

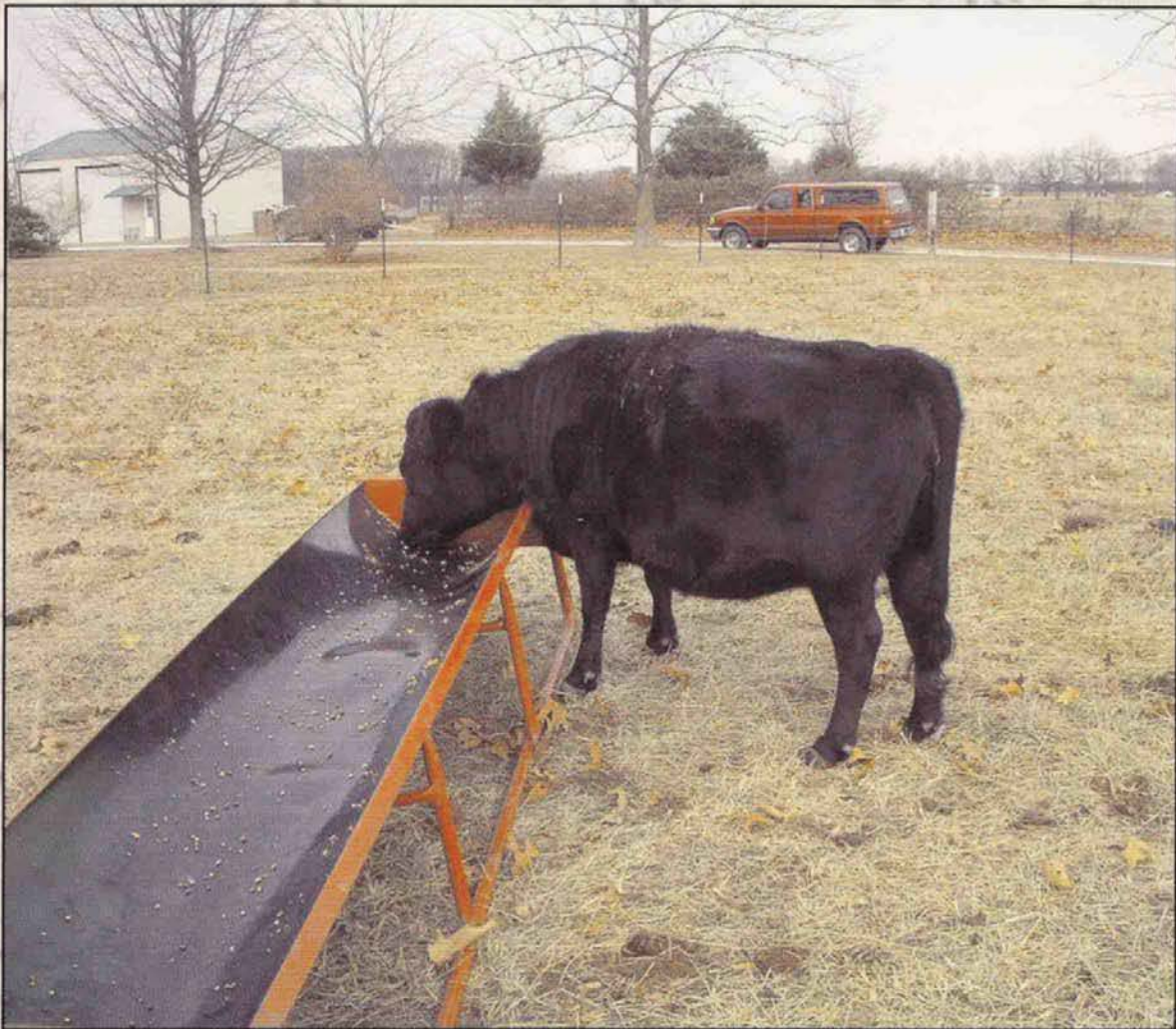


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How I got to be as wide as I am tall...

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"Satin o Treva" courtesy of
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"Rainbow Hills Jazz" courtesy of
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AT RELIANT PARK
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It is with great pride and pleasure that Region 7, Louisiana and Texas, invites you to join us in a premium Dexter Cattle Show and Sale at the internationally famous Houston Livestock Show and Rodeo in Houston, Texas, in March of 2006!

We will be part of the Open Cattle Show scheduled as follows:

Friday, March 10: Cattle move in at 7:00 A.M. to Reliant Center
(Must be in place by 5 P.M. and checked in by 7 P.M.)

Saturday - Sunday, March 11-12: Exhibition of milking cows, oxen,
well-conformed animals, video, photographic and
printed displays.

Monday, March 13: **Dexter Show at 3:00 P.M.**

Monday, March 13: Cattle released upon completion of show

Dexter Cattle Sale at 7 P.M.

Reliant Arena Sales Pavilion - (The Reliant Arena is
located 150 yards across the parking lot from Reliant Center).

Folks, this is an amazing opportunity offered to Dexter Cattle Breeders to show the world how wonderful these little cattle really are. Your attendance and participation are most important! If we put on a wonderful show and exhibit with breeders there to answer the public's questions, not only will the world become more aware of these great animals, but we can hope to be invited back in future years to this most prestigious event!

For more information, please contact

Pam Malcuit (939) 394-2606

mornstarranch@cs.com

Start training NOW!

HOUSTON LIVESTOCK SHOW AND RODEO

UPDATE:

- Applications to show can be turned in beginning on November 26, 2005. Deadline is January 6, 2006. These are done online.
- Rules are posted on hlsr.com (the official Houston Livestock Show website)
- We have NOT established a cow/heifer/bull ration for this show. We are in hopes that people will bring a representative cross section of all the above to make a well-balanced presentation.
- We will not pre-qualify your animals, but would be happy to help if you have questions. If you are not sure if your animal is show quality, ask around. Folks don't have to raise Dexters to be able to determine if an animal is well conformed or not.
- Animals must be VERY manageable. There will be NO pen classes, so all animals must be halter trained and very tame. It is advisable to have nose-rings on bulls that are over 1 year old. There are rings that clamp on and don't require putting a hole through the nose septum. If properly put on, the clamp type are very effective.

ATTIRE Show attire is as follows (for the exhibitor, not the animals!)

- Western attire
- Dark pants or dark dress jeans with belt (nice looking -- no holes)
- Long-sleeved buttoned shirt with collar (preferably western style - but not required), tucked in
- Western or "cowboy" hat (NO ball caps)
- Boots (NO sneakers or athletic shoes!)

This dress code is applicable to both male and female exhibitors.

Please help us show the public a great group of cattle exhibited by well-groomed, snappy-looking entrants who have taken the time to groom and train their animals for this most important world class show!

PLEASE VISIT OUR REGIONAL WEBSITE FOR MORE INFORMATION, OR GO TO HLSR.COM, THE OFFICIAL HOUSTON LIVESTOCK SHOW AND RODEO WEBSITE.

More questions? Call Pam Malcuit (936) 394-2606 or email her at mornstarranch@cs.com.

YA'LL COME !!

Membership Dues were due January 1st. Anyone whose dues were not paid by March 1st will not be listed in the Directory. See page 49 for fee schedule.

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B-1992	H-1998	N-2003	U-2008
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F-1996			Y-2012

The Deadline for
all submissions
for the Summer
issue will be
May 15th.

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A Message from the President

Again another year has gone by and I thought it was a good time to share with you my reflections on this past year. But before that, I do want to acknowledge the effort, support and dedication that I have seen from the members in this organization and all over the country this past year. *Thank you*, each of you, for your part in continuing to make the ADCA an organization to be proud of.

Some Goodbyes

I would like to take this opportunity to thank some wonderful people who have helped make the ADCA the growing success that it is. Leaving the management team this year was Vice President Tom Gray. For those who did not know, Tom had a personal tragedy when his house burned down. With the pressures of the farm Tom felt he was unable to continue with his work as Vice President with the ADCA. Tom has been working with the ADCA Classification and his efforts will be missed.

Lucy Glover was not able to continue as the Editor of the ADCA Bulletin. Lucy has been the editor for the last year and has done a wonderful job producing some of the best publications this organization has had. She has been instrumental in the transformation of this publication into a learning tool for our breeders.

Also leaving the Management team of the ADCA is John Potter. John was the director for Region 10 and has served in that position for 6 years. John will continue to head the Genetics committee for the ADCA and will continue to process the Chondrodysplasia and testing for the ADCA members.

Shaun Lord also leaves us after serving as director for Region 11. Shaun was one of the persons responsible for the Marketing survey that was conducted within the ADCA membership. She is a huge resource for those living in the upper northeast states.

Finally we say good bye to Allyn Nelson. Allyn, a long time Dexter breeder, was serving as Director for Region 5.

I would like to thank all of these people for their service to the ADCA and wish them all the best in their future endeavors.

Some Hellos

With the goodbyes, we also get to say hello to a number of new faces. First is a hello for Tom's replacement, Chris Odom. For those in the Texas area, Chris is well known. He brings a vast business experience to the management team and will be an asset to this organization.

I would also like to welcome Nancy Phillips to the position of Editor for the ADCA. Nancy serves as editor for the American Cream Draft Association, producing a 12 page newsletter for them, and spends a great deal of time on her computer doing graphics jobs for a variety of people and organizations. She will continue the work started by Lucy and we look forward to seeing her own flare to our publication.

And last but not least I would like to welcome Roberta Wieringa to the management team of the ADCA. Roberta will be the new director for Region 10 which was vacated by the end of John Potter's term. Roberta and her husband Lee and have been raising Dexters for 7 years.

The Past Year.....

One of the most exciting news that I was able to share with Dexter breeders last year was the fact that the Dexter breed has had its status upgraded by the American Livestock Breeds Conservancy (ALBC). The Dexter Breed has been moved from "**Threatened**" to "**Watch**" status. The move was made because the ADCA reported 1,300 registrations in 2004. The global population is estimated to be in the range of 10,000, exceeding Threatened category parameters. This is a direct result of the efforts of you the members of this organization and all should be proud of this accomplishment.

The Springfield MO show was one of the best on record. With 90+ animals displayed and 56+ for sale, it was one of the largest offerings of Dexter cattle to buyers ever.

On genetic testing, I am pleased to say that a good number of animals have been tested by members of the ADCA. To date over 400 animals have been tested for Chondrodysplasia and Dun. This is an outstanding effort by our breeders.

President's message continued

We are very pleased to see the growth of the organization in the last year. We are close to 850 members strong and we are continuing to grow at an incredible rate every month. This is because you, the membership, are promoting the breed.

Last year the ADCA implemented a program when an ADCA member sells an animal to new Dexter owners, the new owner gets a free membership to the Association for the rest of that calendar year. Because of the overwhelming positive response to this program we will be continuing this for the 2006 year.

The Year to Come.....

One of the highlights of the upcoming year is going to be the presence of the Dexter breed at the Houston Livestock Show. This will be a showcase for the Dexter breed at a major livestock show. All of the ADCA breeders will benefit from this and my hat goes off to Pam Malcuit and Mickey Bush for their outstanding efforts. For those interested in showing at this venue, please contact Pam Malcuit (936) 394-2606 or mornstarranch@cs.com. The deadline for entries is Feb 15, 2006.

Again this year's ADCA Show and Sale will be held in Springfield, MO and building on the success of last year we are hoping for another outstanding turnout. We will be adding some seminars and other events during this time at the request of the membership.

These are very exciting times in the ADCA as this organization evolves and continues to grow because of your efforts. But it cannot happen without you. I want to thank you all, once again, for your truly magnificent support in 2005.

Sincerely,
Chris Ricard
ADCA President



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Tattoo your calves

BIO on the New EDITOR:

I am Nancy Phillips, born in Oak Ridge, TN in 1954. I graduated High School in Charlotte, NC in 1972. After a stint in the Navy as a jet engine mechanic, I moved to Atlanta, taught ballroom dancing for awhile, then became office manager at a gospel radio station. Through my work there, I met Jeff when he returned home from Desert Storm. We married, and moved to Clarksville, TN, where I graduated from Austin Peay State University with a BS degree in Ag-Business. During my senior year, I joined the TN Ratite Association and produced a monthly 12-page newsletter for them. I bought a pair of emu upon graduation, but soon found out we were moving to the DC area.

