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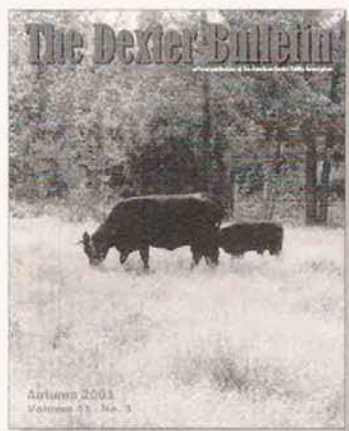
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HELP WANTED

The ADCA is adding a part-time position of Advertising & Marketing Coordinator/Website Administrator/Membership Book Editor. Duties will include the following: coordinating the annual advertising campaign by researching markets and writing and placing ads in appropriate periodicals; acquiring, housing, marketing, and distributing promotional items; maintaining the ADCA website through coordination with the webmaster; receiving and replying to email inquiries on the webpage; managing the online breeder listings; coordinating articles and advertisements with the ADCA Bulletin Editor; coordinating, developing and collecting advertisements throughout the year for an annual membership book; working with ADCA members to best represent Dexter cattle, etc.

A basic knowledge of Dexter cattle is preferred. Salary will be commensurate with the credentials and determined by the Board of Directors at their August 2002 meeting. Candidates must submit a letter of interest, a complete resume with at least 3 letters of recommendation, and a writing sample to the ADCA office at 26804 Ebenezer Road, Concordia, MO 64020. Materials are due prior to March 1, 2002.



Cover photo: "Summertime and the living is easy." Photograph courtesy of Linda Hawkins, Winding Lane Farm.

Message from the President

Greetings from hot and humid Western Michigan. As I write this, the forecast is for temperatures in the mid 90's, along with humidity in the mid 90's. I am certainly thankful that we aren't subjected to these extremes for extended periods of time.

As you can see, I am still your President for another year. Thank you to the Board of Directors for the vote of confidence.

We had a very good AGM in upstate New York, and came away with a good sense of accomplishment:

- The Classification Committee worked hard during the meeting weekend to update and modify the classification traits to better accommodate the dual purpose nature of the Dexter. My thanks go to the committee for their efforts. The system should now be a useful tool in evaluating our animals.
- We had an excellent presentation on "color" of the Dexter, and how various colors can occur genetically.
- We created a "promotional items" segment of the Association, with Anna Poole currently heading it up. This will start out with hats, T-shirts etc. that have the ADCA logo that members can buy at very reasonable

rates. We hope to expand this area in the future to include advertising and communications as well.

- The Board voted to subsidize a feedlot test of Dexter steers, to be done in Oklahoma. This should give us valuable information on how our breed can fare in this area.
- We have taken the initial steps toward looking at upgrading the registry process. More information will be coming in future months.

As always, there are many things that need to be accomplished in order for our Association to continue to be successful. The primary thing is communication. Many times, feelings are hurt or people are upset because only part of an issue is communicated. If anyone has a question, or doesn't understand why something is happening, PLEASE ASK! The officers and directors of this association have been elected to help the membership do the best job possible of raising and marketing Dexter cattle and are always willing to help. If you run into roadblocks, please contact me and I'll do what I can to help.

I wish everyone the best in all their Dexter endeavors.

Patrick Mitchell
ADCA President

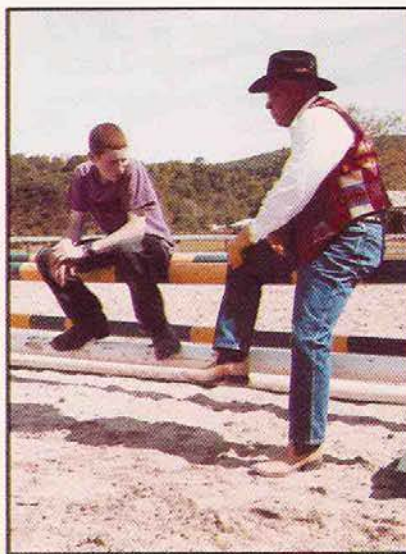
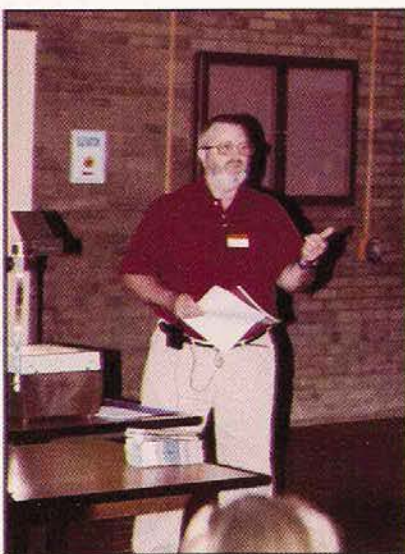
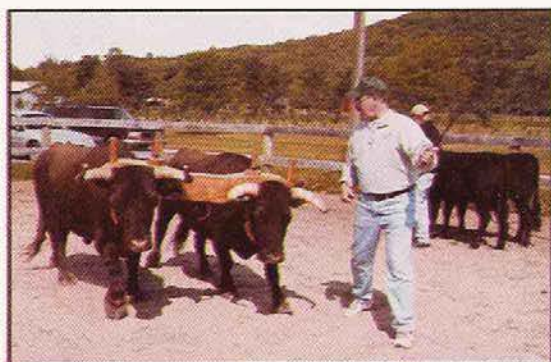
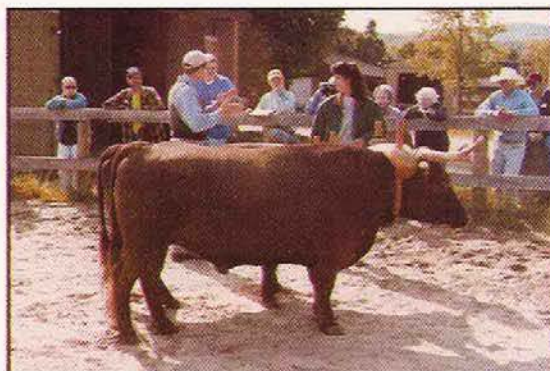
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2001 Annual General Meeting in New York State

Photographs by Kathy Smith. Bottom left and right photographs by Mark L. Davis.



2001 Annual General Meeting in New York State

If you plan it, they will come, or at least it seems that way. For the 2001 AGM, we had nearly 100 at some of the events. The ox training was a success. We got some great publicity in the Albany Times-Union newspaper. It was an opportunity for Dexter members to spread the word about Dexters here in NYS. As someone who has worked on this year's event for like the last two years, it was great to see how many people came to participate.

On Thursday I was wondering just how everything was going to come together. I'd been up since early in the morning getting cattle trucked, and I was listening to them bang their horns on the sides of the stock trailers; I couldn't have been happier to have seen the face of Smiling Papa Marvin Johnson. He was there the first of anyone and he had to travel some distance to do it — all the way from the Oklahoma Panhandle. It was then that I knew everything would work out just fine.

It was very gratifying to see the sign-in sheet and read the addresses of those who attended. They were from such distances as Texas, Hawaii, Maine, Oregon, and Arkansas. I think that we did ourselves proud again this year by representing the vast area of Dexter ownership across the United States.

