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Thanks to all

Message from the President

As your new ADCA president, I want to take just a few minutes to introduce myself. My husband Lee and I have been involved with Dexter cattle for about 10 years. We started out by buying some that "we can get the papers on" and "bred" cattle that were "exposed," only to find them open. So, we did just about everything wrong.

After learning from our mistakes, we developed a breeding program that we thought would give us what we had been looking for. We were certainly lucky in our breeding of a little short cow named Bar J Dancing the Jig and a little short bull named Fisher Creek Ed. These were probably both chondro carrier animals, but we didn't do any testing because we didn't know any better.

This resulted in our Wieringa's Ned EJ, whom we have based our herd and breeding on. We take around 15 to 20 animals out on the road each summer, showing at six different county and state fairs in addition to the Annual General

Meeting (AGM).

Enough about our history. If you were unable to attend the 2009 AGM, you certainly missed a great show and sale. A very special thank-you to Rick and Machael Seydel for their outstanding work in putting on an excellent show and sale. A huge thank-you to all their help and "behind the scenes" workers and volunteers.

As the new ADCA president, I will continue to work with the Board of Directors in implementing procedures that will improve the integrity of the breed and the registry. We will never make every member happy but will strive to

do what the majority of the membership wants.

I realize that I have some huge shoes to fill following the past two years of David Jones' leadership. Thank you, David, for trudging through all the legal lingo in order to get us in compliance with Delaware state law and for keeping the Board of Directors on task.

In closing, let me say thank-you to members of the ADCA Board of Directors for all the time they put in being on the board and on committees. It's not an easy job when you pile it on top of everyone's day-to-day operation.

Roberta Wieringa



Thanks to Elissa Emmons and Linda Rininger for providing the AGM photos that appear throughout this Bulletin.

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I'm here to help**Message from the Vice President**

I'm proud to have been elected vice president of the ADCA and intend to serve the association and the membership as a whole to the best of my ability.

As vice president, I'll be working with the secretary on the election of directors and overseeing the association's committee work.

I'll assist the new president, Roberta Wieringa, with any tasks she assigns. I'll be an active member of the ADCA Board of Directors.

I'll no longer have a vote in the business at hand, but I intend to be available to answer any questions and offer assistance in any

way I can to each of you.

You can contact me by e-mail at stthomas@palmain.com, by phone at (541) 489-3385 or by mail at P.O. Box 135, Antelope, OR 97001.

Sandi Thomas

Good chance of breaking even**Report from the Treasurer**

Fellow members, if you were at the Annual General Meeting (AGM) in July, you know how good it was. For you who were not there, well, you missed a real treasure of a Dexter weekend.

I presented the 2008 financial results and the 2009 budget, both of which are reprinted in this issue of the *Bulletin*. The IRS tax form 990 for 2008 was filled in a timely manner in May.

The 2008 year generated revenues of \$134,512 and expenses of \$146,501, resulting in expenses over revenues by \$11,989, and we

ended the year with funds of \$110,701.

The 2009 budget has expenses exceeding revenues by \$11,800. However, with what I see from

**The AGM Dexter
sale brought in
\$48,425 –
a new record!**

actual results through June, I feel we have a good chance of breaking even this year.

The Dexter cattle sale at the

AGM generated sales of \$48,425, a new record. Lee and Roberta Wieringa donated a bull calf to the sale. I think we owe them a big thank-you.

A detailed report on the sale is included on pp. 4-5 of this *Bulletin*.

The White Dexter sale was a fun experience and resulted in sales of \$6,442. In the next issue of the *Bulletin*, I will report on final financial results of the AGM activities.

James W. Smith



On behalf of Region 12, I would like to thank everyone who attended the 2009 Annual General

Meeting (AGM) in Fort Dodge, Iowa. Because of your support, this AGM definitely was a success.

I truly appreciate the members who traveled hundreds of miles to bring quality animals to the show and sale. I commend your devotion and dedication to the breed.

I also want to thank three members, Carol Johnson, Patti Adams and Elissa Emmons, for graciously giving of their

time and knowledge with presentations on Friday. The number of members who pitched in and helped with set-up and clean-up was amazing, and I want you to know that we could not have done it without you.

Now that everyone has gone home and life is getting back to normal, my wife and I honestly can say that we are very proud to be part of the American Dexter Cattle Association. Most importantly, we are honored to call all of you our friends.

