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LETTER FROM THE PRESIDENT:

We regret not having been able to attend the meeting in Guelph this year, but circumstances were such that it was inadvisable. Sincere thanks go to Eric Lawlor for setting up the meeting with its' unending details and demands on his time. We have heard nothing but praise for Eric. Patricia Freeman sent us a copy of the Elgin Farmer's page 1 feature on the meeting. It contained an informative and factual history of the Dexter and its growth in Canada. It is a bit large to reproduce here, but in the photo of Eric with one of his calves, John Hays and Manny Stillerman are quite in evidence. Nice going, Eric!

My thanks also go to Dean Fleharty for his adept handling of the meeting in my absence, and to Rosemary Fleharty for taking minutes of the meeting.

Several appointments were made. The A. I. Committee will consist of Sandi Thomas, chair, Eric Lawlor and Mrs Ingalls (or Dean Fleharty or his appointment). The Advertising Committee is headed by Marcia Read, who is authorized to spend \$1000 promoting Dexters this year. And then, Lois Johnson was made official Editor of the Bulletin. Dan Harrell was appointed to chair an editorial committee for same.

The 1987 General ADCA Meeting will be held in Oklahoma City, OK on July 10, 11 & 12. This should give many more members a chance to attend as all schools should be out for the summer and, hopefully, most of the haying will be done by then. (We have a remarkable number of teachers in our association.)

Also, a motion passed to omit the letters I, O, Q & V from usage in tattoo identification and registration. This coincides with Canadian regulations, also. Therefore, T =1985, U = 1986, W =1987, X = 1988, Y = 1989, Z = 1990, A = 1991, etc.

Your newly elected officers are:

President	Dean Fleharty
Vice President	Don Piehota
Sec/Treas	Kay Baker

A motion was also passed that the ADCA have a President Emeritus with voting privileges.

Congratulations, everyone . We look forward to our best year yet with the Dexter Association. There is a lot of work to be done yet, but we are sure to get it done with such a fine set of officers and directors as we have now.

Sincerely,
James G Johnson

1985 FINANCIAL REPORT

Income		Expenses	
29 new members	\$ 290.00	Postmaster	\$ 478.04
101 annual dues	1,515.00	Refunds	30.00
1 1984 annual dues	15.00	Delaware Franchise Tax	9.90
10 1986 annual dues	150.00	Internal Revenue Service	320.86
3 subscriptions	15.00	Job Service of Iowa	43.56
1 duplicate	5.00	Service Charge on checking acct	44.80
220 registrations	2,220.00	Bulletin Expense (L. Johnson)	390.23
126 transfers	1,260.00	Anundsen Publishing Co.	115.18
books and postage	519.95	Transportation (Cleveland, O)	314.00
meeting in Cleveland	1,364.00	Supplies	129.19
interest on checking acct	336.81	Advertising (Countryside &	
donations	9.55	Farmstead)	383.40
	\$7,700.31	Ohio meeting expenses	1,558.93
		Brochures printing (PIP-	
		Jim Johnson)	376.08
		Repair Copier	67.30
		Telephone (1984 & 1985)	216.54
		Shortages	149.50
		Secretary Fees	1,800.00
			\$6,427.51
		On Hand January 1985	\$7,671.82
		On Hand January 1986	\$8,944.62

ANNUAL MEETING - Dexter Cattle Association - June 21, 1986.

The Annual Meeting of the American Dexter Cattle Association was called to order at 8:17 a.m. at the Biltmore Inn, Guelph, Ontario, Canada on June 21, 1986 by Vice President Dean Fleharty (in the absence of President Jim Johnson).

Members present: Bonnie Boudreau, Winona Crapp, Ruth Dunn, Dean Fleharty, Rosemary Fleharty, Dan Harrell, Belle Hays, John Hays, Frank Klein, Neisha Klein, Eric Lawlor, LaVerne Lunny, Peter Lunny, Jeanne Mitchell, Jim Mitchell, Leon O'Brient, Vicky O'Brient, June Osters, Rick Osters, Pat Piehota, Marcia Read, Paul Read, Don Richings, Adelaide Richter, Manuel Stillerman, Sophia Stillerman and Sandi Thomas.