Offer a thanks to everyone who helped. Wes and Jane Patton really make the video show possible, and they are on hand to help in any way. Kathy Ireland and others did a great job of making the White Dexter Sale profitable. Bob Evans and Bart Snedaker saved the day with their bookkeeping skills during the sales of cattle and White Dexter items. Of course, there was the famous milking video which they did!! Betsy Freeland stayed with the welcoming table on Thursday evening. Sorry about the folks who did get lost on Friday evening!

For everyone who contributed to the White Dexter Sale, many thanks. There was a lot of loot that passed through that auction. This is a great way to contribute if you can't come to an annual meeting. Sending something

to represent your area to be sold as part of the fund raiser or sending a video of your animals does a lot to help make the event successful.

Best wishes to Slavka Perrone, who decided to sell all of her Dexters. She will no longer be a Regional Director, which means that the NY/NJ Region will need representation. I would hope that we can get either Bob Evans or Bart Snedaker to fill this position. They are some of the few people who actually milk their Dexters. It's a good place to refer questions. Their good humor and exuberance for their Dexters would make either one an excellent Regional Director.

Of course, we couldn't have done it without Dr. Drew Conroy of the University of New Hampshire. He's one well traveled, good ole country boy, with a lot of education to help him along. He was able to speak about cattle from many perspectives, including working and production. Our deepest appreciation for all of your efforts, Drew.

Sabrina Matteson and her youngest of the Matteson ox dynasty, Tucker, brought Rex and Dun, those remarkable Dexter steers that can do it all. Vicki Solomon braved it to come all the way by herself from Ohio, with two steers and a young bull calf. Paul and Silas, her yoke of steers, are young and off to a fine start. Many thanks to these ox teamsters who were such a vital part of the weekend's events.

I have to offer a special thanks to Gail Browning and Doug Goodale at SUNY College at Cobleskill. They were instrumental in helping me plan the event and keeping things together during the AGM. They led the way and many other staff members followed suit to make our visit to the College at Cobleskill a most pleasant one. I understand that some information about our AGM may be appearing on the College website at: cobleskill.edu/training.

Next year we're on to Oregon and Anna Poole is the lady to contact about that meeting. And in 2003, Marvin Johnson and other folks from Oklahoma are inviting us to visit them.

Results of the Live Show

There were about 25 Dexters in attendance, but not all were for sale. There were six oxen, and my husband and I loaned four cows and two calves for exhibition.

Here's what I have for results. I would thank the four people who brought animals to sell. It was a tough year to get people to bring cattle off their farms because of all of the news stories about Mad Cow Disease and Foot-And-Mouth Disease. Those who showed and sold cattle were: Steve and Doris Burdette of Pennsylvania; David and Tupper Sverduck of Pennsylvania; Mary Swingle also of Pennsylvania; Gary Williams of Maine; and Bill and Catherine Werner of Illinois.

The Grand Champion Bull went to Steve and Doris Burdette; the Reserve Champion went to Bill Werner. Both the Grand and Reserve Champion females went to David and Tupper Sverduck.

For the last couple of years here in NYS, I've received plenty of phone calls about selling all the calves we've wanted to sell. Yet, at the auction, there were many "No Sales" on cattle. I don't know if NYS folks left their wallets home, or what happened, but the sale didn't go so well. Though later on, I did see quite a few cattle leaving with new owners.

Just a note:

I recently received a call from a very pleasant sounding gentleman named David Coyle, who told me that I could include this information in the next Bulletin. He milks cows for a living and is interested in getting some Dexters into his herd and into a milk testing program. If you have some bagging heifers that you'd like to sell, you might give him a call.

David Coyle
1658 Mallory Road
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607-565-3231

~Kathleen Smith, ADCA VP

Video Show Results
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Annual Meeting Minutes AMERICAN DEXTER CATTLE ASSOCIATION

The meeting was called to order at 8:25 a.m. at SUNY College at Cobleskill by President Patrick Mitchell. Those in attendance were: Charles & Marilyn Barnes, Pat & By Carnahan, Stan & Sandy Cass, Warren & Sally Coad, Winona Crapp, Robbie Crispell, Mark & Marge Davis, Richard Dryski, Dean & Rosemary Fleharty, Mary Ann Grismer, Richard Henry, Gwen Casey-Higgins & Larry Higgins, Kathy Ireland, James Johnson, Marvin Johnson, Lori Jones, Ronald Kupiec, Roger & Lynnel Lein, Michael & Shaun Lord, Donna Martin, Mac & Myra McMinn, Pat Mitchell, Mark & Edlyn Muir, Roger Neitzel, Wes & Jane Patton, Anna Poole, John Potter, June Osters, Kathy and Robert Smith, David & Louise Snyder, Brenda & Ron Stringham, Tupper & David Sverduk, Sandi Thomas, Kay & Steve Wedvik, Bill & Catherine Werner, Gary Williams and Bill, Colton & Sue Yehl.

Minutes from 2000 – it was moved (Wes Patton), seconded (Gwen Casey-Higgins) and approved to accept the minutes of the General Meeting. The Directors Meeting from 2000 would be approved on Sunday.

Financial Statement – it was moved (Marvin Johnson), seconded (Stan Cass) and approved to accept the 2000 annual and 2001 (thru May) financial statements as prepared.

General Meeting

June 2, 2001

Cobleskill, New York

The Advertising Report (as attached to the minutes) was submitted by Kathy Smith. It was suggested that the ADCA no longer advertise in Record Stockman. It was

suggested that the ADCA have a way of tracking inquiries through a type of designation.

A proposed budget was developed by John Foley that would be discussed at the Board meeting on Sunday morning.

A report on the Bulletin was given by Rich Henry, editor.

The report on "Classification for Dexters" was given by Roger Neitzel from the Brown Swiss Association located in Beloit, Wisconsin. The Brown Swiss Association also does classifications for the Milking Shorthorns and Guernseys. Initially Brown Swiss used linear traits (15 categories) recorded on 1 to 50 for the Dexters using their (Brown Swiss) generic form. The highest number does not always mean best. Adjustments are made on the traits for the Milking Shorthorns and Guernseys. The linear

traits were scored for Dexters using the same form. An additional five categories are looked at as weighting traits. The past year data was collected from some Dexter herds. Last spring Dean and Rosemary Fleharty attended a classification workshop and the classifiers visited a Dexter herd in Wisconsin. This spring the annual classification workshop was held and Wes Patton attended. The information collected this past year was reviewed and a form used by the Canadian Association was looked at by the classifiers. The classifiers felt a score sheet similar would be easier to use for the Dexters than the generic form that had been used by the Brown Swiss. Information has been published in the Bulletin regarding the classification program.

Wes Patton thanked Roger for coming to the meeting and presenting the classification information. Presently the only way of getting classification information on Dexters is by visiting the herd(s). As the classification system was investigated, it was determined that getting a classifier to do this was financially impossible because of the far reaching areas and small herds of Dexters located in all parts of the U.S. The Brown Swiss Association and subsequently its classifiers were willing to incorporate the classification of Dexters into their program. Wes noted the classifiers at the meeting this spring were professionals and definitely know cows. They just need to know what the Dexter breeders need. Wes reviewed the sample form that he developed following the meeting in Wisconsin (attached to the minutes). ADCA needs a type committee (a committee that says what an ideal characteristic is for this trait). Wes also explained how the scoring would work. The final score would be calculated by a computer once the individual scores are calculated. The total score is typically a marketing tool. ADCA is trying to align the idea of having a final score with other Associations. Roger Neitzel noted that most breeds require more than one scoring for animals. However, it would be up to the ADCA to determine how often a cow is classified before a score becomes permanent. It was also mentioned that bulls need to be classified. Winona Crapp suggested that all cows in milk should be classified the first time. Other members felt it should be up to the individual breeder to select animals to be classified.