We settled in Stafford, VA and I joined the VA Emu Association and produced their monthly 12-page newsletter for about a year. Then we moved to Crocker, MO, where Jeff finished his career in the Army with a rank of First Sergeant. Now we own 6 horses, 4 Dexters, 4 dogs, and way too many cats. For the past 5 years, I served as secretary of the Crocker Chamber of Commerce, but now serve as secretary of the Senior Citizen's Center, am Co-President of the Garden Club, founder and Senior Leader of the Sprouts 4-H Club, drive a school bus part time, and spend a great deal of time doing desk top publishing.

I am also Editor of the American Cream Draft Horse Association's quarterly newsletter, have done an 8-page brochure for the City Park Board's Landscape & Wildflower Prairie Project, a 12-page brochure for the City of Crocker, do the annual program booklet for the Garden Club, flyers, invitations, menus, and a variety of other projects.

As Editor now for the American Dexter Cattle Association, you can send me articles, photos, etc by fax at 573-736-3032, or by email at adcaeditor@yahoo.com, or call me at 573-736-3024. See you in June at the AGM!



Clay Adams and his herd
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You are cordially invited to the
American Dexter Cattle Association
2006 Annual General Meeting
Registration Form

Air Conditioned Sale Area and Meeting Rooms

Meeting Dates: June 16-17-18, 2006

Registration Deadline: May 1, 2006

Name: _____ *Name:* _____

Farm, Ranch, or Business Name: _____

Address: _____

Phone: _____ *Signature:* _____

Email Address: _____

All meals are served at the Springfield Livestock Marketing Center, LLC.

NOTICE: Menu may change after print date.

Saturday Noon Meal: Buffet: Barbeque Sandwich, Potato Salad, Coleslaw, Potato Chips, Ice d Tea, Coffee, Water \$ 7.00 x _____ = \$ _____

Saturday Night Banquet: Buffet: Roast Beef, Mashed Potatoes, Green Beans, Salad and Dinner Rolls, Ice d Tea, Coffee, Water - OR - Lasagna, Green Beans, Cottage Cheese, Garlic Bread, Salad, Ice d Tea, Coffee, Water \$ 10.00 x _____ = \$ _____

Make checks payable to: ADCFA -- Payment must accompany reservation.

Please send me entry forms and rules for the Show and Sale Yes No

I will be bringing something donated for the White Dexter Sale Yes No

Mail to: Jim Smith, 6907 W. Alfalfa Lane, Brookline, MO 65619-9580

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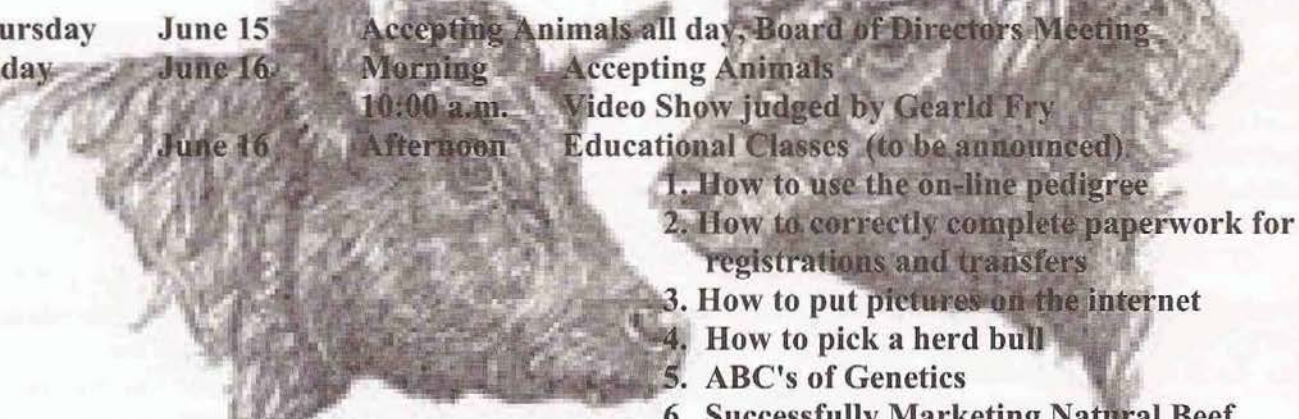
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NATIONAL SHOW AND SALE JUNE 16, 17 AND 18, 2006

SPRINGFIELD LIVESTOCK MARKETING CENTER
SPRINGFIELD, MO.

I-44 at Exit 70

Agenda



Thursday	June 15	Accepting Animals all day, Board of Directors Meeting
Friday	June 16	Morning Accepting Animals
	June 16	10:00 a.m. Video Show judged by Gearld Fry
	June 16	Afternoon Educational Classes (to be announced)
		1. How to use the on-line pedigree
		2. How to correctly complete paperwork for registrations and transfers
		3. How to put pictures on the internet
		4. How to pick a herd bull
		5. ABC's of Genetics
		6. Successfully Marketing Natural Beef
	June 16	6:00 p.m. Dexter Show judged by Gearld Fry
Saturday	June 17	9:00 a.m. Dexter Sale
	June 17	12 noon Lunch
	June 17	1:00 p.m. Annual General Meeting
	June 17	6:00 p.m. Banquet
	June 17	7:30 p.m. White Dexter Sale
Sunday	June 18	8:00 a.m. ADCA Board Meeting

Motels in the area

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MESSAGE FROM THE VICE PRESIDENT ...

As we sit and look back over the past year to our accomplishments as a group and to the future with the new venues for exposure of the Dexter breed, we as officers and directors of the ADCA need and want the counsel of our members to know the directions you the membership want the organization to go. So please visit with your regional director so that your opinion can be expressed.

I am charged with the responsibility of nominations committee and the classification studies committee (anyone interested in serving or expressing an opinion on either of these are welcomed). We got through the elections process without having to have a ballot vote due to no contested director positions. I would like to take this opportunity to welcome Roberta Wieringa, new Region 10 Director and to give a heartfelt thank you to both Shaun Ann Lord and John Potter for their service and dedication to the Dexter Breed as our retiring Directors.

Congratulations go out to Rick Seydel, the uncontested returning Region 12 Director. Region 3 and 11 had no candidates accepting so the board is

discussing the options available and will publish their results in the Bulletin. Moving on to the classification committee, I would like for the membership to let me know your thoughts on what you would like changed or kept. I will take all of the input and present to the board at 2006 Springfield AGM, please send your comments to my e-mail: chris@blockcreekranch.com. I know some who don't think we need classification and some who feel it should be changed to more represent their cows -- this is the time to make your opinion heard.

We discussed the goals committees proposals at the 2005 AGM and one of the issues was the establishment of an elite breed status as other countries have. In order to accomplish this, we are going to have to have some standardized approved grading system. Most all breeds have some type of classification system that allows a person to have grading ability of the animal. As a former commercial cattle operator, it allowed me the tools to choose which cattle in the herd were the right fit for my operation. Good luck on your spring calf crop!

Chris Odom

MESSAGE FROM THE SECRETARY ...

With the New Year upon us, we all need to get our dues paid, and make sure that any of last year's calves have been registered.

Your Regional Directors are working hard to keep you informed as to the business of the ADCA. They have asked me to pass this information on to you (up coming *Bulletins* will give the reports of votes taken by the Directors.)

Vote 1: To publish vote results in the next *Bulletin*, except personnel issues

Yeah	8
Nay	0
Abstain	0

Vote 2: Combine two issues of the *Bulletin*

Yeah	8
Nay	0
Abstain	0

This is the report from the first month of 2006.

We want to welcome two new members to the ADCA Directors and Board of Officers:

Our new Director for Region #10 is Roberta Wieringa.

Nancy Phillips is our new editor of the *Bulletin*.

Glad to have you both aboard.

The Houston Livestock Show & Rodeo is fast approaching. The dates are March 10, 11, 12 & 13, 2006. Let's show our support, with our presence, to Region #7 for all their hard work in getting the Dexters into this great livestock show. If you are taking animals, be sure that you have your paperwork in order.

Bonnie Boudreau
ADCA Secretary

Who's Who at the KANSAS STATE FAIR

September
2005

Don and Joanie Storck with Cutter Cole, showing his Grand Champion Dexter Steer, *Midnight Rainbow*, at the Sedgwick County Fair



Cutter Cole of Maize, KS getting ready to show his heifer at the Sedgwick County Fair in Cheney, KS



Final grouping in class of Aged Cows at Kansas State Fair Beef Show ---- cows owned by Brenda Stringham



Marge and Ed Geiger showing their cow/calf pair at the Kansas State Fair - *Rainbow Hills Sweetie Sue* with her calf *SR Little Ricky*



Christina and Shellie Bohl showing a cow/calf pair in the line-up for final judging of that class.

The Sedgwick County Fair in Cheney, Kansas (15 miles west of Wichita), was our ground breaking area for the Dexters in Kansas. Excellent 4-H participation was experienced for about three years. After meeting the required numbers, the sale committee still refused to allow the Dexter steers to sell in the premium sale, so the County Fair was no longer a good venue for the cattle.

In 2000, we moved our show to the Kansas State Fair. They welcomed the small cattle and we welcome any and all youth who want to show Registered Dexter Cattle. The Kansas State Fair takes place the second week in September each year. Each year the number of youth showing Dexters is increasing and it has been a true pleasure to see this transition taking place.

2005 was another ground breaking year in the central states. The Oklahoma State Fair board invited us to exhibit an animal in "Agropolis". This is an exhibit geared toward youth agricultural education.

Watch the upcoming event calendar in the Bulletin for exact information on all the annual events in the central states.
Region 6, Central States Dexters

Joanie Storck, Director



Youth and Dexters



Sean Pritchard and his FFA heifer, DW-Karman # 016411
Son of Russell and Pam Prichard of the ROCKIN' P RANCH in Strafford, MO. Sean is a Freshman in Mr. Fabro's FFA class at Strafford High School. He just joined the ADCA and plans to ready his heifer to present her at the June AGM Show & Sale in Springfield, MO.



Susan and her heifer, Candy

12-year-old Susan saw Candy at the Strafford (MO) Route 66 Days festival this past summer and fell in love with Dexters. She has been given the opportunity to start her career with cattle by showing Candy for Jim and Linda Smith of WHISTLE FARM in Brookline, MO.



Region 6 has been working to attract youth to showing Dexter cattle since 1997. We started at the Sedgewick County Fair (15 miles west of Wichita, KS). That first year we only had one youth showing in the "Other Registered Breeds" class. By 1999, we had a class of 5 heifers and a class of 5 market steers. However since the "sale committee" (after three years) still would not let the Dexter steers sell in the premium sale, interest in the breed as 4-H projects dwindled. So we contacted the Kansas State Fair and asked about having a show at the state level. They welcomed us and the youth interest is again growing.

Getting youth to show Dexters sounds so sensible to us yet we have a stigma to overcome. Most cattle people (the parents of the youth we are seeking out) think of Dexters as a hobby bovine or a backyard pet. With perseverance by us (the Association), the Dexters will become a premier choice as an exhibit animal for both the young and the old. It was just a few short years ago that the commercial breeders laughed at us for suggestions that they use our bulls on their first calf heifers, yet now we have a huge demand for them.

Keep up the good work and spread the word about our perfect small breed. We will succeed. Blessings from the (cattle laden) plains of Kansas. Joanie Storck, Region 6 Director



Do you know a 4-H or FFA student with a Beef or Dairy Dexter we can promote on this page?



Focus on Youth



Once again in this column we recognize outstanding efforts of our “future” leaders to learn about Dexter Cattle and pass on what they learn to others. We must think of it as a never ending chain. When we light a spark of interest in a child about Dexters ...about ANYTHING... they run with it. In doing so, most often will themselves, spark someone else’s interest, and so on and so on.

It can be as easy as inviting folks who live in the city out to your farm. They will go home with pictures and memories they would never have experienced without your help.

Another thing is to have an interested child help you on the farm. Especially doing fun things, like halter breaking calves, bathing cows (always much fun on a hot summer day!), even things like feeding the cows will be something very special for a lot of children who have never seen a cow before!

There are many different avenues that lead to a child’s lifelong interest in specific breeds of animals. Wouldn’t it be great if you could spark such an interest? You can.

This issue spotlights a young man named Dustin Jones. Dustin is 13 years old and often is seen on an ATV going up our dirt farm road looking at the cows. He often stops with interest when there is a new calf afoot. He attends 8th grade here in Louisburg and had a big report/project to do for his Language/Arts Class.

