

**A Breed from the past,
for the present and the future.**

DEXTER CATTLE

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AMERICAN DEXTER CATTLE ASSOCIATION

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EDITOR

Lois Johnson, 4092 Broadview Rd, Richfield, OH 44286

EDITOR 'S NOTE

I would like to thank those of you who took the time to send comments on the first issue of our Bulletin in the new format - - Rudy Gilster, Jack Goodman, Roger Slobody, Rich & Bonnie Boudreau, and Dan & Paula Randall. Sure helps to know that someone noticed, good or bad.

You will have observed that there are two changes in the directors listed on the opposite page: Region 7's new director, Phil Martz, was tied with Marcia Read in the vote, but Marcia decided simply to withdraw, settling the matter. The other new name is Region 10's Jon Haskins, replacing Wilmer Schmell.

Wilmer Schmell was director of Region 10 for at least 12 years that I personally know of, and probably many years before that. It is sad to learn that health problems prompted Wilmer's decision not to run for the directorship again. Such loyal people as he have kept the Association alive. We hope Wilmer will be able to attend at least the eastern meetings - wouldn't be the same without him.

Also, I felt that an explanation of our system of election of officers was in order to set Mr Boyko straight - Dean Fleharty can in no way take all the credit for the election of our "female" president:

PROGRESS REPORT ON REVISED BY-LAWS

Responsive to a request to her from a member that a particular function of ADCA be addressed in each upcoming newsletter, Lois asked me to explain in this issue our system for election/appointment of directors/officers.

Because the present by-laws are under comprehensive review by a Committee appointed at the last annual meeting and directed to come up with an overall revision thereof, I question whether it is appropriate to do any more at this juncture than to state that under the present arrangement the members of each of the 11 Regions elect, at three-year intervals, one director to serve a three year term - - (these Regional elections being staggered so that either 3 or 4 directors are so elected every year) - - and the officers are appointed each year by the Regional Directors to serve a one-year term. There are several features of the present system which the Committee will consider changing, one being a proposal that there be a method of nominating candidates for election to directorship.

As Chairman of the By-Laws Revision Committee I can report that the views of all of the members (there are 4 on what are considered to be the critical points) have been exchanged by extensive round-robin correspondence, and I am now in a position, and have agreed to put together and circulate to each committee member for their consideration a draft which we can then all work over and, hopefully, come up with a unanimous recommendation. Due in part to the holiday season but more particularly to personal and business commitments which have intervened I have not been able to do anything on the project since Thanksgiving, but plan to turn to it this month so that it will move ahead.

John Hays, Director

MEET YOUR OFFICERS

PRESIDENT

Our new president, Sandi Thomas, read about Dexters in "Organic Gardening" in 1976. After receiving information on breeders from the ADCA, Sandi and her husband Al purchased "the only option we got - our current herd bull, Mar Nel's Black Magic". In 1978 they located a bred female in California. 1980 saw the purchase of 4 cows and a 6-yr old bull in Utah.

Having outgrown their home of 18 years, Sandi and Al relocated in central Oregon in order to continue with the breed. "I became an A. I. Technician before we left civilization in case we might decide to go that route with breeding"

"We have raised three daughters, have three grandchildren, one adopted daughter at home and (right now) one foster son, our Indian Chief. We have been foster parents for nineteen years.

In her spare time Sandi likes to ride horses and work in the garden.



VICE PRESIDENT

Jim Mitchell, our new Vice President, became interested in Dexters when he read that article by Don Piehota in one of the "Country" magazines. His first stock was purchased from Texas A & M in May of 1977 - one old cow and a bull! A year later, again with the help of Don Piehota, he located a few more head. From these, Jim and his wife Jeanne have developed their own herd of as many as 60 head, continually culling for the quality, beefier animal with good dairy ability. The Mitchells now have a state-certified disease-free herd of about 30 females.