A type committee will be established with five people on the committee. Wes Patton will be the chair, Sandi Thomas, Marvin Johnson, Mark Muir and Dean Fleharty will be the other members. The first meeting of the group would occur in the afternoon following the sale. Mark Muir and Marvin Johnson will serve two-year terms. Wes Patton, Dean Fleharty and Sandi Thomas will serve three-year terms.

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Color Committee Report – John Potter thanked the members of his committee Sandi Thomas, Gary Williams and Rosemary Fleharty. Carole Davidson had also provided some additional information. Mike Cowan had been very supportive and helpful from Genetic Visions in accommodating the needs of the ADCA. A total of 42 animals were tested and 33 tested not-red. There is no test available for the difference between black and dun. A total of nine animals tested red. Red compared to black is recessive. A black animal with two genes for dilute is dun. If a red animal has two genes for dilute, it is a question which color it will be. The dilute gene in Dexters is not recognized by genetics testing. The red genes have been scarce but now are popping up across the country. The color of an animal has nothing to do with the breed for meat or milk. It doesn't matter the color of the coat as far as meat and milk production. Dun is the word for dilute black. The information that John submitted at the meeting on the color will be placed in the *Bulletin*. A change will be made to the current ruling for registering a Dexter as "red" to either tested red or the animal must be produced from either two registered red animals or red tested parents to be registered as red. This change will take effect immediately. Any questions about testing should be directed to John Potter.

Dexter World Congress – more information will be coming from Australia in the near future.

Gwen Casey-Higgins as the web administrator gave a report on the ADCA website. The website is updated monthly. Most things are put up by the end of the first week of each month. Free breeder listings are on the website. Personal website links will be placed on the ADCA website for free. All ads in the *Bulletin* are placed on the website. The ADCA registration forms are on the web. The logo for use by members is available for downloading. Directors messages are on the website. Photos on regions can be put on. The featured farm has only been used once. The website address is www.dextercattle.org

Annual meeting – next year 2002 – Anna Poole gave an update – Oregon Trail will be the theme. The meeting will be held on August 2, 3 and 4. Everything will be under one roof. All show animals must be sold for a show minimum of \$750. Also there will be exhibit animals. All exhibit animals must be halter broken. The group hosting the meeting/show/sale would like to have a heifer donated for a raffle as well. If someone is willing to make a heifer donation, they should contact Anna Poole.

Annual meeting in 2003 will be hosted by Region 6. Marvin Johnson, Andy Kincaid, Candice Howell and Don Pichota will work on the meeting to be held in Stillwater, Oklahoma, at the University. The group hosting the meeting would like to have a rate of gain feedlot group of steers. All beef would be graded and processed. Marvin made a request to have the ADCA sanction the feedlot group and help assist with the expenses to gather the cattle. The calves would be backgrounded for 30 days. At least a pen of 50 animals would be needed for the gain feedlot. If there is enough interest by the membership, the Directors will consider the proposal at Sunday morning's meeting.

The Missouri Dexter Breeders Association made a request for assistance from the ADCA. The group is considering having a show and sale annually in May that would not compete with national show and sales if held in the area. Their request was to attach a rider to the ADCA insurance for liability for use at a fairgrounds where they would hold their show and sale.

Region 6 had requested a revision of the new brochure.

Nominations for Directors-at-Large for Sunday's Directors meeting were requested. It was moved (Kathy Smith), seconded (Gwen Casey-Higgins) and approved to nominate Kathy Ireland. It was moved (Marvin Johnson), seconded (Donna Martin) and approved to nominate Brenda Stringham. It was moved (Kathy Smith), seconded (John Potter) and approved to nominate Winona Crapp. It was moved (Jim Johnson), seconded (Dean Fleharty) and approved that nominations cease. Winona Crapp and Kathy Ireland were elected to serve as Directors-at Large.

The membership present thanked Kathy Smith for all the hard work she had done for this year's annual meeting, workshop, show and sale. A round of applause followed.

A special thank you was also extended to Roger Neitzel for attending the meeting.

It was moved (Brenda Stringham), seconded (Wes Patton) and approved to adjourn the meeting at 11:30 a.m.

Submitted by,
Rosemary Fleharty
Secretary



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Note: Missouri Dexter Breeders Association now has a website: <http://www.jcn.net/mdba>
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Board of Directors Meeting Minutes AMERICAN DEXTER CATTLE ASSOCIATION

Present: Stan Cass, Winona Crapp, Gwen Casey-Higgins, Kathy Ireland, Marvin Johnson, Donna Martin, Pat Mitchell, Wes Patton, Anna Poole, John Potter, Kathy Smith, and Gary Williams. Absent: Paul Anderson (resigned), John Knoche, Allen Nelson, Slavka Perrone (resigned), Carol Ann Traynor and Mark Youngs.

The meeting was called to order at 9:00 a.m. at Howe Caverns, Cobleskill, New York by President Pat Mitchell.

After a review of the minutes from last year's meeting, it was agreed that on page 5 that Paul Anderson would also look into the possibility of a program that was capable of doing genealogy searches.

It was moved (Wes Patton), seconded (Kathy Smith) and approved to accept the minutes with the correction noted.

The Board reviewed the financial statements submitted by John Foley. It was agreed by consensus that Canadian exchanges must be covered by the member—not covered

by the Association. A note will be sent to all Canadian members as a reminder.

It was moved (Marvin Johnson), seconded (Gary Williams) and approved not to

reprint the John Hays Dexter Cattle book at this time.

Region 6 made a request for \$1,500 for a project to gather cattle for the Oklahoma beef feed out. It was moved (Kathy Smith), seconded (John Potter) and approved with one abstention to grant the request—one time expenses for 2002 and that the project be sanctioned by the ADCA. The results will be given out in 2003. Andy Kincaid will serve as chair, Candice Howell, Bill Moore, and Joanie Stork (treasurer) will serve as members of the committee for the project. Marvin Johnson will be the advisor.

It was moved (Kathy Smith), seconded (Gwen Casey-Higgins) and approved that the Association add \$1,500 for the web site to the proposed budget. Approved.

It was moved (Marvin Johnson), seconded (Stan Cass) and approved to add \$800 to the budget for copier services. This was approved as a one time expense in 2001.

It was moved (Wes Patton), seconded (John Potter) and approved to accept the format of the budget with the changes.

The advertising budget was discussed. It was moved (Marvin Johnson), seconded (Stan Cass) and approved that the budget remain at \$4,000 for the year.

An update was given on the ADCA website. The copyrighted material on the website has been removed and similar information will be rewritten and put back up on the website. Gwen Casey-Higgins agreed to continue for another year as the website administrator.

Kathy Smith agreed to put together a job description for a position that would serve as website administrator, be responsible for acquiring and selling promotional items, advertising (Public Relations) and the publication of the membership book. No stipend was assigned for this position at this time but it was agreed a modest stipend would be assigned by the Directors at a future date.

The sponsorship of State fairs was discussed. At the present time if there is a class specifically for Dexters the group is eligible for \$500. It was moved (Marvin Johnson) and seconded (Stan Cass) to add to this policy that if State Fairs and National Expositions had Dexter exhibits and no Dexter classes for a show, the ADCA would allocate \$200 for the event. The motion was withdrawn.