Well needless to say, he chose Dexter Cattle for his project. He scoured the internet for facts and history. He got a lot of information off of the ADCA website and other informative sites that he found. He was very proud of the A+ (110%) he received on the project. So are we. We were honored that he chose Dexters. A positive outcome like this only sparks a youth’s interest even further. At the writing of this he has already been over to see the bulls that will be showing in Houston and was very interested in what they will be judged on and why. Perhaps next year, he would like to show one of our young bulls in Houston for us, or if not Houston, maybe Raleigh!

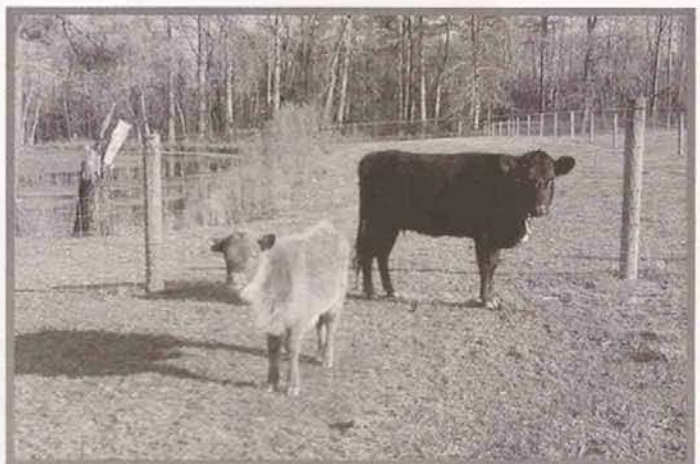
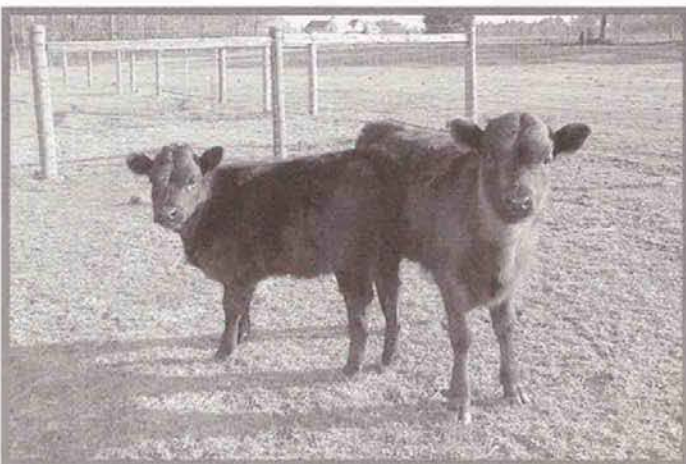
You are the next link in the chain - share your interests with a child.

Sally and Warren Coad, Freedom Farms, Louisburg, NC



FF Mini Pearl and FF Freedom’s O’Boy

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Director's Message

REGION 7

Pam Malcuit

At this point, most of our focus here in Region 7 is on the Houston Livestock Show and Rodeo. The kind folks there have been most helpful in answering this novice's millions of questions. We are still trying to line up a few more folks to show their cattle – even if they choose not to sell them at the following auction. Several breeders are coming from very long distances bringing their cattle to be a part of this important event. THANKS SO VERY MUCH!! Your support is most appreciated, as is that of folks from Texas and surrounding states who have chosen to bring their animals to display to the public. Thousands of people pass through this Livestock Show every year. This year, for the first time, they can see what wonderful creatures our little Dexters are. We plan to have an information area with volunteers to help answer questions and promote the breed. Even if you cannot bring your animals, please plan to attend. This is one of the largest livestock shows in the world – and folks come from all over the world to see and purchase animals.

David Jones has kindly offered to host our February regional meeting in the south Houston area. Not centrally located, but we can do a drive-by and find the best routes for accessing Reliant Center when it is time for the Houston Show. This meeting will give us a chance to put the finishing touches on our plans and activities at the Houston Show.

Volunteers are still needed to help work the info booth. It should be fun – not drudgery! You don't need to be from Region 7 to participate!! Please join

us for some fun talking about and showing off Dexter Cattle.

Fall calves are nearly ready to wean; spring babies should soon be arriving. Here in Texas, we are and have been under drought conditions since September. Hay costs are escalating rapidly. Round bales that used to sell for \$30 are now anywhere between \$60 and \$140 a bale.... regardless of quality. Grass is non-existent. The rye never had a chance to sprout or grow without any moisture. Thank goodness Dexters don't eat as much as larger commercial cattle! Even so, it is getting pretty expensive to keep them this year. Most of us have been feeding hay since September – when we usually don't have to feed hay until December. Wild fires are a daily occurrence – usually due to carelessly tossed cigarettes. Sooo – help us in our plea for rain here in Texas – and in Oklahoma.

In putting together our photo montage to run continuously during the livestock show, I am again reminded how lovely these little Dexters are. Red or Black or Dun – all are so very handsome. Send your pictures. We'll add them to the show!

[\(mornstarranch@cs.com\)](mailto:mornstarranch@cs.com)

Thanks to everyone for all your help in trying to put this together! Folks from the great states of Texas and Louisiana have devoted a lot of time and money to promote Dexter Cattle to visitors from all over the world. Ya'll come!

Hug your Dexters today!

Pam

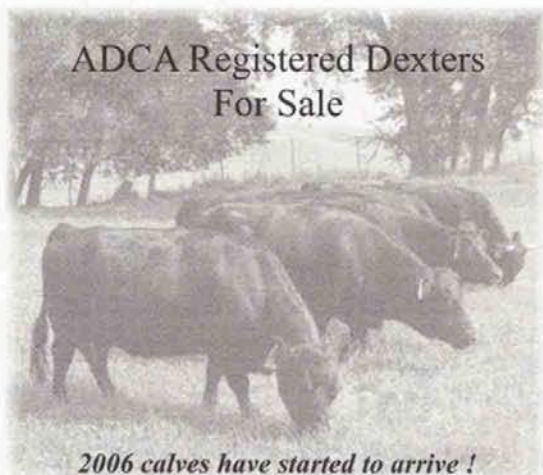


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Dexter Bulletin Submission Dates:

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Summer issue:	May 15
Fall issue:	August 15
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PREPERATION FOR BREEDING COWS & HEIFERS

The best time to prepare for reproduction is in the selection process of replacement females. Reproduction is a genetic factor and you select for it.

- Only keep heifers that were born in the first twenty-one days of the breeding cycle
- Only keep heifers that began cycling by 8-10 months of age
- Only keep heifers that have light birth weights
- Only keep heifers that have wide rumps and a deep heart girth

Wide high rumps and reproduction go together. Deep heart girths provide for low maintenance. I want my cows to work 10 months (suck a calf) of the year for me. This is the body type I have found to be highly successful and breed back on time.

You now have the proper phenotype for reproduction and low maintenance. The next area to be addressed is balanced nutrition. The mineral box and a good supply of high quality forage, grass or hay are the two main ingredients. Minerals that contain elements of oxides are not biologically available enough to meet her demands.

The mineral box is an area where most of us do not have enough understanding. It is most valuable in the health and reproduction of the cows and calves. All minerals I have ever dealt with have only a level for minimum maintenance. If our cows have been stressed by a hard winter or low quality forage or sickness, sometimes that stress requires the addition of some *extra* minerals for a period of time to reestablish health. If the needs are not met we can have a low pregnancy rate and it is not the fault of the cow. If the needs are not met, the calves can develop ecoli scours or be weak at birth while others maybe navel ill. Some cows may retain placentas. It is important to have a good body score condition at calving. The body condition at calving is twice as important as at breeding.

I want my cows to have *at least* one month of green grass before delivering a calf. This is the cheapest way I have found to put condition on the cow. If the cows are gaining condition at calving they should have their first estrus cycle around 35-40 days and be ready for conception by 80 days.

The next thing, and is of equal importance, is a proper semen analyses on your herd bulls. Bulls with less than 75% live properly formed motile sperm will leave some of your cows open even by the end of your breeding season. The bulls you use should get 75-80% of your cows pregnant in the first 21 days of the breeding season. This demands high fertility.

Bulls low in fertility are the number one reason for open cows and late calves.

If you have questions or comments please contact me.

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DIRECTIONS FOR TATTOOING

A few simple rules must be observed:

1. Halter or muzzle the animal, if necessary.
2. Cleanse the area to be tattooed using a cloth dampened with a cleansing fluid, such as alcohol, to remove dirt, grease, and wax.
3. Insert the correct symbols into the pliers and press down firmly over the needles with a thin rubber sponge pad. This pad helps to release the needles from the skin.
4. Check the correctness of the symbols by making a mark on a piece of paper.
5. Smear ink on the needles and on the skin, choosing an area free from freckles and warts, if possible. Place the symbols parallel to and between the veins or cartilaginous ridges of the ear. The accidental piercing of a vein may spoil the tattoo.
6. Make the imprints with a quick firm movement and immediately apply a further amount of ink from the container onto the ear and rub vigorously and continuously for at least fifteen seconds to ensure penetration. This is very important. The most effective method is to rub thumb and forefinger, though a brush may be used.
7. Remove the rubber pad and rinse it and the needles in water, then dry. The sponge rubber pad should be discarded when it begins to lose its elasticity. The brush, if one is used, should also be rinsed.
8. Do not disturb the area until the healing process is complete, which may be from 5 days to 21 days, depending on the age of the animal.
9. Keep a list of tattoo numbers with names of animals and enter same in your private breeding records.

REGION 2 & 3 ANNUAL MEETING & PICNIC

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Director's Message

REGION 12

Rick Seydel

The Region 12 meeting was held at the home of Chuck and Janice Daggett, September 26th. There was a nice turnout with 26 members and guests in attendance.

There were a number of mini-seminars throughout the day where members had a chance to conduct part of the meeting. Some of these seminars included: What characteristics to look for in good cattle conformation; The correct use of collars, halters, and lead ropes; Creep feeding ideas for young calves; The proper procedure for filling out registrations and transfers; and Mar-

keting Dexters within our region. Due to time limitations, our marketing discussion was cut short. Hopefully, in the future, we can continue this topic in greater length. Around noon, we had a small potluck dinner with some social time where guests had the opportunity to visit with current Region 12 members. Some members brought Dexter meat and shared it with guests who had never tasted it.

After visiting with those in attendance, it was a great consensus that this should become a yearly gathering. Hopefully next year, more Region 12 members can attend. All in all, it was a wonderful day of "talking Dexters".

On one more note of business, I have changed my email server. If you would like to drop me an email, my new address is:
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Director's Message

REGION 4

Carol Ann Traynor

CAT TALES

Carol Ann Traynor ADCA Region IV Director & Member of the 2005 ADCA Marketing Committee

I recently read an article regarding hay and straw production and sales. The article concluded that big bales don't mix really well with small consumers because with the larger bales, waste tends to be high, consistency and quality is often compromised, storage and handling can be a challenge, and feeding may prove difficult. Basically: 'If it doesn't fit in a garden cart, it may not fit the needs of the smaller consumer at all!' Dexter cattle, like small square bales, fit the needs of the small farm consumer and ought to be the ideal package of choice.

Since it's spring and time to start looking down the road for next the next year, what can YOU – as a Dexter producer - concentrate on when improving your sales package?

IMPROVING YOUR DEXTER SALES PACKAGE

As with any improvement plan, *begin with what you have* and then *use what you learn*. To start with, I would recommend looking at three areas:

1. Genetics:

Good Dexter cattle will always have a market regardless of their color and presence or lack of horns. An old adage I've adopted is to "Breed the best to the best, and hope for the best." Is your bull x cow breeding program producing what you want, or do you need to consider a genetic 'pop'? Good animal husbandry will result in being able to more accurately predict what type calf you'll get. Concentrate on making your Dexter herd uniform (even if you have only one or two cows) allowing you to produce even sets of calves.

