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Cameo is also the dam of

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2nd Dam: Lands-Brook Cocaine 3E91

5/02 259d 19,490M 4.5 881F 3.1 596P

3rd Dam: Lands-Brook Christina EXP ET 4E96

Over 9 Lactations: 113,260M 4074F 3370P

10X All-American, Res All-American or HM AA

4th Dam: GE Lands-Brook Christie 4E94

9/05 365D 31,301M 5.0 1,559F 3.0 951P

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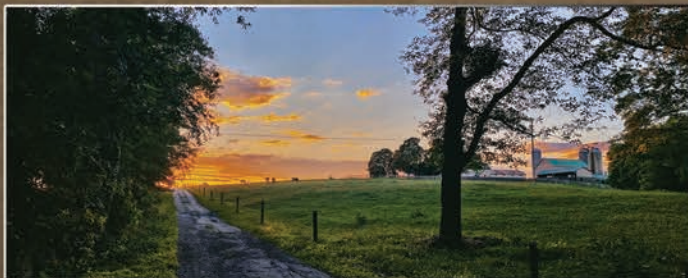
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The President's Message . . .

Thank You and Farewell as Ayrshire President

It has been said "When you are busy, ---Time flies." It seems to me, the last nine years have flown by! I began my duties on the Ayrshire Board of Directors nine years ago. I was elected in June 2013. I planned to attend my first board meeting in December, but apparently God had

other plans! Instead of attending the December meeting, I was in the hospital having open heart surgery and a triple by-pass. I am very fortunate and was given an extra nine years of good health. I have tried to make the most of these past nine years.

My mission and purpose have been to move the Ayrshire Breed forward, serving as a member of the Board for five years, Vice-President for two years and President for the last two years. I have attended and worked at as many Ayrshire events as possible during my tenure.

For many years, we have known the need to upgrade our Ayrshire office software. Two years ago, we were able to get a low interest loan and upgrade and move forward with this project. It has been a long and tedious project, but we are finally working in the new system. This terrific improvement will make the office much more efficient in the future.

Another project, as your president, was to start writing in the Angle. I have tried to make these messages both informative and educational.

A short time after I was president, the Curly Calf recessive was discovered. Several of the officers and committee chairmen spent a great deal of time acquiring an understanding of this undesirable trait, how it works, and how to control it. We set about developing a policy that in time will eliminate this bad recessive from the Ayrshire breed.

About the same time, Covid 19 hit. I was instrumental in getting a PPP (pay check protection) Loan/Grant. Without that money infusion in our association, at that critical time, I am not sure the Ayrshire Assoc. would have survived. Our shows and sales were also canceled and our registrations were down. However, we were determined to have an All-American contest and did. We also learned how to have on-line sales. That proved to be a long-term gain and helped us to gather more people in more places to witness and participate in the great Ayrshire breed.

This year we were able to have an in-person convention for the first time in two years. It was a terrific event hosted by The Tennessee Ayrshire Breeders and The Ayrshire Breeders Foundation. Our thanks to all who worked to make the convention a success.

Our loyal and long-time records coordinator, Arlene Crosser, retired in January and we were tasked with filling this vacancy. We changed the position duties and now share an employee with the American Guernsey Assoc.

U.S. Ayrshire hosted the mid-term meeting of the World Ayrshire Federation at World Dairy Expo in Madison this year. It was a 2-day meeting with several positive outcomes. In 2024 the World Ayrshire Conference will be in the United Kingdom. (See the ad in the Dec. 2022 Angle)

At the January 2023 Board meeting, the board voted to change from Brown Swiss to Holstein classifiers for the Ayrshire classification program. This will save our members a substantial amount of money. We also have moved to four issues per year of the Angle instead of six. Also, a money saver.

I want to thank the many people whom I have had the privilege of meeting and working with these past nine years. It has truly been an honor to have served on the Ayrshire Board of Directors and as your president. Please stay in touch, and May God Bless you and your family. ■

My Best To all of You,

Tom Gillette

*"The Pessimist complains about the wind
The Optimist says the wind will change
The Realist adjusts the sails"*

Mission Statement: The purposes of the Association are to maintain the integrity of Ayrshire registrations and transfers, to improve the breed of Ayrshire cattle, to publish a Herd Book, and to maintain other records and registrations as the Association deems necessary or conducive to the best interests of the breeders of Ayrshire cattle.

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As my term as an AMSS director and president ends, I want to thank our members and breeders for your support. Serving as your president for the past four years has been a lot of work. Without the love and understanding of my family, this would not have been possible.

I was raised with "work hard" ethics and was taught to embrace the things I enjoy. There is no doubt that being an AMSS board member has been both rewarding and challenging. I was fortunate to have dedicated board members who also have the best interest of the Red, White, and Roan in mind.

I've said it before, but Kathy Lynch is a true asset to our organization. She is organized and wants to help move the breed forward. Her dedication to AMSS is above and beyond.

Kate Gulley loves Milking Shorthorn cattle and has become a great Executive Secretary. Her personality and willingness to learn will go a long way for our society.

During my tenure I have always tried to put Milking Shorthorn's best interest at hand, first and foremost. I have, and will continue to, support and put the AMSS first. I encourage anyone interested in serving on an AMSS committee or as an AMSS board member to speak up and help us continue to move forward.

Once again, thank you all for your ongoing support and everything you do for the Red, White, and Roan. ■

Marcia Clark



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FROM THE EXECUTIVE SECRETARY . . .



I have made it!!!!

It has been one year since I started this journey as the Executive Secretary of the American Milking Shorthorn Society. I remember after the announcement; a friend asked me how it felt to have this new position. My response, "I am excited but also scared."

So many folks have been welcoming and patient as I continue to learn the ropes. The board of directors thought I was a good fit for the job, and they believed in me. Thank you.

Marcia Clark and her family welcomed me into the breed with guidance and knowledge. From the moment I met Kathy, we meshed, and I truly enjoy working every

day with her. The AMSS is blessed to have her, and I am beyond grateful for her daily. Here's to many more years representing the Red, White, and Roan!

The 2023 convention in Norman, OK is fast approaching. Thank you to all those involved in putting on the convention. I look forward to meeting with fellow breeders to talk all things Milking Shorthorn and enjoy the comradery.

The board's decision to rescind the EXP X EXP = GE policy has brought about much discussion. During the annual meeting members will have the option to discuss thoughts of where we need to be as a breed. While attending a meeting a few weeks ago someone made the comment, "We have a product people want." That resonated with me. We do have a product people want whether it be in the show ring or as a new native breeder who falls in love with the breed. The diversity we can offer people is more so than any other breed, I believe. I say let's embrace that diversity and move forward.

Here are a few additional updates:

- Casey Weiss has taken over the AMSS

semen tanks. The email address to order semen is semensales@milkingshorthorn.com.

- Thank you to Michelle Upchurch for handling the semen tanks the past 10 months.

- We continue to work on getting NAAB codes registered with NAAB, and genomics done for all bulls in the AMSS tank.

- Effective January 1, 2023, all flush dams now need to be DNA and Genomic tested.

- It is show season. If you have RFID numbers on registration papers, please make sure they match the RFID tag in the animal's ear.

- When signing up for classification, EVERYONE needs to fill out the classification form.

As always, if you have any suggestions please do not hesitate to reach out.

May we continue to enjoy all the Red, White, and Roan has to offer us.

See you in Norman! ■

Kate Gulley

Mission Statement: To recognize and welcome the diversity of the Milking Shorthorn as a unique feature of our breed, distinguishing it from all other breeds in the United States. To encourage each breeder to use all the Society programs which will benefit them individually and respect the rights of other breeders to have a different goal and to use different programs. To administer the Society to effectively use the information generated by the breeders to aggressively market our breed.

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My term as president and ambassador is nearing the end and I want to share how my family farms came to fruition.

Cherrywood Farm all started when my grandfather, Marvin Clawson, purchased Milking Shorthorns from his neighbor, Hans Guldager, during the 1950's. Hans originally got his Shorthorns through Noran Shaver who is Marcia Shaver's father (Marcia of Mysha). They bred Mysha Lady Di and her son Mysha-WO Advent Liriano, who we used a lot of. After my grandfather's 4-H years he discontinued showing and breeding them. But like most Shorthorn breeders, he developed a soft spot in his heart for them.

Later on, when Cindy (my mother) and Jeff (my uncle) were entering high school and joining FFA, he wanted them to have some registered Milking Shorthorns for their project.

Prior to this, for 4-H, they were exhibiting grade Holsteins and two token Guernseys.

My grandparents bought three heifers from Carl Brower of Parkersburg, IA. One heifer freshened blind in three quarters and the other two began our herd.

When it was time to pick the farm name, grandpa had some cherry wood lumber curing in the upstairs of the corn crib. My family chose this as a farm name and Cindy took some lumber to shop class and shaped the state of Iowa and routed out Cherrywood Farm and skillfully cut out a cow with a jigsaw to glue on.

At that time, the MS breeders in Iowa hosted a state sale at the Iowa State Fair. Cherrywood Farm would routinely buy one or two animals to add to the herd. After Cindy left for college, Jeff continued with the herd. He used some Red and White Holstein bulls from Ron Eustice in MN for genetic expansion. Then, he bought the original Pacesetter Judea cow from Clampitt-Lyon Milking Shorthorns (Harry Clampitt was the past executive secretary and Joe G Lyon of Toledo, IA).

When my family moved to Sauk Centre, MN in 2000, Jeff brought three animals for Jessica, Emily, and Jacob for 4-H projects. Emily had a nice roan cow that Brian Pederson wanted, and we sold it to him, and Emily turned to Brown Swiss. Jacob had the Molly cow and Jessica the Judea cow. They were Justamere Charlie daughters from Bill and Phyliss Jones and his sire was Pine-Rich Sarg's Special 11th out of Ritchie's Sgt. Sunbeam, Scott Ritchie, Indiana. Molly and Judea were bred to Mericrest Royalty, and those cattle gave us a good foundation and their blood lines continued to evolve.

As my siblings and I grew, so did Cherrywood. Throughout the past two decades we continue to purchase and breed Milking Shorthorns. Currently, we have roughly twenty-five Milking Shorthorns that we take care of. The Shorthorns range from hutch calves to aged milk cows. At Cherrywood farm, I like to think that we take pride in working hard and having fun as a family. ■

*Respectfully submitted,
Jack P. Achen*

YOUTH SPOTLIGHT

DILLON FREEMAN | BREMEN, IN



Ayrshire and Milking Shorthorn herds, as well as preparing them for shows! Throughout the years of showing animals, I have made many special memories. One of the most memorable ones is when my Ayrshire cow, Nor-Bert Lochin Vesta was named Reserve Supreme Champion of the Junior Show at World Dairy Expo in 2019 and also having two home bred animals, Nor-Bert Lochin Vail - ET and Nor-Bert Lochin Vesta being named Supreme Champion Cow and Supreme Champion Heifer of the 2019 Premier National Junior Show at the All-American Dairy Show in Harrisburg! Another memory to top my list of favorites is when Heavenly Zora was named Grand Champion of the International Junior Milking Shorthorn Show at World Dairy Expo in 2022! Zora is the first animal that I ever purchased on my own, as well as my first Milking Shorthorn. ■

Hello everyone! My name is Dillon Freeman, and I am the 18 year old son of Monty and Jennifer Freeman. I have two siblings, an older brother, Dalton Freeman, and a younger sister, Breanna Freeman. I attend James Madison Online High School where I am a Senior. My family farm's name is Nor-Bert farms which resides in Bremen, Indiana. My favorite things to do are row crop farming, clipping cattle, showing cattle, and traveling! I participate in my local 4-H Dairy, Dairy Beef, and Swine Clubs. I have many roles on my family's farm, but I really enjoy the row crops. I have become incredibly involved in all aspects of our crop operation in the last several years, including seed selection, tillage, planting, and harvest. I also really enjoy making the mating selections on our



Have you *Herd*?

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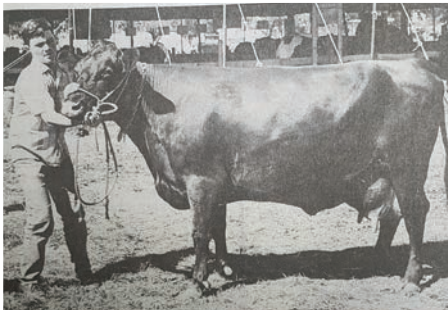
Milking Shorthorn History Highlights

AMSS Meritorius Brood Cow A Bit of History

The Meritorius Brood Cow award was first presented in 1973. Kenneth Korn from Nampa, Idaho accepted the prize at the Annual Meeting in Hutchinson, Kansas for his cow, "Princess Carol"...the name "Korn" should conjure up the highly influential bull, Korncrest Pacesetter. "Princess Carol" was sired by Tops 60 Rose-Mont Robin Adair. He was purchased in the 1960 National Sale and eventually the AMSS marketed his semen through their "Semen Sales Program". In the early days of the contest, the scorecard included:

- Classification of the nominee
- Average classification of her offspring
- Average of nominee's 305 day actual fat records
- Average of offspring's 305 day actual fat or 205 day weight records

During the 1994 Winter board meeting, directors formally acted to change the Meritorius Brood Cow Award to High CPI Cow... since that was the method of naming the winner. Blissful Mona Blanche-P (from the Roland Johnson family in Minnesota) won that award at the following meeting in 1995.



PRINCESS CAROL 317437
2-7 13,610-453-305d actual
3-7 13,515-473-271d actual
4-6 17,360-585-305d actual
5-8 15,700-525-305d actual

Just one year later the board reinstated the name "Meritorius Brood Cow" with a few changes. The nominees needed to have; 3 or more daughters, credit for sons would be used only in the case of a tie and CPI would be used as those values reflect both type and production. Vinra Schie Taffy-EXP won the award for the Melvin Nisley family at the 1996 convention.

Our Executive Secretary during the award's early years was Harry Clampitt...a man never at a loss for words. After announcing the 1975 winner, Elwood Baroness Susie 2d, bred and owned by the Kindrick Brothers, Springfield, Missouri, Harry wrote this in the May 1975 Journal:

"This is the third year of the Meritorius Brood Cow contest. Several years before this contest was established, there was much agitation for such a program. Some of the people most anxious for it have not participated.

It is impossible for everyone to exhibit at shows and thus be a part of the All-American contest. The Meritorius Brood Cow Contest is available to all. In my travels and visits, most breeders tell me what a good cow old "Suzy" has been, etc. – but no entries are made.

The (five) cows entered are good cows, they may or may not be the best – but we should have many more applicants."

