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Annual Farm Fest Exhibit Doubles in Size, Marvels Farmers

By Lizabeth R. Starnes

Dexter cattle line the narrow cattle barn isle as far as the eye could see. Hay bales, iron fences, and green cedar chips color the 1998 Irish Dexter Cattle Exhibit that was held during the Ozark Farm Fest in Springfield, Mo. Both the American Dexter Cattle Association and the Missouri Dexter Breeder's Association captured the attention of vetern farmers, first-timers, and families with the most "user-friendly" cattle exhibit.

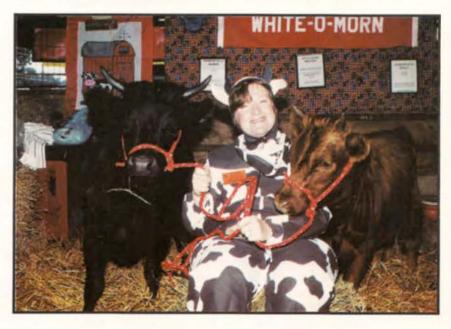
"Not too big, and not too small, Dexters are just the right size," says jerry Starnes, District One Director. Last year, the Dexter exhibit at the Farm Fest boasted six head of cattle and about 40 feet of isle space. This year at the four-day event, the two Associations fills both sides of the entire isle at the cattle barn on the Ozark Empire Fairgrounds.

"This year's focus is to showcase as many different Dexter breeders as possible," says Jerry. "We wanted to line both sides with Dexters to reveal just how alike and how different our cattle are."

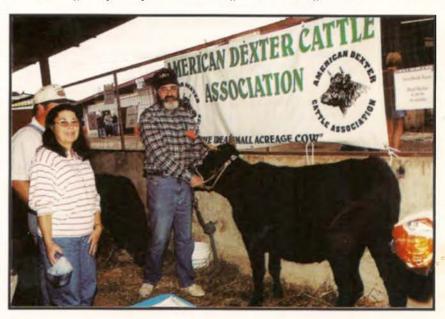
A narrow path runs between both sides of the barn's isle separating seven different Dexter breeders and 22 head of cattle. At the entrance, green and white banners proclaim the Dexter exhibit and brochures about the herd, and smiles greet the visitors. Farmers and their families from the MDBA welcome their guests as they pick up the information and move on to the next Dexter farm. On the right, the MDBA showcases three farms.

Cushing's Little Dexters of Niangua, Mo., are displaying four cows and three calves. They bought two of these Dexters from last year's Farm Fest. They love the little calves and are aiming to create a larger Dexter herd.

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Brenda Stringham proudly shows off her "girls", both bought at the 1997 Farm Fest.



Rhema Farms from Hanson, Ky., display two cows and two bull calves during the Farm Fest. "I first saw Dexters five years ago at the Small Farm Expo in Columbia, Mo.," says owner Mike Rhema. The next year he went out and invested in Dexters.

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We need your help! Please do not send samples of bulldog calves to Australia. Send samples of all bulldog calves born to:

Dr. John Beaver University of Illinois Department of Animal Science Rm 220 E RML 1201 West Gregory Drive Urbana, IL 61801

If you would like to talk to Dr. Beaver, his phone number is (217) 762-2951 and his Email is j-beever@uiuc.edu.

This is going to be an exhaustive study carried out both here in North America and in Australia. All data will be shared. Some of you may be asked to submit hair or blood samples of animals that fit into pedigrees. Please help if you are asked. Bulldog dwarfism is a breed problem. If we are to solve the problem, we must work together.

If you have what you suspect to be a bulldog calf, freeze it and call Dr. Beaver. He will help you decide what to do. All of this will be between you and Dr. Beaver and no one else. The Science Committee of the American Dexter Cattle Association wishes to thank Dr. Beaver for the work he has done so far. Dr. Beaver has eliminated large areas of suspect DNA. It is hoped this joint study will lead to the much needed DNA marker. Thanks to those of you who submitted samples last year.

