

# DEXTER CATTLE

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

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Regular Transfers	\$10.00
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Note: Names of animals to be registered cannot exceed 21 letters.

New memberships in ADCA (for individuals who own a registered Dexter)  
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## LETTER FROM THE PRESIDENT

Greetings to you from Berlin, Pennsylvania. It has been an exceptionally mild winter here with very little snow. I am thankful we are finally getting some much needed rainfall. This enabled the government officials to finally lift the drought restrictions. I really enjoy spring; it is my favorite time of the year with green grass, young calves playing, and birds singing. It is so uplifting.

Once again it is time to start planning our trip to the annual ADCA meeting which will be held at The Ridge Motor Inn, Portage, Wisconsin, on June 12, 13, & 14. Portage is located about thirty miles north of Madison, WI.

I would ask everyone planning to attend to please send your \$25 for registration at least two weeks in advance to Jim Donovan, Rt. 1, Box 218, Endeavor, WI 53930.

You will also need to make your room reservation directly with the motel at (608) 742-5306. Rates are as follows:

One bed/one person - \$40

One bed/two persons - \$45

Two beds/two persons - \$50

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Two beds/ four persons - \$60

The above rates are quoted for rooms with double beds; add an additional five dollars for queen-size beds.

If you have any questions concerning this, please call Jim Donovan at (608) 981-2289.

Everyone please plan to attend. This promises to be a very educational and enjoyable meeting. I always enjoy seeing old friends and making new ones.

Should any member have a topic for discussion to be on the agenda for the meeting, please send it to your regional director. These should be sent in such time as to allow the director to relay the items to me by May 25. I must receive the items for the agenda no later than May 25 in order to get the agenda prepared for the meeting June 12!



## FROM THE SECRETARY

NOTICE TO ALL MEMBERS, ASSOCIATE MEMBERS AND SUBSCRIBERS: If you have not renewed your membership for 1992, this will be the last "Bulletin" you will receive. All dues were to be paid by January, 1992.

Don't forget to get your reservations in to Jim Donovan for the Annual Meeting and to make your reservations at the motel. This is the tourist season in Wisconsin so if you do not have reservations, you may not have a room. Jim's job will be much easier if he knows for sure that **you will be there**. And, don't forget your videos. Get your Dexters on tape so that everyone can see them. Jim definitely needs this before the meeting so. We will not be able to accept videos at the meeting.

The following information is some general information from the April 1992 issue of "Progressive Farmer." It can apply to Dexter breeders as well.

Our new herd books are at the printers. You will notice some changes in this year's herd book. The print in some places will be smaller, there will be some new additions to the book (e.g. herd names, etc.) and it will have a new look. It will be a bound edition rather than a stapled edition (since we have outgrown a staple). Please let your secretary know your comments on this new herd book. I'd rather have personal contacts on this as opposed to those I receive from word of mouth by the grapevine. I can only improve the herd book when I know what the problems are. Although the cost will be more, I think it will be worth it.

Thanks for all of your help. Hope to see many of you at this year's Annual Meeting.

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## REPORT ON THE AMENDMENT TO THE BYLAWS

Recently you as members were asked to mark a ballot concerning whether or not Canada would still be considered a region and therefore members of the ADCA. The votes overwhelmingly concluded that Canada would be dissolved as a region, and no director would need to be chosen. For every two opposing votes there were seven supporting votes. The amendments passed to into effect immediately. I want to thank everyone for taking the time to send in the ballot. Your vote does count in this organization.

The vote tallier informed me that he received a letter from a Canadian who was disturbed by the results of the election and asked that the Canadian ballots be counted separately from the others. This request was honored and revealed that the majority of these ballots were also marked in favor of the amendments. We in the ADCA are looking forward to working with all of the Dexter organizations throughout the world. By passing this amendment, we will be able to work and have equal relationships with all the foreign organizations.

Once again I would urge each and every one interested in Dexters to attend this year's meeting. A lot of time and hard work goes into preparing the meeting, and every year they just keep getting better.

Thank you,

Philip R. Martz



## New Members as of January 1, 1992

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## **BEEF**

### **Ergot Killed Pregnancy Rates**

Missouri scientists found exceptionally high levels of ergot in fescue hay this winter. The fungus develops in seed heads and differs from the endophytic fungus in tall fescue.

The scientist are blaming ergot for extremely low pregnancy rates in many herds this year.

"Cattle producers reported pregnancy rates as low as 50% in some herds, and rates as low as 70% are common," says David Lalman, an Extension beef nutritionist.

An uncommonly wet, warm spring in 1991 set up ideal conditions for ergot development in seed heads. Wet weather, which kept farmers from mowing pastures to clip the seed heads, compounded the problem. Forage specialists recommend mowing for removing fescue seed heads, which are infected with endophyte on most Missouri farms.