A new committee for promotional items was instituted with Anna Poole as chair, Donna Martin and Stan Cass as members. Items with the logo can be printed. Ideas for use on items other than the logo must be sent to the President for approval. He will make a determination if the submitted artwork, etc. needs to be sent to the Board for further consideration and approval.

John Potter agreed to work on creating a new brochure. He will ask Joanie Storck and others to assist as members of his committee. Any ideas for text and photos for the brochure should be sent to John Potter.

A successful meeting was held by the Classification Committee on Saturday with Roger Neitzel. All categories for the classification form were adjusted and given points. A decision still remains to be made on if all or part of the cattle (an individual breeder's herd) will be classified. If the determination is made that the whole herd needs to be done at one time, then a determination needs to be made if all cows are classified (whether dry or in milk). Members of the committee are Wes Patton, Marvin Johnson, Dean Fleharty, Mark Muir and Sandi Thomas. The Board commended the committee on the appropriate and quick turn around. Accolades were given to Wes Patton who has done a great job. Jane Patton was also acknowledged for her assistance with the classification program and the annual video show. *Continued...*

Board of Directors Meeting June 3, 2001, 9:00 a.m. Cobleskill, New York

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John Potter was recognized for the great job he has done with the Color Committee. He will put the updated information discussed at the general meeting on the website and in the Bulletin.

It was moved (John Potter), seconded (Donna Martin) and approved that the membership book be a part of the new part-time person's (Public Relations) duties. This would no longer be prepared by the Bulletin editor.

It was moved (John Potter) and seconded (Kathy Smith) that the ADCA return to sending all bulletins by first-class postal service. The motion was approved with one opposition.

It was moved (Marvin Johnson) and seconded (Kathy Smith) that for \$250 an individual who is 60 years of age could purchase a lifetime membership or an individual of any age could purchase a lifetime membership for \$500. The motion was defeated with a vote of six (no) to four (yes).

It was moved (Marvin Johnson), seconded (Kathy Smith) and approved that Jim Johnson be given an Honorary Membership for his years of service to the Association.

It was moved (John Potter), seconded (Stan Cass) and approved for the request from the Missouri Dexter Breeders to have a show and sale to tie in with the ADCA's current liability insurance be given consent.

Revising the cost of registration and transfer fees was discussed but no motion was made to change the fees at this time.

It was moved (Wes Patton), seconded (John Potter) and approved that Pat Mitchell on behalf of the ADCA would send a letter of apology for the lateness of the membership book to the member who had paid for advertising in the book and written a formal complaint.

It was moved (John Potter), seconded (Stan Cass) and approved that the ADCA give a 20% discount on advertising on the same size ad for the next membership book to all those who advertised in the 2001 book to accommodate the lateness of the book this year.

It was moved (Gwen Casey-Higgins), seconded (John Potter) and approved that a new committee be established to look at both the current database and the Animal Tracs database to determine if the current database can be downloaded into the new proposed system. Sandi Thomas, Rosemary Fleharty and possibly Chuck Daggett (who will be asked) will investigate this possibility.

It was moved (Marvin Johnson), seconded (Winona Crapp) and approved that the old Rules and Regulations Committee be disbanded and a new committee with Donna Martin as the chair (she will select a committee) be formed. The ADCA President will serve as the advisor.

It was moved (Gwen Casey-Higgins), seconded (Stan Cass) and approved that the Board review and appoint/reappoint committees each year.

It was moved (Wes Patton), seconded (Kathy Smith) and approved that the ADCA accept Region 6 as the host for the 2003 meeting.

Anna Poole made a request to the Board for the meeting for 2002 to generate buyers and bring them for the show and sale.

Upcoming World Congress – It was moved (Kathy Smith), seconded (Stan Cass) and approved that the ADCA sponsor Wes Patton as the official representative to the World Congress and that the ADCA President also be sponsored.

The Board then agreed by consensus to meet in closed session for election of officers.

Following closed session an announcement was made that the officers would remain the same—President - Pat Mitchell, Vice President - Kathy Smith, Secretary/Treasurer/Registrar - Rosemary Fleharty, Bulletin Editor - Rich Henry. The Vice President will continue to be in charge of advertising and regional election tallies as has been the past practice for the Association.

The salary(ies) for the Secretary/Treasurer/Registrar will remain the same as follows: Treasurer - \$600, Secretary \$2,750, Registrar \$4 per registration and \$3 per transfer. The stipend (compensation of \$250 per issue) would remain the same for the next year for the "Editor of the Bulletin."

Gwen Casey-Higgins asked if anyone knew the whereabouts of the Region 4 meeting banner. If it is not located, it may be necessary to have another one made.

A round of applause was given to Kathy Smith for hosting a very successful workshop, show and sale and Annual Meeting. Congratulations!!!

It was moved (John Potter) seconded (Marvin Johnson) and approved to adjourn the meeting at 12:30 p.m.

Pat Mitchell thanked the Board for the opportunity to serve as President and thanked the Board members for doing a good job.

Submitted by,
Rosemary Fleharty, Secretary

| Entry No. | Name | DOB | Height | Weight | Reg. No. | Owner | Address | Placing |
|---|---------------------------|--------------------|--------|--------|---------------|----------------|----------------|--------------|
| Class 1: Bull calf, less than one year | | | | | | | | |
| 1-1 | Jet | 5/20/00 | 41 | 550 | 11805 | Angie Murdick | Billings, MT | 1 |
| 1-2 | Shome Martin | 5/18/00 | | | 11494 | Dean Fleharty | Concordia, MO | 2 |
| 1-3 | Mini Meadows Pilgrim | 11/26/00 | 32 | 200 | pending | Charlee Graham | Oakville, WA | 3 |
| Class 3: Bull, 2 to 4 years | | | | | | | | |
| 3-1 | Serendipity's LM Jerry | 5/25/98 | 44 | 850 | 10737 | Kathy Smith | Fort Plain, NY | 2 |
| 3-2 | Sam of Mini Meadows | 4/5/98 | 42 | 950 | 9360 | Charlee Graham | Oakville, WA | 1 (reserve) |
| Class 4: Mature bulls, over 4 years | | | | | | | | |
| 4-1 | Rocky Hills Smokey | 1/7/97 | 47 | 1100 | | Charles Barnes | New Castle, VA | 1 (champion) |
| 4-2 | Jubilee Farms Buddy | 2/18/97 | 40 | 1000 | 9478 | Roger Lein | Gentry, AR | 3 |
| 4-3 | Rocky Hills O'Hickory | 4/27/96 | 46 | 1100 | 7970 | Robert Seddon | Mineral, VA | 2 |
| Class 5: Heifer calf, less than one year | | | | | | | | |
| 5-1 | Birchwood Ellie Mae | 12/23/00 | | | 11296 | Roger Lein | Gentry, AR | 2 |
| 5-2 | OTF's Ferdinanda | 8/20/00 | 34 | 250 | 10931 | Robert Seddon | Mineral, VA | 1 |
| 5-3 | Tresha of Morgan Ridge | 9/15/00 | 33 | 175 | pending | Donna Martin | Landrum, SC | 3 |
| Class 6: Yearling heifer, 1 to 2 years | | | | | | | | |
| 6-1 | Birchwood Candi | 2/8/00 | 36.5 | | 10673 | Roger Lein | Gentry, AR | 2 |
| 6-2 | Shome Sheila | 4/6/00 | 37 | 400 | | Dean Fleharty | Concordia, MO | 3 |
| 6-3 | Annie of Mini Meadows | 10/23/99 | 38 | 500 | 10428 | Charlee Graham | Oakville, WA | 1 |
| Class 7: Cows up to 4 years | | | | | | | | |
| 7-1 | Abigail | 7/22/97 | 45 | 850 | 8861 | Angie Murdick | Billings, MT | 5 |
| 7-2 | Glenn Land Willow | 4/9/99 | 41 | 626 | 10087 | Charles Barnes | New Castle, VA | 4 |
| 7-3 | Glenn Land Ms. Chocolate | 4/2/99 | 39.5 | 610 | 10086 | Charles Barnes | New Castle, VA | 1 |
| 7-4 | Shome Shallot | 4/8/99 | 39 | 540 | 10597 | Dean Fleharty | Concordia, MO | 2 |
| 7-5 | Odetta of Sussex | 1/9/98 | 39 | 750 | 10279 | Robert Seddon | Mineral, VA | 3 |
| Class 8: Cows over 4 years | | | | | | | | |
| 8-1 | Shome Sharle | 8/16/96 | 41 | 650 | 8282 | Dean Fleharty | Concordia, MO | 4 |
| 8-2 | Shome Shelli | 12/12/92 | 40 | 750 | 5944 | Dean Fleharty | Concordia, MO | 3 |
| 8-3 | Storm's Puddle of Dog Run | 8/4/94 | 44 | 950 | 7332 | Robert Seddon | Mineral, VA | 1 (champion) |
| 8-4 | Beatrix of Grandview | 3/15/89 | 38 | 750 | 6200 | Charlee Graham | Oakville, WA | 2 (reserve) |
| Class 9: Cow/calf pair, any age | | | | | | | | |
| 9-1 | Shome Dandi/Ellie Mae | 8/7/95 12/23/00 | | | 7606 11290 | Roger Lein | Gentry, AR | 2 |
| 9-2 | Glenn Land Miss Fudge | 4/25/99 | | | 10088 | Dean Fleharty | Concordia, MO | 3 |
| 9-3 | Storm's Pixie of Sussex | 1/4/96 8/20/00 | 37 | 750 | 8210 | Robert Seddon | Mineral, VA | 1 |
| Class 10: Best Herd | | | | | | | | |
| 10-1 | Birchwood Herd | | | | | Roger Lein | Gentry, AR | 1 |
| 10-2 | Mini Meadows Herd | | | | | Charlee Graham | Oakville, WA | 2 |