ADCA Science Committee

Election Results

Results of the elections for Regional Directorships:

Region 2: Anna Poole 8, Suzanne Day 6.

Region 6: Marvin Johnson 19.

Region 7: Stan Cass 8, June Osters 4.

Region 8: Jim Moody 19.

Region 9: Wes Patton 26, Gabriella Nanci 2. Submitted by Kathleen E. Smith,

Vice President.

American Dexter Cattle Association

Stampede Grooming Code

Because a question has arisen about allowing 'corrective' grooming at the Stampede in 1999, nine past exhibitors were contacted recently and asked for their opinion. With one exception, all were in favor of retaining the 'honest presentation' rules set up for the first Dexter Show at the Stampede. Thus, the original grooming standard for Dexters will be in effect at the 1999 Stampede, with one modification: the amount of trimming will now be at owner's discretion. If the owner wishes to trim the long hair on an udder, or underline, or overall on the face, or... this is now acceptable.

The only show for Dexters in Canada is at the Calgary Stampede. A committee of Canadian Dexter owners involved in the first show (1997) defined a set of rules using the following criteria:

What are the grooming standards of Dexters in other countries?

All countries wash and brush and leave the coats flat; England allows minor trimming with scissors; South Africa clips the body; Australia and NZ trim longer hair, faces and tails for a smoother appearance.

In North America, what do other breeds do?

Dairy breeds are shaved except for a narrow strip along the topline which is glued straight up and then trimmed level. Some beef breeds use 'corrective' grooming. Other beef breeds groom for a more 'natural' look. Belgian Blue are clipped and a large circle centered on the tailhead is shaved.

Given that the international standard of grooming for Dexters is for an 'honest presentation', the committee followed the international lead. To support this, several North American beef breeds use the more 'natural' approach so we were not alone with our standard. Also, another very important consideration was that most Dexter owners are neophytes at showing (and won't have the technical skill required for the complicated 'corrective' grooming). Finally, the committee thought that an animal should win on its own merits. Thus, the committee decided in favor of the 'honest presentation'.

Allyn Nelson, Dexter representative, Beef Cattle Committee, Calgary Stampede.

1999 Annual ADCA meeting in Wichita, Kansas, July 16, 17, & 18th.

Farm Fest Exhibit

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One visitor, Dennis Hayter of Willard, Mo., is just waiting to get his land fenced. After gazing at both sides of the exhibit, he says, "Hobby-wise, they appeal to me. I like that you don't need a lot of acreage. I have 19 acres. I've been looking at Dexters for four years."

Within the same enclosure is Repeat Performance of Tildon, a black Dexter bull from John Foley's farm in Springfield, and another Dexter bull. Mr. Foley has six acres which he says is perfect for raising his Dexters.

Don Woodcock, of Sullivan, Mo., another MDBA representative chatting with farmers as they pass, displayed four Dexters at a fair in Washington, Mo., last year. "The line never stopped for the petting zoo, but most of the children flocked to the Dexter calf," he laughs. "Old people can take care of the little' uns." referring to the size of the Dexters.

Dennis and Shirley Boatman from Morrisville, Mo., fill the MDBA exhibit with a cow and calf. "The cow is a family milk cow they've had for four years," says Shirley, pointing to a black cow quietly chewing her cud.

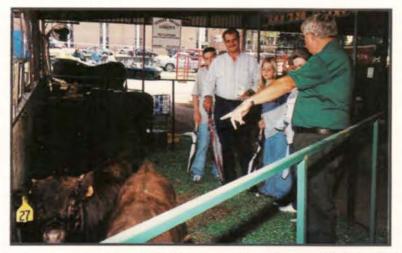
Opposite the MDBA exhibit is a fence of hav bales which represents the fodder of the American Dexter Cattle Association. Rhema Farms in Hanson. Ky., are displaying two cows and two bull calves. "I first saw Dexters five years ago at the Small Farm Expo in Columbia, Mo.." says owner Mike Rhema. The next year, he went out and invested in the Dexter market. Their comes complete with exhibit photographs of their other Dexters, their farm, and breed lines.

