

DEXTER CATTLE

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

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FEE SCHEDULE

Cost of Registrations:

Cows up to 1 yr old	\$10.00
Bulls up to 2 yrs old	\$10.00
Cows over 1 yr old	\$20.00
Bulls over 2 yrs old	\$20.00

Cost of Transfers:

Regular Transfers	\$10.00
Inner-herd Transfers	\$ 5.00

Registrations & Transfers for non-members \$50.00

Note: Names of animals to be registered cannot exceed 21 letters.

New memberships in ADCA (for individuals who own a registered Dexter)
\$30.00

Annual renewal of dues (for Dexter owners). \$20.00

Associate Members (Bi-Monthly Bulletin only). \$20.00

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FROM THE PRESIDENT

I have just received a brief video preview of Recordridge Farms from Amy, which boasts of many types of animals and fowl. I really enjoyed viewing the tape and am looking forward to seeing their farm in operation during the 1993 Annual Meeting. This year it will be held from July 16-18, in White River Junction, Vermont. Hotel reservations will be received at the Holiday Inn, whose phone number is (802) 295-3000. I encourage all, who are interested, to plan to attend this meeting. Amy, our hostess, is planning to have various, hands-on workshops as well as scheduled visits to several, area farms. A few surprises are also in store! Come and enjoy the fellowship with fellow members and owners. There is a correction to be made concerning my letter in the previous issue of the Bulletin. Inadvertently, a line was omitted in the election results. Consequently, the results were incorrectly printed. The correct results are as follows:

Region VII

James Johnson	10 votes
Stan Cass	5 votes
Robert Jesseman	2 votes

I apologize for the inconvenience this error has caused and hope all is now rectified. Mistakes do happen from time to time, however.

Information concerning the election results in Region VIII is now final. The ballots were sent out twice to the members, and in each instance a tie was resultant. Therefore, the directors decided the outcome of the election according to precedents administered in the By-Laws. The results of this third election are as follows:

Ernest Gulzau	5 votes
Rex Kramer	3 votes

Any requests members have concerning topics to be discussed at the annual meeting should presently be made known to their respective regional directors. The directors should in turn send their requests to me no

later than April 15, 1993. No items will be taken over the phone; all must be sent through the postal service. I only ask that items be constructive in nature, owing to the betterment of the association.

Our association has indeed come a long way since January 1, 1987. We now have over 400 members and more than 3000 cattle registered! The registration process is now efficient enough to be completed in three weeks. Previously it often took many months. Now there is more feedback from officers and directors concerning any problems. We also have an efficient, democratic form of government, compared to a less representative one of a few years past. Our newsletter is also very informative and mailed on time. Yet with all the progress made, more still needs to be done. Times change, and our association must be ready to change as well.

As your president, I am also here to help. Should you have a problem or cannot get answers from another, contact me, and I will try to help.

Sincerely,
Philip R. Martz, Sr.
President, ADCA

FROM THE SECRETARY

Once again I have had phone calls and letters about getting animals in the herd book. Please understand the herd book is an annual publication. It includes all animals registered and transferred between January 1 and December 31. These must be registrations and transfers that the secretary receives by December 31 since the financial statement is also done on an annual basis and money must be deposited on December 31. This is not a new rule. If you are unhappy with the herd book being an annual publication, please contact your Regional Director. I have offered to reimburse one member personally since he was very upset that his registrations were received too last. Don't wait until December to send them in.

Also, Please be sure that your white applications for registrations are completed properly. I am getting some members who are forging signatures. If you do not breed the animal, you must have the person who bred the animal sign the application. Please don't sign that person's name. It only delays your paperwork since the secretary then needs to contact that person. Also, if an animal is transferred three times and no transfers have been completed by the Association, all three transfers must be completed. Don't cross off some to save money. If there are calves born during that period, it may cause real problems later. Be sure that all registrations and transfers are kept current--be fair to people that buy your animals. Don't expect them to straighten out the paperwork.

Be sure to return the information for the herd book to the secretary. If your sheet is not returned, **your information will not appear in the herd book.**

Thanks for all of your help. Your assistance is always appreciated.

FROM THE REGION

Region II

Hello from Region 2

Welcome to our new Region XIII Director, W. B. Goodson. I'm looking forward to meeting you in Vermont this July.

I urge everyone to make an effort to attend the Annual ADCA Meeting, get acquainted with the Officers and Directors who are there to serve you.

Winter seems to be keeping its hold throughout most of the country this year! We all needed the extra moisture, but keeping animals watered in our snow and freezing temperatures has been a real challenge for many of us in this Region! I hope all the Dexters and their owners are coping well in your area.

