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LETTER FROM THE PRESIDENT1984 General Meeting

A special thank you to Wilmer Schmell, director of Region X, and to his wife Jean for the time and effort that went into arranging a most productive meeting. Everything ran smoothly, and even the weather cooperated with us for our mostly "outdoor" meeting. Most suitable for outdoor type people!

We met a number of people from the north, east and southeast sections of the United States attending their first Dexter meeting: the Stillermans from New York state, Gail Arthur and the Aschenbachs from Vermont, Mildred Rose, the Williams family and the Lebovitz family from Connecticut, the Bunkers from New Hampshire, the Mowrys from Rhode Island, and the Kramers from Florida. Missouri had the greatest representation - four members from there this year: regulars, Jim Mitchell and Dan Randall, and Concha De Lane' came with the Fleharty family. Texas was next with three: Dan Harrell, Elgin, the Julians - Wills Pt. and the Pieratts of Giddings. Frank & Neisha Klein represented Michigan. The Johnsons and Ric Osters came from Ohio. Bob Bright, Julie Jones and the Donovans were there from Wisconsin. Adelaide Richter and Ruth Dunn came from New Jersey, and Charles O'Brien from Pennsylvania. Kay Baker from Minnesota and John Hays from California rounded out our cross-country representation. Canada was represented by the Crowes, Marshall & Doris, and by Peter Lunny, all from Ontario.

Mr Ernst of the University of New Hampshire's Cooperative Extension Service gave a talk on genetics which is a subject of special interest to Dexter breeders. While the hand-out material presented to us is aimed primarily at beef production, it can be readily applied to our dual-purpose animals. Anyone wishing a copy of "Practical Beef Genetics" should contact me at the address on pg 1. I will be happy to send whatever quantity is needed.

A 1985 Meeting location was decided upon - Richfield, Ohio (near Cleveland). Further details will be included in future bulletins as they become available.

"Dexter Cattle" by John Hays. You have all received the flyer that John sent out a couple of weeks ago, but at the meeting, the price of the book was set at \$7.95 per copy with a postage and handling charge of \$1.55 which would cover shipping of up to 5 copies. Checks and orders are to be sent to the secretary, Kay Moore Baker.

Election of Regional Directors

Election for regional directors in Regions I, VII, VIII, IX and X will be held this fall. All will be for 3-year terms with the exception of Region I which will be for 1 year to fill the vacancy created by the loss of Daisy Moore. Any paid-up member, 1984, who is interested in running for office should advise the secretary, Kay Baker, by Oct. 20th that they wish to appear on the ballot. Ballots will be mailed to members in good standing on or before Nov. 1st and must be returned to the secretary no later than Nov 20, 1984.

Condolences

We have just learned that Dr. Robert Hermann, Director of Region VII, has recently lost his wife, Mary. She had been fighting cancer for as many years as we have had our Dexters; yet, she was always there to welcome visitors to their home. Please accept our sympathy, Bob.

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K's KORNER

Dexter Members,

Thank you for the cards, letters, telephone calls, flowers and prayers we received after the loss of our mother and your friend. We appreciated hearing from so many of you.

Kay Moore Baker & Family
Robert Moore & Family
Michael Moore & Family

K's KORNER - - - continued

Minutes 1984 Annual Dexter Meeting - June 23, 1984, Bridgewater Corners, Vermont.

In the morning of June 23, Wilmer Schmell introduced a speaker from the University of New Hampshire, Carlton Ernst, who talked on the subject of genetics. Mr Ernst had tried to locate information on Dexters (of which there is not a lot available). He admitted that this was his first experience with the breed. Nevertheless, he gave us a lot of information on the subject and answered many questions.

We broke for a picnic lunch on the lawn of Wilmer's house where we enjoyed lots of good food prepared by Jean, Wilmer's wife, his daughter and friends.

The general meeting resumed after lunch. This was again held outdoors in front of the motel with a bubbling brook running by to add to the beautiful scenery.

President Johnson opened the afternoon session with reference to the passing of Daisy Moore, long-time Dexter owner, secretary for 32 years, and Region I Director for 2 years until her death. Her many years of service to the Association made a big contribution toward its continuation.

Kay Moore Baker has picked up the reins and done a fine job. Right now she is behind with registrations and correspondence but if you will bear with her, things will get back to running smoothly.

Mr Johnson expressed his condolences to Kay and her family.