"Of the fescue hay we sampled, 50% contained significant levels of ergotamine," says Lalman. Ergotamine is an alkaloid associated with ergot poisoning.

#### **Here are some suggestions:**

- Dilute suspected hay with legumes or other noninfected forages.
- Unroll big bales on the ground so that ergot bodies fall out. Frequently clean out the bottoms of feeders where the bodies gather.
- Graze cows on pastures free of endophyte and ergot during June and July when the seeds form.
- Prevent seed formation by mowing or intensively grazing pastures.

### **Bang's States Are Dropping Like Flies**

Mississippi received Class A brucellosis status in January, and Florida was expected to have received the same ranking by March. This leaves only two states, Louisiana and Texas, in the Class B category.

Both states are making rapid progress. In fact, Louisiana animal health officials expect to apply for Class A standing by midsummer.

"I can remember when there were over

1,500 infected herds in Mississippi, and now there are only 31," said Mississippi State Veterinarian Dr. Frank Rogers in February. "So something is right."

Mississippi has set the ambitious goal of achieving Class Free status in three years. To do so, vets are testing herds 1 mile away from infected herds and may test herds up to 3 miles away in some cases.

"We're also requiring herds across the road, fence, or stream to be tested six months after the last reactor was taken out of the index herd," notes Rogers. Some adjacent and reactor herds had become re-infected because of transferal of the disease across these boundaries.

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### **Watch These Foreign Cattle Diseases**

Lonnie King of the Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service (APHIS) reported on several foreign diseases at the recent annual meeting of the NCA..

BSE, or bovine spongiform encephalopathy, still poses no human health hazard and hasn't appeared in the U. S. notes King. The outbreak of BSE, which destroys animals' brains, appears to have plateaued in Great Britain, but King says it will be another year of two before the epidemic subsides.

The disease is believed to have reached epidemic levels in the UK when contaminated meat and bonemeal were fed to animals. It is closely related to sheep scrapie.

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## REGION #2 - OREGON & IDAHO

Hello!

First of all I would like to thank you for letting me represent you in this region as your director. I will do my best to serve you!

Next I want to thank Jack Goodman for the years he served in this position for the Rocky Mountain Region.

I have a file started on animals available for sale in this region. If you would like to add to it please send a copy of your registration, description of the animal(s) with any other information you would like to include. I will share these with the potential buyers I have contacting me.

There will be a Regional Meeting before June 12. Notices will be mailed to all members.

Please inform me of any business you wish to have considered at the National Meeting as soon as possible. The agenda is being put together now.

Call or write if there is any way I can assist you. (Note: Phone number change 503-763-2970).

Sandi Thomas

### **DEADLINE DATE FOR THE NEXT BULLETIN JULY 1.**

Please submit all address changes to Rosemary Fleharty. Some bulletins have been returned with no forwarding address.

**ALL** articles for the bulletin must be submitted in written form.

# 1992 ADCA ANNUAL MEETING

The 1992 meeting will be held at **The Ridge Motor Inn**. Portage, Wisconsin on Jun 12, 13 & 14. Portage is located about 30 miles north of Madison, WI.

Make room reservations directly with the motel: (608)742-5306

Rates are:	1b/1p	1b/2p	2b/2p	2b/3p	2b/4p
	\$40	\$45	\$50	\$55	\$60

Above rates are for double beds; add \$5 for queen.

Friday, June 12, 7:00 p.m. a reception in the Presidents Room of the motel for Wisconsin cheese, conversation, and hopefully, Dexter videos (more on that below.)\*

Saturday, June 13, 8:00 a.m. Business meeting at Celebrations Restaurant meeting room, adjoining motel.

12:30 p.m. Lunch at Celebrations, followed by speaker on blood testing.

3:00 p.m. Rest or drive out to Donovan's to see Dexters (about 10 miles.)

7:00 p.m. Banquet (prime rib), and speaker, Veterinarian Steve Hines will give a slide presentation on beef breeds, and on So. Africa, and is a practicing veterinarian.

Sunday, June 14, 7:00 a.m. Directors Meeting in Presidents Room.

Cost is \$25, and we need a count 2 weeks in advance. Send checks to: Jim Donovan, Rt. 1, Box 218, Endeavor, WI 53930

\* Regarding the above mentioned videos, we'd like to show videos of member's herd's at the Friday reception. Since we'd like to show as many as possible, we'll limit them to 3 minutes each. If members would send me a copy of their favorite Dexter video, I'll combine them all, or 3 minutes of a longer video, on a single tape, and run it Friday evening. Unless you request earlier return. I'll have your original tape ready to return at the meeting. This will be a good way to show off your herd, and let the rest of us see what the competition will be in California in '94.

If I've missed anything, or can be of any help, call me!

Jim Donovan (608) 981-2289

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