Our Regional Committee for Showing Dexters at the Oregon State Fair has been active and hopes to have

more cow classes available this fall. Oregon received Class A - Brucellosis Free status in January of this year, through the efforts of many. This will ease some of the requirements for out-of-state transport and sales. I'm sorry more of the Directors haven't contributed to the Bulletin in the last several issues. We've missed reading about other parts of the country, and have had several owners in other States express disappointment also.

I'm also concerned about lack of support being shown the Bulletin. Lets all work for the good of the Organization and support the decisions made by majority vote, regardless of personal opinions!

Hang in there....Spring can't be too far away!

Sandi Thomas

Region XII

Dear Members,

Our annual meeting will be held July 16-18, 1993 in White River Jct, Vermont at the Holiday Inn. Members lets move on to a more cohesive association and just have fun sharing a great diversity of people jointed together by there love of Dexter! New England Dexter breeders feature beautiful scenery, hostility, and warm Dexter fellowship.

Sincerely,

Amy Record

***FOR MORE INFORMATION ON THE ANNUAL MEETING SEE THE BACK PAGE OF THE BULLETIN.

ARTICLES ON CROSSBREEDING

BY: Shep Springer

In a recent issue of our Bulletin our president stated that he, like probably every Dexter breeder, had an abundance of bull calves. In that Bulletin there were at least a dozen and a half bulls advertised. This number is certainly more than is needed to meet the demand of purebred breeders. It seems rather obvious that we need to look elsewhere for a market for our bulls.

Most of us are aware of the success of the Bledsoe Ranch Crossbreeding

Program. This is the use of Dexter bulls on first calf heifers that are of larger beef breeds to eliminate the calving problems experienced when breeding the first calf heifers to bulls of the larger breeds. Many Dexter breeders have only a limited number of animals and are probably hobbyist, they do not realize the problem exist. Many of the breeders of larger breeds, who might have 500 or more cows, have to assist with up to 50% of the births. Dexter breeders seldom experience such problems and have nearly a 100% calf crop. Among the larger breeds in our area an average of 93% live births is considered good due to the calving problems. I would judge the average calf crop to be about 90%. Additionally there are losses of the heifers themselves if the problem is not identified in time. Their are additional problems of the heifer not rebreeding when there are birthing problems.

The use of Dexter bulls for crossbreeding offers a new market if we just promote it. There is little available data on the Crossbred offspring of Dexter bulls and heifers of the beef breeds. This is an area that we need to address.

From my observation of these crossbreds they will gain at a comparable cost per pound with any other animal. When all factors are equal they will, "Hold their own," when compared. Additionally, the crossbred animal provides beef cuts that are more the size consumers desire.

I am not in favor of an upbreeding program or registration of any animal less than 100% purebred. This program has a single objective which is to produce a marketable beef animal. Lets promote the sale of our bulls for crossbreeding.

One fact we must accept is that we will have to raise these bulls to breeding age. In our area ranchers are willing to pay a good price for breeding age bulls. These same

ranchers will not buy weaning calves even though they might have a substantial savings on the purchase price.

Give this idea a try. It is working for the Springers.

RESPONSE TO JUST ONE ARTICLE

By: Donna Hutchinson

I wanted to let fellow members know the results of a recent article which appeared in the Country Women Magazine Jan/Feb. issue, this article features by Dexter cattle here in Canada. I have replied to 246 Canadian inquiries and will break down the inquiries I received from the U.S. In each case I replied with a short note advising them to contact the ADCA secretary for information, I also included my own brochure, my business card and a ADCA brochure. 90% of the inquiries wanted to know where they could see or purchase Dexters and how much they cost. I did not have any Dexters for sale, nor did I sell any as a result of the article. However, I did enjoy promoting the breed and referring to a breeder in their state. After the first 150 letters were sent Sandy Thomas of Oregon suggested I include a copy of the Regional Directors. This was a great idea as a result I have photocopied 225 sheets from the newsletter, so now not only is Rosemary getting inquires but so are the Regional Directors.

Total U.S. inquiries were 307 todate. If any breeders do have Dexters for sale, please consider advertising in the newsletter, or let me know as I have retained all the names and addresses.

There are many small acreage owners and semi-retired folks who may be contacting you one day soon. Good Luck.

Please note advertising pertaining to the sale of Dexter semen in the Bulletin will be required to state the height of the bull from shoulder to ground and the age of the bull at the time the height was recorded.