Jim and Jeanne both work for the local school district - Jeanne in Home Ec and the Library, and Jim teaching Physics and Physical Science. Their son Jared (16 yrs old) helps his father with a custom hay business in the summer.

Jim is co-founder and a charter member of the Missouri Dexter Breeders Association, and is extremely active in showing with the many groups and fairs around their area.



MEET YOUR OFFICERS



SECRETARY

Rosemary Fleharty was unanimously elected Secretary of the American Dexter Cattle Association by the Board of Directors at the last annual meeting.

Rosemary has a full time job with Central Missouri State University, Administrative Assistant for the Center for Technology and Small Business Development. Still, she has been able to keep up with ADCA Registrations, Transfers, and has put out a Herd Book. Busy Lady!

Rosemary has also implemented the use of a computer system for the ADCA which is a feat in itself.

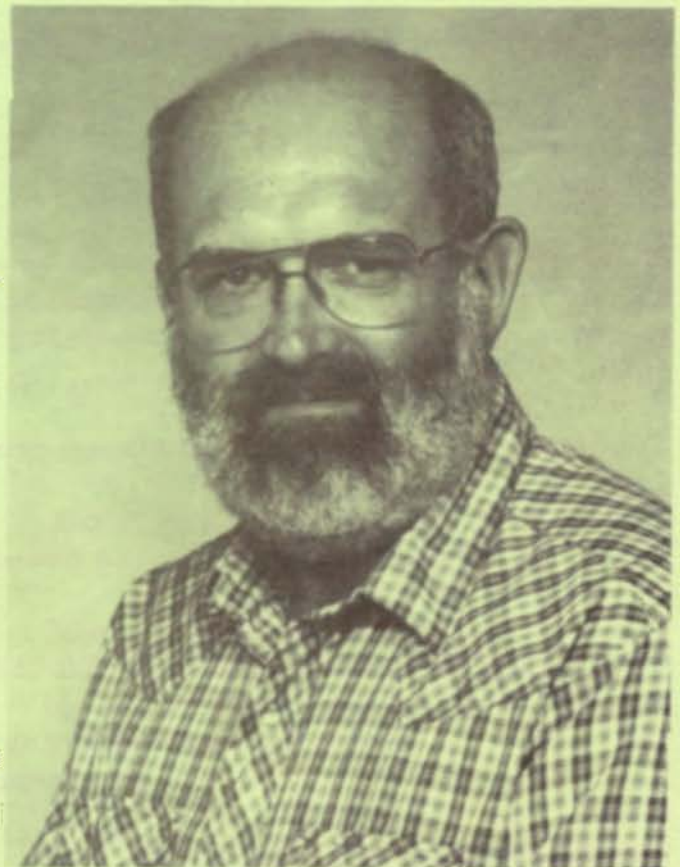
IMMEDIATE PAST PRESIDENT

Dean Fleharty, in his year of presidency, has installed a Tandy 1000 computer in the offices of the ADCA. He states that it is a P C level computer which is IBM compatible.

Dean hopes that the computer will pay for itself in a couple or three years in cost savings on having the Herd Book type set.

Dean's enjoyment comes from helping others in any way he can to improve their Dexters and to document statistics on the cattle generally.

Dean and his family still maintain their herd in Concordia, MO where they continue to breed and cull for quality.



LETTER FROM THE PRESIDENT

As I begin this year of service to the members of the ADCA, I would like to publicly thank those giving me the opportunity to serve. I am deeply honored, and am still amazed that I was selected!

The address for all correspondence for the president of the ADCA will be: P O Box 135, Antelope, Oregon 97001. Phone: (503) 489-3385. Please don't hesitate to contact me.

I hope everyone will feel free to voice their opinions and concerns during the coming year. I know Rosemary Fleharty (Sec), Jim Mitchell (Vice Pres.) and I are all concerned with giving the membership the best we can.