The minutes of the 1985 Annual Meeting were read by Marcia Read in the absence of the secretary, Kay Baker. Corrections and additions were called for by Vice President Fleharty. It was moved (R Osters) and seconded (A. Richter) and passed to approve the minutes as read.

D Harrell questioned if the new edition of John Hays' book had been paid for.

Winona Crapp raised the question whether a quorum was present. John Hays stated that we have never made an effort to determine if we had a quorum. Manny Stillerman felt we were acting in a reasonable manner and the quorum question did not need to come up.

The financial report was distributed. It was moved (J. Hays), seconded (S. Stillerman) and passed to accept the financial report. It was requested that a breakdown of expenses be made by the secretary. Vice President Fleharty stated that questions on the financial report would be brought up at the board meeting.

For informational purposes the minutes from the 1985 Directors Meeting were read by Marcia Read.

Report on advertising - John Hays - two ads were run: one in "Countryside" (6 mos \$270) publicizing the breed and the book; the other was run in "Farmstead" (4 issues \$113) publicizing only the book. Originally 300 of John Hays book were printed. We have now reprinted an additional 400. The first printing cost was about \$5.60 per book and the second edition was about \$4.50. It will be suggested that subscriptions for renewal of the ads be made at the Directors meeting. Only changes that were made in the book were on the cover, some of the silhouettes, and the book was copywrited. No information was available on which ad was the most successful.

Report on AI Committee - Sandi Thomas - the first meeting was held in Oregon. At that time the following were discussed:

- 1) That a permit number would be issued by the association that the animal had met certain requirements (blood work would be done at a lab).
- 2) That the animal be listed with an AI Registry or that a listing with information available about all animals that had been collected be made available.
- 3) That a breeder's certificate or inseminator's certificate be required.

It was moved (S Thomas), seconded (Jim Mitchell) and passed to approve the following A I Standards:

- 1) All animals must be registered.
- 2) That we blood type the sire and his dam and sire if available.
- 3) That we have an A I Registry in the association.
- 4) That we require an inseminator's certificate or breeder's certificate.

It was moved (E Lawlor), seconded (W Crapp) that the motion be amended to read:

- 2) That we blood type the sire and that the association strongly recommends but does not require the blood typing of his dam and sire.

The original motion as amended was approved.

Minutes 1985 ADCA Meeting - continued:

For discussion purposes only Jim Mitchell proposed the following:

- 1) That election of officers be by general membership of the association.
- 2) That an annual audit be conducted.
- 3) That By-Laws be amended so that policies be voted on by all members of the association.
- 4) Registration be completed within a set time or be done free.
- 5) Annual printing of the herd book or a refund of annual dues be made.

John Hays stated that it would not be feasible for officers to be elected by all members. There would be far too many nominations for appointment to officers' positions. The association would then probably use a nominating committee which would work similar to our present operation.

Pat Piehota suggested that officers' terms be limited to one year. Sophia Stillerman endorses this suggestion.

Sophia Stillerman suggested that possible officer appointments could become effective in July or a time closer to our annual meeting.

It was the general consensus that Eric Lawlor be thanked for the job he had done in setting up this year's meeting.

It was moved (D Harrell), seconded (S Stillerman) and approved to adjourn the meeting.

Meeting adjourned 12:00 noon.

Respectfully submitted, Rosemary Fleharty (Interim Recording Secretary)

In addition to the items mentioned in the President's Letter, John Hays submits the following actions taken at the Director's meeting in Guelph last June:

- (1) Previous to these meetings, Article II, Section 4(c) of the By-Laws, defining the duties of the Secretary, included therein, among other things, the execution of Registration Certificates and Ownership Transfers and the maintaining and promulgation of Herd Books. To permit more flexibility, should the Board determine that at some time in the future other arrangements should be made to take care of the performance of these functions, Article 4(c) was amended at the Board of Directors Meeting to delete these functions and to read in its entirety as follows:

"The Secretary shall receive and retain all applications for Membership and maintain a Membership Roll, send notices of meetings, maintain a Minute Book, be responsible for the recording and custody of minutes of all Membership and Board Meetings and all other corporate records, and perform such other functions as the President, with Board approval, may from time to time assign."

