

# *For Immediate Release*

## **Ayrshire Breeders' Association**

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### **AYRSHIRE BREEDERS' ASSOCIATION NEWS**

COLUMBUS, OH – The Ayrshire Breeders' Association held a virtual annual meeting on Friday morning, July 3, 2020. ABA President Mark Valentine presided over the meeting.

The Association reported an increase in net assets for the past year of \$11,737, with registrations holding steady and a small decrease in transfers. In the election of officers, Billy Branstetter of Hardyville, KY will represent Region 2; Bruce Kempkes of Walton, NE was elected to Region 3; and Kurt Wolf of Epworth, IA will serve as Director at Large. Thank you to outgoing directors Mary Creek, Lloyd Machin and Dale Maulfair for their years of service to the Association.

The Reinholt and Freeman Families of Bremen, IN were the recipients of the top two production awards for their cow, Reinholts Burdette Anneka-ET, EX-93 2E. "Anneka" was awarded the Ayrshire Trophy for the highest actual 305-day record with over 4.0% fat and the Total Performance Award based on energy corrected milk, final score, bred and owned, and net merit. She made 34,310M (50,869 ECM) 6.9% 2,374F 3.6% 1,237P in 305-days at 4-02.

Hall's Ayrshires of Cushing, OK were the recipients of the Rodriguez and Skiff Memorial Trophy for their cow, Hall's Starman Ivette, who made the highest actual 305-day milk record. "Ivette" produced 44,190M 2.8% 1,225F 2.9% 1,294P at 4-11.

Jessica Valentine of Emmitsburg, MD was awarded the Living Lifetime Production Award for Vales-Pride Tri-Magic Jianna. Her lifetime record is 252,770M 4.6% 11,636F 3.2% 8,063P.

French Trophies were awarded to the top two herds in each category according to herd size and based on 305-day Energy Corrected Milk (ECM) production.

	# of cows	ECM
<b><u>80 COWS OR MORE</u></b>		
HALL, GENE, JR., CUSHING, OK	99	21,252
BLUE SPRUCE FARM INC, BRIDPORT, VT	114	20,229
<b><u>40 TO 79 COWS</u></b>		
HABERMANN, TODD, MANITOWOC, WI	41	22,336
PALMYRA FM CATTLE PART., HAGERSTOWN, MD	69	22,191
<b><u>15 TO 39 COWS</u></b>		
FREEMAN, DALTON+DILLON+BREANNE, BREMEN, IN	16	30,636
DONOVAN, BEVERLY J., BENTON, ME	18	28,630

**5 TO 14 COWS**

RIDA, RYAN & MARJORIE, WORTHINGTON, MA	6	28,201
MUELLER, JAMES, TAMI & BRIAN, CUBA CITY, WI	11	22,710

Constructive Breeder Awards were presented to those enrolled in the ABA's REWARDS program that had: at least 50% of herd bred and owned; a minimum herd size of 10 head; a minimum of 110% of the breed's ECM average of 20,9466 and 70% of eligible females were classified with an average score of 86 points or higher.

<b><u>Owner/Farm Name</u></b>	<b><u>% Bred Classified</u></b>	<b><u># Cows</u></b>	<b><u>ECM</u></b>
Freeman, Dalton, Dillon & Breanne, Bremen, IN	100	16	30,636
Donovan, Beverly, Benton, ME	100	18	28,630
Worden, Jacob, Oelwein, IA	88	17	21,836
Maulfair, David, Jonestown, PA	78	35	21,254
Hall, Gene Jr., Cushing, OK	87	99	21,252
Evans, Douglas, Georgetown, NY	100	38	21,216
Palmyra Farm, Hagerstown, MD	82	69	22,191
Miller, Mick, Bradner, OH	83	32	21,097
Busch, Timothy & Katie, Cecil, WI	94	44	21,047