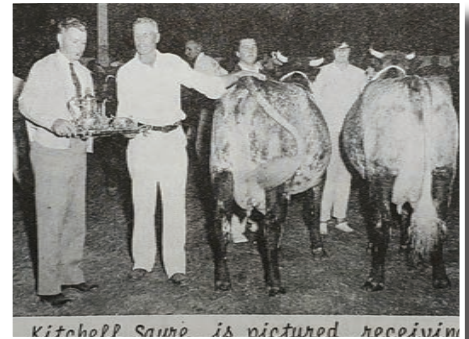
I believe these words still hold true today. We have a great website that offers easily accessible award forms, as well as, a sale, show and special event calendar to keep us all informed. Contact the AMSS if you have additional events you'd like publicized. Check out the AMSS website, www.milkingshorthorn.com.

AMSS Board Votes to Discontinue Kitchell Sayre Sportsman Award

This award was first awarded to Harold Traynor in 1969 at the National Show. It was first deemed the "Gentleman's Award" in honor of Kitchell Sayre (Yahara Farm), a Milking Shorthorn breeder from Edgerton,

Wisconsin. He was well known among all breeds for the meticulous care of his cattle and display at local and national shows. He was a UW-Madison graduate in 1923, Alpha Gamma Rho member and active in his community. Donna (Gerner) Damrow wrote a tribute to Kitchell in the February 1969 Journal:

"...He had won many awards for herdsman-ship, and inadvertently challenged many other exhibitors for the honor....I remember all the times I'd just have finished putting our exhibit in what I thought was perfect shape. Then I'd turn around and there would be Kitchell banking board in hand, adjusting his already perfect aisle. I'd sigh hopelessly, grab a broom, and start all over again....mine always lacked that certain finesse."



Kitchell Sayre is pictured receiving

Harry Clampitt added to her thoughts by his own reflections on the loss of such an influential breeder:

"...I doubt if we fully recognize the contributions these people have made to our personal lives and our breed....I am reminded of the minister who after expounding at some length on the glories of heaven, told his congregation, 'all of you who want to go to heaven, stand up!' With the exception of one small boy, everyone stood up. The minister asked the lad, 'don't you want to go to heaven when you die?' 'Oh, yes', the lad said, 'I want to when I die. I thought you were getting up a load to go right away!'...The final measurement of a man's worth in this world will be pretty accurately measured by his memory and the challenge he leaves with his friends. ..May we cherish these memories and continue to benefit from their examples."

Ayrshire

HAPLOTYPES

WHERE THEY ORIGINATED AND HOW WE MOVE FORWARD

By Larry Schirm

Genetic Dairy Solutions Manager, Global Dairy Solutions World Wide Sires, Ltd.



Selwood Bettys Commander joins a pair of other dairy breed icons credited with significant contributions to the success of their breed, and that also have a bit of a black eye when it comes to reproductive recessives. Can you say Pawnee Farm Arlinda Chief, or Observer Chocolate Soldier... two bulls that one would be hard pressed today to not find in a pedigree of either the Holstein or Jersey breeds respectively due to their tremendous positive influences on their individual breeds – yet both Chief

and Chocolate Soldier are associated with deleterious (harmful or damaging) reproductive haplotypes... now also 'Betty.'

Ayrshire Haplotype 1 (AH1) and Ayrshire Haplotype 2 (AH2) have been identified as two separate haplotypes with different deleterious effects on reproduction traits in North American Ayrshires. Both trace to Selwood Bettys Commander, which means these recessive genes are widespread within the Ayrshire breed.

Ayrshire Haplotype 1 (AH1) is identified negative effects on stillbirth (SB) rate observed from 394 carriers and 1,433 noncarriers matings totaling 34,312 matings for heifers and 115,935 for cows. With **8.48% SB heifers and 6.19% SB cows**, the negative effect of AH1 on SB rates was 2.0% higher for matings of AH1-carrier sires to dams that had an AH1-carrier sire; and the same effect was found for both heifers and cows.

Ayrshire Haplotype 2 (AH2) is identified negative effects on 56-d nonreturn rate (NRR) observed from 313 carriers and

1,543 noncarriers matings totaling 49,479 matings for heifers and 160,528 for cows were observed. The Negative effect on NRR was 5.1% more heifers and 4.0% more cows returning to service for matings of AH2-carrier sires to dams that had an AH2-carrier sire.

The Ayrshire breed has long enjoyed a positive reputation for reproductive ability, yet these recessives have been in existence for quite some time, but now thankfully are identified. As we have seen in other breeds, once recessive haplotypes have been identified, they can be isolated and virtually eliminated from the population, contributing to maintaining Ayrshire's positive reproductive reputation.

Avoidance of new carrier sires is a first step. Genomic screening of daughters and granddaughters of carrier sires to avoid carrier to carrier matings is a second step. And of course, public availability of all genomic data is a positive contribution for all interested parties.

US AYRSHIRE

CALENDAR

DEADLINES

JUNE 1, 2023

Classification Sign-Up Deadline (August Schedule)*

JUNE 10, 2023

National Ayrshire Youth Contests Sign-Up

JULY 1, 2023

Classification Sign-Up Deadline (September Schedule)*

AUGUST 1, 2023

National Ayrshire Junior Shows Ownership Deadline

AUGUST 1, 2023

Classification Sign-Up Deadline (October Schedule)*

SEPTEMBER 1, 2023

Classification Sign-Up Deadline (November Schedule)*

OCTOBER 1, 2023

Classification Sign-Up Deadline (December Schedule)*

NOVEMBER 15, 2023

All-American Contest Entry Deadline

MEETINGS

JUNE 28-JULY 2, 2023

2023 National Ayrshire Convention - Hosted by Maryland Ayrshire Breeders, Frederick, MD

SALES

MAY 27, 2023

Legends of Palmyra & Springhill All Breeds Sale, Big Prairie, OH

JUNE 30, 2023

National Convention Sale, Frederick, MD

OCTOBER 1, 2023

World Ayrshire Event, Madison, WI

*See page XX for full classification schedule

From the NATIONAL AYRSHIRE AMBASSADOR

Hello everyone! My name is Allison Adrian, and I am your 2022-2023 National Ayrshire Ambassador. I am the 20-year-old daughter of Matthew Adrian. I am currently attending Southwest Wisconsin Technical College in Fennimore, Wisconsin where I am studying Animal Science. After graduation, I plan on returning to the agriculture industry. I have been a member of the Wisconsin Ayrshire Junior Board for the past six years, where I've served as the president, secretary and board representative. I recently was awarded the outstanding junior award.

My Ayrshire journey started several years ago. A family friend, Tami Mueller, gave me and my siblings the opportunity to show Ayrshires on the local, county, state and national levels. A few of my favorites from the Mueller herd are Muellers's Duncan Raylyn, Muellers's Burdette Rachel, Muellers's Free Beer Roadtrip and Muellers's Benevola Ruby. The R family was definitely a favorite for me. I had the honor of gracing the colored shavings last fall handing out ribbons and awards. I am very excited to travel to Maryland this summer and meet many breeders and other juniors.



If you want to chat about Ayrshires or the Ayrshire Youth Ambassador program, feel free to reach out to me!

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GENETIC EXPANSION
YEARLINGS

18568 Milk • 647 Fat • 589 Protein Actual

***GE W-PINE GROVE SNPY BUBBLE P**

'+80' + V G + G
1-11 305 26040 3.9 1011F 3.2 830P
Sire: GRADE HOLSTEIN
Dam: G12 W-PINE GROVE RIGHT BAILEY
Herd: WINCHS PINE GROVE FARMS -- FENNIMORE, WI
Owner: WINCH, RANDY, WESLEY, MATTHEW -- FENNIMORE, WI

GE LAZY M AC LIBBY

1-11 283 21410 3.7 790F 3.1 659P
Sire: SIEMERS OCT APPLE-CRISP-ET
Dam: LAZY M LOTHARIO LASER ET
Herd & Owner: MAIER, MICHAEL AND HERMAN -- STITZER, WI

JUNIOR TWO-YEAR-OLDS

18921 Milk • 661 Fat • 607 Protein Actual

GE SILVER-LINING CHARLIE

2-05 304 20480 3.5 723F 3.3 672P
Sire: GRADE HOLSTEIN
Dam: SILVER-LINING BC CAROL
Herd: VAN DER LAAN, LIZA -- FREDERICK, OK
Owner: MCKAY, WILMA (VAN DER LAAN) -- FREDERICK, OK

SENIOR THREE-YEAR-OLDS

22091 Milk • 765 Fat • 677 Protein Actual

***GE MANDERFELD GIANNI LING**

'+82' V + V + G
3-06 298 22810 3.5 793F 3.2 727P
Sire: GE GOLD MINE PRESTO GIANNI
Dam: TREBLE LINGETTE EXP
Herd & Owner: MANDERFELD FARMS -- FARIBAULT, MN

February 2023

FULL HERDBOOK
YEARLINGS

15675 Milk • 558 Fat • 492 Protein Actual

***LAZY M DEUCE ERICA EXP**

'V85' V V V V +
1-11 283 19670 4.5 883F 3.3 645P
Sire: GE GOLD MINE DIMND DEUCE P*CD
Dam: LAZY M CASEY ELSA
Herd: MAIER, MICHAEL AND HERMAN -- STITZER, WI
Owner: MAIER, MICHAEL AND HERMAN -- STITZER, WI

JUNIOR TWO-YEAR-OLDS

16046 Milk • 570 Fat • 500 Protein Actual

GOLD MINE S CASEY RIVIA 513

'+84' + + V + V
2-02 305 17310 3.3 579F 2.9 495P
Sire: LANDS-BROOK CASEY ET
Dam: GOLD MINE S RENDEVOUS 241 EXP
Herd & Owner: NUS, NATHAN & JODY -- ARLINGTON, IA

SASNAK RECEIPT NIKOLA 1311

'+84' + + V + V
2-02 305 16840 4.4 739F 3.4 575P
Sire: BAR-D KRAUSES FAWN RECEIPT-ET
Dam: SASNAK LEPRECHAUN NIKE
Herd & Owner: MAHONEY, TOM -- GLENWOOD CITY, WI

ELITE HP RICO BOUNCE ET

'+83' V F V + V
2-04 305 16410 4.0 657F 3.0 493P
Sire: COR-BLOO RICOCHET
Dam: EICHLERS MD BLANCHE ET
Herd & Owner: SOLBERG, WILLIAM -- OREGON, WI

WIL-LOU CHIME DIANE 1924 EXP

'+83' + V + + +
2-02 305 15030 4.0 595F 3.3 502P
Sire: VALLEY VIEW VALERO EXP
Dam: WIL-LOU CRK DIANE EXP
Herd & Owner: HALL, GENE -- CUSHING, OK

MEGANS GINNI ANNABEL EXP

2-03 198 14490 4.0 582F 2.8 407P
Sire: GE GOLD MINE PRESTO GIANNI
Dam: MEGANS TITAN ALMOND
Herd & Owner: LUNDY, MEGAN -- JEFFERSON, WI

ROVIN IRONMAN SELENA SUSHI P

'V85' + + + + V
2-02 305 13690 4.2 580F 3.0 415P
Sire: OCEANBRAE IRONMAN-P
Dam: ROVIN LYMAN SUNSHINE SELENA
Herd & Owner: ROVIN ACRES -- HIXTON, WI

ROVIN ANEC PRUDENCE POPTART P

'+80' + + + + G
2-02 305 13380 5.6 755F 3.6 482P
Sire: KOOPYCREST ANECDOTE-P
Dam: ROVIN ARIVA PRETTY PRUDENCE P
Herd & Owner: ROVIN ACRES -- HIXTON, WI

PRESTO ARIONAH AUBREY ET

2-01 281 12610 4.6 578F 3.1 391P
Sire: NORTH STARS PRESTO ET EXP
Dam: ROVIN CASSIS ALLISON ARIONAH P
Herd: ROVIN ACRES -- HIXTON, WI
Owner: RUZIC, RAEANN -- HIXTON, WI

SENIOR TWO-YEAR-OLDS

16949 Milk • 606 Fat • 528 Protein Actual

***LAZY M ROYALTY GRETAL**

'G79' + G G + G
2-11 263 22830 4.8 1095F 2.9 672P
Sire: ECUAFARM KAISER ROYALTY
Dam: LAZY M STANLEY GARLAND
Herd: MAIER, MICHAEL AND HERMAN -- STITZER, WI
Owner: MAIER, DAN -- STITZER, WI

LAZY M RR VIOLET EXP

'+82' + + V G +
2-10 272 22290 3.5 774F 2.8 635P
Sire: INNISFAIL RED RUBEN
Dam: LAZY M FAMOUS VANNA
Herd: MAIER, MICHAEL AND HERMAN -- STITZER, WI
Owner: MAIER, GRAHAM -- STITZER, WI

JUNIOR THREE-YEAR-OLDS

18184 Milk • 633 Fat • 565 Protein Actual

***LAZY M ROYALTY ELVIRA**

'V86' V V + V V
3-04 305 30440 3.9 1201F 3.0 916P
Sire: ECUAFARM KAISER ROYALTY
Dam: LAZY M PIRELLI ECSTACSY EXP
Herd & Owner: MAIER, MICHAEL AND HERMAN -- STITZER, WI

***W-PINE GROVE LOG MIRACLE EXP**

3-03 299 30280 4.3 1293F 3.1 945P
Sire: GMC REBEL LOGIC-ET
Dam: GE W-PINE GROVE 765 MAPLE
Herd: WINCHS PINE GROVE FARMS -- FENNIMORE, WI
Owner: WINCH, MATTHEW -- FENNIMORE, WI

***ELITE HP FIRE MIAMI ET**

'V88' V V V V E
3-00 305 28730 3.1 891F 3.2 907P
Sire: KUSZMAR MUDSLINGER
Dam: HARD CORE PREMUM FIRE MAID EXP
Herd & Owner: LUNDY, MEGAN -- JEFFERSON, WI

***LAZY M JUSTICE VI EXP**

'+84' + V V + +
3-01 303 28030 3.7 1044F 3.1 861P
Sire: G12 GOLD MINE MD JUSTICE*CD
Dam: LAZY M BRETT VALISA
Herd: MAIER, MICHAEL AND HERMAN -- STITZER, WI
Owner: MAIER, GRAHAM -- STITZER, WI

***LAZY M GIRLS GONE BAD EXP**

'V85' V V V V +
3-01 305 25200 4.2 1049F 3.0 757P
Sire: KUSZMAR STROKER ACE EXP
Dam: LAZY M GIRLS GONE WILD EXP ET
Herd & Owner: MAIER, MICHAEL AND HERMAN -- STITZER, WI

