

Jersey Cow From Oregon Breaks World Records

CLOVERDALE, Ore. — For the third time in four years, a new world record for milk production by a registered Jersey cow has been recorded by the American Jersey Cattle Association (AJCA).

On May 9, Cottonwood Merry Violet completed a 365-day lactation of 44,120 pounds of milk, breaking the record set in 2001 by Normandell Khan Ariel of 43,023 pounds of milk. The record is also the fourth time in AJCA production testing history that a Jersey has produced more than 40,000 pounds of milk in a single lactation.

Violet also set a world record for cheddar cheese yield of 5,509 pounds, 539 pounds better than the previous mark.

The complete lactation, begun at 6 years, 4 months of age, was 44,120 pounds of milk, 2,070 pounds of fat, and 1,593 pounds of protein. Based

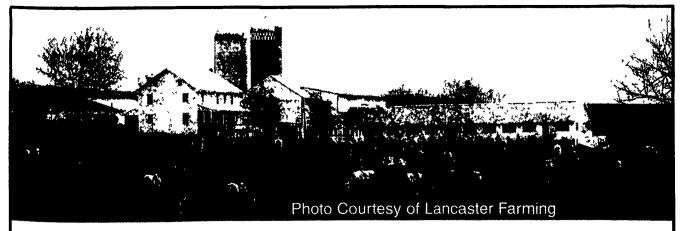
on Tillamook County Creamery pricing, the gross dollar value of the lactation was \$8,587.

Owned by Maack Dairy, Cloverdale, Ore., the Excellent-93 granddaughter of Soldierboy Boomer Sooner of CJF was bred by Cottonwood Farm, Chehalis, Wash.

The record-breaking lactation began May 10 last year, when Violet calved with her third daughter. She was managed in a herd of 250 cows fed a TMR of 22 pounds silage, 14 pounds hay, and 12 to 14 pounds of frozen vegetables balanced with field corn and summer pasture. Like all cows in the Maack herd, she was given BST every two weeks starting at 60 days after calving. She also received oxytocin at every milking. She had 11 test days over 100 pounds milk, peaking at 157 pounds on Sept.

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