- (2) A change was made in the procedure for appointment of Officers. Under the By-Laws, the Officers are to be appointed not by the full Board (which includes not only the Regional Directors, but also the then-current Officers), but rather, by the "vote or written consent of a majority of the Regional Directors". Consistent therewith, the Officers present at the meeting of the full Board were asked to leave the room, as were those members who had attended the Board Meeting, enabling the Regional Directors to meet in privacy for this purpose.

REPORT FROM THE NORTH PLAINS REGION:

The North Plains Region held a regional meeting at Rathbun Lake in Rathbun, Iowa. Those in attendance were from Missouri, Iowa, and special guests from Michigan. Items of concern for the national meeting were discussed following a potluck luncheon.

Jim Mitchell had several promotional items available for members to order. Anyone interested in Dexter desk sets, cookie jars, banks, salt & pepper shakers, belt buckles etc. please contact Jim at Rt 2, Box 71, Paris, MO 65275.

Rosemary Fleharty recently had an article published in the July/August issue of "Country People". It seems to be generating a lot of interest in finding out about the Dexter breed.

Congratulations to Dean Fleharty on being elected as President, and to Don Piehota, newly elected Vice-President of the Dexter Cattle Association for 1987.

Rosemary Fleharty, Director

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REPORT FROM THE PACIFIC REGION

On hearing that Cazadera was one of the towns badly hit by the recent flooding here in California, I telephoned Dick and May Olsson who some months ago bought two heifer calves from Talisman Farm, and found that although the Olsson's farm was badly flooded with loss of animal life, the two calves (Anne & Alice) were at Jef Jalof's place in Petaluma being bred and out of danger. There was plenty of rain here at Comptche but the area is adapted to it and there was no flooding in our immediate vicinity.

A letter from Carol Ellen of Garberville reports that her Dexter cow (Talisman Muriel) "presented us with another bull calf. That makes 7 in a row here with never a heifer from either cow I've had. (They're not all Dexters!) She makes that o.k. by being such a good little milker with finally a sweet temperament. Our old Jersey died at the end of summer and after trying to help all 1200 pounds of her through the ends of old age I'm enjoying the Dexters greatly. Muriel's giving almost 3 gal. a day with 1 gal. going to her bouncing calf. I'm making cheese and butter and selling some milk."

We had a nice little heifer born Christmas Eve; she had to be named Noël. Other cows will be calving here in the next two or three months and we're hoping for a better percentage than Carol Ellen's.

In April, two cows and a heifer left Talisman Farm bound for Cloverleaf Ranch in Hoquiam, Washington (George and Cathy Walker) and two cows departed for Mollalla, Oregon (Chuck and Patricia Clark). Both the Walkers and the Clarks have had Dexters for some time, so the newcomers will be welcomed in kind. As earlier indicated, Washington and Oregon continue to dominate the field so far as the Dexter population in the Pacific Region is concerned.

I have accepted an invitation (spawned by the roguery of Doris Crowe) from the American Minor Breeds Conservancy to participate as a speaker in a Conference or Symposium to be held in Seattle September 19-21. Many of the other speakers are professors or professional experts so I may be a little out of my depth, but it will be an opportunity to spread the good word about Dexters. My topic is "Dexter Cattle: The Ideal Family Cow", and I hope to do the subject justice.

John Hays, Director

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We received the cancellation of a "For Sale" ad for Joseph Boyko of Rogue River, Oregon. Happily, he has had a change of circumstances, and will be able to keep his cow, Gentle Image. He says: "I can see Dexter people must stick in there and help each other. Its tough to start with Dexters. Most people have never heard of Dexter cattle in my area of Southern Oregon."

Right, Joe. Helping each other is what it's all about!

REPORT FROM THE MID-SOUTH REGION

To All Members:

At the recent meeting in Canada, I was asked by the acting chairman Dean Fleharty, to spearhead a drive to create more interest in and contributions to The Bulletin from all our members.