I realize all people are not the same, and I think it's great that way! However, if you and another personality don't "meld", please don't quit or not participate. Find another member or officer you are comfortable with, or another committee, and continue to share with the building of our association. I don't want anyone to feel left out, or unable to take part this year!

I am very enthusiastic about Dexters - have been since my family's first purchase. I think all Dexter owners will agree they are a special breed, and one to be excited about. I enjoy being able to share my animals with others, and educate people never having seen or heard of the breed before. So, of course, showing or exhibiting interests me. I am pleased to be able to be a part of putting together the first "Dexter" show in conjunction with our national meeting. The response has been great, and I think it will be a terrific learning experience for all of us.

Sandi Thomas

Dexters - Great in '88! and in the Future, as of late!!

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FROM THE SECRETARY:

Membership Fees were raised to \$20 yearly renewals and new memberships are now \$30.00. Please make note that annual membership fees are due January 1, 1988. If you became a member after October 1st, your membership is paid up until January 1, 1989.

Cost of Registrations and Transfers beginning January 1, 1988:

Cows up to 1 year old	\$10.00
Bulls up to 2 years old	10.00
Regular Transfers	10.00
Inner-herd Transfers	5.00
Cows over 1 year old	20.00
Bulls over 2 years old	20.00
Registrations and Transfers for non-members	50.00

The Tatoo Letter for 1988 is "X".

FARM OR HERD NAME

Please let the Association secretary know your particular herd or farm name so that there will not be a duplication of a name already being used by someone else.

FINANCIAL STATEMENT AMERICAN DEXTER CATTLE ASSOCIATION January 1 - December 31, 1987

Balance on hand (4-20-87) \$ 4,305.85

Income:

1988 Dues (58 members)	\$ 1,165.00	
1987 Dues (133 members)	2,010.00	
1986 Dues (2 left-over amt) (4 members)	70.00	
1987 New Members & Dues (73)	1,939.00	
Subscriptions (1-6 year) (14 subscriptions)	110.00	
Postage	153.88	
Annual Meeting (54 members)	810.00	
Dexter Cattle Books sold (89)	707.55	
Forms & old herd books sold	50.50	
Promotional Items	181.80	
Registrations (293)	2,980.00	
Transfers (227)	2,411.78	
Interest	142.45	
Total Income	\$12,731.96	\$12,731.96
Grand Total		<u>\$17,037.81</u>

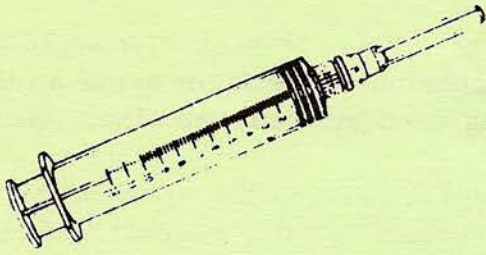
Expenses:

Postage	\$ 878.24	
Bulletin Expense	631.44	
Phone Bills	275.61	
Printing Costs (forms & new brochures)	319.37	
Herd Books (printing cost)	1,768.60	
Supplies	397.24	
Registration, transfer & membership overpymt	179.00	
Advertising	381.00	
Copy Machine Maintenance	360.00	
Check Charges	9.99	
Annual Meeting Expenses (includes speaker)	1,531.47	
Secretarial and Editor Stipend	1,337.00	
Canadian Adjustments	41.43	
Promotional Items	23.26	
Computer, table & maintenance contract	1,235.76	
Miscellaneous:		
Copies (Assoc, Hays, Read, Thomas)	37.98	
Accounting Firm (1986 Financial Report)	395.00	
Complimentary Book (reimburse Marcia Read)	7.50	
Prize Money for AMBC Show	100.00	
Genealogy Book (Assoc & British Dexter Club)	53.00	
Legal Fees/transfer of records	105.00	
AMBC dues for Association	20.00	
Appreciation Gift	26.24	
Photos for brochure	15.58	
New Embosser	20.98	
Typewriter Rental (1-87 thru 4-87)	53.11	
Total Expenses	\$10,203.80	<u>\$10,203.80</u>

Total Income '87 \$ 2,528.16

Cash on hand Jan 1, 1988 \$ 6,834.01

Note: Rosemary wanted to add that out of \$12,000 income, there were no bad checks. Shows the integrity of Dexter breeders!