Chondrodysplasia Gene Identified

From Dexter Cattle Australia Inc:
Circular to Dexter Associations
23 August 2001

Dear Colleague,

Chondrodysplasia Research

Today, our President's annual report is being mailed to our members, and includes the following news:

"Dexter Chondrodysplasia Progress Report Council, with the assistance of various members, has worked closely with the University of Sydney through the Spirt Grant program, in a research project to identify the Chondrodysplasia gene. I am pleased to include in the President's report the following report of our scientific partners, Julie A.L. Cavangah, Imke Tammen, Peter A. Windsor, Frank W. Nicholas and Herman W. Raadsma of Reprogen, The University of Sydney and NSW Agriculture.

"The research to develop a test to identify animals that carry the defective gene for chondrodysplasia is progressing well. Recently, we have identified the gene involved with chondrodysplasia in Dexter cattle.

Identification of the gene is only the first step towards a DNA test. In most inherited disease, a number of mutations within the disease gene are found to cause the disease, and other mutations in the gene have no deleterious effects. We are currently investigating all the mutations we have found in the chondrodysplasia gene so far. When the disease-causing mutations have been fully characterised, DNA testing will be developed to enable identification of carrier animals. As soon as a test is available, the members of Dexter Cattle Australia will be notified.

The project will still benefit by receiving samples from bulldog calves and their relatives.

The progress so far would not have been possible without the many breeders who have provided tremendous support throughout the project for which we are very thankful!"

Julie has worked enthusiastically and tirelessly in this research with the collaboration of her colleagues to get to this truly momentous position. I heartily congratulate Julie and the research team and look forward on behalf of DCA to finally having a test that will categorically identify carrier and non-carrier animals."

Counterpart research workers have been notified of this significant result, and I am sure your Association/Society will be pleased to learn of it.

William Hughes
Secretary/Executive Officer, DCA

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From the President of Dexter Cattle Australia Incorporated (courtesy "The Dexter Bulletin", DCA Inc., edition no. 52):

To help you understand (or maybe not) a little of the process undertaken, Julie has provided the following detail.

"The result was achieved using homozygosity mapping within Australian Dexter families to locate the chromosomal region. A candidate gene was then screened using Australian bulldog samples. The causative mutation was identified in the Australian bulldog samples, and then confirmed using bulldog samples kindly provided by Prof John Williams at the Roslin Institute and Prof Bertam Brenig from the University of Goettingen."

Just in case you are a little confused with the naming, firstly, the defect was called achondroplasia and then was changed to chondrodysplasia during the project. The terms have the following meanings:

- achondroplasia - no cartilage growth
- chondrodysplasia - abnormal cartilage growth

Peter JK Little
President, DCA

Editor's note: There is still more work to be done. We hope to keep you updated, with members being informed as soon as a test is available.

Breeding Practices

by Don Piehota

It is my view that those of us who have developed breeding practices that suppress the bulldog calf trait should share our formula with the newer breeders. My approach is somewhat uncommon, but it works well.

We have been breeding Dexter cattle for over 28 years, and the first half of that time period we did it wrong - in terms of chondrodysplasia and bulldog calves. Every three years or so we began a search for a new herd bull because we had kept several beautiful heifers out of each year's calf crop; therefore at three calf crops the bull had to go. The new bull always came highly recommended and looked good, but in our case almost half of the time, the new bull was tainted with the gene for chondrodysplasia. Like everyone else, many of the cows in our herd also were carriers - unless they were the tallest Dexter cows in Christendom. Usually we knew of our plight with the first calf crop from a carrier bull, when we saw the bulldog calf. It was then only a day or two before the bull was sent to the butcher and our search for a herd bull began all over again. Of course the bull calves of that bull were all destroyed, but the heifers were kept or sold, since everyone has carrier cows and heifers.

In 1987 we first began to use Woodmagic bulls, holding back for years till we got reports from other breeders that they did not produce bulldog calves. It was then that I adopted the breeding practice that has worked so well for us that we have not had a bulldog calf at P-Bar Ranch in over 14 years. Our herd usually numbers 35 to 45 head of cows, so that is quite a few calves in that time span.

Our practice is to never sell that bull who never produces a bulldog calf even when bred to carrier cows. That means using a bull until he is 16 or 17 years old or older if he remains in good health. Why sell that important bull and gamble on a replacement? Sell his daughters and for replacement cows, bring in someone else's heifers. It doesn't matter if some of the purchased

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heifers are carriers of chondrodysplasia because your bull suppresses this trait. No matter how small your herd, using this approach with a non-carrier bull you will see no bulldog calves in that bull's lifetime. A bonus for the breed as a whole is that half the heifers you produce (even if *all* your cows are carriers) will be non-carriers. You can confirm this by looking up the single mendelian principles of heredity of lethal genes.

What we have done at P-Bar Ranch for the past dozen or so years is to keep three bulls, and rotate our heifers from bull A to bull B, from B to C, and from C to A. At first all three bulls were Woodmagic animals of 100% or 15/16 Woodmagic, since that importation from England brought in the fruits of 30 plus years of work to eradicate the bulldog trait in the Woodmagic line.