A couple from Verona, Mo. John Allen and Ruth Harrington who have 14 acres, stop to eye the cattle. Dexter exhibitors explain to them that it's the small farm that is so good for the Dexters. "They must not be hard on the pasture and can eat a variety of grass," says Ruth. "I think people are going back to the old style of farming.

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John Foley points out the virtues of Dexter cattle from his farm in Springfield. Mr. Foley has six acres which he says is perfect for raising his herd.



A crowd gathers around Rainbow Hills Farm owner Jerry Starnes of Popular Bluff to hear breeding and birthing features.



Dean Fleharty of Concordia showcases his two heifers.

Farm Fest Exhibit

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And today, people are eating smaller meat portions. With Dexters you get both."

As families and farmers meander to the center of the exhibit, the Irish-green painted wrought iron fence announces the Dexter farm of Rainbow Hills of Poplar Bluff, Mo. Green wood chips cover the floor underneath Rainbow Hills' seven head of cattle, including the highest-selling heifer at the 1996 National Dexter Show, Red Beauty.

A bottle-fed bull calf named Playboy is tethered on the opposite side of the Rainbow Hills exhibit to encourage youngsters to pet a real Irish Dexter. Children, from infants to teenagers, walk right up to Playboy, scratch his back, and rub his sides. Some of the little farmers even squeal with delight when they can see eye-to-eye with the friendly and docile calf.

Petting Playboy nets the children a rainbow-colored ribbon that proudly states, "I Petted a Rainbow Hills Irish Dexter."

Gerald McMillan, of Parsons, Ks., walks through the Rainbow Hills exhibit while his children laugh as they pet Playboy. "We heard about Dexters and were curious. I think they are really cute-ideal for a few acres," he says.

Two children belonging to Linda Caffy from Chelsea, Ok., run over to pet Playboy. As she watches them, she says, "I think the Dexters are fascinating — they are small in size but still are mature. They are perfect for 4-H projects." As she pins the Rainbow ribbons on her children, she adds, "They don't need a fancy barn, which would work for me."

Piled high with fluffy wood chips, the next Dexter exhibit showcases two cows that Brenda and Ron Stringham bought at the 1997 Farm Fest. Representing the White-O-Morn Farm from Osawatomie, Ks., Brenda's heifers, a black and red pair, give credence to the breed lines of the Dexters. The red heifer is the calf of Rainbow Hills Red Beauty.

Brenda enjoys dressing her cows to fit their personality. She has used them in petting zoos, for 4-H, nursing homes, and dresses them up them up for state fairs. "I fell in love with them at first sight. Their dairy output is high and they can produce forever," she says as she drinks a glass of fresh Dexter milk and munches a chocolate chip cookie.

A Springfield farmer, Rita Ogles, stops to chat with Brenda. Rita says, "They look like good milk cows." Brenda agrees, "Because they are small and docile, they are easy to milk."

One couple had looked at the Dexters at the Lebanon, Mo., show just three weeks before the Springfield show. They have a farm in Stockton, about three acres. "I think Dexters do better on a small farm. On the acreage we have, we raise exotic animals," say Debra and Tommy Arnold. "I think the black ones are cute," says Debra. "We would love to breed and sell them."

The final Dexter exhibit belongs to Rosemary and Dean Fleharty of Concordia, Mo., showcasing two heifers. Rosemary is the Secretary/Treasurer of the ADCA and they have been raising Dexters for many years.

For three days throughout the Farm Fest Show, all the Dexter exhibitors answer questions about the cost of raising the cattle, how much they eat, what kind of veterinary care they require, how much land is needed, and are they really for milking and for beef, too?