Thanks again,
Rick and Macheal Seydel

Financial Statement – Year 2008

Description	Amount		
Funds Account Balance - Beginning	<u>122,689.60</u>	Bank Charges - Miscellaneous	47.20
Revenues		Bank Charges - Returned Checks	0.00
Dues-Membership	21,971.00	Classification Fees	300.00
Dues-New Member	0.00	Donations	0.00
Registrations	27,303.00	Donations - Chris Odom Memorial Award	1,000.00
Registrations - AI	0.00	Insurance - Show & Sale	1,058.00
Registrations - Late	5,160.00	Legal Expense	22,659.21
Registrations - Reject Fees	0.00	Meetings - Regional Directors	143.26
Registrations - Steers	528.00	Meetings - Shows HLSR	500.00
Registration Certificate Replacement	71.70	Overpaid Fees Returned	0.00
Transfer Fees	26,585.00	Postage	5,101.11
AGM Fundraising Proceeds	4,803.00	Pay Pal Transaction Fees - Charge Cards	1,196.56
AGM Meal & General Proceeds	11,282.00	Professional Fees - Accounting	0.00
AGM Show/Sale Entry	0.00	Professional Fees - Corporate Agent	90.00
AGM Sale Proceeds	12,743.75	Professional Fees - Online Pedigree	0.00
AGM Video Show Proceeds	0.00	Professional Fees - Software	3,157.99
Genetics Testing Revenue	13,235.00	Professional Fees - Web Connection	0.00
Advertising Revenues - Bulletin	1,557.00	Professional Fees - Web Host	168.00
Advertising Revenues - Membership Book	0.00	Professional Fees - Web Updates	160.00
Advertising Revenues - Herd Book	0.00	Promotional Items - Purchase	464.83
Advertising Revenues - Web Site	2,014.00	Publications - Brochures	0.00
Book Sales Revenue - Cattle Books	383.25	Publications - Bulletin	16,819.94
Book Sales Revenue - Herd Books	1,331.00	Publications - Herd Book	3,944.90
Subscriptions - Bulletin	0.00	Publications - Membership Book	0.00
Classification Fees	100.00	Publications - Newsletters	0.00
Promotional Item Sales	2,195.00	Stipend - Advertising	750.00
Donation Revenue	1,000.00	Stipend - Bulletin	2,000.00
Donation Revenue - Exp. Paid by Member	0.00	Stipend - Membership Book	0.00
Interest Income	2,161.59	Stipend - Miscellaneous	0.00
Returned Check Replacement	(195.00)	Stipend - Registrations	7,875.00
Overpaid Fees	282.50	Stipend - Secretary	2,000.00
Charge Card Contra Sales Fee - PayPal	0.00	Stipend - Transfers	6,490.00
Postage Reimbursement	0.00	Stipend - Treasurer	7,000.00
Undetermined	0.00	Stipend - Travel Allowances AGM	3,500.00
Total Revenues	<u>134,511.79</u>	Stipend - Webmaster	1,500.00
Expenses		Storage Expenses	350.00
Advertising - Banners	35.00	Supplies	2,691.52
Advertising - Fairs	940.00	Telephone Expenses	663.76
Advertising - Magazines	7,050.55	Miscellaneous	0.00
Advertising - Internet - Media	2,023.73	Misc Expense - Expenses Paid by Member Donations	0.00
AGM - General Exp	16,855.51	Total Expenses	<u>146,500.57</u>
AGM - Sale Cattle Payout Expenses	11,750.00	Total Revenue over (under) Expenses	<u>(11,988.78)</u>
Bank Charges - Foreign Exchange Fees	<u>4.50</u>	Funds Account Balance - End	<u>110,700.82</u>