- Form a mental image of what you want as to type
 - Long- or short-leg; black, dun, or red; dairy, beef, oxen or multi-purpose use; polled or horned

→ Review ADCA Membership Book articles on:

Color Genetics
Polledness
Dexter DNA Testing

2. Selection:

- Learn to see your animals **clearly** and **for what** they really are -
 - Review the ADCA Membership Book:
 - Linear Score Classification Report
 - Guidelines for Bulls and Cows
 - Ask your County Extension Agent livestock specialist, 4-H or FFA judging team members, veterinarian, or a knowledgeable cattle breeder for their *honest* opinions. (**Do give them some guidance regarding breed standards and be prepared for a critique!**)

3. Marketing:

- Develop an advertising budget -
 - This is not always monetary, and will probably include budgeting *time* in the promotion of your product
 - Community Events, County Fairs, Expos, etc.
 - Publication Advertisements – local, area, national, international
 - Internet Web Pages
 - Newspaper & TV Special Items of Interest
- The news media in my area is always looking for human-interest photos and stories, weather backgrounds, pets, etc. Give them something, which features or includes your Dexters.
- **Listen** to *who* your buyers are and *what* they looking for
 - Are the cattle you sell going to be used as:
 - small beef or dairy business venture personal consumption of beef and/or dairy products
 - youth projects (4-H, FFA, etc)
 - 1st calf commercial heifer size-reducing breeding bulls
 - oxen

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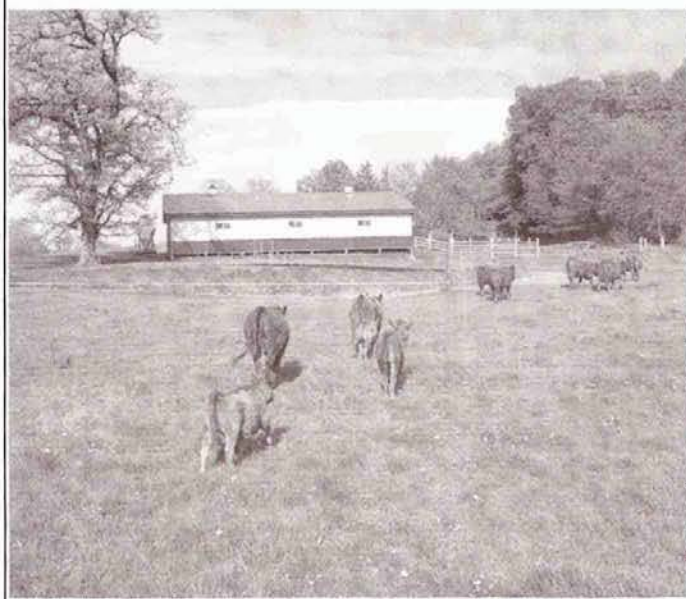
Carol Ann Traynor -- Region 2 Director Message, con't.

- pasture/yard ornaments or pets
 Become a student of the cattle industry
- Subscribe to publications featuring cattle-related information
 - Attend workshops and seminars to broaden your knowledge
 - Join local, regional, and state cattle men's/women's groups
 - Be aware of what's happening on the local, state and national scene.

Dexter cattle have survived because of their adaptation to whatever their environment has thrown at them. Likewise, the small farm producer will remain the Dexter's enduring figure by adapting to the economy in moving on to new ventures, filling new niches and recognizing the cutting edge of the cattle industry.



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IT'S SHOWTIME !!

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The answers to these questions can be found at the 2006 ADCA National Show! You can't be in the winners circle unless you enter your cattle. Never shown cattle before? No problem. This show is user friendly. It is held in a cattle facility that is first class. The staff at the show and sale is ready to help you.

New for 2006:

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Questions?

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Dexters Have Wide Appeal

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Because of their size and number, they appeal to the miniature/novelty and rare gene protection enthusiasts. Dexter are also the perfect old-fashioned family cow. Pound for pound, Dexters cost less to get to the table, economically turning forage into rich milk and quality, lean meat.

No other bovine can satisfy such a diverse market.

Dexters Do Well In All Climates

Dexters are a hardy breed. They perform well in a variety of climates. You will find these easy-care little cows being raised successfully from Alaska to Florida, and all the States and (Canadian) Provinces in between. They are used commercially in England and South Africa, and are also popular in Europe, Australia, and New Zealand.

In general, these small cattle have a friendly character and low maintenance costs, as well as cost-effective, high-quality production of both meat and milk in manageable quantities. These qualities have caught the attention of many part-time and serious farmers.

Easy Care Dexters Make Farming Fun

Dexters make wonderful farm companions. Not only is the breed efficient, but size and temperament make Dexters nice to have around. The whole family will have lots of fun with these little cattle.

Dexters are listed with the American Livestock Breeds Conservancy, which classifies them as a minor breed. Because only purebreds are accepted for registration in the American Dexter Cattle Association, the purity of the breed is maintained and the gene pool is kept intact. Owning a Dexter is like owning a little piece of history.

Dexters can be trained as oxen. This is a popular hobby along the eastern seaboard in both the United States and Canada, and Dexter oxen are proven crowd-pleasers everywhere.

Dexters are a small and safe animal for younger members in 4-H. They are smaller and less intimidating for children, so looking after a Dexter can be fun for them, and also give them the pride that comes with accomplishment.

Dexters still perform well in their original role: the family cow. Once the Dexter cow has been trained to milk, she can be easily handled by even the most timid.

Dexters Cost Half as Much to Keep

You can expect a Dexter to consume about half of what you would feed an Angus or Hereford under the same conditions. This equates to roughly half an acre of good green grass per animal, or 12 to 15 pounds of hay and a little grain per day, in temperate climates.

The temperament of Dexter bulls is generally very good. However, for those who prefer to use artificial insemination, there is a large selection of readily-available imported and domestic semen. Dexter bulls are excellent for crossing with first-calf heifers of the larger, big-boned breeds. You will lower calving weights, reduce calving problems, yet still have good-size carcasses.

Dexters Are Easy Calvers

Dexters are known for their ease of calving. The use of calf pullers is virtually unknown. Calves weigh about 45 pounds at birth, and by seven months when they are weaned, weigh between 350 and 500 pounds. Both sexes will continue to grow until five or six years of age.

The "long-leg" type live to over 20 years and continue to calve up to 16 to 18 years, on average.

The Ideal Dexter

Dexters come in two body types, defined as long- and short-legged, because the cannon bones differ in length by about 1 ½ inches. The “long-leg” is a small regular-cow proportional animal; the “short-leg” is a slightly smaller, heavier-set version. There is a minor breeding restriction with the “short-leg” type. Both types produce similar amounts of meat and milk.

The guidelines adopted by the American Dexter Cattle Association show the suggested ideal animal of either type at three years old.

Bulls: Between 38 and 44 inches at the shoulder, and not more than 1,000 pounds.

Cows: Between 36 and 42 inches at the shoulder, and not more than 750 pounds.

Dexters come in three solid colors: black (predominant), dun, and red. Any white should be limited to behind the navel and on the udder or scrotum.

Most Dexters are horned, although many owners dehorn without show penalty. Recently, polled animals have become available.

The ADCA does not have an upgrading (cross-bred) program.

Rib Eye Exceeds Standard USDA Correlation

Research done at California State University, Chico, showed that the Dexter rib eye was 15% larger than the standard USDA rib eye vs. carcass weight correlation would expect it to be.

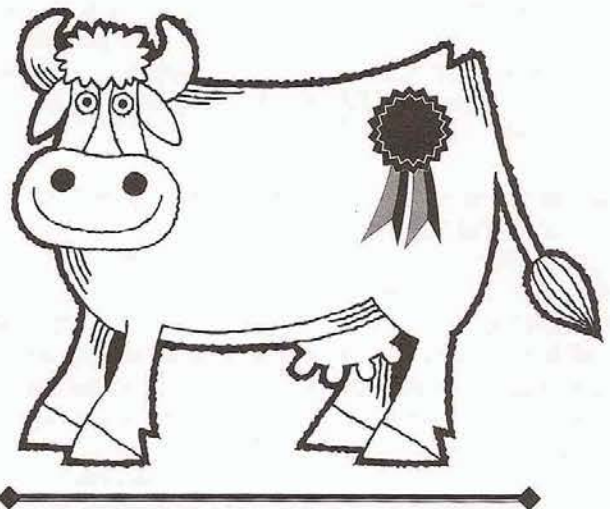
Dexters are a small-boned breed which marble well without excess cover fat. They produce tender meat with excellent flavor.

Grain-fed Dexters will yield carcasses of 250 pounds at 12 months, and 475 to 500 pounds at 24 months, or at least 60% of live weight. These results can be obtained by supplemental feeding of only five to seven pounds of grain per day for two to three months. Grass-fed animals yield a carcass of about 55% of live weight.

Dexters Yield Easily-Digested Milk

Dexter cows produce about 1½ to 2 gallons of 4% butterfat milk per day, over a full 305 days lactation, when fed for production. Some exceptional cows will put out up to five gallons per day at the height of lactation. When producing just for the calf, the cow's milk production will adjust down to the calf's needs.

The fat globules in Dexter milk are very small, which makes the milk more easily digested.



How Many Dexters ?

- *14,305 Total registered*
(some deceased)
- *10,446 Cows*
- *3,895 Bulls*
- *11,409 black*
- *2,516 dun*
- *380 red*
- *434 polled*
- *420 photos (on the ADCA website online pedigree)*



VET'S CORNER

I hope this finds all of you looking forward to a successful spring calf crop with lots of heifers. We here in region 7 are in full preparation of the upcoming Houston Livestock Show and Rodeo and we hope that you can join us for this premier showing of Dexter cattle. Going through the winter months has generated some food issues for the vet this time and a question on milk fever and how it impacts the cow /calf.

1. Can I feed hot bran to my Dexters on cold winter days?

Yes you can, just remember there isn't a lot of protein unless you are using brewers grain. You should start slow at a half pound per head per day and gradually increase when their rumen has readjusted to grain materials.

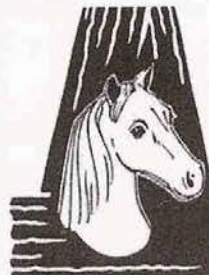
2. What is milk fever and the effects to both the cow and the calf?

It is a calcium-phosphorous imbalance that can occur due to a feed ration or a hormonal imbalance or a combination of both. It can occur before or after the calf is born and can be fatal to both at certain times. Symptoms are the cow is down and can't get up -- she can be treated with calcium orally or intravenously. Recovery is fairly rapid.

Remember to e-mail your questions to vetscorner@blockcreek ranch.com and have a good spring with gentle rains.

Chris Odom

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Sept 14-24TH • Oklahoma City, OK

Dexter exhibit date not set yet

oklahomastatefair.com

OLD COWTOWN MUSEUM EXHIBIT

Oct 6-8TH • Wichita, KS

RENAISSANCE FAIRS

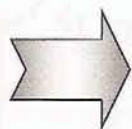
renaissance-faire.com



Hillside Mornin Glory with calf Fan-C Somhairle

Patti Adams • FAN C DEXTERS • Navasota, TX





**Time is running out for
2006 Show/Sale
sponsorship
opportunities.**



Platinum Level - \$1000 Our marquee sponsor.

At this level we will:

Display your signage at both the Show and the Sale.

Provide recognition at the Show and Sale, as well as at the Annual General Meeting. Banquet.

Include your company name and internet address on the official ADCA website for 30 days.

Include primary recognition in a full page ad in *THE DEXTER BULLETIN*, the official publication of the American Dexter Cattle Association (800+ members nationwide).

Run your full page ad in the sale catalogue.

Gold Level - \$500

At this level, same recognition as above, excluding internet listing. Our Gold Level donor will sponsor the Championship class winners:

Grand Champion Male - Grand Champion Female
Reserve Champion Male - Reserve Champion Female

THESE AWARDS WILL INCLUDE ENGRAVED BELT BUCKLES BY MONTANA SILVERSMITHS.

Silver Level - \$150 (*ONLY 8 REMAIN !*)

This is the class premium sponsor level. There are 11 classes plus a Junior Showmanship and open Exhibitor award. Each Silver level sponsor provides premium money for one class. (Cash and Ribbons 3 deep.)

Sponsors at this level receive recognition in the Show Catalogue and *THE DEXTER BULLETIN*.

A limited number of vendor spaces will be available at \$100 each...

Ad rates for the Show and Sale catalogues are:

Full Page:	\$115	Half Page:	\$75
Quarter Page:	\$ 45	Business Card:	\$25

Note: The catalogues will be posted on the ADCA website (www.dextercattle.org).

Please contact the following for additional information:

Ted Anderson
417-736-2695 / 880-2210
Irondude@aol.com

Linda or Jim Smith
417-868-8166
jwslms@atlascomm.net



Director's Message REGION 1 John Foley

2005 ADCA TREASURER'S REPORT

JAMES W. SMITH

VIDEO SHOW INFORMATION

This year's AGM will be in June, so you have ample opportunity to video your animals at their best. The **entry deadline is May 15, 2006**, so everyone should have a chance to compete.