On Sunday, two farmers are interviewing Jerry about his Dexters. "How easy are they to calve?"

Jerry shakes his head with disbelief. "Dexters don't need any help with calving. Because of their small size and their breeding, they are natural mothers. I don't worry when I have a cow ready to calf. I just keep an eye on her and make sure she does her job." He points to Red Beauty and then over to the White-O-Morn heifers. "See that heifer over there? I didn't even know Red had her until she brought her up to feed. Look at them both. Perfect in color and health."

It's not a sales pitch, although many Dexter farmers will sell some of their Dexters this weekend. As Don Woodcock says, "People won't buy what they don't know about." It is with this attitude that the MDBA and the ADCA are showing their cattle.

"Do you get your money's worth?" asks one farmer, pointing to the Rainbow Hills Dexters. "Is this only a breeder's market?" asks another.

As both farmers could see, the Dexter exhibit demonstrates both. "Yes, you get your money's worth, says Jerry. "And no - our exhibitors here today come from both breeders and full-time farmers. All it takes is one Dexter for a farm and two to make a herd." .



Two young Amish farmers stop to pet Playboy and win a rainbow-colored ribbon that says: "I Petted an Irish Dexter."

1999 ANNUAL ADCA MEETING

NEW AT THIS YEARS MEETING

Silent Auction: Do you have a "white elephant", that has been sitting on a shelf, that you thought you'd someday, donate, to a "good cause?" Well here is your good cause! Cause, we need money to put on the yearly (These meetings are meetings. necessary, to keep the association functioning properly. This is the only time that the directors are all together, to make the plans on how the association can best serve the cattle owners.) If you don't have a white elephant, then bring a craft item, but as you're picking out these items, remember, some of the folks attending the meeting may be flying.

These items will be placed on a table, with a tablet along side, for the bidders to write their bids on. The highest bidder will be contacted Sunday morning, before the Directors meeting. We'll take bids up to the time of the meeting. Fun, fun!

Door Prizes: This is selfexplanatory — we will be giving some very nice door prizes during the BBQ and the Banquet.

Cattle Sale: This is going to be very different, so bear with me while I try to explain what we are offering. We are having our County Fair the week prior to the meeting, where there will be hundreds of people viewing the 7 animals at the fair. The past two years have proven there is more interested buyers in this area than we can find cattle for. So while the interest is high, we have laid out this plan: Sellers, send us a good current photo of the animal to be sold and a copy of the registration papers, to show the breeding. Add this information: Height, weight, calving record, show record (includes school exhibits, petting zoo's, etc.), if they are broke to lead, milk, or drive, and all other information that would help sell them. Include your address, phone number, (Web address) and some business cards if you have them. We will place these in a binder notebook, in

plastic folders, for people to look at during the three day fair. Please understand, we will be selling the breed,— you the sellers will negotiate the sale and delivery of your own animals.

You may want to keep in mind that there is only one week between this fair and the ADCA meeting, so find out how fast your vet can get you your health papers.

We must charge a \$5.00 fee, per animal, to defer the costs of copies and folders. If we find we didn't need that much, the remainder of this money will go into the annual meeting fund.

SCHEDULE

Friday:

BBQ at Storck's Rainbow Ranch 2:00 to 6:00 p.m. -

transportation to and from Motel provided. 4-H Dexters on display.

Directors meeting, 8:00 to 10:00 p.m.

Social Time in Banquet Room, 6:30 to 9:00 p.m. Country dance with live band, cash bar.

Saturday:
Breakfast on
your own.
Annual
meeting,
8:00 to
11:30 a.m.
Everyone
welcome
(encouraged)
to attend.
Lunch on
your own.

V i d e o judging, 1:30 to 5:00 p.m. Open to everyone.

B a n q u e t Dinner, 6:30 to 7:30 p.m. Guest speaker and announcements, 7:30 to 8:30 p.m.

Cash bar, 5:30 to 6:30 & 8:30 to 10:00 p.m.