Financial Statement vs Budget – Year 2009

Final Budget	Annual Budget	
Description	Months	12
Funds Account Balance - Beginning		<u>110,700.82</u>
Dues - Membership		25,000
Dues - New Member		0
Registrations		28,000
Registrations - AI		0
Registrations - Late		5,000
Registrations - Reject Fees		0
Registrations - Steers		200
Registration Certificate Replacement		0
Transfer Fees		26,000
AGM Fundraising Proceeds		5,000
AGM Meal & General Proceeds		5,000
AGM Show/Sale Entry		2,000
AGM Sale Proceeds		25,000
AGM Video Show Proceeds		0
Genetics Testing Revenue		10,000
Advertising Revenues - Bulletin		1,500
Advertising Revenues - Membership Book		500
Advertising Revenues - Herd Book		0
Advertising Revenues - Web Site		2,000
Book Sales Revenue - Cattle Books		100
Book Sales Revenue - Herd Books		1,500
Subscriptions - Bulletin		0
Classification Fees		0
Promotional Item Sales		1,000
Donation Revenue		0
Interest Income		1,800
Returned Check Replacement		0
Over (Under) Fees Remitted		0
Charge Card Contra Sales Fee - PayPal		0
Postage Reimbursement		0
		<u>139,600</u>
Advertising - Banners		0
Advertising - Fairs		3,350
Advertising - Magazines		7,500
Advertising - Internet-Media		3,000
AGM - General Expenses		14,000
AGM - Sale Cattle Payout Expenses		23,000
Bank Charges - Foreign Exchange Fees		0
Bank Charges - Miscellaneous		0
Bank Charges - Returned Checks		<u>0</u>
Book Purchases		0
Classification Fees		0
Donations		0
Donations - Chris Odom Memorial Youth Award		1,500
Franchise Tax Fee		135
Genetic's Testing Exp		10,000
Insurance - Directors		1,500
Insurance - Show & Sale		1,200
Legal Expense		0
Meetings - Regional Directors		1,800
Meetings - Shows HLSR		650
Overpaid Fees Returned		0
Postage		9,000
Pay Pal Transaction Fees - Charge cards		1,200
Professional Fees - Accounting		0
Professional Fees - Corporate Agent		90
Professional Fees - On Line Pedigree		3,000
Professional Fees - Software		3,000
Professional Fees - Web Connection		0
Professional Fees - Web Host		200
Professional Fees - Web Updates		1,000
Promotional Items - Purchase		600
Publications - Brochures		3,000
Publications - Bulletin		13,600
Publications - Herd Book		4,000
Publications - Membership Book		9,000
Publications - Newsletters		0
Stipend - Advertising		750
Stipend - Bulletin		2,000
Stipend - Membership Book		1,000
Stipend - Miscellaneous		0
Stipend - Registrations		7,725
Stipend - Secretary		2,000
Stipend - Transfers		6,500
Stipend - Treasurer		7,000
Stipend - Travel Allowances AGM		4,250
Stipend - Webmaster		1,500
Storage Expenses		350
Supplies		2,200
Telephone Expenses		800
Miscellaneous		0
		<u>151,400</u>
Expenses		<u>(11,800)</u>
Funds Account Balance - End		<u>98,900.82</u>

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Region 6 Director's Message

Patti and I had a great time at the Annual General Meeting (AGM) in Fort Dodge, Iowa. We were joined by other members from Region 6: Gene and Susan Pittman and Debra and Danielle Hawkins from Oklahoma, the Jeff and Melinda Chambers family from Nebraska and Ron and Brenda Stringham from Kansas.

There was a good Dexter show for youth and adults, a great auction and the most successful White Dexter auction ever. Most of all, it was a great learning experience and an opportunity to share stories with other Dexter owners.

Danielle Hawkins was selected for the 2009 Chris Odom Memorial Junior Exhibitor Award in the 12-and-under group. (See the article on p. 20 of this *Bulletin*.)

She was joined by her mom and grandfather in accepting the award. CONGRATULATIONS, Danielle!

The biggest news from the AGM is that Region 6 volunteered to host the 2011 AGM. This is an exciting opportunity, but it will

take a lot of work and volunteers to help make it successful. Planning is already beginning with Gene Pittmann and Debra Hawkins

researching a couple of optional sites in Oklahoma.

Once again, I want to remind you of the state fairs this fall where the Dexter breed will be represented. The Nebraska State Fair in Lincoln will be Aug. 28-31.

Contact Jeff Chambers for more information.

Next will be the Kansas State fair in Hutchinson, Sept. 11-13. Contact Clay Adams for details.

The newest state fair will be in Tulsa, Okla., Oct. 1-3. Debra Hawkins is organizing this first-time event.

I would like to make everyone aware that the Oklahoma Dexter owners have launched a web site to share local information with other ADCA members and prospective owners. It can be found at www.okdexters.org.

Clay Adams

Region 8 Director's Message

What an Annual General Meeting (AGM)! Rick and Macheal Seydel and all of the folks who had a hand in this event, what an outstanding job.

It was by far the best AGM I have ever attended. For those that were not able to attend, you missed a really well-organized, well-attended event.

Beyond the event itself, I found it amazing that in my travels

as great as everyone says they are?"

There is no better compliment to a successful Dexter event than that type of public education and awareness.

Again, congratulations, Rick, Machael and all involved. You have certainly raised the bar for our region's AGM next year!

On that note, the next AGM will be held June 24-27, at the

**Start planning now to attend
the next Annual General Meeting,
June 24-27, 2010, in Athens, Tenn.**

throughout Fort Dodge everyone knew about what was going on at the fairgrounds that weekend.

Go into the local burger joint: "Hey, you're with that Dexter thing at the fairgrounds. I'm fixing on checking that out later."

Go into the gas station: "Hey, those Dexter cattle, they are those small cattle we heard about on the radio? I am going to bring my grandkids down tomorrow for the auction."