THE VETERINARIAN'S VIEW

by Richard T Slenn, DVM
Peninsula, OH 44264

WAYS TO DETERMINE BOVINE PREGNANCY

- I Record-Keeping - Reliability of records depends on management.
 - a) A I or service date accurately recorded
 - b) Using 282 as average number of days for bovine gestation.
 - c) Obviously does not account for problem breeders or poor A I techniques.
- II External Indicators
 - a) Abdominal enlargement - not always reliable, but more so towards the end of gestation.
 - b) Udder changes - as early as 4 to 5 months, but should be noticeable by 7 months.
 - c) Vulvar enlargement - 1 to 3 weeks prepartum.
 - d) Pelvic ligament relaxation - pelvis widens 1 to 2 days prepartum.
 - e) Colostrum Secretion 1 to 2 days prepartum.
- III Ballotment - Feeling fetus through abdominal wall using a bumping-like technique.
 - a) Possible at 5 to 9 months.
 - b) Smaller breeds of cows earlier, larger cows later.
- IV Rectal Examination - Palpation
 - a) Performed by an experienced individual such as your veterinarian.
 - 1) Amniotic Vessicle as early as 28 to 45 days postbred.
 - 2) Fetal membrane slip as early as 35 days.
 - 3) Placentomeses as early as 65 to 80 days.
 - 4) Fetus at 70 to 120 days
 - 5) Middle uterine artery - 85 to 100 days.
- V Miscellaneous Methods
 - a) Milk progesterone, blood progesterone
 - b) Ultrasound
 - c) Others

THE BOOKSHELF

THE BREEDING HISTORY of KERRY and IRISH DEXTER CATTLE in NORTH AMERICA , based on the Herd Books of the American Dexter Cattle Association.

First of its kind ever printed, this book contains:

- Complete list of all registered Dexters from Vol 1, 1921 thru Vols 7 & 8, 1986.
- Each animal listed with Reg. #, dob, color, sex, sire, dam & breeder.
- Any registered offspring follow in order of date of birth.
- Complete list of animals by year of birth with percentages of bulls, cows, artificially inseminated animals and dun colored animals.
- List of all breeders and number of cattle registered by each year.

PRICE - - \$27.50 per copy. ORDER FROM:

Dan R Randall
Rt 1, Box 67
Pilot Grove, MO 65276

DEXTER CATTLE by John Hays - USA *

\$7.95 per copy plus \$1.55 postage
and handling.

Order from:

Rosemary Fleharty, Sec
Route 1, Box 378
Concordia, MO 64020

THE DEXTER COW AND CATTLE
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by Dr Wm Thrower - England

\$7.50 per copy, post paid

Order from:

Gregg Clapham
R D 1, Box 119
Averill Park, NY 12018

DEXTER SEMEN AVAILABLE FOR A.I.

Collected from:

Jamie O'Callen #1949
James G Johnson
4092 Broadview Rd
Richfield, OH 44286
(216) 659-4861

Collected from:

Marnell's Black Magic #1804
Thomas' Dexters
P O Box 135
Antelope, OR 97001
(503) 489-3385

Collected from:

Rafter Dee Finn Bennach #2779
D L DeLane'
Rt 1, Box 268
Fair Grove, MO 65648

* Collected from:

* Anton of Mt Carmel, #2871
* (40" tall, Red, 975 lbs.)
* Philip J Martz
* R D 4, Box 162
* Berlin, PA 15530
* (814) 267-5052

* Collected from:

* Yom Kippur of Clevebrook #1765
* Jan van Heerden (Ingalls)
* P O Box 91
* Salisbury Mills, NY 12577
* (914) 496-3826

* Collected from:

* Aldebaran Priapus #2544 - British
* Michigan Livestock Service
* 110 N Main St
* Ovid, MI 48866

* Semen guaranteed by Eric Lawlor, owner.