***LAZY M WAR LONG ISLAND EXP**

'+81' + + + + +
3-01 286 24530 3.9 949F 3.1 753P
Sire: G12 GOLD MINE S WAR PAINT
Dam: LAZY M LOTHARIO LASER ET
Herd & Owner: MAIER, MICHAEL AND HERMAN -- STITZER, WI

***MANDERFELD TYSON DION**

'V85' V + + V +
3-02 305 22710 4.8 1091F 3.5 792P
Sire: MANDERFELD LUGAR TYSON EXP
Dam: MANDERFELD ADVENTURE DIANNA
Herd & Owner: MANDERFELD, BERNARD -- FARIBAULT, MN

***GMC RICOCHET DAIRYWORLD ET**

'V85' V V + V V
3-00 305 20290 4.2 846F 3.3 660P
Sire: COR-BLOO RICOCHET
Dam: GMC DL DAIRYCREAM 1511 EXP
Herd: CLARK, GREGORY A. & MARCIA L. -- CORNISH FLAT, NH
Owner: CLARK, LAILAH J. -- CORNISH FLATS, NH

ELITE HP FIRE BEAUTY ET

'V86' V V V V V
3-03 305 20190 3.7 750F 3.2 656P
Sire: KUSZMAR MUDSLINGER
Dam: HC-HP RED ROB FIREBALL EXP ET
Herd & Owner: LUNDY, MEGAN -- JEFFERSON, WI

SENIOR THREE-YEAR-OLDS

18427 Milk • 641 Fat • 567 Protein Actual

***LAZY M STANLEY ESCALADE**

'V88' V E E V V
3-06 305 28620 4.1 1185F 3.3 951P
Sire: ROVIN SUE KSR STANLEY EXP ET
Dam: LAZY M RR ZEUS ESCALADE
Herd & Owner: MAIER, MICHAEL AND HERMAN -- STITZER, WI

***GESKE-GROVE JUSTICE LAVEN EXP**

'V87' + V E + V
3-10 305 25770 3.4 888F 3.1 804P
Sire: G12 GOLD MINE MD JUSTICE*CD
Dam: GOLD MINE S FOX TROT LAVISH 327
Herd & Owner: MAHONEY, TOM -- GLENWOOD CITY, WI

MANDERFELD TYSON PENA EXP

'V87' V V V V V
3-09 305 17810 3.8 675F 3.1 546P
Sire: MANDERFELD LUGAR TYSON EXP
Dam: MANDERFELD TREBLE PENNY EXP
Herd & Owner: MANDERFELD, BERNARD -- FARIBAULT, MN

JUNIOR FOUR-YEAR-OLDS

19485 Milk • 684 Fat • 595 Protein Actual

***JDH BLAINE MOOLA EXP ET**

'V86' V E E G V
4-05 289 28610 4.1 1161F 2.9 816P
Sire: EICHLERS LIRIANO BLAINE EXP
Dam: ROVIN LACY MTITAN LUCY EXP
Herd & Owner: MAHONEY, TOM -- GLENWOOD CITY, WI

LAZY M PETRONE GISELA

'V88' V V E V V
4-01 236 22040 2.7 598F 2.8 628P
Sire: NORTH STARS MEGA PETRONE EXP
Dam: LAZY M JEKYLL GRACELYNN
Herd: MAIER, MICHAEL AND HERMAN -- STITZER, WI
Owner: MAIER, LAURA -- STITZER, WI

QUIETNESS JUSTICE FAULKNER EXP

'E90' V E V E E
4-05 305 22000 3.4 757F 3.1 687P
Sire: G12 GOLD MINE MD JUSTICE*CD
Dam: JEN-MILL SAM FOXY
Herd & Owner: DIXON, CHRIS -- WHITE HALL, MD

MILLCREEK LOTTERY LUCY

'V85' V V V V +
4-00 305 16750 4.3 716F 2.8 471P
Sire: INNISFAIL MEGA LOTTERY ET
Dam: MILLCREEK AMBUSH LUCK
Herd & Owner: DIXON, CHRIS -- WHITE HALL, MD

JUNIOR FOUR-YEAR-OLDS

19485 Milk • 684 Fat • 595 Protein Actual

***LAZY M JEKYLLPIPER EXP ET**

'V85' V V V V +

4-05 237 22550 3.6 806F 2.9 657P

Sire: INNISFAIL JEKYLL EXP

Dam: NORTH STARS MEGA PEPPER EXP ET

Herd & Owner: MAIER, MICHAEL AND HERMAN -- STITZER, WI

MAPLETON VLY RR MEMPHIS EXP

'2E91' E E E E E

4-04 304 21150 3.3 708F 3.0 637P

Sire: INNISFAIL RED RUBEN

Dam: MAPLETON VLY PERFECT MIAMI

Herd & Owner: MAPLETON VALLEY FARMS LLC -- OCONOMO-WOC, WI

MA-BROWN PATRIOT ELIZABETH

'+80' F + + + +

4-01 305 20350 3.1 627F 2.9 600P

Sire: NORTH STARS FAMOUS PATRIOT EXP

Dam: MA-BROWN DUTCH ROYAL FLUSH

Herd & Owner: BROWN SEAN -- DODGEVILLE, WI

WEISSWAY OCEAN CARMEL COCO

'E91' E E E V E

4-05 281 20030 3.4 683F 3.0 604P

Sire: CHERRYWOOD WEISSWAY OCEAN ET

Dam: WEISSWAY DESLAD CARMELIZED EXP

Herd & Owner: HEFEL, RACHEL -- EPWORTH, IA

LANDS-BROOK CHRISTIANNA EXP

'E92' E E E E E

4-02 288 19920 3.1 618F 3.1 612P

Sire: G12 GOLD MINE MD JUSTICE*CD

Dam: LANDS-BROOK COCAINE ET

Herd: SALZL, CORY & KRISTEN -- LITCHFIELD, MN

Owner: SALZL, CORY & KRISTEN & ANNA EUERLE -- LITCHFIELD, MN

R-GENERATION LEADER MAKE-UP

4-01 305 19720 3.8 743F 3.1 614P

Sire: R-GENERATION BOUNTY LEADER EXP

Dam: R-GENERATION POKER MYA

Herd: KENNEDY, JESSICA AND JASON -- COCHRANTON, PA

Owner: WHITING, CALLIE M. -- EDINBURGH, PA

WOODSEY-DELL ZUES REVENGE EXP

'E90' E E E E E

4-03 266 18590 3.7 697F 2.8 519P

Sire: PURPLE IDALEE RR ZEUS EXP ET

Dam: WOODSEY-DELL LRAN ROSALINE EXP

Herd: BROOKS, DOUGLAS D. -- HOP BOTTOM, PA

Owner: BROOKS, MYA M. -- HOP BOTTOM, PA

SENIOR FOUR-YEAR-OLDS

19366 Milk • 688 Fat • 602 Protein Actual

***LAZY M PRESTO GODDESS EXP ET**

'V85' V + + + V

4-11 305 29120 3.0 887F 2.7 789P

Sire: NORTH STARS PRESTO ET EXP

Dam: LAZY M PIRELLI GOT IT EXP

Herd & Owner: MAIER, MICHAEL AND HERMAN -- STITZER, WI

***MANDERFELD TASER JERMAIN**

'+83' + + + + +

4-07 305 20180 4.2 841F 3.2 640P

Sire: SAK KOURT TASER EXP

Dam: MANDERFELD ROYALTY JELLO

Owner: MANDERFELD, BERNARD -- FARIBAULT, MN

10 YEARS OLD & OLDER

20641 Milk • 724 Fat • 630 Protein Actual

***HENKESEEN BAYLEIGH**

'4E93' V E E E E

8-10 305 26810 3.3 883F 2.9 769P

Sire: SPUNGOLD-R CD PLAYBOY ET

Dam: GOLD MINE R BAYONET 033 EXP

Herd & Owner: HENKES, MATT -- LUANA, IA

***GOLD MINE G ST BEVERLY 298 EXP**

'E90' E E V V E

6-05 305 24450 3.7 907F 3.0 722P

Sire: LYNMARK ST CLARE

Dam: GOLD MINE G TNT BLUSH 691

Herd: CLARK, GREGORY A. & MARCIAL. -- CORNISH FLAT, NH

Owner: CLARK, BROOKE -- CORNISH FLAT, NH

***LAZY M CLANCY GEORGIA**

'2E92' E E E E E

7-02 284 22730 4.6 1041F 3.4 771P

Sire: LANDS-BROOK CLANCY

Dam: MICHAELS RR GOLDIE EXP

Herd & Owner: MAIER, MICHAEL AND HERMAN -- STITZER, WI

10 YEARS OLD & OLDER

20641 Milk • 724 Fat • 630 Protein Actual

MANDERFELD RIGHT DUTCHESS

'+84' + + V + +

5-11 305 18700 4.1 761F 2.8 532P

Sire: SWAG MEGA MR RIGHT

Dam: MANDERFELD ADVENTURE DARLA

Herd & Owner: MANDERFELD, BERNARD -- FARIBAULT, MN

***MANDERFELD LOTTERY BOEBOE**

'V88' V V V V V

5-01 305 22070 3.7 815F 3.2 696P

Sire: INNISFAIL MEGA LOTTERY ET

Dam: MANDERFELD PLAYBOY BABA

Herd & Owner: MANDERFELD, BERNARD -- FARIBAULT, MN

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JUNIOR TWO-YEAR-OLDS**

18921 Milk • 661 Fat • 607 Protein Actual

***GE LAZY M WARRIOR LEAH**

2-03 265 22460 3.6 813F 2.9 659P

Sire: MR BLONDIN WARRIOR-RED-ET

Dam: LAZY M CYCLONE LASTCALL ET

Herd & Owner: MAIER, MICHAEL AND HERMAN -- STITZER, WI

***GI W-PINE GROVE CODY BREEZE P**

'V85' V V V V V

2-00 305 18820 4.7 887F 3.5 658P

Sire: ROVIN ALI COWBOY CODY EXP ET P

Dam: GI W-PINE GROVE 817 BABZ P

Herd: WINCHS PINE GROVE FARMS -- FENNIMORE, WI

Owner: WINCH, RANDY, WESLEY, MATTHEW -- FENNIMORE, WI

SENIOR TWO-YEAR-OLDS

19418 Milk • 690 Fat • 624 Protein Actual

***GE2 W-PINE GROVE LGC LUCY 1075**

2-11 305 20470 4.1 839F 3.1 627P

Sire: GMC REBEL LOGIC-ET

Dam: GE WINCHS PINE GROVE FARMS 738

Herd: WINCHS PINE GROVE FARMS -- FENNIMORE, WI

Owner: WINCHS PINE GROVE FARMS -- FENNIMORE, WI

Letter to the Editor

MILKING SHORTHORN SUBSCRIBER

20 Feb 2023

AMSS

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Beloit, WI 53511

To AMSS Members,

I am writing this regarding recent board actions regarding the "EXP" status. The current plan is to reduce the "EXP" to a "GE" if you cross two "EXP's." In my 50 plus years involved with Milking Shorthorns at a national level, I have never encountered so much negative feedback. This involved Shorthorn breeders, as well as other dairy breeds. The overwhelming comment is always the same. They all ask why? With the tremendous progress made by Milking Shorthorns, noticeable to all breeders of Dairy Cattle, why would we want to change? With our genetic base being so small when it comes to full bloods, I feel without "EXP's" we run the risk of mongrelizing the breed. Therefore, I am asking that this be published in the Angle. The concern of breeding an "EXP" to an "EXP" being lost to one generation to "GE" status. I am asking that this be brought to full membership vote at the open Milking Shorthorn meeting on Friday June 23, 2023, in Oklahoma City, Oklahoma.

Sincerely
George Halpin

New York Spring Milking Shorthorn Show

April 1, 2023 | Hamburg, NY | Judge: Ryan Krohlow, Wisconsin

WINTER HEIFER CALF

- 1) **SCA Just Firestarter EXP ET CD**
(Justice) Ava Mae Williams

FALL HEIFER CALF

- 1) **Hillholm Cyride Saffron-ET**
(Cyride) Ashlynn Lenker
- 2) **Hard Core Lottery Firebug-ET**
(Lottery) Peter Vail
- 3) **Coldsprings Penalty Lemon Zest**
(Penalty) Londondale Farm
- 4) **Randy-Brook Comanche Destiny**
(Comanche) Adelyne Maloney
- 5) **Krauses Mix That Thing**
(Mixology) Ava Mae Williams

SUMMER YEARLING

- 1) **Merriwin Sombe Bo Allison**
(Sombero) Jeffrey Winton & Merrillea Holsteins
- 2) **Tobin Farm Dry Ora**
(Lotto) Laurn Irwin
- 3) **Woodsey-Dell AB Rebellious-P**
(Abner) Maci Crothers

SPRING YEARLING

- 1) **Mar-Leigh Antoinette**
(Comanche) Mary Sweeney
- 2) **Wingerts Ricochet Vivian**
(Ricochet) Sarah Hill
- 3) **Lazy M Going On a Bender EXP**
(Bender) Landon Neely
- 4) **Her-Mill Man Comanch Candy**
(Comanche) Caden & Kendal Herman

WINTER YEARLING HEIFER

- 1) **Woodsey-Dell Iran Chopper EXP**
(Liriano) Alora Sprout
- 2) **Wingerts Foster Acadia-ET**
(Foster) Daniel Hosking
- 3) **Hard Core Cyride Secret**
(Cyride) Kieth and Donnette Fisher

FALL YEARLING

- 1) **Big Guns Alttime High EXP**
(Mykola) Madison Fisher

- 2) **Garys Triple Crown Saratoga**
(Triple Crown) Sarah Hill
- 3) **BJ Colors Comanche Berri**
(Comanche) Joleigh Nailor
- 4) **Hard Core Ricochet Medallion**
(Ricochet) Caden & Kendal Herman

JUNIOR CHAMPION OPEN SHOW

- Woodsey-Dell Iran Chopper EXP**
(Liriano) Alora Sprout

RESERVE JUNIOR CHAMPION

- Merriwin Sombe Bo Allison**
(Sombero) Jeffrey Winton & Merrillea Holsteins

JUNIOR CHAMPION OF JUNIOR SHOW

- Woodsey-Dell Iran Chopper EXP** (Liriano) Alora Sprout

RESERVE JUNIOR CHAMPION

- Hillholm Cyride Saffron-ET** (Cyride) Ashlynn Lenker

JUNIOR 2-YEAR-OLD

- 1) **Hard Core L Strike Diamond P**
(Lucky Strike PP) Olivia Vanevera

SENIOR TWO-YEAR-OLD

- 1) **Gary's Christos Saffron**
(Christos) Glenn McNeil, Allen VanGorder, Graham Rozler
- 2) **Heavenly Looking Good ET**
(Badger) Landon Neely
- 3) **Jon Ann Delux Rosabeen**
(Delux) Kyle Bonavita