Daisy was very instrumental in helping to gather information for publications, etc. Several people had started gathering other information to be put together in a joint book on Dexter cattle. Recently, John Hays has put all of the pieces together and completed the book. He put a lot of time and energy into its completion. Belle, his wife, did the art work. Many photographs are included. The book will be offered to the Dexter members as soon as the directors meet and set the particulars for it.

The following was decided later at the Directors' meeting: The price for the book has been set at \$7.95 per copy plus postage and handling charge of \$1.55 (you can order up to 5 copies and the \$1.55 will cover the order). Send orders and check to Kay Moore Baker, RR #4, Box 313, Rochester, MN 55904.

President Johnson thanked John Hays for his efforts in completing the project.

Last year at the meeting there was discussion of setting A.I. standards. We have had a couple meetings; are still working on getting more input before coming up with A.I. standards for adoption.

Questions and Comments

1. General association in wide agreement on conformation of bulls and cows. Both cow and bull standards have been established.
2. Sheet to pass out giving pertinent information to a potential buyer who knows nothing about cattle or their care.
Two good books on the subject - The Family Cow and Cow Economy can be found in bookstores. Also, your veterinarian, feed store and county or cooperative extension service can be a big help.
Kay sends out to each new member a Membership Certificate, a copy of the latest Herd Book, the Bylaws and Amendment, bulletins that have been published so far that year, A.I. list, fee information, tattooing information, and the name, address and phone number of their Regional Director.
3. It was suggested that we have a question/answer section in the bulletin with names and addresses to go with.
Cornell University has a handbook on Beef Cattle for \$15.00 plus postage and handling. Jim Johnson will supply address.

Questions and Comments - - - continued

4. Would it be possible to have vital statistics on the bulls that are available for A.I. semen - - pictures.
5. "For Sale" ads are run once. If you want your ad run again, please notify the Bulletin editor that it is to be included in the next issue.
6. Rex Kramer, Beerex Farm, P O Box 906, Jupiter, FL 33468, would like to have all articles about Dexters that have been published. Please send him a copy of anything you might have.
Association maintaining archives. Each member responsible for seeing that the secretary gets a copy of any and all articles. Compile a list of what is available giving date, magazine, page and title.
Recent article in Harrowsmith, a Canadian magazine, about Dexters featuring Crowe's herd.
7. One member had a bloat problem with her Dexter. The vet wasn't very helpful, they tried several cures, and finally the animal seemed to grow out of it. Undeveloped first stomach was possible diagnosis by the vet.
8. Some members getting calls from all over the United States - not just their region. The "For Sale" list that Kay makes and sends to inquiries includes the names, addresses and phone numbers of the entire membership all over the country - not each region separately. Sometimes a region doesn't have anything for sale within their boundaries. An interested potential owner will call or travel anywhere they can get a Dexter.
9. Lack of transfers.
We try to impress upon the seller that he or she is responsible for transferring the animal. However, many times the signed registration is given to the new owner, or they receive a completed application so that they can register the animal. Have a printed sheet for new people inviting them to join the Association. This, to be handed out by members who are selling animals. Any time the secretary gets a new owner's name they are written and encouraged to join and it is made known to them who to contact for assistance.
10. Farm Names or Herd Names. Sort of an understood policy that each member has their own herd name and that this cannot be used by anyone else.
11. Registration Names. Your animal's name must have a limitation of 21 letters (that includes the herd name and the animal's name).
12. When registering A.I. bred animals be sure to send the A.I. slip that you receive from the technician or vet. along with the regular registration application.
13. Does the Association have a form for blood typing when drawing semen for A.I.? No. Blood typing will have future significance because of future A.I. breeding techniques. Most laboratories that do blood typing provide a form for same.
14. Halters for Animals. Wilmer's bull had on a nylon horse halter. Dehorned animals are more apt to lose halters than horned animals. Ideal Halter Co. in Ohio makes a rope halter that is adjustable.
15. Method of getting rid of manure (a problem for small farms). a) shovel & wheelbarrow, b) compost pile, c) garden, d) garden tractor & trailer, e) nursery.
16. Brucellosis vaccination. Each state has different requirements for vaccination of animals (male, female, age, etc.). Animal Health Association can provide this information regarding state regulations as well as your vet. In shipping animals out of the country, you have both state and federal regulations - not the same.
17. Requirement of one state fair is to have Association approval to exhibit. No objection by ADCA -great publicity for both ADCA and Dexters. Easier for members to show within their state than to travel a great distance.
18. Brochures. The latest reprint of the brochure we have used for several years changed the inside 3/5ths to read 2/3rds so it coincides with the front. Available supply. The new brochure is waiting on pictures- wording all set. Bob Bright, former photographer, will take pictures as he visits various herds this summer.
19. Milking of cattle. One member who had been having difficulty milking his cows made this statement: "Boy, have they got a surprise when I get home. I've learned some things I didn't know the last time I talked to them." A young man in California has milked for 2 years. No records for comparison, but he keeps himself and the neighbors supplied.