I recommend not giving up the bull that suppresses chondrodysplasia, keep him as long as he produces. Improve your herd in other ways (conformation, milk production, etc.) by buying heifers from a herd exhibiting these traits. Don't lose sight of the harsh reality that bulldog calves are our number one issue, and detractors of the Dexter breed always emphasize this problem. ☹

Bad news, good news

by Don Pichota

As the United States goes into its first serious financial crisis in a dozen years or more, it is hard to envision the Dexter cattle industry as being unaffected. If an economic downturn affects Dexter breeders negatively, I suggest we think of it as a bad news, good news situation.

The bad news of course is you might not be selling all your excess stock this year, but carrying it over for sale into next year or at worst into the year after. For the individual breeder the adverse effect on cash flow, income, profit, etc. is extremely unpleasant.

Conversely, the breed has a great opportunity to benefit and usually does so since, faced with the prospect of purchasing more feed in winter, overgrazing pastures in summer, etc., many breeders will cull out cows and heifers and send them to the sale barn. The years of very heavy demand creates an almost irresistible pressure to sell cows and heifers that have a few too many faults rather than culling them. Dexter numbers are now at or near the point where the lowest rated 5 or 10 percent of females should not be sold for breeding, therefore an occasional slump in sales can help us cull to the breed's benefit. ☺

PREFERRED DEXTER STEER FEEDOUT INFORMATION

The purpose of this controlled feedout is to obtain qualified data on Dexter cattle in a feedlot situation. The ADCA regional directors and officers voted to sanction and partially fund this feedlot test, at the 2001 AGM meeting.

Requirements

- Steers must be out of registered Dexter cattle
- Birthdates must be between Jan. 1 and April 15, 2001
- Animal must be delivered to the background pen February 1- 15, 2002

Fees

- Nomination fee for each steer* \$20
(due with the entry form)
- Animal feed \$80
(due with animal in Feb. 2002)

** This fee will be refunded if the minimum number of animals (25) is not reached.*

Deadline

Entry form due on or before October 31, 2001

After the feedlot statistics have been gathered, the finished animals will be delivered to a local processing plant, where the test data will be gathered on the carcass. Steer groups will be pulled from the feedlot when it is estimated that 5 head will grade low choice. Steers will be valued on a grade and yield basis. The remainder of the animal will then be available back to the consignor if they desire, or sold through a retail market in Kansas and Oklahoma. If you desire to keep the finished carcass for your own use, you must make arrangements for delivery.

For more information or entry forms:

Contact

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Getting it just right...Drew Conroy and Tucker Matteson. Photo by Kathy Smith.



I SAW A DEXTER IN IRELAND

by Donna S. Martin
Region 8 Director

Just barely back home from the ADCA meeting in Cobleskill, New York, my husband and I packed for a ten day trip to Ireland at the end of June. The first few days of the trip were spent with business colleagues in Killernay, but then Bob and I rented a car, and proceeded on our own (driving on the left side of the road no less), with little itinerary other than that we wanted to see the southwestern coast of Ireland.

I had told one of our hiking guides, John Ahern, about our interest in Dexters. He and the bus driver could recall having Dexters 30-40 years ago in Ireland, referring to them as the "Irish House Cow." They said that Dexters were used primarily for milking, but with the advent of milking machines were considered too short. They couldn't recall seeing Dexters in recent years although they thought that a nearby farm might have some.

This farm turned out to be Muckcross Estate, located within Killarney National Park. It had been preserved and opened to the public, with the restoration of many of the old buildings and exhibitions of the workings of the farm such as milking, butter-making, weaving, etc.

I called Muckcross, talked to Patricia Dearnley, and the next day was off to visit the farm with a promise of seeing at least one Dexter and a herd of Kerry cattle. We were greeted by the Farm Manager, Toddy Doyle, who gave us a brief overview of the farm, then left us in the able hands of Neilas Cronin, who tends the herd.


Neilas walked us out to a small herd of black cows and pointed out the Dexter. She was a beautiful, friendly cow in her twenties, and identifiable from the Kerries by her smaller size. Neilas explained that he remembered Dexters were often put with Kerry bulls to increase their size, and in fact, this Dexter was bred to a Kerry bull that was with the herd. He said that sometimes the calf from the Dexter/Kerry cross would come out a "Dexter," by that meaning it would be quite

shorter than the Kerry. He was not aware of other Dexter cattle in the area, but said that he would like to find a Dexter bull.

After seeing this part of the herd we then went to the barns where we met with Tim Mangan; though now retired, he had been the Farm Manager for many years. There were pictures on the walls of the barn showing Tim in shows crossing Kerry and Highland cattle to produce a tough, beefier type cow that could forage well and put on weight. He showed us some of the younger animals from these crosses.

There is an effort underway to preserve the Kerry cattle in Ireland,

with an active Society of Kerry Cattle. At present there is a Rare Breeds Society that I assume is similar to our American Livestock Breeds Conservancy that is trying to encourage the breeding of Dexters as well as other rare breeds in Ireland.

It would seem that Muckcross Estate would be a wonderful place to promote the raising and use of Dexters since the Dexters represent a very basic Irish tradition, and would fit so nicely into the "traditional" farm theme the Estate is promoting. For right now, I can certainly thank them for giving me the opportunity to see a Dexter in Ireland.  *Photographs courtesy Donna S. Martin.*



Kerry Cow



Dexter Cow

Foot and Mouth: When living in Eden became more like living in Hell

For the past 24 years the Harron Herd of Dexters and their owners have lived peacefully in the beautiful Eden Valley area of north Cumbria. Although many people not familiar with this area associate Cumbria with the Lake district and fell farming, the north of the county is a fertile land of rolling countryside, heavily stocked with dairy cattle. Cumbria has (or had!) the second highest number of dairy cattle in the UK after Cheshire.

Like many Dexter owners, our farm enterprise is part-time. I work as Customer Services Manager at an animal feed mill at Penrith, which supplies farms over a wide range of the North of England and Southern Scotland. Gordon is self-employed—most of his work, either as a tree surgeon, or on other rural maintenance work, such as footpath restoration, is carried out on farm land.

We have had our ups and downs with our livestock, like everyone else - the sadness of losing calves, or the death of a favourite animal, but nothing could have prepared us for the horror and destruction we have seen in this area over the past 16 weeks.

On February 21st Hazel Clarke, Carolann Raybould and I travelled down to Birmingham together for a Dexter Council meeting. We mentioned the case of Foot and Mouth at a slaughterhouse in Essex in passing,

symptoms of Foot and Mouth were left in fields between here and Penrith for five days before the Ministry in London gave the go-ahead for them to be slaughtered, despite the pleas of the farmer for them to be killed or at least moved away from his neighbors' fields.

On the 28th February, a friend rang to say that one of our neighbours had some sheep, bought at Longtown, which were unwell, he advised us to move our in-lamb ewes out of the field by the road and bring them nearer the farm. Fortunately all our cattle (28 head of Dexters) were housed. We hardly slept that night and I stayed off work the following day with the agreement of my employers. It was a false alarm. We breathed a huge sigh of relief and I went back to work where rigorous disinfectant procedures had been introduced right from the start of the outbreak. Feed still had to be delivered and it was our busiest time of the year. The extra precautions each delivery entailed meant a logistical nightmare for the transport department. We also adopted a strict code of conduct at home—no visitors and only essential journeys to work or for shopping and copious amounts of disinfectant everywhere.