JUNIOR 3-YEAR-OLD

- 1) **Elite HP Justice Fire Fly EXP**
(Justice) Jeffrey McKissick

SENIOR 3-YEAR-OLD

- 1) **BJ Colors L Strike Noble P**
(Lucky Strike PP) Brian Nailor

INTERMEDIATE CHAMPION OF THE OPEN SHOW

- Gary's Christos Saffron** (Christos)
Glenn McNeil, Allen VanGorder, Graham Rozler

RESERVE INTERMEDIATE CHAMPION

- BJ Colors L Strike Noble P**
(Lucky Strike PP) Brian Nailor

INTERMEDIATE CHAMPION OF JUNIOR SHOW

- Hard Core L Strike Diamond P**
(Lucky Strike PP) Olivia Vanevera

RESERVE INTERMEDIATE CHAMPION

- Jon Ann Delux Rosabeen**
(Delux) Kyle Bonavita

4-YEAR-OLD

- 1) **Hard Core Bentley Runway**
(Bentley) Chriselle Fisher
- 2) **Tobin Farm Bad Rhonda**
(Badger) Cameron Harrington

SENIOR CHAMPION OF THE OPEN SHOW

- Hard Core Bentley Runway**
(Bentley) Chriselle Fisher

RESERVE SENIOR CHAMPION

- Tobin Farm Bad Rhonda**
(Badger) Cameron Harrington

GRAND CHAMPION OF THE OPEN SHOW

- Hard Core Bentley Runway**
(Bentley) Chriselle Fisher

RESERVE GRAND CHAMPION

- Gary's Christos Saffron** (Christos)
Glenn McNeil, Allen VanGorder, Graham Rozler

GRAND CHAMPION OF THE JUNIOR SHOW

- Hard Core L Strike Diamond P**
(Lucky Strike PP) Olivia Vanevera

RESERVE GRAND CHAMPION

- Tobin Farm Bad Rhonda**
(Badger) Cameron Harrington

SENIOR CHAMPION OF THE JUNIOR SHOW

- Tobin Farm Bad Rhonda**
(Badger) Cameron Harrington

Spring Dairy Expo Milking Shorthorn Show

March 30, 2023 | Columbus, OH | Judge: Allyn Paulson, Illinois

WINTER HEIFER CALF

- 1) **Buckeye Knoll Bentley Popular**, Grant Topp
- 2) **Sharon Farms Atlas Fannie**, Keith Dirkson

FALL HEIFER CALF

- 1) **Buckeye Knoll Gravity Poppy-EXP**, Mackenzie Topp
- 2) **Heavenly Rockin Donut**, Isabella Hummel
- 3) **Benter Mia Mila**, Kevin Benter
- 4) **Weavercrest Just Pumpkin-EXP**, Kylie Weaver
- 5) **Kadapop Qu Chia**, Sabrina Popadak

SUMMER YEARLING

- 1) **Benter Lynn Lyla**, Kevin Benter
- 2) **Weissway Heavenly Olive**, Isabella Hummel

SPRING YEARLING

- 1) **Heavenly Icy Pop**, Bryer Hummel
- 2) **Kadapop Legion Lizi-P**, Sabrina Popadak
- 3) **Aldens C Ivy**, Cheyenne Anders
- 4) **T-Pike View Ricochet Top Notch**, Josh Mittower
- 5) **Sharon Farms St Clare Rhubarb**, Keith Dirkson

WINTER YEARLING HEIFER

- 1) **Buckeye Knoll Clancy Piston**, Mackenzie Topp

- 2) **Char-JA Ellis Tonya**, Lance Myers
- 3) **Benter Velvet Veer**, Kevin Benter

FALL YEARLING

- 1) **Buckeye Knoll Patriot Praise**,
Madelyn & Mackenzie Topp

JUNIOR CHAMPION OPEN SHOW

- Buckeye Knoll Gravity Poppy-EXP**, Mackenzie Topp

RESERVE JUNIOR CHAMPION

- Benter Lyn Lyla**, Kevin Benter

JUNIOR CHAMPION OF JUNIOR SHOW

- Buckeye Knoll Gravity Poppy-EXP**, Mackenzie Topp

RESERVE JUNIOR CHAMPION

- Heavenly Icy Pop**, Bryer Hummel

SENIOR TWO-YEAR-OLD

- 1) **Cold Springs Rico Butterball**,
Madelyn & Mackenzie Topp
- 2) **Benter Delight Dolly**, Kevin Benter

JUNIOR 3-YEAR-OLD

- 1) **Mill Creek Secret Lilac-P**,
Leah Dible & Mackenzie Topp
- 2) **Gibbs Caplella Casum**, Kevin Benter

4-YEAR-OLD

- 1) **Elite HP Rico Lilac**, Maddox Davis

AGED COW

- 1) **Hardcore Ironman Sweetness-P**,
Madilynn Baker
- 2) **JC Academy Maydays Miracle**, Jeffrey Schrock

SENIOR & GRAND CHAMPION OPEN SHOW

- Cold Springs Rico Butterball**,
Madelyn & Mackenzie Topp

RES SENIOR & GRAND CHAMPION OPEN SHOW

- Benter Delight Dolly**, Kevin Benter

SENIOR & GRAND CHAMPION JR SHOW

- Cold Springs Rico Butterball**,
Madelyn & Mackenzie Topp

RES SENIOR & GRAND CHAMPION JR SHOW

- Hardcore Ironman Sweetness-P**, Madilynn Baker

HARD CORE Breeder's Selection

June 17th ::: Fraley's Dairy Complex ::: Muncy, PA
Selling 50 Milking Shorthorns ::: 20 Guernseys ::: 20 Jerseys



Hard Core Jstice Ramira EXP ET EX90
Selling Sept Cyride daughter & SR 2 Yr Old full sister to Ramira who was Int Champion Winter Nat'l 2022 & 1st SR 3 Yr Old. Backed by EX95 O'Raely!



KNH Endres Zeus Legendary EX92 2E
3X Unanimous All American 2017 Jr Champion WDE
First public offering EVER out of Legendary:
Ricochet September daughter!



Hard Core Premium Skiddle EXP EX93 2E
1st 5 Yr Old Eastern Nat'l & Nom All American 2019
Selling her **Cyride Winter Yearling**, 5th Winter Calf Winter Nat'l 2022 More family members sell from the great Stella 905 family!



SF HC Lad Payment EXP ET VG87
Sells Fresh 2nd Lactation & ready for the JR 3 Yr Old class!
Nom AA JR 2 Yr Old, 1st JR 2 Yr Old Eastern Nat'l & 1st Winter Nat'l. A Destry Lad by 2010 WDE Champion Peri!



KNH Endres MD Devil Anse Cece VG88
HM All-American JR 2 Yr Old & 3rd JR 2 Yr Old WDE 2022
Selling **MD Justice Summer Yearling** daughter!
Next dam is 2022 UAA 5 Yr Old EX94 Caliente!



Trilow Zeus Lala ET EX92
5-05 297 31208 5.2 1633 3.0 944
5X All-American & Res Grand Champion WDE 2019
Selling **MD Justice 4 Yr Old** daughter & **Bentley JR 2 Yr Old** granddaughter

Sale Conducted by:



570.546.6907



Tudor Hall Rubens Roxy EX96 4E
7-11 365 30360 3.8 1165 2.9 866
Selling 2 family members: **December Bender** granddaughter & **homozygous polled March Tanbark!**



HC-HP Red Rob Fireball EXP ET EX95
Two Mudslinger milking daughters sell
Cyride December family member sells
Summer JR 2 Yr Old Zeus family member sells



This is a live sale.
No reserves; everything sells!
Trucking will be available immediately following the sale.

HARD CORE FARM

295 Barley Church Road, New Enterprise, PA 16664 . Keith: 814.932.3524 Donnette: 814.932.3862 . fisherdonnete@aol.com



*Upper left: front L-r Caitlin Koontz, Alivia Koontz, back l-r Maggie Green, Bethany Dopel
Top middle: Brigid Christman, Maggie Buckmeier Fritz
Upper right: Ayrshire enthusiasts starts young and runs strong in Maryland!
Center:*

IMPACTFUL MARYLAND HEIFER LEASE PROJECT HAS AYRSHIRE ROOTS

THE CONCEPT OF AG-VOCATING IS NOW IN VOGUE. BUT, AYRSHIRE BREEDERS FROM MARYLAND HAVE BEEN DOING IT FOR DECADES THROUGH A PROGRAM COMMONLY CALLED THE MARYLAND HEIFER LEASE PROGRAM. THOUGH THEY ARE SMALL IN NUMBER, THEY ARE MIGHTY IN IMPACT. OVER THE YEARS, THEIR EFFORTS HAVE SPREAD THE DAIRY STORY TO THOUSANDS OF URBAN DWELLERS AND OPENED DOORS FOR COUNTLESS NEWBIES TO FIND VOCATIONS IN THE DAIRY COMMUNITY.

As such, the project is much more than a lease program that enables urban kids to show calves. “When you get the kid involved, the dairy story spreads to siblings, parents, grandparents, and friends,” noted Mary Creek, whose family operates the well-known Palmyra Farm in Hagerstown, Md., and was among the first to lease Ayrshires through the program. “Everyone in their circle of influence lives vicariously through their experiences and learns about agriculture.”

In addition, youth often get exposed to a whole new world, one that offers previously undiscovered careers and opportunities for impact. Among the youth that have participated in the project are dairy industry movers and shakers, city-kids-turned-dairy-farmers, and hundreds of agriculture advocates.

AYRSHIRE ROOTS

Though the program today called the Maryland 4-H Breeding Animal Lease Program includes all dairy breeds—along with beef, sheep, goats, and swine—it got its start on an Ayrshire farm. Long before it became an official 4-H project, David and Ann Patrick were transferring ownership of heifers from their herd at Maple-Dell Farm in Woodbine to neighbors and their children’s friends so they could show at the fair.

The idea blossomed and soon the Patricks were sending upwards of two dozen heifers from Maple-Dell to the Howard County Fair for non-Patricks to show. Anyone with an interest got a heifer to show.

But transferring ownership back and forth for that many kids was a hassle, and an expense. Enter the late Dr. Lee Majeskie, extension dairy specialist for the University of Maryland, who saw an opportunity to broaden reach and make it less cumbersome and expensive for dairy producers to contribute heifers to the cause. The two collaborated and laid the groundwork for the 4-H project that would be officially launched in 1988.

In essence, the Maryland 4-H Breeding Animal Lease Program is a short-term, formal contract signed by youth, farmers, and county 4-H clubs. The “rental” cost is \$1 per animal, though rarely collected. All animals are officially registered with a breed association, with official ownership retained by the dairy farmer. Youth usually exhibit their heifers at county fairs but have also shown at the Maryland State Fair and national shows like World Dairy Expo and the All-American Dairy Show.

MORE THAN A SHOWING EXPERIENCE

“Though it starts with the calf, interest in dairying often moves far beyond bonding, caring and showing,” said Mary. “Youth become involved with junior breed associations, dairy judging, dairy quiz bowl, princess contests, and records books. The experience takes them to destinations beyond their county and they often continue to be involved with dairy long after their initial interaction with the calf.”

One of the early participants whose relationship with bovines has taken him to far corners of the world is Sean Johnson, Rohrersville, Md., who grew up three miles from Maple-Dell Farm. He leased a Jersey his first year in 4-H, then found his way to Maple-Dell Farm the next year for a summer job. He was a seasonal hand for another two summers and then worked full-time for the Patricks another seven after high school. With the job came responsibilities to help the lease kids with their show animals, at the farm and the fairs. He left Maple-Dell Farm in 2000 to broaden his skills as a fitter and hoof trimmer and became a regional sales manager for Premier Select Sires in 2017.

A well-respected judge, Sean has officiated shows for all dairy breeds but Swiss at the All-American Dairy Show and been an associate for Ayrshire and Swiss shows at World Dairy Expo. He also judged Jerseys at the Macaji show in Riobamba, Ecuador.

“Working with the Patricks and the lease program put me in contact with people in the industry and helped me get my foot in the door,” noted Sean. “I have found a place in the dairy world and am showing my children there are agriculture opportunities for them beyond farming as well.”

Like Johnson, the life path of Susan Mendez, another neighbor and school friend of Rhonda Patrick, was altered through her experience showing Ayrshires from Maple-Dell in the early 1980s.

“It was THE thing that changed the trajectory of my life,” Susan summed. “Without the experience, I would not have attended Virginia Tech and judged on their dairy team, become a cattle photographer, or met my husband, Dan.”

The two met at World Dairy Expo in 1990 while she was judging, and he was showing cattle. After graduation, she was a professional cattle photographer for Maggie Murphy for five years and then worked part-

time another 15 years after she and Dan married and moved to Edmeston, N.Y., to raise heifers for his family farm.

Susan is now a registered nurse in the intensive care unit at the local hospital and Dan is a classifier with Holstein Association USA. In June, he will begin classifying Ayrshires through the multi-breed classification program.

One of the more unusual heifer lease arrangements involved Anne Arundel County Extension, the Naval Academy Dairy Farm, and Palmyra Farm. When the Navy ceased dairy operations at its farm in Gambrills, Md., in 1998, Gail Yeiser, a 4-H leader and colleague of Dr. Majeskie, along with her team of 4-Hers, and a host of volunteers convinced military officials to let 4-Hers continue to house leased heifers at the Academy’s former dairy farm during the summer.

When they agreed, Gail called on Palmyra Farm to provide Ayrshires for the program so 4-Hers could become well versed in breed differences. Over the next 10 years, about a dozen heifers (two for each class) from Palmyra Farm spent the summer at the former Navy farm and, after their show appearances, headed back to Hagerstown in the fall.

“Mary always kiddingly told me the program was a mixed blessing for them,” commented Gail. “Sure, the heifers were halter broken when they came back, but they were also spoiled rotten and tamer than tame.”

Because Gail had a passion for dairy that sprouted from visits to her grandparents’ dairy farms in her youth, she encouraged her daughters to participate in the program. Both did and now hold high-visibility positions in the dairy industry. The eldest, Emily Stepp, is executive director of the National Dairy FARM Program. Her sister, Amy Leslie, is director of industry relations at American Dairy Association North East.

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Nolan Gelber and Lilly Leadingham

Milking

Shorthorn Mecca

FROM HOMETOWN TO WHOLE FOODS

By Melissa Hart

Who knew Meeker, Oklahoma, would be the mecca for a fresh, creamy product that would garner demand from Whole Foods shoppers? The Maraks didn't. Travis Marak remarked, "Initially I was surprised - and I'm still surprised today."

