by Fred and Kathy Wainwright.

The dairy facilities include a double-10 milking parlor with computerized meters. The animals are housed in a freestall facility with sand for bedding and automated alley scrappers. A commodity shed with seven bays is also an essential part of the operation. Several commodities are fed alfalfa hay, cottensed, soybean meal, brewers' grain,

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