We are interested in every one of you whether you have one Dexter or fifty-one. Don't say you can't write. I have managed to get a few items printed and take it from me, I'd make a better ditch digger than journalist. If you will just sit down at a table with paper and pen in hand that is 99% of it. Tell us about how you got started with Dexters, how many you have, any problems you have had, any tips you want to pass on such as feeding, fencing, herd management, etc. The list goes on and on.

The important thing is, promise yourself you will send something to Lois Johnson in Richfield, Ohio at least twice a year. Don't send any bulletin material to me - send it direct to Lois. Your article may be held over due to lack of space, but it will come out in the next bulletin. Lets fill her mail box. Whatta Ya say?

Deadlines for material will be: February 1st, May 1st, August 1st and November 1st.

Lets make this OUR bulletin, not theirs!

Dan Harrell, Director

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And it would seem that Dan may well be our next year's meeting "organizer" since Oklahoma City was his suggestion for a location. Thanks, Dan.

REPORT FROM THE MID - ATLANTIC REGION

In January, we had our first experience with a calf being rejected by his mother. Perhaps "rejected" isn't a strong enough word. She picked him up on her horns and threw him into the air twice before we could rescue him. In falling the second time, he hit a hard object and lost three teeth. Other than that, he seemed to have suffered no damage.

We found a sheltered spot in the barn, where he would be protected - and three times a day and then twice a day we tied up his mother and led him out to nurse. Later, during the day, he had the enclosure next to her lot and straw was put next to the separating fence where he rested during the day. She therefore became accustomed to his presence. This was her first calf and instinct finally took over, and we could see her licking him through the fence.

The amusing thing is that the calf was imprinted to associate people with feeding time, and so runs over to the person who fed him and then to his mother, as if he can't make up his mind as to which would be more productive.

He seems to be growing into a healthy, well formed calf.

Ruth Dunn, Director

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As mentioned in Dan Harrell's letter, the deadline for materials for the next issue of the Bulletin is November 1st.

I want to thank the Directors for their confidence in me by appointing me Editor of the Bulletin. I really enjoy putting this newsletter together. Then, when I meet someone I have had correspondence from, it is like meeting an old friend. I can't acknowledge all materials received, but rest assured they will be used.

Lois Johnson

REPORT FROM THE CANADIAN REGION

Greetings From Canada!!!

I want to let you know how much I enjoyed hosting the 1986 Annual Meeting. I would appreciate any and all comments and suggestions to be sent to me at 3135 Bartholomew Crescent, Mississauga, Ontario, Canada L5N 3K9. It is only through your comments that we can make the meetings better. I shall pass on all comments to next year's organizer.

I was not alone in my efforts. Special thanks go to Russ Berry for arranging for Dr. Vanderbyl to give us his excellent session on herd health. Also, hearty thanks to Jack and Merle Griffin, John and Louise Bush, and Judith and Doug Wooley for opening their farms to us for visits.

My deepest thanks go to you who attended. You are the ones who made it all worth while.

I hope to see you all again, both next year and in the years to come.

Eric Lawlor

Patricia Freeman sends regrets that she could not attend the meeting - - she had been planning on it, but two little does decided to kid on that weekend, upsetting the apple cart.

Patricia says she got her three little Dexters from Marcia Read in Pennsylvania, and thinks they are the greatest. She milks one cow for her own use, with extra milk going to two neighbors. In fact, the neighbors are now talking about milking a cow - saying that store milk tastes like "garbage" after drinking Dexter milk.

Patricia Freeman
Dutton, Ontario

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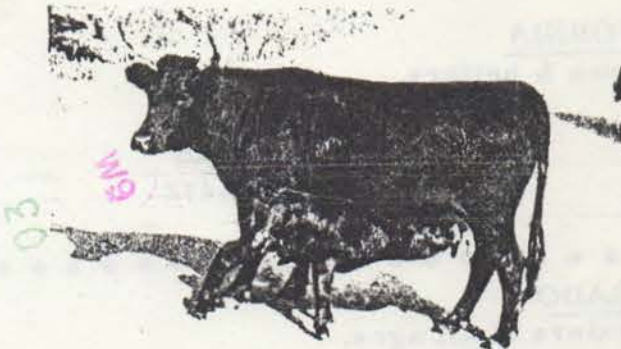
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