Questions and Comments - - - continued

20. Induced heat - positives or negatives. If you use induced heat it doesn't appear to be a problem to get your cow back into a natural heat rhythm. Depends on what you use. Ohio State - possible injectable material that will bring a cow into a freshened state without having to produce a calf.
21. Embryo transplant. Large investment - cost is still high. When embryo can be sexed would be a better time to consider it. Registration would not be a problem - E. T. like we use A.I. now.
22. Is collecting dues a problem? Some. Several people still owe their 1984 dues. They will be billed.
23. Herd Book is an annual publication.
24. One member has been corresponding with the South African Dexter Association. A number of South Africans are raising Dexters commercially. The pictures of their animals as seen in reprints of articles they have sent look promising. Americans basically have one blood line. The same is true of England. Discussed possibility of importing semen from South Africa. Might be inadvisable because of prevalence of tropical disease. Do we want to be exposed to diseases or other problems that we don't have now.
25. Dexter is classified as a rare breed. (see pages 16, 17 & 18 of John's book).
26. One state that has several members in close proximity has gotten together to promote showing of their cattle and also the sale of them.
27. There are a few Dexters in Ireland. One of our members saw them when visiting recently. (17 registered English imports.)
28. One party brought up the objection that as most members are unable to attend the annual meetings, they have little voice in what goes on in the Association. As we now stand, policies are proposed at the meetings and voted on by the Directors who are elected by the members in their respective Regions. Is an amendment to the By-Laws needed stating that if a policy is to be passed, it should be presented first to the general membership for vote, majority ruling? Could the bulletin, after each annual meeting, contain the proposed policies which are to be voted upon by the membership by a given date with results printed in the next bulletin? An example was the Standards. A committee made up of members from various parts of the country proposed the Standards which were read at the annual meeting. Those in attendance gave input. The proposed Standards were then printed in the next bulletin, and the membership had a whole year in which to express themselves to their Regional Director. At the next meeting, warranted changes were made and the Standards approved. (Standards for Bulls were done one year and for cows, the following year.)
Is any change necessary? We have a wide-spread membership. Directors are the delegates from their Regions and, currently, they vote. Basically, this is the way the By-Laws are set up. Officers and directors are always accessible to the membership.

The meeting was adjourned, and we enjoyed lemonade and iced tea which Jean had ready for us. The banquet was held at a quaint little New England inn. Some of us did a little sightseeing while the Directors held their meeting after dinner and then it was "head for home" on Sunday morning.

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REPORT FROM THE PACIFIC REGION

Jef Jaloff, Petaluma, California, reports he has just purchased from Gus & Ev Young of Livermore 2 bred cows, a bred heifer and a yearling bull. This gives him a herd of about a dozen Dexters. Jef regularly milks his cows and keeps records thereof. He would, I am sure, be glad to answer any inquiries about Dexter milk and milking. His telephone number is (707) 823-7112.

Gary Prichard of Eugene Oregon reports seeing an article about Sandi Thomas (Fossil, Oregon) showing her Dexters at a fair. I have not been able to reach Sandi by phone to confirm or expatriate and I am already late in getting this report to the bulletin editor - maybe too late!

Calving is due this Fall/Winter at Talisman Farm. I have decided to concentrate on heifers and have told the aggregation to co-operate.