At work we had to deal with the fear and distress of our customers. All we could do was listen, sympathise and try to reassure them that we cared and understood what they were going

Some of you will have met the Stampers when we hosted the AGM a few years ago, or will have contacted them to obtain one of Jonathan's bronze Dexter cows. Jonathan's elder son, Daniel was working on the farm, having left College, allowing Jonathan to spend more time on his sculptures and his garden design business.

We had been reassured by the fact that the majority of the cases over the first couple of weeks, both locally and in other areas of the country had a direct connection with sheep from Longtown or Hexham. However by the beginning of the second week in March, the situation had taken a sinister turn for the worse. One of our bigger dairy customers, a family whom I've known for years rang to say the MAFF were at the farm, and they were almost sure that they had Foot and Mouth. There were no sheep on the farm. The case was confirmed later that day. The following day, March 13, Gordon rang me at work. He and Jonathan were working together in Carlisle. Daniel had rung to say that their bull was showing classic symptoms of Foot and Mouth. I felt numb! They were both travelling in our Land Rover—I told Gordon to go home and disinfect everything. I put the phone down and burst into tears. We are only two fields away from Stampers' farm steading. I finished my work, went to the supermarket and stocked up and went home.

The Ministry vet confirmed the case the following day, March 14th. All the stock was slaughtered on the 15th March—250 cattle and over 200 sheep, including Daniel's pedigree Texels, mostly newly lambed. We stayed inside, not even wanting to imagine what was happening next door. We also felt so helpless. Normally, if any of our neighbours have a crisis, we are there to help, and of course, vice versa. With this terrible disease we all had to treat each other like lepers. We could only keep in touch by phone. We spent most of our time talking to neighbours, who were in the same position, or to concerned family and friends.

That afternoon Roger and Gill Robson, who farm on the other side of

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but were not unduly concerned and spent the rest of the journey discussing the Approved Bull Scheme, the training of Field Officers and Judges and the new Beef leaflet.

The case at Heddon on the Wall was confirmed the following day, the connection with Longtown Mart soon became apparent and the alarm bells began to ring. Many local farmers attend the sales regularly, but nothing was done to identify or cull the sheep which had passed through the market until it was far too late. Some sheep showing

through. Several of us understood only too well as our own farms or those of our families were threatened. Foot and Mouth was the sole topic of conversation, both at work and at home—there was no escape!

After the first case was confirmed, Gordon gave up any work on farm land and was working with our next door neighbor, Jonathan Stamper on some gardening projects. The nearest cases were still several miles away and they both felt that this was a fairly low risk way of keeping the money coming in.

When living in Eden became more like living in Hell

of the Stampers rang, telling us that the Minister of Agriculture had just announced in the House of Commons that all susceptible animals in Cumbria, within a three kilometre radius of an outbreak were to be culled. Our Dexters and pedigree Lleyn sheep and the Robson's sheep and herd of Belted Galloways appeared to be doomed. I was hysterical, Gordon was distraught, and as we heard later, over a vast area of North Cumbria many people were in the same state. We went out to feed the stock that night feeling absolutely desperate.

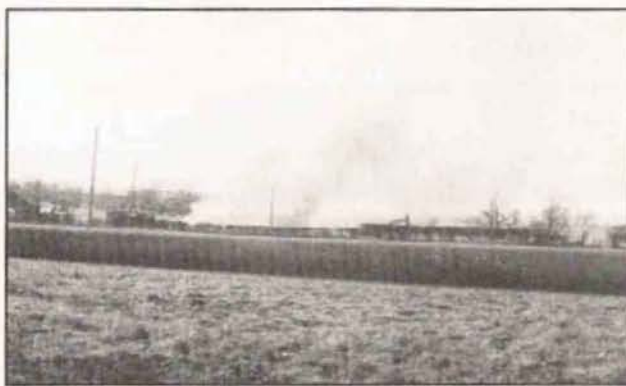
Everything looked fine. With the prospect (we assumed) of MAFF's imminent arrival we gave them extra large helpings of hay and thanked God that they didn't know the fate hanging over them. We had just started calving - two pretty little heifers and a bonny bull calf were skipping round their mothers - we could hardly bear to look at them. We discussed the best way of handling the slaughter, hardly able to believe the conversation that was taking place.

I rang our friend Richard, our vet. He was working at the "sharp end" identifying cases and supervising the slaughter teams. I told him about the announcement - his own Belted Galloways were also threatened. I said that if anyone had to come to kill our stock we want it to be him - it was a surreal conversation on his mobile, with the sound of the humane killer going off in the background. Poor Richard, who hadn't been home to his family for nearly three weeks, to protect their own stock, was obviously on auto-pilot. Resources for dealing with the outbreak were completely inadequate, the people on the ground were overwhelmed by the task in hand and the Government were still pronouncing that everything was under control - they didn't want anything to interrupt Tony Blair's plan for a May election! We tuned in to the local TV news - a live interview with Nick Brown saw an astonishing back-down after aggressive questioning by Fiona Armstrong, who was as angry and frustrated as most of her viewers. Only

sheep and pigs within a three kilometre radius of an outbreak were to be culled - not cattle. The phone was red hot all evening.

Daniel rang - all the slaughtering had finished next door, he had nothing but praise for the young Dutch vet who had been in charge. He said how guilty he felt that our livestock may now have to be culled, whether or not we actually went down with the disease. I said that he had no need to feel guilty, it certainly wasn't their fault. It had been one of the most harrowing days of our lives.

The next morning we listened to Farming Today on Radio Four -



*The day the pyre was lit next door -
view across our hay field*

Richard gave a moving account of what the last few weeks had been like as a vet working to try to control the disease - "the worst few weeks of his life". He finally went home 11 weeks after the start of the outbreak. His Carlisle based practice has lost 130 clients to the disease! 16 out of their 20 biggest dairy herds have gone and all their clients have lost their sheep.

The Stampers' cattle and sheep lay in their yard from the Thursday until they finally lit the pyre on the Monday afternoon, by which time the carcasses were falling apart - the young lad on the digger was so ill that Jonathan himself had to load the sheep on the fire. The fire burned for five weeks! This scenario was being repeated all over the area, with some animals lying for well over a week before they were removed or burnt!

We stayed at home. Friends dropped anything we needed at the end of our lane. We listened with disbelief

to the update bulletins on Radio Cumbria as the number of cases spiralled out of control. Dairy herds were going down one after the other - generations of breeding wiped out. There was the awful sad, sick feeling as we recognised many of the addresses on the list.

We heard nothing at all from the Ministry - I rang and was told we would get a letter and a visit, but they had no idea when! Reluctantly accepting that the sheep were to be culled, as they can carry the disease without showing symptoms, we expected them to be killed within a few days. We were due

to start lambing and the following week - gradually it began to dawn upon us that nothing was going to happen immediately and prepared to lamb them up the lane as far away from the cattle as possible.

After eight days and still no visit, just a phone call to say that we were on a "Form D", I went back to work - in waterproofs so that I could be disinfected when I arrived. I drove down the Motorway to Penrith - the vast majority of farms between home and work (a distance of approximately 12 miles) had now gone down with the disease - there were funeral pyres of animals burning for as far as the eye could see - it was a very grim sight.