He and his father, Steve, had no idea the path they were on when they decided to keep the 108-year-old family farm thriving on the windswept prairie of Oklahoma. Travis came home to the farm six years ago and wanted to bottle milk and distribute it locally. Steve had a contract with DFA Cooperative and thus could not legally take milk from the herd to bottle and sell. So, Travis went 100 yards across the driveway and constructed his own barn and milk processing plant, and with 25 head of Milking Shorthorns built a business with more demand than he can fill.

Two years later, son and father combined herds, increased to 33 cows and are selling 100 percent of the milk they produce. On June 22 they will welcome attendees of the American Milking Shorthorn Society National Convention for a tour of this farm and bottling facility.

"Whole Foods contacted us back in 2021, and a year later we were able to put our milk on their shelves. They have three stores in Oklahoma and we supply all three stores, so we are pretty happy with that," Travis said. "I wasn't sure what to make of it at first; I felt like they would be a productive client to have, and we've sold way more product to them than I thought we would. We are the only dairy in Oklahoma supplying milk to the Oklahoma stores, which is great."

Selling milk to a retailer that markets its products online and in-store was a learning curve for Travis. "There were a lot of things I didn't understand or have experience with, but I had to learn. When the orders started coming in, they were huge and I thought there was no way they were selling this much product, but they were. And it's been steady ever since."

Originally the Maraks were using glass bottles and that was a novelty that people enjoyed, but the practicality of plastic took over and they now use all plastic gallons and half-gallons.

With three 100-gallon tanks, they bottle milk three days a week and have maxed out capacity in their current facility. "We are running out of space to build at the farm - we just don't have any more room for bigger equipment. So, we are trying to decide if we want to milk more cows or make different products, or maybe find another place to process the milk." Travis said.



The Maraks sell gallons and half gallons of whole milk to Whole Foods stores in Oklahoma as well as supplying various local stores.

A great-tasting product is in demand, and that's what the Maraks provide. In the beginning, Travis wasn't sure local consumers would pay the higher price for their milk. "It's hard to put into words exactly why people are supportive of our products. I think what it boils down to is most folks want milk that tastes good, and that's the same whether it's beef or tomatoes or whatever it is. The problem usually is that when it's produced at a small scale, it's more expensive and not everyone is prepared to pay the price for a more expensive product."

The population in Meeker is about 1,000 people. "We got lucky in our little town; people work, and they are still our biggest customer," he observed. He noted consumers can also purchase their products with food assistance program funds.

They continue to sell non-homogenized whole milk and have not varied from that. "We don't do skim, cream, half-and-half or anything else; we only do whole milk." He explained, "It's a result of the process. Every time we add a step, whether it's separating cream or doing half-and-half or homogenizing, that increases our time and labor into the product, which means we have to charge more for it. It's already expensive - the more times you cut the carrot, the more expensive the carrot becomes, and we just prefer to sell the whole carrot right now."

They tried making cheese curds for a summer with the excess milk, but stopped when they needed the milk for higher fluid demand.

Weather will necessitate changes in any dairy operation and during the summer of 2022 they experienced a drought, the grass ran out and they ended up buying some cows from Oklahoma State University. They purchased three registered cows - a Brown Swiss, an Ayrshire and a Guernsey - and still have the Brown Swiss and Ayrshire in the herd. "Milking Shorthorns are hard to find in Oklahoma," said Travis.

With greater demand, they have increased their farm staff by hiring several part-timers. "I learned the hard way that I can't do everything myself, and there are a lot of jobs that need to be performed in this kind of operation."

Travis traveled extensively before he came back to the farm. His goal in returning was to provide a great product for which the farm would get paid a fair price.

"I'm glad and satisfied that I'm here on the farm, but it's still very challenging.

When people ask me for advice on this kind of endeavor, I tell them while I love what we do and the product we produce, behind every happy cow is a stressed-out farmer," he conceded. "Stressed-out farmers are not easy to be around, not easy to deal with and are not always good to themselves."

The Maraks have invested in their operation in ways that ensures a stable milk price and market. Travis explained, "We only produce one product, and we don't over-produce, which is where a lot of people get into trouble. If you produce milk at a loss, milking more cows only ensures more loss. If you milk cows at a profit, it makes sense to milk more cows, and most dairy farmers get into a cycle of more cows, more cows, more cows - but if you already produce it at a loss, you're only going to lose more."

Looking back, he has only one regret. "When we started this, we knew how to milk cows, that was the easy part, but I had never seen a pasteurizer, or a bottling machine, nothing. It took a year to learn about the equipment and develop a business plan, and another year to actually build the facility.

"We built this from top to bottom, brick by brick. And when the milk inspector gave me that license to bottle milk, I should have just taken off for a bit because, as soon as you start bottling, it never stops. When I put that first bottle of milk into a store, everything changed, and not taking time away would be my one regret."

The cows continue to graze on a mix of clover, ryegrass, vetch and Bermuda grass. The Maraks feed 16 pounds of 19 percent grain supplement daily and offer dry hay continuously. "It's a pretty low-input operation. The biggest cost is grain and hay. We make some of our own hay, but have to buy most of it, and last winter was difficult with high hay prices for low-quality hay."

Steve continues to make the mating decisions, concentrating on good udders, feet and legs. They use artificial insemination on 90 percent of the herd and have a clean-up bull for the rest.

"We are looking forward to hosting the convention tour in June; it's the 'Super Bowl' of tours for my dad, he's really looking forward to it," Travis said.



They graze their herd as much as possible, supplementing with dry hay when they run out of pasture.



Father and son, Steve and Travis Marak combined their herds and now bottle and sell 100 percent of the milk they produce.

National Ayrshire Convention 2023

Making Maryland Memories

Tuesday, June 27th - Saturday, July 1st | The Hampton Inn | Frederick, MD

Location Details: The Hampton Inn 301-698-2500
5311 Buckeystown Pike • Frederick, MD • 21704
Room Rate only \$99.00 per night if you Book By May 28th!

At booking, mention: **"National Ayrshire Convention"** or follow the link on the **Maryland Ayrshire FB page.**

Breakfast included, and restaurant onsite!

Schedule:

Tuesday, June 27th:

8AM-6PM **Optional Tour to Washington, D.C.**

Wednesday, June 28th:

8 AM Registration
8 AM Board Meeting
8 AM Youth Contests
9 AM Hospitality Room Open
12 PM **Lunch for Board and Youth**
7 PM **Youth Awards Banquet**

Thursday, June 29th:

8 AM - 5 PM **Bus Tour - 2 stops including:**
Maple Dell tour & breakfast
Annapolis Lighthouse Boat tour & lunch
7 PM **Annual Banquet and Fun Auction**

Friday, June 30th:

9 AM Annual Meeting
9 AM **Youth Tour @ Trans Ova Genetics**
Includes lunch followed by
Fun Day @ Adventure Park
12 PM **Adult Lunch - on your own!**
4 PM **Sale Bus Departure - bus ride to**
fairgrounds for sale preview.
4-6:30 PM **Food trucks onsite for dinner (\$)**
6:30 PM **National Ayrshire Sale At the**
Great Frederick Fair Grounds
Frederick MD

Saturday, July 1st:

12 PM Classification workshop Frederick Fair Grounds
1 PM Winery/Brewery Tour
6PM **Wrap Up party @ Steelfire Farm!**
2980 Woodbine Rd, Woodbine, MD

If your Child would like to participate in youth contests but needs a team, please let us know their names and ages so we can help place them on a team!

Also contact us if they would like to help with the sale cattle.



Contact and Registration Information:

Please mail **registration form AND payment** to:

Jessica Valentine
15621 B Kelbaugh Rd. • Thurmont, MD • 21788

Digital forms available on FB at "2023 National Ayrshire Convention," and US Ayrshire at www.usayrshire.com. Available via email upon request.

- Make checks payable to "MD DE Ayrshire Assoc."
Credit Cards will incur 3% processing fee.

Questions? Contact Jessica at 240-674-6093 or ShowBarnBling@gmail.com

2023 NATIONAL AYRSHIRE CONVENTION

REGISTRATION FORM

Farm Name: _____

Contact Name: _____

Street Address: _____

City, State, Zip: _____

Phone: _____

Email: _____

Convention Registration and Meals:

First & Last Names (all attendees): _____

Description	Price	Late Fee	Qty.	Total
A) Adult Full Reg. - details below:	\$250.00	\$275 May 26 th x _____	= \$ _____	
B) Youth Full Reg. - details below:	\$230.00	\$250 May 26 th x _____	= \$ _____	
Full Registration - includes the following tours & meals (D.C. sold separately)				
C) Wed. Youth Lunch	\$25.00	\$30 May 26 th x _____	= \$ _____	
D) Wed. Youth Banquet	\$55.00	\$60 May 26 th x _____	= \$ _____	
E) Thurs. Tours (2 tours/meals)	\$75.00	\$85 May 26 th x _____	= \$ _____	
F) Thurs. Annual Banquet	\$60.00	\$70 May 26 th x _____	= \$ _____	
G) Friday Youth Tour & Fun	\$25.00	\$30 May 26 th x _____	= \$ _____	
H) Sat. Brewery Tour	\$55.00	\$65 May 26 th x _____	= \$ _____	
I) Sat. Wrap Up Party	\$25.00	\$35 May 26 th x _____	= \$ _____	
Tues. Washington D.C. Tour	\$60.00	sold separately x _____	= \$ _____	
# attending Saturday events?	_____	TOTAL ENCLOSED = \$	_____	

NATIONAL AYRSHIRE CONVENTION SALE

"Making Maryland Memories"

JUNE 30, 2023 | 6:30 PM | THE GREAT FREDERICK FAIRGROUNDS
797 E PATRICK ST | FREDERICK MD, 21701



VALEVEU BBK MINERVA, EX-96 2E
5-08 365D 38,236M 5.7% 2162F 3.2% 1216P
5X All-American
3X Central National Show Grand Champion
Minerva's **DISTINCTION 2-yr-old**
granddaughter sells



MOWRY'S BURDETTE MOJO, EX-93 2E
5-04 358D 22,800M 3.5% 809F 3.3% 757P
Nom JR All-American JR 3-Yr-Old, 2018
Her **REAGAN Winter Calf** sells



MARGOT PRECIOUS, EX-91
2-11 365D 32,594M 4.1% 1335F 3.3% 1081P
Unan All-American JR 3-Yr-Old, 2022
Selling Precious' **March 2024 Pick of Flush**
by **BOLSONARO** or **WICKED**



**GRAND-VIEW VICKING DREAM ON-ET
NOW VG-86**
Nom All-American Fall Yearling, 2022
Next dam is 9th gen EX,
Grand-View HP Calimero Dane-ET
Followed by Grand-View BBBK Dreamer, EX-94 5E
KINGSIRE Spring Calf sells



GATTON PARDNER JEZABEL, EX-94 5E
Life: 3,491D 163,450M 4.0% 6466F 3.3% 5353P
VICKING 2-Yr-Old granddaughter sells



JOMILL-POKER KEEGAN, EX-94 4E
VICKING Spring Yearling
great-granddaughter sells



PALMYRA REAGAN BR BLUSH, EX-91
2-02 305D 18,870M 3.9% 740F 3.0% 572P
Unan All-American JR 2-Yr-Old, 2021
Summer Yearling by **LOCHINVAR** sells



**SWEET-PEPPER BLACK FRANCESCA
EX-94 3E**
6-09 305D 34,560M 4.3% 1480F 3.1% 1082P
3X Unan All-American & 2X WDE Grand
March 2024 choice sells from **REAGAN**
granddaughter



GRAND-VIEW SUMTOTAL DIVOT, EX-94 4E
7-05 365D 25,220M 3.6% 914F 3.2% 819P
HM All-American 100,000 Lb Cow, 2015
Selling choice of **3 REAGAN & 1 KINGSIRE**
from her polled granddaughter



SUNNY-ACRES KS KOTTON, EX-90
Nom All-American JR 3-Yr-Old, 2022
Next 2 dams are EX
She sells!



STILLMORE B-KING IRENA, EX-91
Unan All-American Milking Yearling, 2020
Res Int Champion, 2022 Midwest National
Selling choice of **3 fall 2023 pregnancies** by
REYNOLDS or **RINGER**



**TOPPGLEN WISHFUL THINKING-ET
EX-94 4E**
3-03 305D 20,210M 6.7% 1348F 6.1% 1232P
2x Unan All-American
BURDETTE x Wishful Thinking embryos sell!