John Hays
Director, Pacific Region

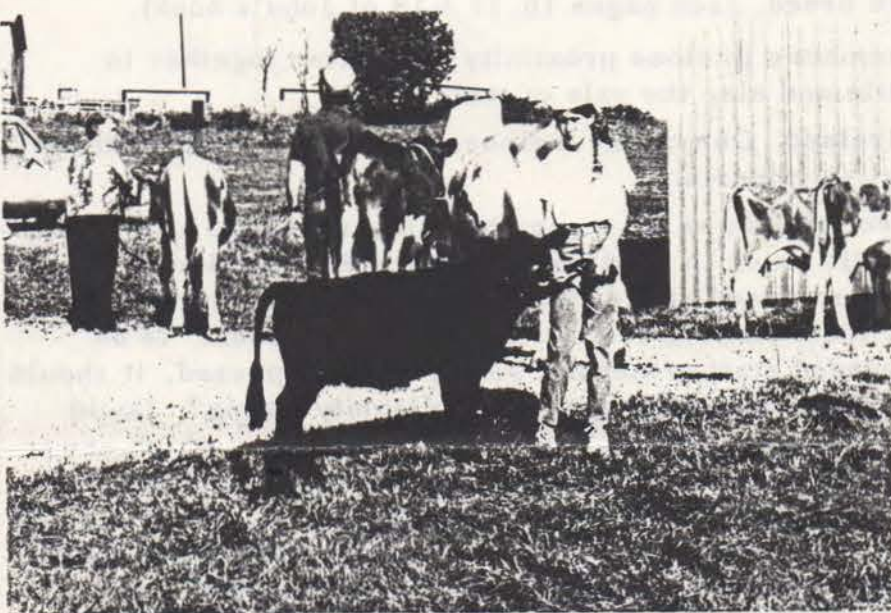
REPORT FROM THE MID-SOUTH REGION

The following is taken from a most interesting letter from Wally Swett of Primarily Primates, Inc., a unique animal sanctuary:

"Her (Willow Creek Ada) first obligation is as a milk producer to supplement the diets of our non-human primate charges so the decision was made by the board to try hormones called Cattle-lac as suggested by our Veterinarian while we were trying to guage her cycle preparatory to A.I. Ten days later, two shots per day for that period, and Ada slowly is coming into milk and developing a very nice even udder. She's currently milking over two quarts a day and increasing each time. For a hand-raised calf (now almost 3 years old) she has always been feisty, but is accepting the indignity of milking very well. The milk is of fantastic quality with lots of cream. We're hoping for a good increase in yield and long lactation."

The Walt Disney Studios released a television documentary on Primarily Primates work in February. It will air again this fall on the Disney Cable Channel - titled "A Matter of Survival". The Dexter Cow, Ada, appears in the opening sequence.

REPORT FROM THE NORTH CENTRAL APPALACHIAN REGION



Sarah Read of Claysville, Pa showed her 4H project calf, Laurel of Old Orchard, at the West Alexander, Pa. fair in Sept. 1983. Laurel was the first Dexter to be shown here, and there was a lot of teasing in the dairy barn about the "little" one, but she and Sarah placed third in a fitting class for junior dairy heifers, and the judge commented on what an excellent 4H project animal she was.

REPORT FROM THE NORTH PLAINS REGION

Kay Baker sent us a nice article written by Rosemary Rieman of Allison, Iowa. Publication of the minutes of the meeting in this issue precludes our use of the article in full. However; "One of our cows is a typical "house cow". She not only supplies us, her calf and the neighbor with milk, but also our cats, dogs and chickens as well. She is fed approximately a gallon of feed daily (corn, oats, and a small amount of dairy supplement) plus hay in the winter, 1/4 to 1/3 bale or pasture in the summer. We milk her twice a day and receive about three or more gallons daily. It would be interesting to have a dairy herd of Dexters. I'm sure with high quality feed that for the amount of feed consumed, although you may have more cattle, Dexters could be competitive in milk production."

FOR SALE * * * FOR SALE * * * FOR SALE * * * FOR SALE * * * FOR SALE *

CALIFORNIA

3 Bulls:

#2730 Sunset M & M 2/8/83

#2769 Sunset Buster Brown (red) 4/3/84

#2770 Sunset Sergeant 4/11/84

Evert & Maryam Young

7000 Tesla Road

Livermore, CA 94550

(415) 455-1696

Note: In a later communication, the Youngs* are selling their entire herd. However, * some are already sold - see Pacific Region*

* Please advise the editor if you wish to
* have your ads run in the next issue. Other-
* wise, your listings will be considered sold.
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IDAHO

Registered 1983 short-legged
bull calf.