Sunday:

Directors meeting, 7:30 to 12 p.m. Coffee and rolls at 7 a.m. Break at 9:30 a.m.

Sellers meet with buyers.

DEADLINES

Videos to Wes Patton — 6/15/99 Wes Patton, 7069 County Rd. 20, Orland, CA 95963.

Motel reservations — 7/02/99 (316) 942-5600 / Fax (316) 943-1549 Room costs just \$67.00

Animals for sale — 7/02/99
BBQ reservations (Friday) 7/02/99
Banquet meal reservations - \$15.00,
7/14/99. These last three all need to be made through:

Joanie Storck 401 W. 89th St. So. Haysville, KS 67060. (316) 524-0318.



1999 ADCA ANNUAL MEETING DEXTER VIDEO SHOW

Wes Patton, Region 9 Director

The 1998 video show held in North Carolina, was well received and provided those in attendance a glimpse of several herds and individual cattle. Many breeders at the meeting who did not participate last year, you are encouraged to consider entering this year whether you will be at the meeting or not. It is a fun way of learning more about your cattle and comparing them to those of other breeders. The live shows and sales that have been held are certainly of benefit to the breed and the breeders who are able to transport their animals to them. However, the video show can be entered by any member of the association, no matter where they live and shipping costs are normally under \$10. The guidelines for the show will follow those used last year, with a few minor changes.

Emphasis will be placed on the quality of the animals, but the better they perform for the camera, the better they will look to the judge. It is not necessary to have them on halter when they are video taped. However, if they are halter trained you can probably get the tape you want a lot faster. If they are not halter trained and you halter them for the video, they will probably not perform or look very good. In either case, they need to be shown next to a height reference, whether it be a fence, stick or some other device which has height markings on it. This will help the judge evaluate the relative size of the various animals in the show.

Again this year, any ADCA member can enter. Only one animal can be shown per tape. We know this is a waste of tape, but it is essential for the judging. No tapes will be mailed back to you, but they can be picked up at the annual meeting and the association reserves the right to use any or all of the tapes in the development of a promo video.

Video Rules

- First shot will be a thirty second side view from approximately twenty feet.
- 2. This will be followed by a closer fifteen second view of at least two feet (front and rear) with entry on a hard surface.
- 3. The third—thirty second rear shot from twelve feet showing the rear quarters, legs and udder or testicles if applicable.
- 4. The fourth—thirty second front view showing head, shoulders, and front legs.
- 5. Final thirty second shot—side view with animal on move (clockwise).

The length of the entire tape should not exceed 2½ minutes. Due to the limited time, timing is very important. For this reason tapes that are longer might have to be eliminated.

Remember: Each entry must be on a separate tape. They should be labeled with the following information (on the back label where the title goes):

- 1. Class it is to be entered in.
- 2. Animal's registration number and name.
 - 3. Date of birth.
- 4. Height at shoulder and estimated weight.
 - 5. Long or short leg.
- 6. If you have entries in more than one class, list them on the label as 1st choice, 2nd choice, etc. If there are more entries than can be judged, it might necessitate the judging of only your first three or four choices. No breeder can enter more than one animal in each class.

Example:

Class: Yearling Heifer

Height: 38" Weight: 400 lbs. Reg. No.: 08734

Name: Halls Bessie Mac

DOB: 5/12/98 Long Leg 1st Choice

The breeder's name, address, and

phone number can be put on a label on top of the tape.

Example:

John Doe

331 Oak Street

Zellwood, Fl. Zip

Phone

All information should be duplicated on cover or case of tape.

While not required, a voice commentary of this information can be included. If the entry is for sale, this could also be included on the label, voice commentary or both.