DEXTER CATTLE FOR SALE

ARIZONA

I have to sell my herd of Dexters -
am no longer able to care for them:

Yuma Valley Alice 5/26/78
Yuma Valley Cindy 3/12/83
Yuma Valley Megan 8/17/84
Yuma Valley Indy 7/4/86
Bull 9/15/86
Bull calf 8/7/87
Bull calf 5/17/87

Mrs Leo Grabbe
P O Box 4784
Yuma, AZ 85364
(602) 783-0055

CALIFORNIA

One 2-yr old proven bull and one
bull calf born 10/1/87.

Both are dandies!

John Hays
Talisman Farm
Box 108
Comptche, CA 95427
(707) 937-0301

COLORADO

Dexters of all ages available for sale.

Hans & Katharine Walther
Vogelweide Dexter Ranch
Box 56 A, Rt 1
Rush, CO 80833
(303) 541-2661

IDAHO

Dexter cattle for sale.

Bruce & Laura Winegardner
The Dexters Winegarden
E 7355 Ohio Match Road
Rathdrum, ID 83858

INDIANA

We are planning to move out-of-state
and wish to sell all of our Dexters.

Bernadine & Virginia Hirth
Mt Carmel Acres
P O Box 444
Aurora, IN 47001

IOWA

Bulls & Heifers of various ages.

Michael Moore
P O Box 56
Decorah, IA 52101
(319) 735-5772

MINNESOTA

2 Black Dexter bulls, 4/23/87 and
5/3/87. Will sell out-right or trade
for heifers and pay the difference.

Mark J Scepurek
M & M Ranch
Rt #1, Box 128A
Little Falls, MN 56345
(612) 632-6818

MISSOURI

Reg. black 3-yr old cow to calve in
March, blocky type, halter broke, \$700.
Reg. black yearling heifer, small blocky
type, halter broke - \$450.00

Kenneth B Chrisman
R R #1
Kahoka, MO 63445
(816) 727-2019

MISSOURI

Dexter Cattle for Sale.
Quality heifers & bulls.

Dan & Paula Randall
Emerald Valley Farm
Route 1, Box 67
Pilot Grove, MO 65276
(816) 834-3656

NEW YORK

We still have the following Dexters for
sale; all Clovebrook breeding:

Heifers / Cows:

#3157, Idol 11/23/85
#3533, Karoo 6/20/87
#3534, Kleinste 12/25/87
#3589, Khoi 12/25/87

Bull Calf born 1/1/88, offspring of
Fran & Hawkeye.

Jan H van Heerden
P O Box 91
Salisbury Mills, NY 12577

DEXTER CATTLE FOR SALE

OHIO

We have left just 3 2-yr old bulls of breeding age and quality, all sired by Brian o' Briar Hill:

#3574, Cluny 6/24/86
Dam, #2684, Fiona o' Br. Hill
#3575, Martin 4/ 5/86
Dam, #2508, Cranworth Peg-Sue
#3576, Paddy 3/17/86
Dam #2880, Cranworth Ceilidh
James G Johnson
Briar Hill Farm
4092 Broadview Rd
Richfield, OH 44286
(216) 659-4861

OREGON

Dexter cattle for sale, both males and females.

Thomas' Dexters
P O Box 135
Antelope, OR 97001
(503) 489-3385

TEXAS

Lost lease on neighbor's pasture, must sell most of my stock. I have some 3-yr old cows and 1 yearling heifer for sale, all out of good, standard stock.

Rudolph Gilster
Rt 1, Box 231 G
Rio Hondo, TX 78583
(512) 748-3091 (evenings)

* TEXAS

* Dexter cow #3449, Cottontail's Jenifer, black, 8/7/85, 42", 535 lbs. Pasture exposed, due Sept. '88. Halter broken, gentle and has been shown.