As in years past, 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, but if they are halter trained it may take less time to get the perfect shots. It is important that they be shown with a measure stick or next to a fence or some other device to give the judge a height reference.

Please note, classes with only one entry will not win a first place ribbon, but they will be judged and their participation noted.



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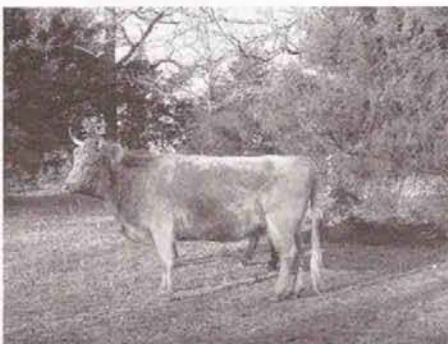
This is the theme of the financial report of the ADCA for 2005, as we ended the year in the black. The finances were helped as a couple publications did not get produced. Their publication would have driven our results to breakeven or a small loss which would still have been an improvement over the 2004 loss.

We had a successful AGM, Show and Sale in June. Membership is growing.

We had receipts for the year of \$116,268 and expenses of \$110,465, resulting in a net increase in cash assets of \$5,802. The year ended with cash assets of \$55,297 in the bank.

See you in Springfield, MO, June 16 through 18, 2006 for the AGM, Show and Sale.

Kanga - TOPAZ MEADOWS FARM



Schree - WHISTLE FARM



Pearl & O'Boy - FREEDOM FARM DEXTERS



Local "House Cows" Go National!



ADCA Treasurer, Jim Smith, received a phone call out of the blue. It was Steve Grant, long time TV reporter for KY3 in Springfield, MO. Mr. Grant wanted to do a TV spot on Dexter Cattle, and found Jim Smith listed on the ADCA website. Since Jim and Linda's WHISTLE RANCH is near Springfield, it was a natural choice for the location of a Dexter Cattle story.

Jim contacted ADCA Regional Director, John Foley, and both got some background information together about Dexter Cattle. To show all three colors of the breed, Jim contacted Ted Anderson of EMERALD SPRINGS FARM. Ted brought his little red bull, Chief, and a short-legged polled red heifer over for some "face time". The TV crew filmed Jim's dun bull, black cows, and Ted's reds. Jim, John Foley and Ted were interviewed. The KY3 spot aired 3 different times and, according to the switchboard operator at the station, generated a lot of calls wanting more information on Dexter cattle. The KY3 website (www.KY3.com) also contained a link to the American Dexter Cattle Association website.

The segment was seen in the week following KY3's presentations on "Ag Day." Chuck Daggett saw it in Minnesota, and Sandi Thomas saw it in Oregon. The Editor had calls from Maine, Iowa, Michigan, North Carolina, Georgia, Missouri, and Arkansas, and 2 emails from people interested in either learning more about the Dexters, or wanting to buy some. Several members reported numerous calls and visits, and one farm reported a heifer sold before she even hit the ground. (See *Shree* on page 30.)

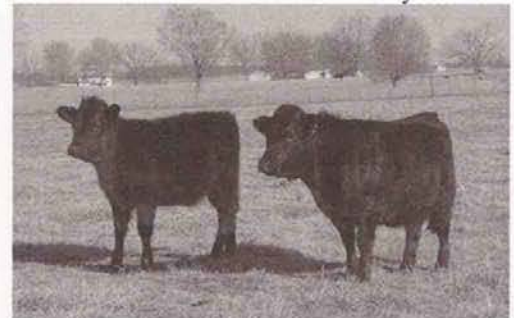
"Ag Day" is a nationally syndicated show.

Local TV Stars

D & L Half Pint



Tina and Candy



Shome Rowan



Rainbow Hills Mzz Liz



White O'Morn Chief



White O'Morn Lexie



T-Bone



Director's Message

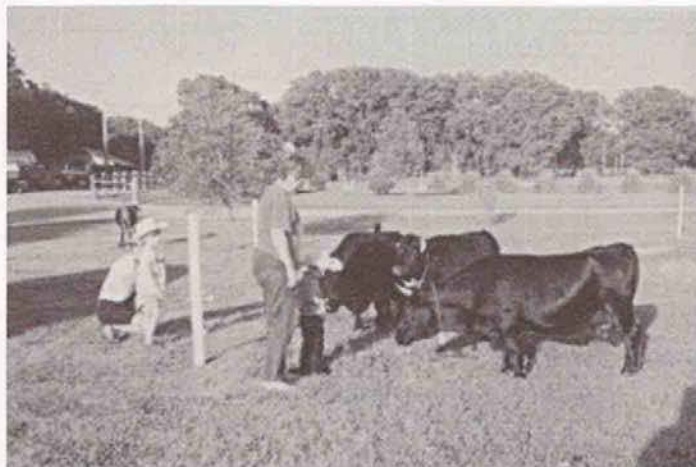
REGION 6

Joanie Storck

Greetings from Region 6. The winter months have been full of inquiries as a result of the four fall fairs. The number of owners increase each year following these fairs. The return visitors show us that they are checking to see if the breeders that have been there before are still raising the cattle. Most of the questions asked are about the longevity of the breed association and the market for the animals. Dexter's have been at the Kansas State Fair for five years and some visitors have returned all five years just to see the "cute" little cattle again. Of course we try to stress that the Dexter's are the most efficient breed available and the "cute" comes as an added attraction.

These fairs and exhibits would not be possible if it were not for the volunteers. Make sure that you thank them the next time talk with them. Long hours on the cement floors, answering the same questions over and over again makes for a very tiring week, not to mention the stress on the cattle being cooped up in a stall for that length of time. The volunteers at the Kansas State Fair were:

Leonard and Shirley Bayer - L&S CATTLE CO, Kingman KS, *Marge and Ed Geiger* - SANDEROSA RANCH, Viola KS, *Shellie & Christina Bohl* - BOHL FARM AND RANCH, Phillipsburg KS, *Mitch Hill* - LITTLE ARK RANCH, Sedgwick KS, *Geneva & Harold Greenwell* - REBEL RANCH, Benton KS, *Don & Joanie Storck* - STORCK'S RAINBOW RANCH, *Craig & Brad Rodenberg and family* - C R DEXTERS, Halstead KS (they furnished all of the cattle for this years exhibit). Thanks to all of you for your dedication to the exhibit.



Rainbow Ranch herd gets little visitors.

The Oklahoma State Fair exhibit was a great success. We had an exhibit stall in an educational youth hall, called Agtropolis. The volunteers were Wes & Sammie Moser - Okie Ranch, Choctaw OK, and Guy Porter of Harrah OK who furnished "Amy", a very sweet, very pregnant little black horned cow that was a big hit with the youth and their parents alike. The fair furnished a very informative poster with facts specific to the Dexter breed and to Amy. They handed out brochures, Yellow Pages directories and answered lots of questions. I am sure that we will be invited back next year because of their dedication to this exhibit.

Not to be outdone, *June Lawson* - REBOUND FARMS, Sapulpa OK, spent her third year in Sand Springs, Oklahoma at the Renaissance Fair exhibiting Dexter cattle. She had a banner, a few brochures and Yellow Pages to hand out. She reports that the Dexter's were a big hit as always.

Don and I spent three days at Old Cowtown Museum in Wichita in early October exhibiting our Dexter's. Cowtown re-enacts an Old County Fair each year at this time, so we have to wear period costumes. They are thrilled to have one of the original cattle breeds made available for their exhibit. The first day, Friday, is a day for just the children (school classes) and 1700 of them went through the grounds in 5 hours. Whewwww, if

**Message continued from
Joanie Storck, Region 6 Director**

your cattle are not accustomed to being petted by the end of that day, they never will be...ha, ha. Saturday and Sunday are much more relaxed and we had a chance to visit with the curious.

Moral of these four stories: **Put your cattle on display wherever you can - it is good advertising for everyone.** We look forward to you dropping by one of the exhibits in 2006. Watch the new Upcoming Events calendar in the Bulletin for dates and locations.

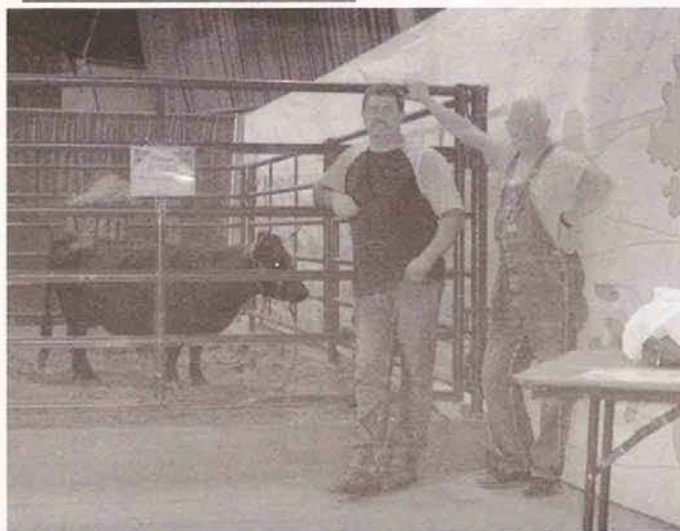
~ Blessings from the plains of Kansas ~
Region 6 Director - Joanie Storck



A nicely done display board for Amy, showing information on Dexters, hanging on her pen at the fair.

David and Andy standing next to Amy, at the Oklahoma State Fair.

Photos courtesy of Joanie Storck.



**Director's Message
REGION 9
Robert Seddon**

Winter Report

The region has been quiet with the holidays over and the chores of winter at hand. I am getting a lot of calls from people looking for Dexters... If you have ANY for sale, please contact me at 540-894-5571 or

robert5721@mail.nexet.net

and let me know! I have many people looking and few people to send them to! Also, contact me with any concerns or questions that you have about the ADCA and what is going on.

Robert Seddon, Region 9 Director

Goofy Irene's back and about to calve





Director's Message

REGION 8

Sally Coad

Here Comes Spring!

I don't know about everyone else, but I'm so ready for spring, I can taste it, can't you? Well, I SAY I'm ready, ... but in reality?

There are many things that need to be done in order to really be ready for spring and the busy summer months. A lot of people vaccinate in the spring. This needs some planning. We vaccinate our breeding stock every 6 months with Triangle 9 & Type II BVD, as well as Spirovac for the cows. Calves here get a complete Blackleg vaccination too. We booster any animals going off farm for breeding, showing, or exhibition as well. It is the cheapest "health insurance" we can get for our cows!

Another thing that comes to mind is worming. Worm treatment is easy to do while you are vaccinating and the animal is confined. Speaking of parasites, spring is an excellent time to think about fly control. Those little suckers will be here before you know it. There are many natural and chemical ways to deal with these pesky things. And it is important to have a plan before they arrive. Here at Freedom Farms, we use a number of methods to control flies. We have started a flock of Muscovy Ducks, who, according to studies, can decrease fly populations from 70% to 90%. Staggering numbers as far as we are concerned. They will go through manure and feed areas, happily picking up dropped and undigested grains - in turn cutting down on rodent populations. We will also be adding several small flocks of chickens for each pasture. The

cheapest and easiest way for us to accomplish this is by having connections with pasture raised egg operations who do not sell stew birds. By the time those chickens are 2 years old, their laying has slowed down to become marginally profitable for these farmers and they seem to be happy to find a "retirement" home for these birds - who scratch cow patties and eat insect larvae just as well, if not better than, a younger bird. We also use a white vinegar and water spray on the feedstock we raise. It is a natural anti-fungal/antibacterial and the flies just don't seem to like it very much. We use a commercially prepared fly spray on our brood cows and breeding bulls. It has to be done fairly often because we do not use one of the very strong mixtures. If you are in a mosquito filled area, as we are, putting up bat houses and Purple Martin houses is a help to attract these natural mosquito eaters. You can also order natural fly predator (non-stinging!) wasps from many sources. I have not tried this avenue - but some people have, and swear by them. We also start adding a little garlic powder to everyone's rations. You have to start with very small amounts or the cows will not eat it. We started too late into the season last year with this - so cannot state the results. However, Garlic is also an internal natural anti-fungal, anti-parasitic supplement - and I do know that with my past experience with horses, it does make the horses that get garlic less appealing to fly populations than the horses that don't get it.