Even when I was pulling out of the hotel Sunday, somebody just pulling in said, "Hey, I heard the Dexter breeders were having an event this past weekend. Are they

Athens Regional Park in Athens, Tenn., which sits halfway between Knoxville and Chattanooga directly off I-75. We will have updates continually on the ADCA web site, including the host motel and other exciting AGM news and upcoming events.

So, mark your calendars and start planning next year's trip. We hope to make Dexter cattle household words in Athens just as Rick and Machael did in Fort Dodge!

Warren Coad

Region 11 Director's Message

I wish you could have all made it to Iowa. Rick Seydel and his region put on one of the best Annual General Meetings yet. I won't do a report on it here, as this *Bulletin* covers it.

I hope calving is going well for you all. This year I had my first rear presentation. I was watching from the house and decided to go into the pasture to check on the cow. I had seen that the feet were out, but on getting closer I only saw one foot.

I waited for awhile and she was pushing, but still one foot. I walked over to her, and to my horror, the foot I was looking at was not the top of a hoof but the bottom. This calf was coming back-

wards!

I decided to put my vet on notice; better safe than sorry, I thought. But when I called the vet's office, I was told they no longer handled large animals and

Three more pushes, and out came a great little bull calf, coughing and spluttering. He was up really quick and feeding within 20 minutes. What a relief, what a learning experience and what a

What a relief, what a learning experience and what a way to find out I didn't have a vet any more!

that they recommended someone 1½ hours away!!

By this time I was somewhat in a panic. My cow had lain down, so I decided to see what the hold-up was on the second foot. I found the other leg bent up and to the side, so I worked at straightening it. This was all a first for me, and my heart was pounding.

way to find out I didn't have a vet any more! I was so glad I was home to help this cow. Had I not been there, I hate to think what would have happened.

Let me know if you have animals for sale. Have a great summer, and call if you need anything.

Carol Koller

Region 12 Director's Message

Wow, what an event the ADCA had in Fort Dodge, Iowa. One of the most, if not the most, successful annual meeting/show and sales in history: \$48,425 worth of Dexters sold at the event with the highlight being a heifer that sold for \$4,050 and \$6,442 raised at the White Dexter fundraiser auction. That is just amazing support for Region 12 and the ADCA as a whole. I needed to be pinched after I heard those numbers. Phenomenal!

I want to thank each of you who helped before, during or after the event with clean-up, in the kitchen, etc. It was because of you the event was a huge success. I also want to thank all the people who attended. It was a wonderful commitment for you to come from such a distance.

A big congratulations goes to the Peerless Herd owned by Kay Moore Baker of Minnesota and

Michael Moore of Iowa, winners of this year's Talisman Award. An article on their Dexter story is posted online and in this *Bulletin*.

The sale results, pictures, meeting minutes and much more are available on www.dexter-cattle.org. What isn't up by the time you are reading this will be shortly. We are going to maintain a 2009 AGM archive on the web site for future Dexter owners and breeders to enjoy.

The 2010 AGM will be held in Athens, Tenn. Check out www.dexter-cattle.org for details. You can sponsor classes now. Make reservations, flights, etc. The date and location are all set.

A Pulmonary Hypoplasia with Anasarca (PHA) hair test is available from Igenity labs. The information is also available on our web site. I know many are going to wait for Pfizer labs and that is okay. I just want you to be in-

formed that you can use Igenity now if you choose.

URGENT: The Region 12 meeting and get-together will be held Sept. 12 in Monticello, Iowa. Even if you are not part of Region 12, you are welcome to attend. A flyer and info are available online. You will get it in the mail shortly if you haven't already. If you are outside Region 12 and want to attend, give me a call at (319) 533-5059, and I will mail you the information.

I want to put together a sheet with all the Dexters for sale in Region 12. Please e-mail me with information on what you have for sale so it can be included. The sheet will go out with the invites, so anyone who wants to buy an animal at the meeting can bring trailers.

I am here to help!

Dan Butterfield

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by Freeman

of North

Oaks, #49.

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Logsdons

were among

distinguished company: the Guggenheims, J.P Morgan's daughter,

the Buschs, etc. The American

Kerry and Dexter Club (1911)

kept the registrations under Pro-

fessor Charles S. Plumb, but

shortly after the first herd book

was published in 1921, the club

ceased to operate for lack of interest and registrations.

Jon Logsdon continued as the principal breeder, keeping meticulous records which became the backbone of the registry when he and Roy Cook revived the club in 1940. Between 1932 and 1945, the only registrations were those of the Peerless Herd.

In 1945, new people started looking at Dexters, and Peerless was there for them. Luckily, Guggenheim's Hempstead House herd, although neglected for years, had not been disbursed, and these animals were brought back into the registry to add to the gene pool.