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ANIMAL NAME	FINAL SCORE	AGE	SIRE	OWNER
HARD CORE PREMIUM RADICAL ET	E91	4-04	SPRINGVILLE LOGIC PREMIUM ET	FISHER, KEITH A & DONNETTE F.
COLD SPRINGS LOTTO ARROW	E91	5-11	INNISFAIL MEGA LOTTERY ET	BARTLETT AND KOSTKA
HARD CORE LOTTERY FAITH	E90	3-03	INNISFAIL MEGA LOTTERY ET	FISHER, KEITH A & DONNETTE F.
PINE-VALLEY PATRIOT JAYLYN EXP	E90	3-03	NORTH STARS FAMOUS PATRIOT EXP	JAMES, ESTELLA
MAPLETON VLY ATLAS BELLINI	E90	3-06	MAPLETON VLY SPARK ATLAS P	MAPLETON VALLEY FARMS & CATHERINE AGNEW
STORYTOWN LUCKY LOUISA P	E90	3-06	CIRCLE B A LUCKY STRIKE PP	LUNDY, MEGAN
KNH ENDRES MEET THE REAPER	E90	3-06	COR-BLOO RICOCHET	ENDRES, TYLER
GMC CLEARLY A LUCKY LADY ET	E90	3-09	LYNMARK ST CLARE	CLARK, BROOKE
KUNDES GOLDEN MAXIMA ALI EXP	E90	3-09	SILVERLEIGH MAXIMA EXP ET	KUNDE, RANDY & SAMANTHA BENSON
HARD CORE JUSTICE RAMIRA EXP ET	E90	3-10	GI2 GOLD MINE MD JUSTICE*CD	FISHER, CHRISSELLE
SWAG RICOCHET MAKE WAY	E90	3-10	COR-BLOO RICOCHET	PREISINGER, CAROLINE
KY-BLUE DIET PEPSI	E90	3-11	INNISFAIL MEGA LOTTERY ET	GIBSON, KADYN, TRE WRIGHT & LUCAS SCHMITT
BRAND-NEW Z FALLIN IN LOVE ET	E90	4-00	PURPLE IDALEE RR ZEUS EXP ET	BRANDEL, COLTON & ASHLEY
HARD CORE IRONMAN FIRETIME ET	E90	4-01	OCEANBRAE IRONMAN-P	FISHER, KEITH A & DONNETTE F.
HARD CORE LOTTERY FIREWORKS	E90	4-01	INNISFAIL MEGA LOTTERY ET	TOWE, PLYTON
GI PINE LANE SH GIANNI AMANDA	E90	4-01	GE GOLD MINE PRESTO GIANNI	MAHONEY, TOM
BUCKEYE KNOLL ZS PEACH EXP ET	E90	4-01	PURPLE IDALEE RR ZEUS EXP ET	RHOADES, SARAH
HOMESTEAD PIKES MABEL	E90	4-02	HOMESTEAD C PIKE	LUCHTERHAND, ADAM & KRISTINA
BRIAR-ROSE R ALIBI	E90	4-02	COR-BLOO RICOCHET	KUCAS, KYLE C. W.
NA-MOR-DALE JUSTICE IVY EXP ET	E90	4-02	GI2 GOLD MINE MD JUSTICE*CD	PLACE, TREVOR
GE SHARON FARMS FB RASCAL	E90	4-03	GRADE HOLSTEIN	DIRKSON, KEITH

October 2022 - March 2023

ANIMAL NAME	FINAL SCORE	AGE	SIRE	OWNER
MIKES-DAR MUDDY HAWAIIAN EXP	E90	4-04	HALPINS MUDDY ROCKSTAR TW	LUNDY, MEGAN
HARD CORE MD JUSTICE DINAH EXP	E90	4-04	GI2 GOLD MINE MD JUSTICE*CD	FISHER, KEITH A & DONNETTE F.
NA-MOR-DALE MUDSLING IPSWITCH	E90	4-08	KUSZMAR MUDSLINGER	KLIEBENSTEIN, EVELYN
HEAVENLY MEGA CUTIEPIE ET	E90	4-08	KUSZMAR MEGADETH	DAVIS, TYLER & EMMA YOUNG
STORYTOWN HUCKLE ZARA	E90	4-09	INNISFAIL HUCKLEBERRY EXP*CD	SOLBERG, WILLIAM
MAPLETON VLY ZUMBA RALLY	E90	4-09	MAPLETON VLY J ZUMBA	AGNEW, THOMAS AND KEELY
WILDHOLM GLAD MORNING GLORY	E90	4-09	LAZY M ZUES GLADIATOR ET	MONNAT, WILLOW HART
QUIETNESS JUSTICE FAULKNER EXP	E90	5-00	GI2 GOLD MINE MD JUSTICE*CD	DIXON, CHRIS
CORSTAR ROYALTY MARTHA ET	E90	5-00	ECUAFARM KAISER ROYALTY	CLARK, BROOKE & MIKE GREGORY
HEAVENLY DORITO EXP	E90	5-03	GI2 GOLD MINE MD PIRELLI	RITSCHARD, BRETT & TYLER DAVIS & E. YOUNG
CRIBBET ABNER CLARA	E90	5-03	ROVIN MEGA ALL ABNER P	BARTLETT AND KOSTKA
GARYS PREMIUM STOLI	E90	5-03	SPRINGVILLE LOGIC PREMIUM ET	BEMIS, BENJAMIN
LAKE EFFECT LOTALIA 1027	E90	5-04	INNISFAIL LOTHARIO	ANDERSON, JOHN AND/OR KIRSTEN
GE WOODSEY-DELL AWESOME RACER	E90	5-05	LUCK-E AWESOME-RED	BROOKS, DOUGLAS D.
WEISSWAY KING OSCAR LARK PP	E90	6-01	MERVILLE KING OSCAR-P	WEISS, MAGGIE, KATIE, CHARLIE
KADAPOP LUMPIN LUMPETTE	E90	6-02	WEISSWAY STUMP LUMPIN P	EICK POPADAK, SABRINA
GI ARJU PLC BOBBDOWN GARNISH	E90	6-05	GI LODEN BOB	HARDIE-QUALL, CLAUDIA A.
SMITH FARM BADGER POPPY EXP	E90	6-05	GE GOLD MINE RT BADGER	SMITH FARM
HARD CORE PREMIUM ROBIN EXP ET	E90	6-06	SPRINGVILLE LOGIC PREMIUM ET	BARTLETT AND KOSTKA
HARD CORE PREMIUM SUNKISS ET	E90	6-06	SPRINGVILLE LOGIC PREMIUM ET	FISHER, JACOB
ARAGORN AIRBENDER EXP P	E90	6-09	KULP-GEN AVATAR ET P	ARAGORN FARM

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Open Division**

Pine-Valley P Junebug EXP
1st, Senior and Grand Champion
MN State Fair

**LIFETIME MERIT CLASS
Open Division**

Corstar Presto Lulu ET
1st, Senior and Reserve Grand
Champion International Milking
Shorthorn Show

Sale Report

The AMSS On-line Spectacular Sale closed Wednesday, March 22, 2023.

Fourteen live lots, 4 embryo lots, and 11 semen lots were offered.

The live lot high seller was **RTB Richochet Lingus** who brought **\$6500**. This lot was consigned by RTB Partners of (Long Prairie, MN) purchased by Peter Vail of (Englewood, FL).

The American Milking Shorthorn Society would like to thank all consignors and purchasers for the success of the sale.

2023

American Milking Shorthorn Society

Spring Spectacular Online Sale



March 19 - 22, 2023



2023 AYRSHIRE OFFICER & DIRECTOR CANDIDATES



PRESIDENT
RHONDA PATRICK-WINKLER,
WOODBINE, MD

Rhonda Patrick Winkler grew up on her family's farm, Maple Dell Farm, in Woodbine, MD where they have raised registered Ayrshire Cattle since 1941. She was raised by David and Ann Patrick along with her older six siblings. Rhonda started showing

Ayrshires as soon as she could walk and continues to walk the shavings now with her children and the 4-H'ers that she leases animals to.

Rhonda has been married to her husband, Jeff Winkler for 26 years. They have three children, Lexi (24), Cecilia (22) and Jeffrey, Jr. (20). Rhonda and her family own and operate Steel Fire Farm in Woodbine, MD, where the farm was established in 1997. They recently purchased another farm bringing their total acres owned and farmed to 378 acres. They raise Ayrshires, Hereford beef cattle, feeder cattle, market hogs, laying chickens and horses. Along with their animals, they crop farm their ground plus rented ground.

Rhonda has been a member of the Maryland/Delaware Ayrshire Association since her childhood. She has served on the Board of Directors for the past 10 years while serving on many committees, holding various offices and is currently the president. She feels that the MD/DE Ayrshire Association has deep roots with generational members. Rhonda's love for the Ayrshire cow not only comes from her family but friends who have become family. Rhonda says that learning from her mentors in the Association has been a blessing and a gift.

Rhonda has served on the ABA Board as a Director for five years and has been serving as the Vice President for the past two years. During her time on the board, she has learned so much from other board members and the office staff. She feels that no matter one's age, you are never too old to learn. So, ask the questions, seek advice and let your knowledge grow. Rhonda also feels that it's important to share your knowledge, and make sure you share your skills and advice with others because we are all better if we learn, grow and work together. We have a lot of outstanding people in

our association that serve on the board and in our membership. Rhonda is proud to serve the Ayrshire breed and ABA members. She enjoys getting phone calls from Ayrshire breeders and is always eager to listen, find the answers to questions they have or to just talk about the great Ayrshire cow and her people. Rhonda has served on about every committee, numerous sub committees and is currently on the finance committee, Executive Committee and is the chair of the Promotion Committee. Rhonda wants to elaborate that every Ayrshire Breeder is a part of the team, you matter and your opinion matters too. She encourages Ayrshire Breeders to reach out to a director or the ABA office if you have any questions or concerns, saying "It is our job to serve you, to listen to you and be your voice at the meetings with your questions and concerns." Winkler feels that the Ayrshire breed is in a tremendous place right now, and we all should play a role in keeping the "ball bouncing" and moving upwards.

Rhonda currently serves on the Howard County Farm Bureau Board and has been on the board for the past 12 years, serving on many committees. Her current pride and joy is the junior showmanship program that she created eight years ago. Rhonda saw a need for a program to get younger youth involved in livestock showing dairy calves, market hogs, market sheep and market goats. The program has grown over the last eight years tremendously. This past year, she had 81 youth between the ages of five and eight participate in the program.

When asked "Why Ayrshires?", Rhonda said, "I think the Ayrshire cow speaks for herself. Like the excellent ad campaign that Becky did last year, "Pride – Profit – Passion"! My "why" is also about my family and my friends who are family. Growing up on our family's dairy farm and working with my father, David, Uncle Jimmy and my siblings was our way of life. We lived and breathed the Ayrshire cow. Today at the ripe ole age of 54, my enthusiasm, pride and passion for the Ayrshire cow has only grown. Sharing my passion for the Ayrshire cow with my husband and children has been a blessing, and having the whole family working together is one of God's greatest gifts. We are Ayrshires through and through! One of my mottos for life is "Live It To Love it" and Ayrshire are and will always be a part of my life and my family's life! We are living it and loving it through the great Ayrshire cow!"



VICE PRESIDENT
DAVID HANSON, NICOLLET, MN

David Hanson is originally from Goodridge, MN, up in the Northwestern corner of the state, where he spent most of his life working with family. Their farm, Good-Vue Ayr Farms, is comprised of his parents Mike and Linda, two younger brothers Matthew (his wife Malena) and Steven, along with

David and his wife Dr. Ashley Swenson. Growing up, the family milked around 45 registered Ayrshires in a tie-stall barn along with farming around 2,700 acres of crop land alongside grandparents Lynn and Norma Hanson. In 2016, the dairy operation expanded by adding two robotic milkers and a robotic feeding system, moving from 45 cows and tie-stall facility to a 120 cow free stall barn. They currently have around 100 Ayrshires and 40 Holsteins milking, along with raising all of their own young stock. David has since move to Nicollet, Minnesota at the opposite end of the state where

he works on his in-laws' farm, Forest-Lawn Holsteins, which has a milking herd made up of 260 Holsteins, 10 Brown Swiss and a handful of Ayrshires, with his hopes to keep the Ayrshire numbers growing.

David has been a member of the ABA his entire life due to both sides of his parents' families being heavily involved in the Ayrshire breed for many years. However, 1999 is when he first started attending Ayrshire conventions and other Ayrshire events and has been steadily increasing his involvement since then. He has served on the National Ayrshire Board of Directors for the past five years and has been chair of the classification committee for the past four. He has also served on both the marketing and show committees over the past few years as well as representing U.S. Ayrshire both in Finland in 2015 and Australia in January of 2018 for a couple of different international events.

As far as local and state involvement are concerned, Minnesota has a small Ayrshire population in regards to both breeders and number of animals. However, what they lack in numbers they more than make up for with quality animals and dedicated and enthusiastic breeders. David is currently president of the state board of directors and in 2014 he organized the state showcase herd that featured the Ayrshire breed at the Minnesota State Fair. Previous leadership positions he has held include being a former member of the Northwest Dairy Day board of directors, and a current member of the Nicollet County ADA board.

For David, there are many different reasons as to "Why Ayrshires?"



**VICE PRESIDENT
STEVEN SCHMIDT, DELEVAN, WI**

Steven "Barney" Schmidt and his family live near Delavan, Wisconsin. Steve has worked with Ayrshires his entire life. His first experience was as a young boy at his Uncle Harold and Aunt Alice Ehrman's South Slope Farm. As an adult, he and his wife, Pauline, worked alongside her parents on

Moy-Ayr Farm. Since the dispersal of Moy-Ayr Farm in 2001, they have continued with the Moy-Ayr prefix. Steve and Pauline have been married for 22 years and have two daughters, Rebecca, age 19, and Emily, age 16, who are also active on the farm. They currently have 30 Ayrshires and produce their own hay and bedding.

In addition to working on the farm, Steve has been employed by The Coburn Company full-time for 22 years and Pauline has been employed at Culvers for 11 years. Steve is also active with his daughters' FFA activities and is a member of Farm Bureau and the Dairy Committee for the Walworth County Fair.

Schmidt has been a member of the Ayrshire Breeders' Association for numerous years. For the last five years, he has served as ABA Director At Large, attending both summer and winter ABA Board Meetings. Steve has been a member of the Classification Committee and Marketing Committee for the last nine years.

Steve is active with Ayrshires on the state and local level. He has

The main reason to choose Ayrshires is because we are a breed that gives you the ability to go in whatever direction is best for your farm and business. We currently are one of the hottest breeds in the show industry. If showing is your passion, Ayrshires would be a great breed to get into and then breed from. They are readily available and can compete at all levels of shows. If index numbers, genomics and breeding the next genetically superior animal is your game, there is a wide-open market with multiple breeding strategies to explore and take advantage of. When it comes to commercial viability, Ayrshires have all the traits you would want to become an efficient and profitable business. Low somatic cell count, low health costs, high reproductive efficiency, moderate size with functional conformation, and solid production and components to boot. Additionally, if you're in a niche milk/cheese market or a have a low input production system Ayrshires will shine. If your business model includes cheese production, A2A2 milk sales or any sort of farm to table marketing strategy, Ayrshires give you an advantage. As a smaller dairy breed, we have niche marketability built in, along with that, increased genomic testing has allowed us to push component levels higher across the breed as well as identify more and more A2A2 Ayrshires to fill those markets. Finally, we can't forget the roots of the Ayrshire breed, which is their ability to not just survive, but to thrive, in pasture-based management systems. There isn't another breed available that can produce and maintain profitability in a low intensity management strategy as well as the Ayrshire cow. Frankly, the better question would be "Why NOT Ayrshires!"

served as President and as a board member of the Wisconsin Ayrshire Breeders' Association. The Schmidt family has exhibited at the Wisconsin State Fair for numerous years, the Wisconsin State Show since it began, the Iowa State Fair several times, and the Walworth County Fair since the girls were in Little Britches. In addition to the state and regional shows, the Schmidt family has also exhibited numerous years at World Dairy Expo and several times at the Southern National in Louisville, KY. Steve and Pauline have encouraged their daughters to become involved with Ayrshires since they began showing in "Little Britches" at the county fair. They have supported the Ayrshire breed by consigning animals to the Wisconsin Spring Ayrshire Sale for several years and to the National Convention Sale, Iowa Spring Sale, and World Dairy Expo on numerous occasions. Steve has served as a ring man and helped with other aspects of the Wisconsin Spring Sale for several years. He also co-managed the 2012 Wisconsin National Convention Sale.