Okay, so we are a little closer to being ready. We have vaccinated, wormed, and gotten a plan for insect control. Now what about quarters,

feed supplies and water? Now is the time to take soil samples in for analysis. There are several places to do this. Check with your local Extension Center, Southern States, Agway's or local fertilizer companies. The results may surprise you and will give you an idea of whether your pastures need some help to become a vital part of your animal nutrition program. Remember, what goes around, comes around. Some time, effort, and expense spent on your pasture should yield you better returns as far as condition and health of your stock. It is also a good time when you are taking your soil samples, to go ahead and have your water tested. Test the water from the lines that water your livestock as well as ponds/streams that your animals have access to. With today's fast growth of even rural areas, it is important to make sure your water is as clean as you think it is! It is also an excellent time of year to evaluate your feeding rituals. How do your cows look? Has the fertility of your herd been what you wanted? Are your young heifers getting too fat on their rations? How are those coats? Of course the warmer months do change the nutritional need of our animals since they will not be burning a lot of nutrition just keeping warm - but a lot of people plan calving in the spring. Over feeding a late term pregnant heifer can actually be dangerous. It does nothing for the heifer except grow her calf to a size that might be difficult for her to have. Hold back on the temptation to over feed these animals and start increasing their food after the calf is born - to help her keep body condition and produce a lot of milk. In dairy breeds, they want all of that nutrition to go into milk production. We want it to go into both, keeping the muscle on the lactating cow as well as producing abundant, healthy milk for us and the calf. A lot of feed companies will either come out to your farm to help you evaluate your feed needs or at least will talk at length with you on the phone about them. Healthy animals makes the feed companies look good.

While checking everything you need to make your pastures healthy, it is a crucial time to check

to make sure everything in your herd's environment is safe and sound. This means checking all fence lines for breaks, branches and other hazards. If you have wooden fences, go through with a hammer in hand and make sure that all the changing humidity and temperature fluctuations have not caused some nail heads to pop out. It is simple enough to pound those in. A few hammer swings are easier than stitching a wound caused by sharp nails. It is also crucial to check the enclosures within your pastures, barns, lean-tos, and anything your cows have access to. If you run electric fence, test several different sections to make sure that they are working correctly. While checking fence lines that is the time to pick up trash or dumped items that you find within the fence line. I have written another piece on this important step for this *Bulletin*.

Alright, we have taken into account what goes on in our cows, in our cows, and what keeps our cows in. Now what about what comes out of our cows? I am not really talking about the natural fertilizer production -- I'm talking *calves*. The cows waddle around, their bags just becoming prominent enough for you to start anticipating that happy event. You need to fast-forward your planning to a year from today. Who will you want that particular cow bred to for next year's calf? If you live in an area with many Dexters or a large Dexter farm, like ours, that offers stud services - then you have multiple choices as well. It is not a decision that should be taken lightly.

That is all I can think of right now. My list is a bit longer, including getting ready to show in Houston, getting ready for my youngest son's marriage in May, our Open Farm Tour here in May, Opening Day at the Wake Forest Farmer's Market in April or May, ...and the opening of our Gourmet Meat, Farm Products, and Farm-Made Gift items Store called "Down On The Farm" ... opening next month!

Clearly, I am not ready for spring ... how about you? Here it comes ... ready or not!

Membership Form

American Dexter Cattle Association



*You may copy this sheet or go to our Website
www.dextercattle.org
And download a printable copy*

(Print)

Name _____

Street Address or Rural Route _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Farm or Herd Name _____ Animal Name Prefix _____

(If there is a duplication of Herd Name or Animal Prefix you will be contacted)

E-Mail Address _____ Website _____

Date Submitted ____/____/____ Phone Number _____

New Member (with cattle)	_____	Free *
New Member (without cattle)	_____	\$30
Former Member	_____	\$30
Yearly Dues	_____	\$30 (\$25 if paid before Feb 1)

**New members that own or become owners of ADCA registered cattle will receive their first year membership free for the calendar year.*

Costs of Animal Registrations and Transfers:

Registrations

- Cows up to 1 year old \$20
- Bulls up to 2 years old \$20
- Cows over 1 year old \$40
- Bulls over 2 years old \$40
- Steers \$10

Transfers

- Regular Transfers \$20 (any age)

*Write check to ADCA and mail to: American Dexter Cattle Association
4150 Merino Ave • Watertown MN 55388*

Director's Message REGION 10 Roberta Wieringa

Winter here in Michigan has given us a mixed bag of weather. We've had about 55" of snowfall for the year, but never more than 12" on the ground at one time. Unusually warm temperatures mixed with rain/snow equated to mud and slop in the feed lots. We also set a record of 15 consecutive days without sunshine – now that's depressing. Our saying is "If you don't like the weather, just wait 10 minutes and it'll change."

We just finished separating cows and heifers getting ready for calving. Our first babies are due the middle of February. We move the girls around so they will be able to get inside to calve.

I love calving season with all the little ones running around thinking they are important. Hopefully everything will go well without any problems.

I'd like to take a moment to thank John Potter for all his years as Region 10 Director. He has answered many questions for us, and I'm sure for many of you. If you get a chance, please drop John a note of thanks.

I would like to start getting Region 10 members letting me know what they have for sale or are looking to buy. If I get inquiries from people interested in Dexters, I would like to be able to help them with contacts of breeders.

If there is anything you would like to see happen in Region 10, let me know.

I hope everyone has a successful calving season.

Roberta Wieringa
Middleville, Michigan
(269) 795-4809
www.wieringadexterfarm@yahoo.com



Roberta Wieringa

I live with my husband, Lee, in Middleville, Michigan. We have four grown children and three grandchildren. Lee is retired and I work as a receptionist at a veterinary hospital specializing in small animal care.

We have owned Dexter cattle for seven years and currently have about 30 head. We have 18 babies coming this year with calving starting in February. Because we show our cattle as a beef breed, we try to breed for a more beefy body type.

Each summer we take about 15 animals out on the road to various fairs. We show at five different county fairs and at the Michigan State Fair in Detroit. We enjoy showing our little cows off to the general public. Many people have never seen or heard of Dexter Cattle. We try to promote the breed as a small acreage beef cow.

As Region 10 Director I would like to help anyone get into showing that would be interested. I would also like to help buyers and sellers get together by being their central contact person. I am planning on hosting one District meeting each year that will probably be held in October.



I look forward to being a part of the ADCA leadership and am very excited about this opportunity.

Roberta



Welcome 90 New Members !



November • December • January

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| • AB | Durley Farm | • MN | Kip Rienarz |
| • AZ | Mike & Karen Craig | • MN | Lance Shannon |
| • AR | Jennifer & Henry Howard | • NC | Daniel & Sherry Morrison |
| • AR | Robbie & Joyce, Kenneth Mabry | • NY | Janice Stevens |
| • AR | Steve & Tammy Kidder | • NY | Stephen & Diane Strauss |
| • AZ | Wade Batson | • NY | Chad Williams |
| • AZ | Kathryn Heininger | • OH | Faith Thomas |
| • CO | Wayne Rudd | • OK | Don Cheek, Troy Harrold |
| • FL | Jessica Chonko | • OR | Gerald & Yvonne Kresal |
| • FL | Grace Jacobson | • SK | Ralph Hall |
| • FL | Michelle Matchie | • TN | Linda Reeve |
| • IA | Clarence Blair | • TN | Jeff & Trena Caldwell |
| • IA | Jennifer Lehman | • TX | Randall Bowman |
| • IL | Galen Gathman | • TX | Patricia Donnell |
| • IL | Daniel Gioja | • TX | James Dousay |
| • KS | Ron & Carol Elsinger | • TX | Janie Ecker |
| • KS | Don Evans | • TX | Ray Lauen |
| • KS | Steve Hittle | • TX | Troy McLeod |
| • KS | Norman Hoover | • TX | Stephen Moore |
| • KS | Danial Rich | • TX | David & Carolyn Peet |
| • KS | Sue Richardson | • TX | Mike & Teddi Pruitt |
| • KS | David & Sue Usry | • TX | John Roth |
| • KY | Gwyn Bernot | • TX | Calvin Stephens |
| • LA | Charles Grappe | • TX | David Welch |
| • MD | Mathew & Deborah Osterwald | • TX | Mary Young |
| • MI | Rudy Bricker | • UT | Sandy Best |
| • MI | Connie Crouch | • UT | Colleen Lake |
| • MI | Dean Rau | • VA | Gail Miller |
| • MI | Roger, Marie McNew Tumbleson | • VA | Hannah & Millie Short |
| • MO | John & Deborah Boyer | • WA | Ray & Janet Wood |
| • MO | Sean Pritchard | • WI | Louis & Barbara Linsmeyer |
| • MO | James & Janelle Schulte | • WI | Suzanne Strauss, Mark Nurczyk |
| • MO | Gene & Doris Steadman | • WY | James & Sally Olson |

2006 Classification Schedule

Tour Dates	Days	Area	Send App by	App Due	Send for Herd Inv	# Apps Sent 2005 / 2006	Last Classifier	2006 Classifier
*Jan	19/10	AR, KS, MO, NE	Oct 15	Nov 15	Dec 10		BR, BM	G
Jan	7	AL, FL, GA, LA, MS, NC, SC	Oct 15	Nov 15	Dec 10		JM	B
*Feb	18/10	IA	Nov 15	Dec 15	Jan 10		SM	B
	28/12	MN, ND, SD	Nov 15	Dec 15	Jan 10		LJ, BM, TA, GW	G
Feb	4	AZ, NM	Nov 15	Dec 15	Jan 10		BR	G
Mar	11/5	CT, ME, MA, NH, RI, VT	Dec 15	Jan 15	Feb 10		BM	G
	17/10	NY	Dec 15	Jan 15	Feb 10		RG, GW, GH	All
April	24/16	PA, NJ	Jan 15	Feb 15	Mar 10		SM, BS	B
	12/6	DE, MD, VA, WVA	Jan 15	Feb 15	Mar 10		RG	G
May	14/8	OR, WA	Feb 15	Mar 15	Apr 10		BS, SM	B
	4/2	ID, MT, UT	Feb 15	Mar 15	Apr 10		SM	B
June	8/4	OK, TX	Mar 15	Apr 15	May 10		BM, GW	G
	10/7	CA, NV	Mar 15	Apr 15	May 10		RG	G
July	8/5	KY, TN	Apr 15	May 15	June 10		BR	G
	10/8	IN	Apr 15	May 15	June 10		BS	B
	10/6	IL	Apr 15	May 15	June 10		JL	G
Aug	20/12	OH	May 15	June 15	July 10		G	B
	6/2	MI	May 15	June 15	July 10		JL	G
Aug	3	CO, WY	May 15	June 15	July 10		SM	B
Sept	40/26	WI	June 15	July 15	Aug 10		All	All
Oct	19/10	AR, KS, MO, NE	July 15	Aug 15	Sept 10		G	B
Nov	18/10	IA	Aug 15	Sept 15	Oct 10		B	G
	28/12	MN, ND, SD	Aug 15	Sept 15	Oct 10		G	B
*Dec	11/5	CT, ME, MA, NH, RI, VT	Sept 15	Oct 15	Nov 10		G	B
	17/10	NY	Sept 15	Oct 15	Nov 10		G	B

* = additional mini-tours ***Bold-Italic*** = 12-month rotation tours

Classifiers	No.	City
1. BS George Harris	056	New Milford, CT
2. BS Gary Wilt	067	Arcanum, OH
3. BS Bernard Monson	092	Gowrie, IA
4. BS Leonard Johnson	114	Edgerton, WI
5. BS Roger Neitzel	117	Beloit, WI
6. BS Jerry Luttropp	136	Berlin, WI

Classifiers	No.	City
7. BS David Kendall	137	Beloit, WI
8. BS Russ Giesy	144	Leesburg, FL
9. BS Bob Reuter	145	Modesto, CA
10. G Beth Johnson	112	Reynoldsburg, OH
11. G Brian Schnebly	126	Reynoldsburg, OH
12. G Steve Mills	139	Saluda, SC

REASONS FOR AND AGAINST CLASSIFICATION

By Chris Odom

Well I have to tell you after much thought for reasons not to classify--I can't think of any! I would guess that comes from my business background. We were constantly compared against a standard to perform services and equipment for our customers. That can be directly applied in the cattle business also. You must have a standard or some form of comparison to know that you are staying within the guidelines of the breed.