Class titles: (all ages are to 6/15/99)

- 1. Bull calf, less than one year
- 2. Yearling bull, 1 to 2 years
- 3. Bull, 2 to 4 years
- 4. Mature bulls, over 4 years
- 5. Heifer calf, less than one year
- 6. Yearling heifer, 1 to 2 years
- 7. 1st calf heifers
- 8. Cows up to 4 years
- 9. Mature cows, over 4 years
- 10. Best herd This too should be a separate tape of 2½ minutes, showing your entire herd of cows and calves with at least one herd bull. Do not leave out any animals because of undesirable qualities. These tapes will be judged separately and the owners of the three best herds will be announced in the Bulletin.

Remember, tapes should be of good quality. If you are not skilled with a camcorder get a friend or pay someone to help so as to show your animals as they really are in color, conformation, etc.

All tapes must be mailed no later than 6/15/99. Mail to:

Wes Patton

7069 County Road 20

Orland, CA 95963

If you have questions, please contact your regional director or me at 530-865-7250 or email me at: jpatton@orland.net.

There is a \$10 entry fee per class to help cover costs involved.

Points to Ponder

Or what to breed for and what to breed out of our herds.

By Carol Davidson

This is a continuation of the article in the Sept/Oct/98 ADCA Bulletin.

At the end of that article, I was talking of the points that make up a good calf channel, and ran out of room to complete the topic. Those points were: (a) muzzle width, (b) chine height and (c) vulva shape.

(a) Muzzle width: there appears to be a correlation between the muzzle width and the width of pins. An animal with a wide muzzle will have wide pin placement. Wide pins are one of the primary attributes of an easy calver.

(b) Chine height: there appears to be a correlation between high chine (withers, if you are into horses) and body capacity. The higher-slung the body is on the ground supports (legs, which include shoulder blades) the better the capacity.

(c) Vulva shape: like the spacing between pins, it is easier for a calf to come out of a large opening than a small one. A long, olive-pit shaped vulva is more desirable than a small, rounded, high vulva.

While we're still at this end of the animal, let's take a look at the angle of anus and vulva: the most desirable is a vertical angle, so manure and the afterbirth will fall freely, and drain properly. A common fault is for the angle to be tilted, which causes manure buildup around the vulva which in turn invites infection, and also causes poor drainage which also invites infection. This fault must be considered in the bull, too, as his calves may inherit his qualities, not the cow's.

From the Editor

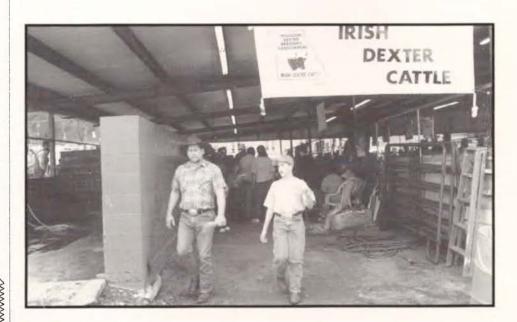
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Sorry for inconvenience.
Richard Henry

Achondroplasia: A Curse or a Blessing?

In the past several years we have been warned of the directions that cattle breeding in Europe will be taking at the insistence of the Europeon Economic Community. Years ago, the American Livestock Breeds Conservancy warned that Europeon breed associations may be forced to abandon the registering of pure bred cattle because the EEC rules will require registering the F-2 second generation as purebred. Last year the American Highland Cattle Association broke with the parent organization in the British Isles over this issue. Frankly, I think cross breeding is how we conveniently got polled Dexters just as some breeders began to yearn for this trait.

Wes Patton's report on the World Dexter Congress reminded me once again of all this and how our many years of breeding pure Dexters will be compromised as we obtain imports that are crossbred. Mr. Patton's article also relates the concern of Europeon breeders that the achondroplasia problem might lead EEC officials to reject the Dexter breed or ban it for EEC santioned trade. It occurs to me that rejection by the EEC might be a good thing for the Dexter breed. achondroplasia trait in Dexter cattle might now preserve the breed by eliminating official interference and enable Europeon Dexter breeders to continue breeding pure bred Dexter cattle as they have been doing for well over a century. For us in America, it may mean we will not have to someday debate whether we also will break with the British to avoid further importation of crossbred semen, embryos, or calves.