Steve's explanation of "Why Ayrshires?" is "The first thing I'll say about the Ayrshire breed is that I like the health of the Ayrshire cow. There is value in the Ayrshire breed in every aspect. The better the quality of the feed, the more milk you get. It doesn't matter where you go, wherever you pass an Ayrshire person, you'll find a person who is interested in what's going on in the breed. Ayrshire people are usually very happy and open to talking about everything equally."

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**DIRECTOR AT LARGE****KURT WOLF, GUTTENBERG, IA
(INCUMBENT)**

Kurt Wolf, his wife Michelle and son Cooper reside near Guttenberg, Iowa, where they raise a select group of show animals. Nearby in Epworth, Iowa is where the heart of Old-Bankston Ayrshires/Wolf Dairy is

located with Kurt's mother Kim Wolf and brothers Ted and Scott Wolf. The family is currently milking 250 cows consisting of 200 Holsteins, 40 Registered Ayrshires and 10 Milking Shorthorns. The overall herd average is currently 25,000 pounds on 2x day milking in a freestall/parlor setup. Since 2011, they have bred, owned or sold 181 All-American nominees, five National Grand Champions and sold the World Record Selling Ayrshire for \$67,000. In addition, Kurt also works as an AI tech For ABS Global

Kurt has been an ABA member for over 20 years, starting out as a junior member where he participated in events such as Quiz Bowl and Jeopardy for several years before moving on to participating on the Ayrshire Marketing Committee helping out with several live and online Ayrshire events. Kurt's formative years as a junior were importance to his success as a young adult. He was very active in

Iowa Jr. Ayrshire and Holstein Associations, 4-H and FFA where he also held several offices. Today he serves on the Ayrshire Breeders' Association Board of Directors as a Director at Large

He is currently an Iowa ABA member. Kurt started his marketing career by helping out with the very successful Iowa Spring Extravaganza Sales in the past before hosting his own tag/online sales. Most recently, Kurt and a few partners of other breeds developed the Shades of Excellence Sales Series which has gained notoriety across the country. This year, 20 Ayrshire lots averaged \$6,200.

Kurt's response to "Why Ayrshires" was animated. "First off, I would say the active breeders! There are so many people in the organization that when you get involved and get to know them, they are not just FRIENDS they are like FAMILY! They always make you feel welcome, give great advice when needed and push you to be better! Second, I would have to say the Ayrshire cow is currently the truest breeding cow of the seven dairy breeds at the moment! If you breed a GREAT cow with a GREAT pedigree, you're going to get a GREAT calf! The third reason I would say is that because of comments one and two, the AYRSHIRE cow has VALUE.....Great people who breed and market the Great Ayrshire Cow attracts breeders in and outside of the breed driving the demand and value of the Ayrshire to all-time highs!"

**DIRECTOR AT LARGE****DONALD GABLE, ELVERSON, PA**

Don Gable was born and raised on Conebella Farm, a 198-acre farm in Elverson, Pennsylvania, which he and wife, Pam, have owned and operated since 1996. The farm has been in the Gable family for 100 years, with four generations currently living on

the farm. Two sons, Tyler and Kevin, daughter-in-law, Emily, and Don's mother, Josephine, all work on the farm. Granddaughter, Aubrey, 2, is the sixth generation. Another son, Josh, owns some of the equipment that is used in their hay business. The farm consists of three enterprises--the dairy, a cheese business, and hay and cropping operations.

The dairy is the backbone of the operation. Don's grandfather, Harold, purchased the first 10 Ayrshires in 1938 in an effort to raise the butterfat content. His father, Charles, grew the herd and made genetic improvements. Conebella Farm is 100% Ayrshire, with 130 cows and an equal number of young stock. Don has been passing on his knowledge of the Ayrshire breed to Emily, who assists with milking, breeding and managing the herd.

The cheese business, Conebella Farm Cheese LLC, started in 2007 with obtaining a raw milk license from the state of Pennsylvania. They now have aged cheeses, cheese spreads, cultured butter and a line of fresh dairy products (cheese curds, fresh mozzarella, yogurt smoothies, and Greek yogurt) which are made weekly by experienced cheese makers. Their cheese makers like using Ayrshire milk

for products because of the unique nature of the components. Both the aged cheese and cheese curds have won awards at the PA Farm Show.

The hay and cropping business is another major part of the farm. The home farm is 198 acres, and they grow all of the forages for the herd. In addition, another 420 acres is rented for hay and crop production, including corn, wheat, soybeans, alfalfa and rye. About 300 of these acres are used for hay production, which is sold locally for horses. The sons have been instrumental in the growth of this business.

Don is a lifetime member of the Ayrshire Breeders' Association, currently serving on the Breed Improvement Committee and participating in the Rewards program. In Pennsylvania, he has served on the state board of directors and was also a past President of the PA Ayrshire Breeders Association. Gable has been a director on the Chester County Conservation District for many years and currently serves as the Vice-President. He served on the county DHIA board many years ago and has been on the Hopewell Community Church board.

Don's response to the question "Why Ayrshires?" is: "Ayrshires have been synonymous with Conebella Farm for over 80 years. Their feed efficiency, hardiness and longevity have been key to our success over the years. Our long-time involvement with Ayrshires and knowing the history of the breed give me a unique perspective about the breed. The quality of our Ayrshire milk used in making our value-added products has given us an advantage in this niche market."

**DIRECTOR, REGION 2****BILLY BRANSTETTER, HARDYVILLE, KY**

Billy Branstetter owns and operates JSB Acres, a family farming operation that spans many generations. Billy and his wife of 44 years, Melinda, have two children

Emily and Joey, who both live on the farm with their families. Joey is a part of the day-to-day management along with one employee. In addition to the 100-cow dairy herd, the farm raises tobacco, hay and vegetables.

JSB Acres began milking Holsteins in 1955, and Ayrshires were added to the herd in 1998. Although initially purchased for show

purposes, the farm quickly found its “fit” with the Ayrshire breed due to its excellent grazing ability and longevity. In fact, the farm now consists primarily of Ayrshires. Outside of the farm, Billy works as a manager of a tobacco warehouse.

An ABA member since 1998, Billy has played an active role in the Ayrshire association in the state of Kentucky and nationally. He has served on both the show committee and the marketing committee of ABA for numerous years, and has added ABA Treasurer to his duties. Billy currently promotes the Ayrshire breed by serving on the North American International Livestock Show Advisory Committee. He has served terms as both President and Treasurer of the Kentucky Ayrshire Club and has been the Kentucky National Show and Sale Manager for 11 years.

Branstetter takes pride in showing and exhibiting his Ayrshires at the local, state and national level. The JSB-Acres prefix has bred and exhibited several All-American nominations over the past 23 years. In addition to exhibiting his own animals, he has judged shows locally and in Tennessee, Arkansas and Missouri.

Billy’s leadership skills are evident by his involvement in his com-

munity as well. He serves on the Metcalfe County Soil Conservation Board of Directors where he has been Chairman, Metcalfe County Ag Development Chairman, served 12 years on the Southern States Board of Directors, served as a local 4-H and FFA leader for many years, and is the Finance Chairman of Horse Cave United Methodist Church.

Billy feels it’s important that we must change the mindset of how the dairy industry views the Ayrshire breed for both the financial security of our association as well as the sustainability of the breed itself. He comments, “We cannot afford to continue to be a “show breed” or a breed that only works on small dairies. We must promote the advantages of our breed to all dairy producers regardless of location or herd size.”

When asked “Why Ayrshire?”, Billy said, “That’s easy. The people in the Ayrshire breed are second to none.” He’s also quick to point out that the hardiness, longevity and efficiency of the Ayrshire cow as well as lower somatic cell counts results in less vet calls making the Ayrshire cow profitable.



DIRECTOR, REGION 2
STEVE SCHNEIDER, PULASKI, WI

Steve Schneider along with his wife Sara and children Adrianna and August operate their dairy farm near Pulaski, Wisconsin, located in northeast Wisconsin near Green Bay. They usually have 60-65 milking and dry cows with about the same number of

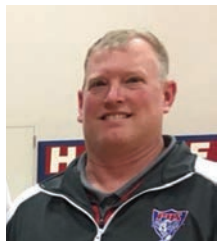
heifers. The herd currently is 50-50 mix of Ayrshires and Holsteins. The milk is sold to Agropur and is processed into cheese. They classify, test and show their best individuals at local, state and national shows to promote their breeding program.

Steve has been involved with Ayrshires for over 20 years now. He is interested in helping move the breed forward and giving input when asked. Schneider has served on the Wisconsin Ayrshire Board of Directors. He has co-managed the Wisconsin Ayrshire spring sale for about 15 years. This sale is usually the largest Ayrshire consignment sale each year and has been successful in creating opportunities for many new buyers each year. He has helped assist where needed at the state show although he doesn’t serve on the committee. Steve has previously served as president of their county Holstein association.

When asked “Why Ayrshires?”, Steve responded: “Well this is the question that brings us all together. This is the most enjoyable question to ask as you get to know a new breeder, someone inquiring to purchase or just meeting a current breeder for the first time. With that said, we need to know our answer to this question as we promote our breed and our own genetics.

For me, having grown up on a grade Holstein farm, it has been an

interesting journey from being the newbie to becoming someone who goes out and promotes the Ayrshire cow each year as we select for the Wisconsin Ayrshire Sale. The Ayrshire cow has also generated success for me and my family in the show ring over the years. The attribute I believe we can promote of the Ayrshire is her hardiness, as she is able to compete in any setup, against any breed and survive and thrive. No, she will not have the highest production numbers as some other breeds, but she will produce year after year and provide you offspring consistently. One more attribute of the Ayrshire is she is the moderate size cow the other breeds are trying to come back to, yet also has adequate size to provide value in her replacement bull calves. The Ayrshire also has proven herself to be highly efficient in converting feed into milk or muscle. I wish we could prove this in trials but the numbers are just against us to probably get that done. As a farmer who has Ayrshire and Holsteins, I can see it on a daily basis as our Ayrshire heifers carry more body condition than their Holstein herd mates. Also, we still component feed our lactating herd, as our Ayrshires maintain a proper body condition score on less grain than the Holsteins. With that said, do we have challenges as our sheer numbers make it harder to make the genetic strides other breeds make, but that doesn’t mean we don’t need to try. My goal is to breed cows that excel in functional type, especially the udder, but also always improving production with emphasis of fat and protein pounds produced. There has been tremendous interest in recent years in the Ayrshire cow from outside buyers, and that is something all breeders should be proud of and figure out how they can take advantage of the increase in value of the offspring. We all need to ask ourselves ‘how do we keep this momentum moving forward?’ With that said, we must maintain the integrity we have built our reputation on.”



DIRECTOR, REGION 3
BRUCE KEMPKE, WALTON, NE
(INCUMBENT)

Bruce Kempkes resides in Walton, NE, with his wife, Kristi. They have one daughter, Kourtney, who works for the State of Nebraska Department of Agriculture and is

married to Nathan Grimes. They have two children, Ellie and Maverick. Bruce and Kristi’s son, Kaleb, is currently studying to become an elementary educator.

Bruce grew up on his family’s dairy farm with his parents, Richard and Shirley. The farm, Hi-Fashion Farm, consisted mainly of Ayrshire cattle.

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They discontinued milking in 2008, but still own a few Ayrshires. They have approximately 12 head of Ayrshires that are milked at a 1,100-head dairy farm in southeast Nebraska. Heifers and a small herd of stock cows are housed at the home place. Some of their stock cattle are used to implant Ayrshire embryos.

Bruce has been a member of the Ayrshire Breeders Association since 1991 and first started serving on the Board of Directors in 2003. During his years with the Association, he has served on the following committees: Breed Improvement, Classification, Youth, Finance, By-Laws and Regional Apportionment. When not at the



DIRECTOR, REGION 2

ZACHARY DAMROW, POCATELLO, ID

Ayrshires have been the love of Zach Damrow's dairy cattle family for as long as he was able to understand the words coming out of his Dad's mouth. His father, Don Damrow and his father, Wilbert, began involvement with Ayrshires heavily in the

early 1970s under the "Easter Brook" prefix. His dad shared stories of his cows "Georgie Girl" and "Sandy Susie" and his exploits against/about Bruis Helga, Flashy Rhyme, Kelly's Rosid and countless others. They would spend hours and hours just talking about Ayrshire (and Milking Shorthorn) genetics, which are by far his fondest memories of his father. In the late 90s, his dad "bought" Zach his very first Ayrshire, Iow-Ayr Heidi 1162. She was the reason he knew Ayrshires were going to be in his life for good. She was out of a Reliable son herd bull and her dam was a daughter of South-Slope Imprint. Her personality was amazing. She had the will to milk, and she could convert anything into milk. Zach's dad often referred to her as a goat. When spring would roll around, she would run to the nearest thistle or burdock patch and mow it to the ground.

Fast forward to 2023, Damrow currently resides in Idaho with his wife Danielle, who teaches 5th grade at JR Simplot Elementary STEM school, and their sons Callen (4) and Dawson (1). They operate their herd under the Blackstone prefix which was derived from his "Black China" cow and his middle name "Stone". His sisters Sarah and Annie are also involved with the Ayrshires of Blackstone. Annie makes the trip West from Tennessee a few times a year and enjoys working with China descendants. Sarah moved to Idaho and has been in love with Ayrshires as long as Zach has. They have about a dozen Ayrshires, highlighted by recent additions such as De La Plaine Remington Wing-ET (now owned with Rocky Mountain Genetics-Marty Mickelson of Lewiston, Utah and Sam Whiting of Reedy, West Virginia), Old-Bankston Kings Princess (owned with the Porte Family from Charlo, Montana), and the rest of the herd traces back to Cedarvale Black China. China was purchased back in 2003 at the World Event Sale using an FSA youth loan. Damrow has been actively flushing a few times a year to help grow the herd and have animals to market on a yearly basis.

Currently Damrow is employed by Seagull Bay Dairy Inc. as the calf manager. The facility serves as the maternity and youngstock care for the 2,500 cow dairy. They have 450 calf hutches and about 400 head of dairy replacements up to eight months of age. They are then transported to the dairy where they milk, and animals come back to the calf facility about three weeks prior to calving. They also feed beef cross calves as well. Those calves stay in Zach's care until they are about 700-800 pounds before they are moved to a nearby

dairy or at work, he is busy with daily chores, volunteer coaching youth sports and helping the local high school during the football and basketball seasons.

"Why Ayrshire?" Bruce answers saying he has always enjoyed promoting the benefits of raising Ayrshire cattle. He explains to others how the Ayrshire cow can easily adapt to different management styles and be productive, efficient, and low maintenance. Kempkes enjoys seeing how people are accepting of the message as he is explaining.

facility for finishing.