On Saturday 23rd March there was another pronouncement from the Ministry that they were going to kill all livestock on farms adjacent to an outbreak (contiguous). Once again our Dexters were under threat. I was past being hysterical, I was just very angry and determined to fight - if our cattle were still healthy there was no way we were going to allow them to be slaughtered. On the Sunday morning I faxed our local NFU office and they rang back immediately. MAFF were not planning to cull cattle round outbreaks in our area as there would be nothing left! More confusion all round from the Ministry of Accidents, Fools and Failures as we had now christened it (that's the polite version). Another miserable weekend came to an end!

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We had now started lambing and had no option but to carry on as if nothing was going to happen. Ironically we had one of our most trouble free lambings. We had twice as many ewe lambs as ram lambs - normally we would have been delighted, but a big black cloud hung over us. Like everyone else we were lambing our sheep knowing that shortly they were all to be killed.

We were still going out to feed the stock with a sinking feeling morning and night, dreading finding anything wrong. A young cow hadn't eaten her hay one morning, and still hadn't eaten when we got home that night! We checked her mouth and could see nothing. Duncan MacIntyre rang and told us to take her temperature - it was normal, a good sign! Another sleepless night, but the next morning she was eating again. A few weeks later she produced a strapping heifer calf - the ninth heifer out of 11 calves born since the epidemic began.

On March 30 - 16 days after the outbreak next door we were finally, officially served with the paperwork and information on the restrictions connected with the "D" notice.

On April 10 our sheep were valued and we were told that they would be taken for slaughter "some time" over the next 10 days. Practically all the sheep in North Cumbria were being taken over this period. Roger Robson (well known to many of you as one of our judges) also had his sheep valued, but before they could be taken away, Gill rang to say that two of their cattle had gone down with Foot and Mouth - all their sheep and their lovely herd of Belted Galloways were slaughtered on Friday 13th April, Good Friday! It was 30 days since the outbreak next door and we were still on a knife edge.

They came to take our sheep for slaughter on Easter Monday - 33 days after next door's case was confirmed. We had nearly finished lambing. It was a dreadful experience feeding them for the last time, loading them into the

wagon for their journey to the slaughterhouse and listening to the little lambs crying for their mothers as we separated them so that they could travel safely without being crushed. The truck drivers were kind and very sympathetic - they were having a horrible time as well. The same thing was happening all over our area that Easter weekend. The sheep, all home-bred, had been sacrificed to give the Dexters a better chance of avoiding the disease, but the length of time involved made the whole idea of a cull to prevent the disease spreading a complete farce! It was three weeks before we could bring



A sight we feared we would never see again.

ourselves to go up and clear the pens from the lambing field. We kept the cattle in for as long as we could, but eventually turned them out at the end of April - the weather was beautiful and we had nearly run out of fodder.

Gordon and I have fared much better than many others living in the disease "hot spots". We would particularly like to thank Sandra, members of Council and all our friends in the Society for their advice, overwhelming support and good wishes. The fact we were right in the middle of the worst area at a time before the Army had been called in, has, in a strange way worked in our favour as far as saving our cattle has been concerned. We are very aware of the fact that some members have not been so fortunate and have lost their cattle in contiguous culls. It is devastating to lose animals with the disease, but to have healthy animals taken away in this way is even worse. There are still many Dexter herds

within Form D areas, throughout the country. We have all suffered the same agonising stress and uncertainty and none of us can afford to become complacent, with new cases still being confirmed almost every day. It is now three months since next door went down and we still haven't had a visit from MAFF or DEFRA as it is now called! The gate is firmly locked and we do a risk assessment before we go anywhere. As we both rely on income from employment off the farm, shutting ourselves away completely, like many farmers have done in this area was not an option for us. My employers have

been very sympathetic and understanding - they have been faced with an unprecedented situation and it is impossible to predict what the long term implications are for the future of any business in this area supplying the agricultural sector. I have lived here for over half my life and to me it is the best place in the world. To see the havoc that has been wreaked on the area and its people who I love and admire so much has broken my heart.

The last case within three kilometres was six weeks ago and although visiting any farms is strictly taboo, we are slowly trying to pick up the threads of normal life. Jonathan and Bernardette celebrated their Silver Wedding this week and last night we went to their party. They were, of course, unable to hold this at home, as they are still under restrictions. We were ceremoniously presented with face masks and white coats when we arrived! Out of all their farming guests from the parish, we were the only ones here who still have our stock. It was a great night and wonderful to see people we hadn't seen for months, but guess what we all talked about?

Veronica Schofield

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From the Editor

Our best wishes go out to our Dexter friends in the United Kingdom in their struggles derived from the Foot and Mouth Disease problems they've experienced. Veronica Schofield's article says it best, "when living in Eden became more like living in Hell," and our hopes are that it will soon be back to Eden for her and all the other livestock breeders there.

Several weeks ago when my veterinarian was out to the farm giving some routine vaccinations I asked him about the danger of Foot and Mouth arriving in the U.S. He felt we had good safeguards against a large outbreak here, however, he had received a memo that very morning warning that an animal rights group had threatened to bring it into the country. Given recent events it would seem that terrorism is to be a part of life, both natural and man-made. All the more reason to be aware of how fragile rare breeds are and to be appreciative of conservation efforts.

Dean and Rosemary Fleharty will be making a move with their Dexters shortly to their new place near Columbia, Missouri. You can always reach them with their email address: dfle@almanet.net should there be any problem during the transition in contacting them. Also, check the ADCA website: www.dextercattle.org for any updates when their new telephone information is available.

If the Officers and/or Directors see any additions or subtractions that need to be made to our committee listings please let me know. They say that the first thing to go with age is one's memory and so I've begun taking notes as a reminder. The trouble is I can't always remember where I put those little slips of paper at to remind myself.

The weather has become cooler here and the trees are shedding their leaves. I can sometimes tell when the weather is about to change because my Dexters seem to become more vocal. Hope this finds everyone with plenty of hay for winter and happy, healthy Dexters. 


Richard Henry
Editor

AMERICAN LIVESTOCK BREEDS CONSERVANCY ANNUAL CONFERENCE & RARE BREEDS EXHIBIT PROFITABLE SMALL FARM ALTERNATIVES NOVEMBER 1-3, 2001

The American Livestock Breeds Conservancy Annual Conference & Rare Breeds Exhibit will be held at the Small Farm Trade Show in Columbia, Missouri in November 2001. The ALBC Conference will feature speakers in seminars and short courses focusing on small farm alternatives, with a special exhibit of rare breeds of livestock and poultry.

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Information

ADCA Research Project

Based on current studies the Association recommends that the breeding of short-legged X (to) short-legged animals be avoided because of a genetic condition existing in some Dexters.

Should you have the misfortune of having a 'bulldog' calf please immediately contact:

Dr. Jon Beever
University of Illinois
Department of Animal Sciences
220 E RML
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Urbana, IL 61801
Phone: (217) 762-2951
Fax: (217) 244-6745

Email: j-beever@uiuc.edu

Your assistance with this project is appreciated and will be kept confidential.



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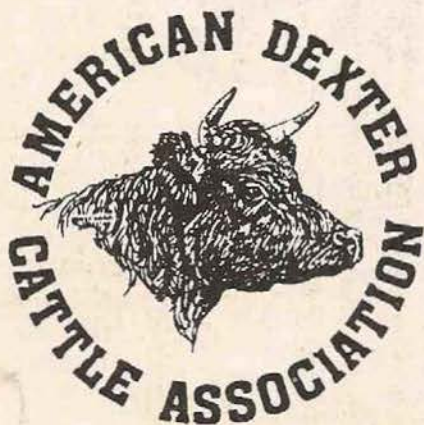
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