* Dexter bull #2240, black, 44", 11/19/80. Excellent conformation, gentle and proven. Sale or lease.

* Karol Lowery
* Route 2, Box 214
* Sequin, TX 78155
* (512) 379-6884

* TEXAS

* #3435 Cottontail's Jasmine

* #3459 Cottontail's Jasper

* Linda Monroe
* 26003 Sand Cliff #3
* San Antonio, TX 78264

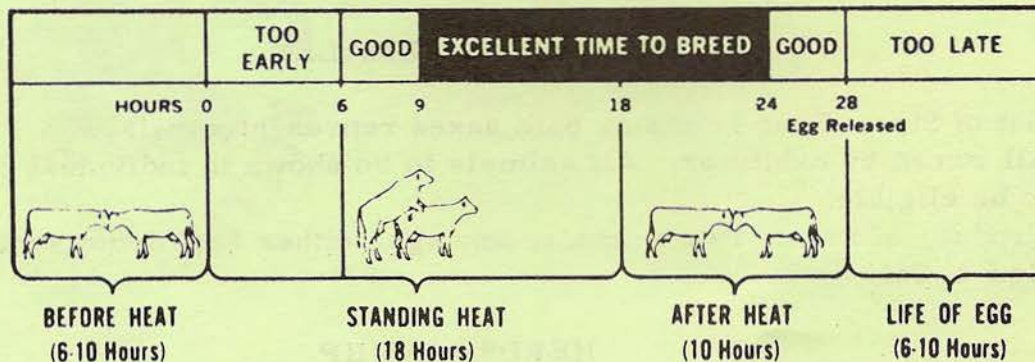
* WANTED

* Red and dun colored heifers that will mature to 36-42 inches, blocky type.

* Kenneth B Chrisman
* R R #1
* Kahoka, MO 63445
* (816) 727-2019

* REGISTER YOUR CATTLE EARLY!

WHEN TO BREED "Timing Guide" for the average cow



1988 AMERICAN DEXTER CATTLE ASSOCIATION MEETING AND SHOW

Meeting to be held on July 29, 30 & 31, 1988. The hospitality room will be open as usual on Friday evening where you can meet old friends and make new ones. The business meeting will be held on Saturday morning with lunch on your own so that exhibitors can get ready for the FIRST DEXTER SHOW at 2:00 p.m.

The meeting is being held at the Delta Inn in Portland, OR., Phone (503) 289-1800.

There is an Open Class on Friday, July 29th at 2:00 p.m. for those who can arrive early enough to participate in it. Sandi has a List of Rules and Entry Blanks for anyone who wishes to enter this class. (Entry fee \$4.00)

The ADCA show is on Saturday at 2:00 p.m.. The following is a list of classes:

CLASSES FOR ADCA CHOW JULY 30, 1988

CLASS: DEXTERS

BULLS

LOTS:

1. Junior Yearling Bull, calved after July 1, 1987.
2. Senior Yearling Bull, calved between July 1, 1986 and June 31, 1987.
3. Bulls, 2 Years and over, calved prior to July 1, 1986.

CHAMPION BULL

FEMALES

LOT:

4. Junior Heifer, calved after January 1, 1988.
5. Yearling Heifer, calved between July 1, 1987 and December 31, 1987.
6. Senior Heifer, calved between June 31, 1987 and June 30, 1986.
7. Females, 2 years and under 5 years, calved between July 1, 1986 and June 30, 1983.
8. Females, 5 Years and over, calved prior to July 1, 1983.

CHAMPION FEMALE

9. Get of Sire: Four animals, both sexes represented, sired by one bull. All owned by exhibitor. All animals to be shown in individual classes to be eligible.
10. Produce of Dam: Two animals, any age, either sex, from same dam.
11. Cow & Calf

HERDSMANSHIP