John's daughter, Daisy Logsdon Moore, became the official secretary/treasurer/registrar in 1950, a position she held until shortly before her death in 1984.

She was helped by her daughter, Kay, who also looked after getting the herd books published. When Mrs. Moore stepped down, Kay Moore Baker continued the family

tradition of dedicated involvement with the breed, taking over the roles from 1982 to 1989, juggling a young family, farm and association responsibilities.

In 1989, the association was reorganized, and Kay was replaced.

Kay talks about riding Black Sambo (#1030), training Tar Baby (#1294) to walk up and down stairs so she could take her to the White House to meet the President and about Dixie (#1291), a beautiful, 36-inch cow they used as a nurse cow for calves from Dexters they milked commercially with their American Milk-
ing Shorthorns. Dixie would suckle multiple calves: her own plus three more. When those calves were weaned, the Moores would put two more calves on Dixie to finish out the lactation. In the milk parlor, the Dexters were so small, the Surge milker wouldn't fit underneath them, so the cows were stood on boards to raise them up.

She mentions "Shorty," a favorite bull. Kay had been away, and when she came back to the farm for a visit, she headed to the barn, still in her city clothes. She heard

the thunder of pounding hooves, and around the corner of the barn came Shorty, by that time a 5-year-old with magnificent horns. Standing there in her 3-inch heels, seamed nylon stockings, girdle, straight skirt and blouse, she wondered just where she could run. Shorty slid to a stop in front of her, looked her in the eye and bellowed, "Where's my GRAIN?"

She and her mother maintained the registry records on recipe cards in boxes, typing the information on an old manual typewriter. When Kay was replaced, she packed up everything, including two full sets of original herd books, and passed it along to the new secretary. Somewhere along the way, both sets disappeared; to this day the association does not have its own full set but must rely on a few older members

to provide information.

Kay is still a member of the association she and her family helped found. She still has Dexters, but these

days her brother Michael maintains them for her on his property, looking after them and keeping the records, just as Kay, their mother Daisy and their grandfather John did so many years ago.

Carol Davidson



(Photos: American Kerry and Dexter Club and ADCA Herd Books)