NEXT DEADLINE: APRIL 30, 1993

F O R S A L E

CANADA

For Sale two registered black bull calves - Reg#5350 and #5348 very good conformation.

Freedom Dexters
Alton and June Kaus
Box 166, Barrhead, Alberta
Canada T0G0E0
(403)674-5703

COLORADO

Cows, Heifers & Bull calves for SALE.
R.S."Shep" and Mary Springer
708 Inverness Road
Fort Collins, CO 80524
(303)484-2711

KENTUCKY

16 HEAD REGISTERED DEXTER CATTLE.
EXCELLENT QUALITY.
Dee Martin/Leisure Time Farm
P.O. Box 688
Monticello, KY 42135
(606)348-9669

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Bred cow, 9 yrs old, black Una O'Briar Hill #2183 Excellent length and top line. She has heifer calves. Bull, 5 years old, black Cranworth Wyatt 3470 Disbudded with ring. Great Disposition.

Gary Williams
RR 1 Box 243AA
Penobscot, Maine 04476
(207)326-4717

MINNESOTA

Registered Irish Dexter Cattle, 2 bred cows, 1 bull, and 2 bull calves.

Joyce Seever
6822 Oneka Lake Blvd.
Hugo, MN 55038
(612)426-4620

MINNESOTA

Reg Dexter cattle, Red/Dun and Black. Bred cows and calves. Llamas and Ostrich chicks.

David Lenz
Rt 2 Box 69
Royalton, MN 56373
(612)355-2369

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MISSOURI

Bulls, Cows, Bred Cows, Bred heifers, calves. Both colors and sizes - All for SALE.

Rainbow Hills Dexter Farm
Route 2 Box 75
Poplar Bluff, MO
(314)785-2719/(816)826-5645

NEBRASKA

Bred cow, born November 1989, Emerald Gentle Geney #4453, should calve early August. \$800.

Rodney Birdsell
Rt 2 Box 54
Beatrice, NE 68310
(402)223-4297

NEW HAMPSHIRE

2 red/dun bulls from red/dun cows of Superior confirmation & disposition by my red/dun bull Fairy Hill Peter. Your choice \$1,000 ea.

Amy L. Record
HCR Box 23
Lyme, NH 03768
(603)795-2606

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RR1 Box 152
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Burlington Flats, NY 13315
(607)965-2140

OHIO

Registered Dexter Cattle: Cows, Calves, and Bulls

Elmer E Templeton
232 Third Street
Marietta, OH 45750
(614)373-5046

OHIO

FOR SALES: Heifer, Reality Alanna #5560; dob 10-10-92.

DAM: Twainland Clarkia #3694

SIRE: Martin O'Briar Hill #3575

Halter broke, handled daily for future milking. very sweet and gentle.

Nanacy Schilb
3630 Berkey Southern
Swanton, Ohio 43558
(419)826-1677

Money will be due on some of the advertisements placed to run for one year. Check your records.

FOR SALE

OHIO

Calves, Cows, & Bulls. Embryos also available. All from Certified & Accredited Herd by Ohio Department of Agriculture.

Briar Hill Farm
James G Johnson
4092 Broadview Road
Richfield, OH 44286
(216)659-4861

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Kelvin Grove Stock Farms
James H. Brown
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Hillsboro, OR 97123
(503)628-1116

OREGON

We sell Registered Dexter cattle, Dexter Supplies, and Semen. Contact us for all your Dexter needs! If we don't have what you want, we will try to help you find it.

THOMAS' DEXTERS
AL & Sandi Thomas
P.O. Box 135
Antelope, OR 97001
Phone/Fax(503)763-2970

TEXAS

Registered black bull for sale. Four years old. Under 40 inches. Out of Cranworth Toby. Gentle. Dehorned. Good conformation. Proven breeder of uniform calves. \$1,200.00

Pat Cavness
P.O. Box 409
Lampasas, TX 76550
(512)556-6537

TEXAS

For Sale: VICTORIA'S KATE #4805 Born 5/12/91, black, 39" tall bred to PRM RUSTY #4847 also her full sister VICTORIA'S LADYBUG #5403 born 5/23/92, blacke sire & Dam of both - VICTORIA'S WILLIE #4119, WOODY CREEK'S MILLIE #3900.

Billy Mills
Route 2, Box 208 L., F.M. 1686
Victoria, TX 77901

Next Deadline: April 30, 1993

FOR SALE

WASHINGTON

Cows, heifer calves, and bull calves for sale.