Classification is an educational tool that can help members better understand what the qualities of the breed are; how to try and improve those qualities while diminishing the faults. It is also a known standard accepted across the United

States that should allow you to sell to a broader market.

The ADCA has a standard for linear body score classification now being done through the Brown Swiss Association. If you would like to have your cattle classified, contact the ADCA Secretary to request the forms and pay your fees. The general membership voted at the 2005 AGM to continue with the classification program, which fit with the Goals Committee proposed program to establish an elite status in the United States.

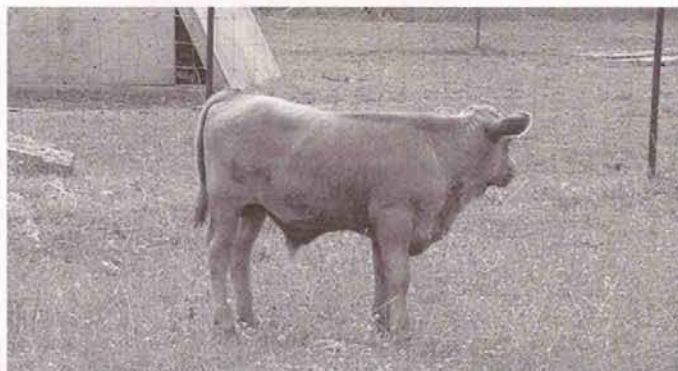
There is a classification committee charged by the board to evaluate the current ideological and procedural aspects of the current program for presentation to the board at the 2006 AGM. The ADCA is blessed with a diverse group of members who possess the skills necessary to make the information available for the board. If you know a lot about classification or you would like to learn more, this might be the committee for you. Please contact me if you wish to serve on this committee and thank you to the ones who have volunteered.

Chris Odom

chris@blockcreekranch.com

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CLASSIFICATION PROCEDURES

The paper work is requested from the Secretary of the ADCA. She sends out the paper-work to the producer. That paper work is kept on hand with the producer and is given to the classifier when they show up to classify. The information which is necessary for the producer to send in with the request for the paper-work is as follows: Name, address, phone number, herd name, number and sex of animals to be classified, registration numbers, and ID number and what type they are, ear tag, etc. Along with the application for the classification, members must send in the \$10 fee for each animal or \$50 for 5 animals or fewer.

2006 ADCA ANNUAL DEXTER VIDEO SHOW

The 2006 AGM will have the video show on FRIDAY night at the sale arena in the Springfield Livestock Marketing Center L.L.C. This arena is air-conditioned and has theater seating so there are no bad seats.

Any ADCA member can enter. Only one animal can be shown per tape and it is not essential to enter every animal in the your herd, except the Best Herd Class. The tapes will not be mailed back to you, but can be picked up at the annual meeting and the ADCA reserves the right to use any or all tapes for promotional purposes.

Video Show Rules

1. The animal must be identified in the video or DVD through signage or audio identified indicating:
 - a. Class
 - b. Animal Name
 - c. Registration Number
 - d. Date of Birth
 - e. Height at shoulder (real or estimate)
 - f. Weight (real or estimate)
2. The video tape must be the standard (large) size that will play in a normal VCR. No small cassettes please! If you have a small one, just have the tape copied onto a large size cassette before sending it in. DVDs are also acceptable.
3. The first shot should be a 30 second side view from about 20 feet away.
4. The second shot should be a 15 second view (front and rear) showing at least two feet while the animal is standing on a hard surface.
5. The third shot should be a 20 second rear view from about 12 feet away showing the rear quarters, legs, and udder or testicles as applicable.
6. The fourth, a 20 second front view showing head, shoulders and front legs.
7. The fifth and final view is a 30 second side view while the animal is moving in a clockwise direction.
8. Send a copy of your registration papers in with the entry form.

The entry tape or DVD should not exceed 2 ½ minutes. The class, animal ID, DOB, and owners name, address and email address should appear on the tape. If the animal is for sale this also should be indicated on the tape label.

ENTRY DATE POSTMARK: May 25, 2006 or they will not be accepted. Please enclose entry fee of \$10 per animal with the entry form. Make checks payable to ADCA.

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SHOW AND SALE RULES AND REGULATIONS

Revision 5: 12-27-05

The following are rules and regulations that will pertain to the National Dexter Cattle Show and Sale that are sanctioned by the American Dexter Cattle Association.

I. General Guidelines

- A. Exhibitors at ADCA-sanctioned events must be current members of the Association.
- B. All animals must be properly identified using ear tags, neck chains, brands, etc., and must be legibly tattooed with the exact alpha-numeric identification that appears on the registration papers. Failure to have a legible and accurate tattoo will be grounds for dismissal from the event.
- C. All animals shown at the ADCA-sanctioned events must be halter broke to lead. Any animal deemed unmanageable by the Show and Sale Committee before or during the show will be required to leave the show arena. Cattle dismissed in this fashion are not eligible for sale or show placing, and all entry fees will be forfeited. If there is a pen class those animals must be broke to stand tie at halter.
- D. The show and sale are two separate events. Animals shown may not be sold and animals for sale need not be shown. Animals must be entered in each event to be shown and sold. This is done to encourage only the best to be shown.
- E. All cattle must be registered with the American Dexter Cattle Association prior to entry. A copy of the Registration papers, in the sole name of the exhibitor or the Partnership, must be furnished with the entry form for the show or sale. **In the case of junior exhibitors they do not have to be an owner to exhibit. If a person is physically unable, animals may be shown by any non-professional person. If an owner has two or more animals they want to show in the same class, THEY MUST SHOW ONE and the additional animal(s) may be shown by any one-professional person.** Calves under six-months of age that are to be shown in cow/calf pairs do not need to be registered, they are not eligible to be shown in individual classes unless they are registered.
- F. All entry forms and fees must be received by the deadline designated for the show event. Late entries will be accepted for the sale event up to the day before the sale, however, entry forms for animals received after the deadline will not be in the sale catalog and an additional late fee will be charged. Entry fees for animals not brought to the show or sale will not be refunded.
- G. Health certificates will be required for all entries, and will be checked and approved by the designated show veterinarian prior the show and sale events. These certificates will be surrendered at unloading to the individuals supervising the checking-in of animals. For animals to be sold, the original registration and transfer papers will also be given to the individuals at the time of unloading. Animals from quarantined areas are not permitted to enter the show or sale event. Out-of-state entries must comply with the regulations of the state in which the show and/or sale event is taking place. See "Health Regulations" for further explanation.
- H. Each ADCA-sanctioned event will have a designated Show and Sale Committee. This committee will have final authority to uphold established rules and regulations. The Chairman of the committee will decide questions and/or disputes.
- I. Females advertised as "Safe in calf" must have a veterinarian's pregnancy check certificate. Bulls over 18 months of age must have a veterinarian's fertility exam report.
- J. All bulls 12 months and older must have an affixed nose ring or nose clamp.
- K. All cattle must be double tied (neck rope plus halter). All cattle and stall areas must be kept clean and presentable during the duration of the show and/or sale.
- L. No drugs are to be administered except under the guidance of the event veterinarian.
- M. Every precaution will be taken to protect participants and their animals. However, neither the ADCA, the Show and Sale Committee or the location of the event, nor the supervisors or their assistants, will be responsible for accidents or loss associated with the participant and their animals.

- N. The American Dexter Cattle Association and the auctioneer(s) act only to bring the buyers and sellers together. Any warranties or claims pertaining to any animal are strictly between seller and buyer. Buyers should satisfy themselves regarding the soundness and condition of an animal before bidding on that animal.

II. Show Guidelines

- A. Entry fees and/or commissions will be established by the Show and Sale Committee and published in advance.
- B. Exhibitors are encouraged to show cattle in their natural state. All animals are to be washed clean and brushed.

Acceptable Grooming Items

Trimming, cleaning, and light oiling (with clear oil, not colored polish or colored oil) of horns and hooves is acceptable. Limited trimming of long, stray, or guard hairs along the top and bottom lines, udders, sheaths, and lower side of animals where the hair changes directions is acceptable. Sheen and sparkle additives are acceptable, but not required. Sprays or concentrates specifically formulated and sold as fly inhibitors are acceptable for use.

Non-Acceptable Grooming Items

Painting or polishing of horns or hooves is prohibited. Teasing or balling the tail switch is not acceptable. Ear, poll, or body clipping is prohibited. No other physical or cosmetic alterations may be made. No artificial coloring of any part of the animal is allowed. Adhesives are not acceptable.

- C. The Show and Sale committee will advise the judge regarding grooming requirements and expectations prior to the show. This will encourage the judge to look at the animal closely, not at the grooming capability of the exhibitor.
- D. All show animals must be broke to show (lead) at halter. If there is a pen class, these animals must be broke to tie. Remember one of the selling points to this breed is their temperament and ease of handling.
- E. Classes for each event will be established by the Show and Sale Committee and will be determined by the number and ages at the date of the show of the entries. Suggested classes are as follows:
1. Heifer calf less than 6 months of age
 2. Heifer calf 6 months to one year
 3. Yearling heifer
 4. Young cow two to four years of age
 5. Mature cow over four years of age
 6. Cow/calf pair
 7. Bull calf less than 6 months of age
 8. Bull calf 6 months to one year
 9. Yearling bull
 10. Mature bull
 11. Market Steer

For each show a Grand and Reserve Champion Female Dexter will be chosen as well as a Grand and Reserve Champion Male Dexter. If there is pen classes as necessary they will have the same classes as above (depending upon quantity and type of pen entries) and will compete for the same awards in the one show event.

- F. Show attire is as follows: Western attire, dark pants or dark dress jeans with belt (nice looking; no holes). NO Overalls! Long-sleeve buttoned shirt with collar (preferably western style, but not required) to be tucked in, western or cowboy hat - NO BALL CAPS! Boots (No Sneakers or athletic shoes). This dress code is applicable to both male and female exhibitors.

III. Sale Guidelines

- A. Each sale entry must include a copy of the original ADCA registration certificate. A short description may also be submitted for inclusion in the sale catalog. If the description is lengthy then at the Show and Sale Committee's discretion the description may be shortened. At unloading the seller must surrender the signed original ADCA registration as well as the signed transfer papers as appropriate for proper transfer to the new owner.
- B. Sale animals will be identified via neck tags that correspond to the catalog numbers, these tags will be furnished by the Show and Sale Committee for the particular event. The Show and Sale Committee will establish sale order. The sale order and other pertinent information regarding the sale will be communicated prior to the sale.
- C. Sellers will have the opportunity to establish a minimum sale requirement upon entry. Sellers will have the option, after all bidding is completed, to accept or decline the sale price if it is lower than the established minimum sale price. This option will be announced at the time of the sale.
- D. Changes to established minimum pricing will not be made without written consent of the seller.
- E. All buyers' numbers will be issued upon proper verification of identification. Pictured identification is desired. Anyone issued a buyer number is considered liable for all accepted bids and purchases made under that number.
- F. The Show and Sale Committee for the particular event will establish payment terms.
- G. The Show and Sale Committee will settle all disputes.
- H. No animal may leave the barn or be removed from the grounds without LOAD OUT ORDER, which will be issued by the cashier at the time of payment.
- I. Owners of animals that do not meet the minimum bid price and are not sold will pay 5% of the last bid or \$25, whichever is less.
- J. Sellers are responsible for animals until the sale is completed. (When the animal leaves the sale ring, then the buyer is responsible).
- K. No private treaty sales will be allowed during the sale event. All animals offered for sale must go through the auction ring. If the animal fails to bring the established minimum during the auction and does not sell, the owner may opt to sell the animal at private treaty after the sale, at a price agreed upon by both buyer and seller, off the grounds of the event or sell the animal on the grounds and pay the commission.

IV. Animal Health Regulations for Participants

HEALTH CERTIFICATES

- A. The term "Health Certificate" or "Certificate of Veterinary Inspection" means a legible record made on an official form of the state of origin, issued by an accredited veterinarian, which shows that the animal(s) listed meets the testing, vaccination, treatment, and requirements of the state of destination. Unless otherwise stated in the following rules, a health certificate or certificates of veterinary inspection must accompany all animals to be exhibited or sold and be surrendered at time of unloading.
Brucellosis: All breeding animals must meet the requirements for the state in which the event occurs, except animals from a certified brucellosis-free herd. The certified herd number and date of the last test must be shown on the health certificate.
- B. Animals with active lesions of ring-worm with resulting loss of hair or warts easily visible without close examination will not be permitted to sell or show, and shall be subject to isolation or expulsion, depending upon the nature of the disease.
- C. The event will have accredited veterinarians or other state regulatory personnel for processing animals and health certificates for change of ownership as well as health papers for transporting across state lines. Any additional cost for health papers will be at the buyer's expense.
- D. The minimum health and testing requirements may not qualify livestock that are to be sold or moved to a new owner or destination. The Show and Sale Committee will investigate and comply with any added requirements for livestock that are to be in a sale in their particular location. The Show and Sale Committee will print the hosting state's specific health requirements on the entry form that is to be signed and returned.