Shane & Janice Horton

P O Box 366

Challis, ID 83226

(208) 879-2471

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For Sale - - Continued

MARYLAND

2 cows: 7 yr, open - \$500
14 mos. - \$650
Elisa Moseley
Rt 1 Box 488
Smithburg, MD 21783
(301) 824-3299

MISSOURI

2 Cows
1 Yearling Heifer
Frank & Dodie McLean
R R #2 Box 334
Huntsville, MO 65259
(816) 277-4824

OHIO

Bulls of various ages & bloodlines.
Heifer calves
Young cows
Aged Cows
James G Johnson
4092 Broadview Rd
Richfield, OH 44286
(216) 659-4861

OREGON

2 Bulls:
#2618 Sir - coming 2 yrs., 36", small
& well filled out. Has been shown,
leads & handles well.
#2620 Deuce - coming 1 yr, short,
beefy, good mile producing ancestors
Sandi & Al Thomas
Clarno Rt #2
Fossil, OR 97830
(503) 763-4606

TEXAS

All small and beautiful!
#1651 Tam Urania Peerless - f, 2/10/74
#2323 Pretty Colleen, f, 2/10/81
#2766 Molly Magee, f, 4/22/83
#1851 Tam Jackson Clio, m, 2/1/77
#2446 Christmas Day, m, 12/25/81
Henry & Leona Whitworth
Rt #1, Box 1
Leona, TX 75850
(214) 344-2261

WISCONSIN

Bulls and cows of various ages.
#2279 Peerless Lillie, 6/14/80
#2478 Lilliputt Frelocka, 5/3/82
2 Heifer calves, born 3/24/84
and 4/ 4/84
Lilliputt Farms (608) 588-7347
R Bright & J Jones
Rt. 2, Dane Hill Rd
Spring Green, WI 53588

MINNESOTA

2 yr old bull #2437,
Stormy of Wicke Estate
Also calves & cows of various ages.
Ray Myers
Rt 1, Box 411
Pequot Lakes, MN 56472
(218) 568-5210

NORTH DAKOTA

Heifer & bull calves, bred heifers
& cows, mature bull. One cow is red,
rest black. Delivery can be arranged.
Melvin Pierce
Rt 2, Box 27
Scranton, ND 58653
(701) 275-8291

OKLAHOMA

2 yr old cow with bull calf at side.
\$1000 for the pair.
Bill Lawrence
Rt 1 Box 235C
Bristow, OK 74010
(918) 367-3735

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#2060 Gypsy Valentine & heifer calf
#2391 Frosty Fine - dob 4/3/82 - bull
David Archer
R R #3 Box 233
Harrah, OK 73045
(405) 391-3057

PENNSYLVANIA

Bulls, calves, yearlings and adult.
Heifer calves, yearling heifers, bred
and open cows. Most stock tame.
Paul & Marcia Read
R D 2 Box 232
Claysville, PA 15323

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Registered 2 yr old cow
#2792 Maple Grove Kate
Kathy Dodge & Pete Snyder
RD #2
Lake Ariel, PA 18436
(717) 698-6173

VERMONT

Herd bull, 3 yrs old
Heifer, 15 mos. old
Heifer, 4 mos. old
Wilmer Schmell
Bridgwater Corners, VT 05035
(802) 672-3621
Register your calves early. If you need
forms, contact the secretary:
Kay Moore Baker
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Rochester, MN 55904

DEXTER SEMEN AVAILABLE FOR A.I.

Collected From:	*	Collected From:
Jamie O'Callen #1949	*	Yom Kippur of Clovebrook #1765
James G Johnson	*	Rodman of South Hollow #2104
4092 Broadview Rd	*	William Beard
Richfield, Ohio 44286	*	Quaker Neck Road
(216) 659-4861	*	Bozman, MD 21612
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Collected From:	*	Collected From:
Marnell's Black Magic #1804	*	Aldebaran Priapus
Thomas's Dexters	*	All British imported bull.
Clarno Rt #2	*	Property of Eric Lawlor
Fossil, OR 97830	*	Order from:
(503) 763-4606	*	Michigan Livestock Service
*****	*	110 N Main St.
All semen is owned and sold by ADCA	*	Ovid, MI 48866
members individually. Contact them	*	Price - \$15.00 straw + shipping & handling.
for description of bulls and shipping	*	Semen guaranteed - money refunded if
details.	*	bulldog calf results.
*****	*****	*****

THE BOOKSHELF

Dexter Cattle by John Hays - USA	*	The Dexter Cow and Cattle Keeping on
	*	a Small Scale by Dr Wm Thrower - England
\$7.95 per copy plus \$1.55 postage	*	
and handling.	*	\$7.50 per copy post paid.
Order from:	*	Order from:
Kay Moore Baker, Sec.	*	William W Beard
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Rochester, MN 55904	*	Bozman, MD 21612
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