Dick and Arlene Gradwohl
23609 - 104th Avenue, S.E.
Kent, WA 98031
(206)852-4452

WEST VIRGINIA

For Sale: 6 month old black bull calf. Short-legged type, a nice calf.

Sire: PRM Anton's Amos.
Dam: Stoney Creek Peblle.

Kevin Minear
Route 1 Box 1A
Murraysville, WV 26153
(304)273-4196

WISCONSIN

2 short legged black cows: 1 to calve in November; 1 to calve in December. Also, one year old heifer.

Dean Jensen
Rt 2 Box 125
Richland Center, WI 53581
(608)647-7170

SEMEN FOR SALE

CANADA

Use Lucifer of Knotting, #3182, a red/dun bull 45" at shoulder at three years. Loaner video available upon request.

1-9 Straws \$50.00 ea (Can.)plus S&H
10 or more \$35.00 ea (Can.)plus S&H
Commercial inquires invited.

Paul & Judy Taylor
P.O. Box 125
Colinton, Alberta
Canada, T0G 0R0
(403)675-3831

COLORADO

Collected from Diplomat O'Briar Hill #3780, 43" 1050# at 3 years of age. Collected from Sir William #4321 42", 750# at 18 months of age.

R.S. & Mary A Springer
Green Valley Farm
708 Inverness Road
Fort Collins, CO 80524

Please send all registrations to Rosemary Fleharty, ADCA Secretary, Route 1, Box 378 Concordia, MO 64020 (816)463-7704

NEW HAMPSHIRE

Fairyhill Peter, red/dun, 42" at 5 years. Sire: Cranworth Pilliwiggin Woodmagic bloodlines smooth topline. Good feet and legs. Nice disposition. \$10/Unit plus shipping & handling.

Amy L Record
23 E. Thetford Road
Lyme, NH
(603)795-2606

OHIO

Collected by COBA/Select Sires from Jamie O'Callen #1949, Black proportionate type from well proportioned sire and short well proportioned dam. Excellent disposition, 42" height, 1007 LBS at 39 months of age.

Briar Hill Farm
James G Johnson
4092 Broadview Road
Richfield, Ohio 44286
(216)659-4861

OREGON

THOMAS REU' GRANDE' #3847
Black w/Red Genes, 40" @ 3 years
\$20 per straw +S&H. Approved International Export, from US or Canada.

THOMAS' MAGIC PRIDE #3848.
Black w/Red Genes, 40" @ 3 1/2 years.
\$20 per straw + S&H.

THOMAS' DEXTERS/ Al & Sandi Thomas
P.O. Box 135
Antelope, OR 97001
Phone/Fax (503)763-2970

PENNSYLVANIA

Collected from Anton of Mt. Carmel, #2817. Red 40 1/2" tall, 8 years, 975. Producing clean uddered heifers & fleshy bulls, all easy to handle. \$15 per straw plus S&H.

Philip R. Martz, Sr.
RD #4, Box 162
Berlin, PA 15530
(814)267-5052

WASHINGTON

Collected from Glencara Poddy #3864EX. Black, 44 1/2 " tall, 1050 lbs at 4 years old. \$20 per straw plus S & H. **Note his off-spring does not carry EX.

Fred Colclough
10418 - 16th Street East
Puyallup, WA 9837 (206)927-4608

1993 NATIONAL ADCA MEETING

Our annual meeting will be held July 16-18, 1993 in White River Junction, Vermont at the Holiday Inn (phone 802-295-3000)

FEATURING

Prime Rib Dinners
Don Bixby and William Kruesi (American Minor Breeds Conservancy)
Hands on Workshop on Tattooing and Dehorning

New England Dexter breeders feature beautiful scenery, hospitality and warm Dexter fellowship.

Amy Record, Region XII

White River Junction is located at the Junction of Rte I-91 and I89 in East Central Vermont--1 mile from Lebanon, New Hampshire airport (U.S. Air Delta). **Holiday Inn supplies van service.** 2 hours from Boston-Logan, 2 hours from Albany, New York. Holiday Inn Room Rates: \$60 single \$66 double* reservations must be made directly with Holiday Inn (802-295-3000) (30 rooms are reserved). **ADCA Registration for Meal Costs - \$20.00.** Reservations must be made directly with Amy Record Box 23, Lyme, NH 03768 (by June 30, 1993)

*Please excuse the high Northeast room rates--the accommodations are superb!!!

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by Dr. William Thrower - England
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Lecturer, Faculty of Agriculture, University College Dublin
Member of Council, Royal Dublin Society. **ROYAL DUBLIN SOCIETY 1990**

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