Annual General Meeting Sale Results

Cat.	No. Animal Name	Owner/State	Buyer/ State	Sale Price(\$)	Class Sold Total	Ave.(\$)
Class 1: Heifer calf, less than 6 months						
1	Hazybrook Victory	Dan/Kris Thomas	IA John McDermott	MN 775		
8	Thomas' RY Red Melay	Sandi Thomas	OR Scratched			
10	FF Eleanor	Sally/Warren Coad	SC Doris Fockler	SC 2,300		
19	Thomas' RY Red Evenin	Amelio Yahtin	OR Bruce Barbour	CO 1,025		
24	Hazybrook Valerie	Dan/Kris Thomas	IA John McDermott	MN 775		
28	Maxs' Bell	Scott/Judy Nocks	CO John McDermott	MN 950	5,825	1,165
Class 2: Heifer calf, 6 months-1 year						
5	Stuarts RY Red Flambe	Sandi Thomas	OR Juli Holland	MO 1,200		
9	Topaz Tryann Saxon Una Roja	Jeff/Nancy Phillips	MO No Sale			
12	MornStar Neasa	Pam Malcuit	TX Richard Lindeman	IA 850		
13	Thomas' TX Blk Somba	Amelio Yahtin	OR Dale Morin	IL 900		
14	CJS Umbrella	Scott/Judy Nocks	CO William Stewart	TN 875		
18	Wieringa's Katie LD	Lee/Roberta Wieringa	MI Todd M Wiley MD	OH 1,900		
22	Cherry View Trinity	Wayne Poppens	IA John McDermott	MN 900		
25	FF Lil' Bit O' Joy	Sally/Warren Coad	SC Doris Fockler	SC 2,500		
27	MornStar Renny	Pam Malcuit	TX Dan Hurrison	IA 1,000		
30	MornStar Mhi Pegeen	Pam Malcuit	TX Dan Hurrison	IA 800		
37	MornStar Maura	Pam Malcuit	TX Dan Hurrison	IA 900		
38	New Day Supersonic	Paula Breedlove	OK Scratched		11,825	1,183
Class 3: Yearling heifer, 1-2 years						
4	LC Farms Fire	Tammy/Richard King	IA Carol Johnson	TX 900		
6	CJS Ultra	Scott/Judy Nocks	CO Dale Morin	IL 900		
7	Wieringa's Jill LR	Lee/Roberta Wieringa	MI Anna Mentjes	MN 1,750		
21	MornStar Sheela Mhi	Pam Malcuit	TX Leon Bachna	IA 2,250		
31	Glockenhof's Irisbell	Larry Graber	IA Anna Mentjes	MN 2,225		
32	Wieringa's Belle NQ	Lee/Roberta Wieringa	MI Anna Mentjes	MN 4,050		
34	Topaz WH3 Tay	Jeff/Nancy Phillips	MO Steven Mocco	IA 2,525		
79	Topaz Rowan Ula	Jeff/Nancy Phillips	MO Leon Bachna	IA 1,400	16,000	2,000
Class 4: Young cow, 2-4 years						
2	Daggett's Fawn	Terry/Mary Jane Sprague	IA Anna Mentjes	MN 1,800		
16	SPF Kodiak	Jeremy/Gwen Smith	IA Anna Mentjes	MN 1,700		
20	Daggett's Apple	Terry/Mary Jane Sprague	IA Dr. Kurt Van Hulzen	IA 1,250	4,750	1,583
Class 5: Mature cow, over 4 years						
3	MP Sweety	Sam Gallion	IN Leon Bachna	IA 1,275		
26	Chautauqua Melora	Greg/Shelli Wilson	IA Dr. Kurt Van Hulzen	IA 1,025	2,300	1,150
Class 6: Cow/calf pair						
17	CJS Sierra/CJS Wonderful Martha	Scott/Judy Nocks	CO Dr. Kurt Van Hulzen	IA 1,900	1,900	1,900
Class 7: Bull calf, less than 6 months						
33	Thomas' RY Red Thor	Amelio Yahtin	OR No Sale			
95	Wieringa's Kyle LB	Lee/Roberta Wieringa	MI Alan Lacina	IA 775	775	775
Class 8: Bull calf, 6 months-1 year						
11	SGF LCIN Isaiah	Larry Graber	IA Anna Mentjes	MN 850		
29	Hazybrook Firewalker	Dan/Kris Thomas	IA No Sale			
98	ESF Zo's Black Magic	Ted Anderson	MO Paul Duke	IA 1,250	2,100	1,050
Class 9: Yearling bull, 1-2 years						
15	LC Farms Thadeaus	Tammy/Richard King	IA Steven Mocco	IA 700		
23	LC Farms Wildfire	Tammy/Richard King	IA William Stewart	TN 600		
35	LC Farms Finlee	Tammy/Richard King	IA Johnny Hopkins	IA 650	1,950	650
Class 10: Mature bull, over 2 years						
36	Solid Rock Chuck	Greg/Shelli Wilson	IA Dr. Kurt Van Hulzen	IA 1,000	1,000	1,000





Friends reunite and reminisce as the Annual General Meeting (AGM) in Ft. Dodge, Iowa, comes to an end. Many old friends and new friends gathered at the poolside of the host hotel for their final chitchats. People from many states, including Iowa, Michigan, New York, Minnesota, Kansas, Oklahoma, South Carolina, Missouri, Nebraska, Virginia, South Dakota, Colorado and Texas. Some 40 folks, remembering the many events of the weekend.

This was a time for the people hosting the show finally to sit down and relax, as all the pressure for success comes to an end. They hosted a great AGM.

This was our fifth AGM, and it was certainly one the better ones. Everyone was in a delightful and friendly mood. Things just rolled on through, as smooth as you could ask for. My hats off

the Region 12 director and region members for making everyone feel at home in their Great State of Iowa.

Friday night was also a great gathering to chat with new friends and old ones. It was a little different, with a hospitality room. We went around the group and introduced ourselves and told a little about our history. We found several people there whose first AGM, like ours, had been the one in Meadville, Penn., where we had made some really good, long-lasting friendships. I am sure many more new friends were made at this year's AGM, also.

I hope everyone had as much fun as we had. We're looking forward to reuniting with old and new friends at the AGM in Tennessee.

Linda Rininger

2009 ADCA Annual General Meeting Board of Directors Meeting Minutes

Note: Prior to the call to order, 56 voting members and 47 proxies were verified with the membership roster.

Call to Order and Welcome

A special thank-you was given to the Seydels as well as others instrumental in hosting the 2009 Annual General meeting (AGM) in Fort Dodge, Iowa.

The meeting was called to order at 2:20 p.m. by President David Jones, who introduced the officers, regional directors and staff present.

The 2008 AGM minutes were reviewed. Robert Seddon (Region 9) moved to accept the minutes as printed. Jim Woehl (Region 6) seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Financial Overview for 2008

Treasurer Jim Smith presented handouts of the financial statements and gave an explanation of the current financial status of the ADCA with projections for 2009. Richard Fennema (Region 7) moved to accept the 2008 finan-

cial report. Dennis Anderson (Region 7) seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Membership Review

Registrar Chuck Daggett reported current membership hovering at 1,000 and about 23,000 animals in the registry. The registry is backed up off site every night to secure the records.