Zach has been an Ayrshire member for about 26 years, dating back to before he was old enough to show as a junior member. This past year he was able to start serving on the ABA Marketing Committee. Damrow also made a point to sit in on the Board meeting last summer in Tennessee and in January in Columbus to learn more current trends and strategies to market the Ayrshire cow we all love so much. He commented, "It is so nice to see a variety of breeders come together, work to solve issues that affect our breed today, and discuss ideas to promote our future."

Zach hasn't been in an area that has a lot of Ayrshires since 2014, yet he does what he can with where he lives. He normally takes all of the Ayrshire heifers to our Western Spring National Holstein show and lets kids who do not have heifers of their own show in the 4-H/FFA division of the junior show. This year one of those youth purchased an Ayrshire heifer with him.

As a youth, Zach was heavily involved in 4-H and was a junior member of the Ayrshire Breeders' Association, American Milking Shorthorn Society, and the Dodge County Junior Holstein Association. In college he was a member of the Marian University men's basketball team located in Fond du Lac, Wisconsin where they helped with numerous activities serving the greater Fond Du Lac area. Once he moved to Idaho, he became a board member for the Idaho Holstein Association starting in 2015 and has been serving as the President for the last few years. Damrow also serves on the show committee for the Western Spring National Holstein Show and has had the position of Sale Chairman for the Western Heritage Sale & The Rally at Richmond online sale. He takes a lot of what he learned from showing Ayrshires in the Midwest and adapts those ideas to Holsteins in the West.

Damrow's response when people ask, "Why Ayrshires?" is "WHY NOT?!? There is literally something for everyone when it comes to why one should have Ayrshires. Working heavily in the commercial side of the dairy industry for the past several years, Ayrshires can fit the mold of what commercial breeders are looking for in a profitable cow. Ayrshires can be moderate-sized, they can convert feed into milk efficiently, they can excel with their components while still producing large volumes of milk, and they can be sound and functional cows whether in a purebred operation or those who need that functionality in a crossbreeding herd. Then you have breeders who strive for high type/show cattle. There are so many strong maternal cow families in the breed that can consistently be put out generation after generation. Ayrshire can have those cranking good mammary systems that rival those of our Holstein and Jersey counterparts and that eye appeal is a great way to continue to bring new Ayrshire lovers into the fold. Those strong maternal lines are what drive the marketability of all Ayrshires. The last several years have surely been great for Ayrshire breeders and their hard work

and years of breeding have turned into profits at all levels.

There are Ayrshires out there for those that are firm believers in genomics, whether it be for type or production. Genomic testing is the best tool we have at our disposal. Not only are we able to get type and production information, but it's so crucial to be able to see where we are at on haplotypes and whatever else our cattle may or may not be carriers of. The more we continue to push genomic testing, the higher our reliability can become.

There are also Ayrshires out there for the old school breeders. Those cow families of the past consistently produce the kind of cattle that were the top of the line when breeders themselves were younger. The bulls of Oak Ridge are a great example of this and in some pedigrees, you'll find some Oak Ridge bulls surprisingly close. I know these are the debates I love to read when I see them pop up on message boards on Facebook. I love having a breed where the breeders are so fiercely passionate about what they believe in. I like to think of myself as a melting pot of all these together.

I try to use the newest bulls available to keep up with the show

cattle world. I used a lot of Burdette and Reagan the past few years and now Kingsire, Reynolds, Dynamic, Autograph, Bolsonaro, and Player seem to be the current trend. I'm definitely not afraid to try different things because I did use a red Holstein sire several years ago (Absolute-Red) which I had used on a split flush on my China cow. On that cow, though I was able to go back and think of all the stories my dad would tell me about cows and bulls from when he was young. I used Jacks Choice and Madge's Boy and got heifers from each of those; and before I'm done, I hope to use some more old school bulls on that specific cow. Ayrshires are also great to market bulls if you're able to do so. There are so many good private collected bulls out there right now. Family-Af-Ayr has had long standing success with selling several bulls for what seems like forever. Then you have bulls like Bolsonaro I mentioned earlier, Most Wanted, Barclay, Mr. P, Sharped Dressed Man, and Wicked to name a few. So many breeders have good marketable genetics out there. Ayrshires are the perfect 'land of opportunity'. It doesn't matter what your philosophy is there is plenty of room for all breeders to excel with the Ayrshire cow as the centerfold."

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Farm-Sweet-Farm

Other youth who have participated in the program have found full-time careers raising registered Ayrshires, including Dr. Kathy Mahon, who operates Sunny Acres Ayrshires with her husband, Gregory, and his family in Georgetown, N.Y. The 70-cow herd includes many elite genetic standouts and show lines, including the granddam of this year's Supreme Champion of International Dairy Week in Australia.

Kathy is also a large animal veterinarian with Leatherstocking Veterinary Service. Pure serendipity, Kathy's list of clientele includes Susan and Dan Menendez.

"I really wanted a pony growing up, but when Dad said 'no' I opted for a dairy heifer through the 4-H lease program," remarked Kathy. Dads usually know best, and the direction proved to be fruitful for Kathy.

She initially leased two Jerseys and then purchased an Ayrshire from the Maryland All Breeds Calf Sale with the guidance of the late John Kagel, an Ayrshire breeder from White Plains, Md., her second year. She fell in love with the Ayrshire breed and never turned back. Her family built a three-sided shed on their 12-acre property, and she grew the herd to 16 head. She sold most of them to fund college and veterinary school, but kept her original cow family, which still resides on the Georgetown farm today.

The lease program and her Ayrshire love were responsible for another milepost in her life—meeting her future husband at the National Ayrshire Convention in Tennessee in 2010. Kathy proudly notes that their 10-month-old daughter, Emery, bleeds Ayrshire on both sides of her pedigree.

Two-Way Learning

While the opportunity to reach the urban community is a primary focus, both parties are changed with the heifer lease experience. Working together towards a common goal breaks down barriers and opens dialog and honest, meaningful conversation.

"To me, the value of the project is the way it shapes character in my own children," said Jess Valentine, who coordinates the national Ayrshire youth program and raises about 30 heifers a year for shows, sales and lease projects with her husband, Mark, and their sons, Cadin and Gavin, in Emmetsburg, Md. The family also helps with all aspects of Vales-Pride Farm, operated by his brother and sister-in-law, Mike and Denise Valentine, and their daughter, Amanda Dennis. A strong program supporter, Vales-Pride has leased heifers for more than 15 years.

"My boys have worked with kids with a range of abilities from a variety of cultures and learned to be patient teachers and appreciate the joy that comes from their success."

"Though I want my children to be competitive, I also want them to be humble and human. They get first dibs on heifers, but a lot can happen between March and July and there have been times the leased heifers have come out on top. They have learned how to put someone else's needs above their own and cheer for everyone."

Often the young people become like family. Cadin's girlfriend, Faith, leased her first heifer from the family four years ago and is now pursuing a dual major in agribusiness and animal science at Delaware Valley University, with a goal to work in the embryology field.

Coming Full Circle

Many of the youth who participate in the Maryland 4-H Breeding Animal Lease Program eventually buy their own animals and then lease them to the next generation of 4-Hers, including Michelle Gerhart of Union Bridge, Md.

When Michelle's family moved to Montgomery County, she heard about the heifer lease project from a school friend. She showed a Holstein heifer in her first year of 4-H. But the black and white was a bit much for the 4' 11" junior, so she chose an Ayrshire from Maple-Dell Farm in her second year and housed her at Kagel's farm. When he passed away in 2009, she "inherited" one of his Ayrshires. She is the matriarch of seven of the eight animals in her current Royal Crown Ayrshires herd. Heifers are housed at Vales-Pride Farm; cows at Glamourview Farm in Walkersville, Md. Her other purchase was a heifer from Vales-Pride that is due with her first calf in June.

Cows led Michelle to her first career in the feed and nutrition industry. Today she is a petroleum manager for Farmer's Cooperative Association in Frederick.

At the heart of all these stories is a young person from urban America with a desire to be a "foster owner" to a bovine for a summer and a dairy farmer willing to do their part to make that happen.

"While the Maryland heifer lease program is for all dairy farmers, Ayrshire breeders have been long-time, strong supporters," noted Mary. "I'm guessing nearly every Ayrshire breeder in the state has leased at least one 4-H animal, to the benefit of the dairy industry as a whole and a host of city kids and their family and friends who are generations removed from the farm."

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JEAN M. ELLSWORTH

Jean McGuigan Ellsworth, 83 of Cabool, MO passed away on Feb. 6, 2023 at the family home. She was born on April 9, 1939 in San Francisco, CA the daughter of Charles Donald McGuigan, Sr and Mattie (Hamilton) McGuigan and welcomed by

big brother, Don.

Jean was united in marriage to Bradford E. Ellsworth on June 13, 1959 in Temple City, CA and to this union five children were born, James, Bret, Brian, Jeanine and Juliet.

Jean was a devoted mother and her husband credits her as the nexus that held the family together. She also had a varied and productive career. She was a secretary to the mathematics department at the University of California-Davis and later a secretary in the Nevada County Probation Department. She was a pioneer in a guide dog puppy raising project and was a leader in the Wildwood 4-H Club. Jean served as assistant to the Extension Dairy Specialist in Texas County, Missouri. She managed a dairy farm and received

the top Dairy Herd Improvement Award for Milking Shorthorns. Jean and Bret milked the cows with relief help from RaMona Andrus. She served in the Human Resources Department at WoodPro Cabinetry, Inc for several years.

Jean was devoted to her church and served as organist at the Episcopal Church in Mtn. Grove for 30 years; she also served as the treasurer for 17 years.

Jean is survived by her husband, Bradford "Brad" of the home; her children, James Bradford Ellsworth of Cabool, MO, Bret Charles Ellsworth of Cabool, MO, Brian George Ellsworth and wife, Carolyn of West Plains, MO, Jeanine Edwena Brill and husband, Stephen of Cabool, MO and Juliet Mattie VonAllmen and husband, Jason of Cabool, MO; 11 grandchildren, Jennifer Ellsworth, Bryan Brill, Abigail Ellsworth, Aaron Brill, Allison VonAllmen, Forest Swisher, Charlotte Ellsworth, Baylee Brill, Brett VonAllmen, Natalie Swisher and Jessica Brill; great granddaughter, Claire VonAllmen and two nephews, Pat McGuigan and wife, Carol and Dan McGuigan and wife, Kathy and their families. Jean was known for her warm smile and happy disposition and for her sense of humor and quick wit. She will be missed but will always be with us.

Northeast Spring Milking Shorthorn Show

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WINTER HEIFER CALF

- 1) Cold Springs Fire Alarm, Cold Springs Milking Shorthorns

FALL HEIFER CALF

- 1) Apples & Waves Fantasy Rain, Amy Moxham
- 2) Lands-Brook GMC P Carmen-ET, Lailah Brielle, Isabella, & Audrey Clark, Madeline Roberts
- 3) Mile High Light My Fire EXP, Peter Vail

SUMMER YEARLING

- 1) GMC Ladysman Dedication-EXP, Brooke Clark, GMC Farm
- 2) Hard Core Lottery Firebug-ET, Peter Vail
- 3) Hard Core Tanbark Flicker-P-ET, Peter Vail

SPRING YEARLING

- 1) Henkeseen Jr Cy Striking-ET, Ridale Genetics-Marjorie & Ryan Rida
- 2) Roxbury Rockstar Olive, Brianna Laraway
- 3) MountainView LM DangerZone, Emily & Randi Fisher

WINTER YEARLING HEIFER

- 1) Hafta-Have Cyride Avril -ET, Brailey Livingston-(Leasee), Bryan Chicoine
- 2) Millcreek KNH Money Let It Go, Lailah, Brielle, Isabella, & Audrey Clark
- 3) Rock Maple Bently Milkyway, Taylor Buell

FALL YEARLING

- 1) Lands-Brook KNH Chilli Pepper, Peter Vail
- 2) Molehill Lars Marln Monroe-EXP, Brooke Clark, GMC Farm
- 3) Gary Triple Crown Saratoga, Sarah Hill

UNFRESH TWO YEAR OLD

- 1) GMC Bling Wing Wendy-EXP, Abigail Bennett
- 2) Morning Dew Als Latte, Jonathon Bowles (Leasee) Morning Dew Farm

JUNIOR CHAMPION OPEN SHOW

Lands-Brook KNH Chilli Pepper, Peter Vail

RESERVE JUNIOR CHAMPION

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JUNIOR CHAMPION OF JUNIOR SHOW

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JUNIOR BEST THREE FEMALES

- 1) Cold Springs Milking Shorthorns
- 2) Ben Bemis

PREMIER BREEDER OPEN HEIFER SHOW

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PREMIER BREEDER JUNIOR HEIFER SHOW

Jason Bagley

PREMIER EXHIBITOR JUNIOR HEIFER SHOW

Sarah Hill

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Charisma

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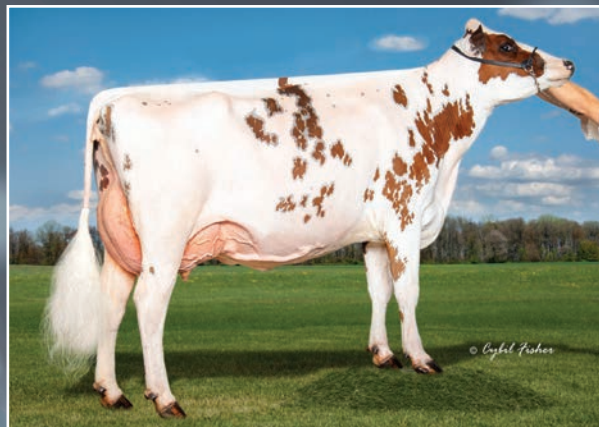
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All-American (tie) SR 2-Year-Old - 2012

Intermediate Champion - 2013 International

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Maternal Sister:

Kler-Vu Christmas Candy-ET (EX-90)

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HM JR 2-Year-Old - 2020 JR All-American

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AUGUST 1, 2023

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MEETINGS

JUNE 20-JUNE 21, 2023

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JUNE 23, 2023

AMSS Annual Meeting, Norman, OK

SHOWS

JUNE 22, 2023

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JULY 15-18, 2023

Midwest Regional Milking Shorthorn Show,
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SEPTEMBER 18, 2023

Eastern National Junior Show (Premier Na-
tional), Harrisburg, PA

SEPTEMBER 18, 2023

Northeastern National Junior Show (Big E),
West Springfield, MA

SEPTEMBER 18, 2023

Northeastern National Show (Big E), West
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SEPTEMBER 19, 2023

Eastern National Show (All-American Show),
Harrisburg, PA

OCTOBER 4, 2023

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OCTOBER 5, 2023

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