> Don Piehota P-Bar Ranch Snyder, OK.



Irish Dexter cattle fill the entire exhibit hall in one of the main arenas at the Annual Farm Fest. All photographs courtesy of Lizabeth R. Starnes.

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Dexter heifers, weanlings and yearlings. Priced from \$450 to \$550. Weanling bull calves for breeding from \$350.

Don Piehota Snyder, OK (580) 569-2631 email: gcsba@juno.com

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Retirement - Herd dispersal.

6 cows age 2-7 yrs., all bred or with calf by side. 4 short. 2 long legged, blacks & duns. 3 yr. old black proportionate bull. Package price \$5500.

Also 3 black heifers age 11-18 months, 2 long, 1 proportionate. Sell or trade for well broke horse.

Call for individual pricing.

DA-LIN FARM Holden, MO (816) 850-5347

Herd Reduction Sale

Available:

Several red/dun cows and heifers. They are due to freshen in May and/or June of 1999. These are good producers bred to a very good bull.

Three young black bulls. Two are 1997 models and are ready to go to work this year. One is a 1998 model and needs to grow up. He will be quite small but proportionate.

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Serendipity Farm Slavka Perrone (315) 947-6912 8703 Murray Rd. Red Creek, NY 13143

AMERICAN DEXTER CATTLE ASSOCIATION

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July 16 - 18, 1999

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dob 9/1/97

red/dun

twins, dob 8/19/98

1 black

1 red/dun

Mary Ann Brewer 10724 Pheasant Drive Clarksburg, MD 20871 - 8523 (301) 865-6031 toknhart@erols.com

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Dexter Cattle For Sale

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For Sale:

1998 heifer calves. 1 dun long leg, 1 dun short leg, & 2 black short legs.

(507) 567-2157 David Andree RR #1 Box 61 Brownsdale, MN 55918

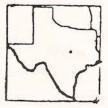
For Sale:

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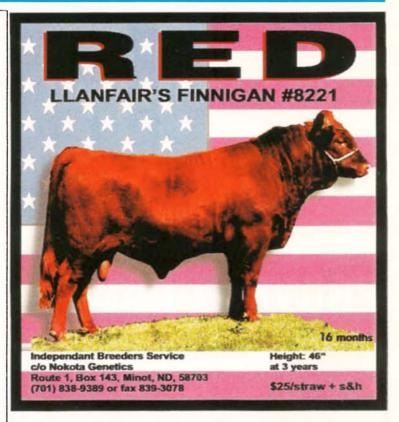
Jerry Starnes, Owner Email: starnesj@semo.net

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Four yearling bulls

Rainbow Hills Irish Dexter Farm Rt. 13 Box 75 • Poplar Bluff, Missouri 63901 573-785-2719







After seeing the Dexter cross in the last newsletter, thought I would share what I have come up with. You would think that when you cross a registered White Park bull and a registered Dexter cow you would get a spotted calf. Not so, calf looked just like the bull. You would call this cross - Park-Dex or Part-Dex. I breed 10 of my cows to get this hybred.

Marvin Johnson

Dexter Semen For Sale

Collected by COBA/Select Sires from Jamie O'Callen, #1949. Black, proportionate type. Excellent disposition, 42" tall @ 39 months.

> Briar Hill Farm James G. Johnson 4092 Broadview Rd. Richfield, OH 44286-9605 (330) 659-4861

Limited amount of semen available from Rhea of Sunshine, #4588. Red/dun, 38 1/2" tall, 670 lbs. @ 4 yrs. High proportion of heifers. First come, first serve. \$20 per straw plus s & h.