There was discussion on the issue of a free first-year membership for first-time Dexter owners as a marketing tool. Chuck stated that there was an excellent renewal rate for those who had received a free first-year membership.

Both the web site and the registry have a trained person (Dan Butterfield) as back-up should Chuck not be able to fulfill his duties.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Liaison for Texas A&M Lab – DNA Testing (Pam Malcuit)
Since June 2008, Dr. Cothran's

lab at Texas A&M has completed 744 DNA tests for ADCA members.

Chondrodysplasia:

Total tested: 332

Non-carriers: 232 (males-123, females-109)

Carriers: 100 (males-40, females-60)

Colors:

Total tested: 123 (red-63, dun-26, red/dun combination-34)

Genotyping:

Total tested: 289

Occasionally there are errors in spelling, etc., and members are advised to check their results carefully to make sure there are no errors prior to sending the result sheets to the registrar. If errors are found, please contact the liaison or Dr. Cothran's lab to make appropriate corrections.

Youth Programs & Chris Odom Award (Warren and Sally Coad)

The program still in its beginning stages. The committee is open to suggestions and comments.

The Chris Odom Award Memorial Junior Exhibitor Award is sponsored by both the ADCA and the Texas Dexter Breeders Association. While Texas has some shows for steers, most regions are limited by 4-H and FFA rules to heifers/breeding classes, as there is a minimum weight requirement for steers.

Because the \$1,500 donation from the ADCA helps to fund only the Chris Odom Memorial Junior Exhibitor Awards, a request was made to the Board of Directors (BOD) for additional money to develop materials specially designed for the youth program.



Classification/Historical (Patti Adams)

Classification was available and completed on seven animals at the AGM this year.

A PowerPoint presentation was made with pictures and information gathered by the historical committee. Many of these photos can be viewed on the ADCA web site.

Marketing & Advertising (Robert Seddon)

One of the best advertising venues is Google online with 20,000 hits a month; 500 to 600 of those go on to the ADCA web site. The ADCA also purchased an ad on the *Cattle Today* web site last year. Advertising in printed publications has continued.

Robert requested that those selling cattle ask the buyers where they first heard about Dexter cattle (example: *Hobby Farms* magazine) and let him know so he can try to track this information and determine the return on the money spent for printed publication ads. A new ad was recently taken out in the *Tractor Supply* quarterly magazine.

A suggestion was made to develop a shell story for use in local newspapers telling about member attendance at the AGM and highlighting the activities, including the show and sale. Robert said he could write it up and it could be posted on the web site.

Information requests are forwarded by the registrar to the secretary, who then sends out a general information letter, list of regional directors and a color brochure.

Merchandising (shirts, caps, etc.) is being handled on the web at *cafePress.com*. This is a more efficient way for us to handle the merchandise and not be faced with storage of a large amount of

items.

Nominations & Elections (Carol Ann Traynor)

Regions 1, 2, 3, 4 and 11 are affected this year. The procedure will begin Aug. 15 for nominations. Nominations will close on Sept. 10; proxy ballots will include a statement of the nominees' qualifications and will be sent on Oct. 7 with a final return date of Oct. 25. Election meeting dates for each region affected will be scheduled between Nov. 1 and 31.

Pedigree & Genetics (Sandi Thomas)

The Pedigree & Genetics Committee has addressed numerous issues this past year involving registration corrections, verifications and considerations.

- Pulmonary Hypoplasia with Anasarca (PHA) testing has moved from the initial stage into an educational phase.
- Chondrodysplasia testing has

increased with the numbers of owners releasing their results continuing to grow.

- Genotyping of bull calves has begun as registry criteria.

Reviews, updates and submissions to the BOD of standard operating procedures for action regarding the following:

- Registration
- Polled and horned
- Permanent identification
- Color
- Foreign transfers
- Embryo transfers

Release of results for genotyping, PHA and chondro testing *is* voluntary.

There are three important factors involved in controlling genetic abnormality (chondro and PHA) aspects to the importance of voluntarily releasing reports of your test results:

- Test your animals
- Label the carriers
- Post the test results, thereby making the information available

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to other breeders, enabling them to make responsible breeding decisions. *The effectiveness of a reporting program depends almost entirely upon its completeness.*

Website & Technology (Chuck Daggett)

Dan Butterfield has been assisting with the work on the archival material as well as the day-to-day maintenance of the web site. Although the web site is dynamic and changing, ours is an old style and requires physical changes instead of the newer style, which uses a database. Almost anything can be done on the web site, but some requests are prohibitive on a cost basis.