2006 NATIONAL SHOW AND SALE
ENTRY FORM
PLEASE TYPE OR PRINT AND COMPLETE ALL BLANKS

Division (circle one): ☒ Halter Division ☐ Pen Division

FARM or RANCH NAME _____

COMPLETE ADDRESS _____

Street or Rt & Box # City State Zip

Email Address _____

Phone Number ()

Class	Registration #	Name	Birth date	Minimum Acceptable Price
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I agree if any damage shall be occasioned by loss occurring by fire or otherwise by the livestock exhibited or to my vehicle or other articles that I may send with such livestock, I will make no claim therefore; and I further agree to hold harmless the ACDA, Springfield Livestock Marketing Center, LLL or any claims or demands of any negligence of persons in charge of such livestock and to repay to the above mentioned groups on demand all damages that may sustain by reason of any claim or demand. I also agree to abide by the rules set forth.

Signed _____ Dated _____

PLEASE REMEMBER TO SEND A COPY OF YOUR REGISTRATION PAPERS WITH THIS ENTRY FORM.

On the back of this form, you may give a short description of each animal for publication in the catalog.

For complete ADCA 2006 Show and Sale Rules and Regulations, please visit our website at:
www.dexter cattle.org

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Entry Form

If you have cattle in 2 Divisions (Halter and Pen) please complete a separate entry form for each division. If in halter class, the animal must be halter broke.

A \$25 entry fee per animal is charged for both show and sale animals.

Sale fee is 5% of sale price. If no-saled, then fee is \$25 or 5% of last bid, whichever is less.

All animals must have a legible tattoo, or have a permanent metal ear tag, a registration number or calfhood vaccination # (for females) is acceptable. The number must appear on health papers.

Each animal must have a separate health paper attached to the original registration paper at the time of check-in and unloading. These papers (registration and health) must be given to the staff checking-in the animals.

The numbers mentioned above will be checked at the time of check-in and animals without proper permanent numbers will not be accepted or allowed to unload.

Please Note:

- 1.) Sellers will pay a 5% commission plus transfer fee on every animal sold.
- 2.) Sellers settlement date will be approximately 2 weeks after verification of buyer's check clearing the bank.

CLASS TITLES

All ages are to be as of 6/1/2006

Class Number	Description
1	Heifer calf less than 6 months old
2	Heifer calf 6 months to 1 year old
3	Yearling heifer
4	Young cow 2 to 4 years old
5	Mature cow over 4 years old
6	Cow/calf pair
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Spring Cleaning

by Sally Coad

As spring nears, it is important to clean up around our farms. As the winter winds die down it has possibly left behind some potential hazards for our animals. Please, *learn from our mistakes!*

Many farmers especially in this region, use their farm as a dumping ground. In one of the fields that we currently use, the farmer stores aging chinchilla manure in heavy duty black trash bags. We have used this pasture for a couple of years with no issues.

On December 11th, in the morning, we went out to feed in that pasture and all was normal. That evening we went out to feed and we had a small steer down. This used to be crop field so there are small gullies and this steer was lying in one. As the others were feeding, this steer did not even attempt to rise. Upon closer inspection, he appeared hungry (I brought him food) and he ate while lying down.

His appearance was alert. We feared he had perhaps been shot in a non-critical area (like his leg). When he took a break from his grain, we rolled him over for inspection - by this time, by the headlights, and we saw nothing. We decided we would bring him back to the barn and we helped him up. Almost immediately he stretched and started briskly on his way. With a cold rain expected that night, we decided we better bring him in to be on the safe side.

We loaded him up into the truck and brought him into the dry barn on a deep bed of straw. He drank, urinated, and defecated. All good signs. The next morning, he was lying down in this stall. We went in with feed and "urged" him to get up. He tried briefly, unsuccessful to rise on his own. We helped him up. He ate and drank. With cold rain coming, we kept him inside, where he seemed happy munching on hay. I put calls

into the vet school and the local vet for their ideas. This morning the steer showed signs of diarrhea - no blood and projectile, but quite loose. We discussed the possibilities which included the start of pneumonia or simply being beat up by one of the larger more aggressive animals in the field he was turned out in. This steer (and his brother) are both weaker and slower growing than the others in the field and were at the bottom of the pecking order since we bought them - and highest on the most likely list to be affected by weather changes. So even though it changed this steer from being one that we would market in beef to being a pet, we agreed that we would treat him with antibiotics and Banamine, as well as with an electrolyte mixture.

Within a few days, he was able to stand on his own and would leave the barn to graze in the yard all day. He still had considerable, now worsened, diarrhea. We continued giving him electrolytes and monitoring his feed intake - which decreased daily. To make a long story shorter, he went up and down for a month. On and off treatments. Stumping the vets with his symptoms. Never losing the diarrhea. Some days able to stand by himself, other days, needing help to rise but otherwise okay - though progressively unsteady on his feet.

January 10th he was down in the morning - as he had been for the previous 5 days or so - but was down on his side - rather than propped up on his knees - and had no intent on even trying to help us raise him. Being a small steer, we were able to lift him into a standing position where he nibbled at some food after drinking some water. Within 2 minutes, he was down again. He was dying. There was no doubt in my mind. The vet came out, and agreed, so the animal was euthanized.

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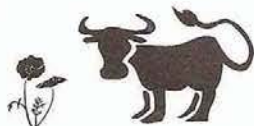
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lab that does necropsies to see what had caused this mystery illness. With growing fear of some unknown illness sweeping through my herd, I was anxious for the results. His rumen was packed with pounds of black plastic! The vet had never seen such behavior. Sometimes they will find a plastic grocery bag or baling twine - but to have such an extensive amount, it appeared that he liked the taste rather than just an accidental ingest. Needless to say, for 8 straight hours the next day, we removed every speck of plastic, paper, and debris from the field.

Unfortunately, the dead steer's brother was often seen alone with his brother in the area where these bags were and we are afraid that he is facing the same fate. This animal has weakened tremendously in the past week despite our efforts and though he can and does rise and walk swiftly on his own, I am noticing some certain behavior that struck his brother early in his illness. If he continues to weaken this week, I will offer him as a teaching tool to the veterinary school.

Again, the reason for this article is to give you a head's up. The local farmers said that the bags would not be any trouble for the cows. Even the vets, when they were here previously and saw the bags, indicated that the cows would not bother the bags - except that some of the rambunctious boys would head butt them until they broke open. My gut instinct in the very beginning was to have the farmer remove the bags ... if I had only followed that.

So learn from our mistakes. If it is dangerous to be eaten, or stepped on, or head butted, or face scratched ... get it out of your pastures!



WANTED

The American Dexter Cattle Association is looking for individuals living in Regions 3 and 11 who would like to join in the leadership of this fast-growing organization. This is an exciting and rewarding opportunity to serve as a Regional Director and help guide the "Original Founding Registry of Dexter Cattle in America" into the future.

All interested ADCA members please send applications to:

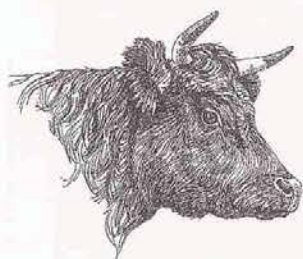
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The Dun Factor test is also available from Bova-Can through the ADCA, and the cost is \$47 per sample. The Dun Factor test can be a valuable and cost-effective tool for the registration of non-black **Dexters**.

Please use regular first class mail, or priority mail with delivery confirmation. *Please do not use Express Mail or any other method which requires a signature for delivery confirmation.* Contact any member of the Genetics and Science Committee (Anthony Bauer, IL, John Potter, MI, Sandi Thomas, OR) for information. Also, check the website for information about color genetics and registration at www.dextercattle.org.



FEE SCHEDULE

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Look on your mailing label for either 2005 or 2006. If it says 2005, this will be the last issue of *The Dexter Bulletin* you will receive until your 2006 Dues are paid.

- Remember to use the 2006 forms for membership and cattle registration (found on website)
- The 2006 dues are \$25 if paid in January and \$30 if paid later.
- New members buying cattle will still receive a free membership for the first calendar year.
- All cattle registered and transferred at the same time, will pay a registration fee (\$20) and a transfer fee (\$20), or \$40 total.

Registrations

Effective January 1, 2006

Cows up to 1 year old	\$20.00
Bulls up to 2 years old	\$20.00
Cows over 1 year old	\$40.00
Bulls over 2 years old	\$40.00
Steer and Ox (any age)	\$10.00
Regular Transfers	\$20.00 (any age)

(We still have a limited number of Herd Books for \$12.)

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

Membership Fees

New members who own or become owners of ADCA registered cattle will receive their first year membership free for the calendar year.

Annual Renewal of Dues:	Before February 1st	\$25.00
Annual Renewal of Dues:	After February 1st	\$30.00

Check out your herd on the Online Pedigree on www.dextercattle.org.

The ADCA reserves the right to require DNA testing to confirm the validity of any registration. Such testing may include but shall not be limited to parentage verification and to color.

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Advertising pertaining to the sale of Dexter semen in ADCA publications requires the statement of the height of the bull from the shoulder to the ground and the age at which the height was recorded. The ADCA also requires that the DNA genotype of any bull being used for out-of-herd AI be on file in its registry office before calves from those matings can be registered. The number of bulls to be tested must be specified in the request.

The application for DNA Genotyping for Parentage Verification for Dexter bulls can be obtained from

John Potter

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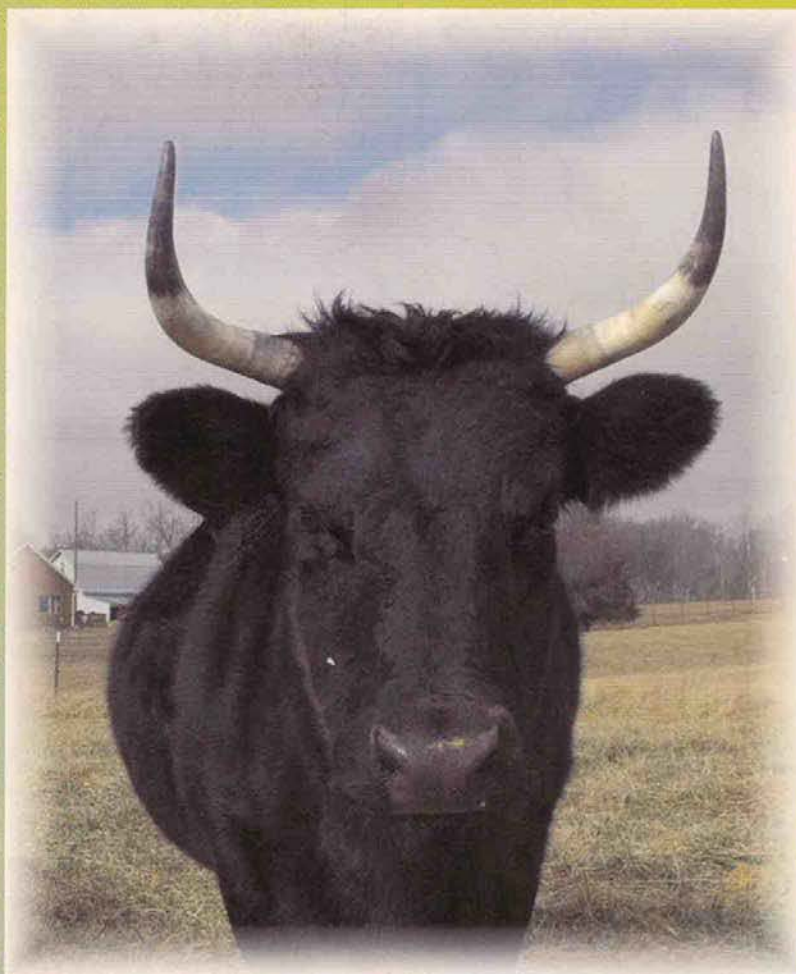
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