Rainbow Hills Dexter Farm Rt. 13. Box 75 Poplar Bluff, MO 63901 (573) 785-2719

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> Evelyn Colclough 10418 16th St. East Edgewood, WA 98372 (206) 927-4608

Collected from Anton of Mt. Carmel #2871 Red/dun 40½ " tall, 8 yrs. old and 975 lbs. Proportionate, long bodied, fleshy. Producing clean - uddered heifers and fleshy bulls. \$15 a straw.

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PROVEN QUALITY



BEDFORD ROMARC RAMBLER #5449

Evaluation Score 93.5%. \$20 US/straw + s&h black, 39" @ 18 mos.

\$25 CDN/straw + s&h



CORNHAIR OUTLAW #6703

Evaluation Score 85%. red, 44" @ 4 years. \$35 US \$45 CDN 1-5 straws + s&h \$30 US \$40 CDN 6 or more straws + s&h



SALTAIR PLATINUM #6504POLLED

Evaluation Score 85%. black with recessive red, 42" @ 3 years \$40 CDN/straw + s&h



RIVERHILL SATURN'S GALAXY #5255

Evaluation Score 82.5%. \$20 US/straw + s&h black, 43" @ 4 years \$25 CDN/straw + s&h



WEE GAELIC MR. O'TOOLE #5741

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bodies, deep frames and have produced outstanding calves.

DEXTER



A.I. Bull

REVIEW

A comprehensive collection of facts. statistics & extended pedigrees, with a photo (where available) of each bull and in many cases. additional photos of precursors and progeny. Evaluations are included where owners have given their permission.

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The Life and Times of Dexters

by Ted Neal

A full color book about Dexters direct from England. \$27.50 check or money order.

Dexter Cattle

by John Hays - USA \$7.95 per copy, plus \$1.55 postage and handling.

The Dexter Cow and Cattle Keeping on a Small Scale

by Dr. William Thrower - England \$9.00 each, postage paid.

Kerry and Dexter Cattle and other acient Irish breeds A history

by Patrick Leonard Curran Out of stock, no longer available.

Please order all books from:
Rosemary Fleharty, Secretary
American Dexter Cattle Association
26804 Ebenezer
Concordia, MO 64020

Sales requirements for semen

Advertising pertaining to the sale of semen in the **Bulletin**, requires one to state the height of the bull from the shoulder to the ground and the age at which the height was recorded. The bloodtype for any bull being used out-of-herd A.I. must be on file with the ADCA.

Annual Meeting



Wichita, Kansas July 16, 17, & 18th.

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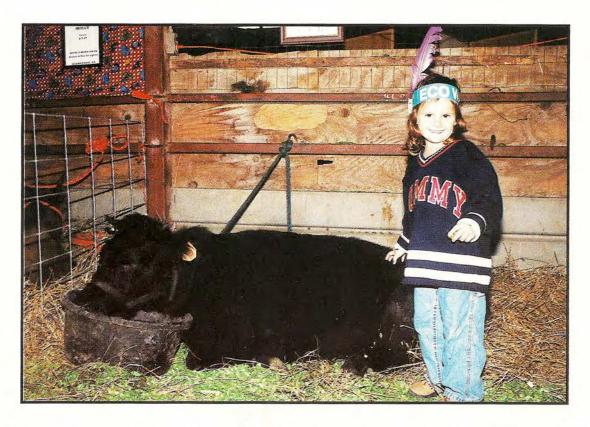
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Send letters and articles to the editor:

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Fee Schedule

| Cost of Registrations: | |
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| Cows up to 1 yr. old | \$20.00 |
| Bulls up to 2 yrs. old | |
| Cows over 1 yr. old | |
| Bulls over 2 yrs. old | |
| Animals from A.I. sires add | |
| Cost of Transfers: | |
| Regular transfers | \$20.00 |
| Inner-herd transfers | |
| Registration and transfers for non members | \$100.00 |
| New membership (owning registered Dexters) | \$30.00 |
| Associate membership (not owning Dexter cattle) | \$30.00 |
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