Talisman Award (Roberta Wieringa)

Nominations forms were published in the *Bulletin*, and the committee received several this year. A standard operating procedure is being established for selection for this award.

NEW BUSINESS

Standard Operating Procedures

David Jones reviewed the BOD's work on Thursday to revise and

update the existing rules and regulations document into a current working form of ADCA Standard Operating Procedures.

Diane Mills-Frank (Region 12) asked about getting copies of the bylaws and articles of incorporation for those who do not have computer access. In those cases, a request to the secretary will result in the 24-page document being mailed.

Genotype Update

Texas A&M holds the database of information for the ADCA. The most frequently discussed item has been the use of labs other than A&M. During the Thursday BOD meeting, it was decided that results from other labs will be accepted by A&M at the owner's expense *if the test markers are compatible*. Sire genotype *must be on file* at A&M in order to register any offspring beginning Jan. 1, 2010.

Discussion followed on possible problematic cases. The Pedigree & Genetics Committee will review problems using a standard operating procedure on a case-by-case basis. Further explanation will be printed in the *Bulletin*.

Realignment of Regions

A task force will be formed to analyze the current regions and make alignment more equitable in terms of member numbers in each region.

A2 Beta Cassien Testing

Testing at A&M has been temporarily suspended until clarification is made of a trademark/patent issue regarding the term "A2."

Random Parentage Testing (RTP)

The information gleaned from genotyping is so far superior to what RPT would give us that there hasn't been much drive to move forward with the program. Most breed associations move forward by first testing all sires, then dams and then offspring.

The BOD will review the program in the Sunday meeting.

PHA Update

Patti Adams gave a brief overview of the abnormality and availability of the testing program and steps were taken by the ADCA for initial testing of 30 artificial insemination (AI) bulls in December 2008 and January 2009. Testing using tail hair for DNA samples should be available sometime in July. *Reporting of test results is voluntary* but is encouraged to help others make informed choices when breeding their cattle. Check the ADCA web site for the most recent information. Refer to the article in the Summer 2009 *Bulletin*.

Discussion – Board Votes by Roster

The president explained that the BOD had already taken this under consideration at the Thursday meeting. Although this is not required by Delaware corporate law, the BOD felt this was a request from the membership and tallies



would be done by region number, not individual director name.

Items considered in executive sessions will not be posted and will remain confidential. Consideration for final adoption of reporting BOD votes by roster will be done at the Sunday BOD meeting.

Future AGM Locations & Hosts

- 2010 - Region 8 hosting (South Carolina, North Carolina, Georgia, Alabama, Mississippi, Florida, Tennessee). Location: Athens, Tenn.
- 2011 - Region 6 hosting (Kansas, Nebraska, Oklahoma). Location pending.

Permanent Animal Identification Tattooing is the primary means of identification used by most Dexter breeders, but it is not the only acceptable one. Any form of *permanent* ID attached to the animal is acceptable.

Nominations & Election of Directors at Large

- Robert Seddon (Region 9) was nominated by Rick Seydel (Region 12); Richard Fennema (Region 7) seconded the nomination.
- Rick Seydel (Region 12) was nominated by Robert Seddon (Region 9); Gene Pittman (Region 6) seconded the nomination.

There being no further nominations, these two individuals were elected to be directors at large at the Sunday BOD meeting by voice vote.

OLD BUSINESS

A question was asked regarding standardization of judging criteria at the AGM. Pat Mitchell, vice president, has been working to develop a packet for show judges.

The meeting was adjourned at 5:45 p.m.

Letter to the Editor

Dear Editor,

When I read the article in the Summer 2009 *Bulletin* on a Dexter owner's bad experience with paste dehorning, I thought your readers might find it useful to learn how we have been dehorning calves safely, effectively and with minimal trauma to the animal.

I have dehorned about 70 calves with a dehorning iron and probably 100 calves using Dr. Naylor's dehorning paste and duct tape. The duct tape was a trick I learned from Evelyn Anderson, my cattle mentor and fellow Dexter breeder.

The instructions printed on the box and jar are as follows: "As soon as the horn button can be felt, when the calf is three to seven days old, remove hair over the horn button with shears or clippers. Apply dehorning paste with wood applicator once only, to a spot the size of a quarter (25mm). Keep calf tied away from other animals out of rain for at least six hours."

There is also an insert in the box with more explicit directions. In fact, it says for small calves you can use even less paste, creating a thin film the size of a nickel. Cutting the hair into this nickel shape around the bud really helps contain the thin layer of paste in the area where it is needed. We follow the manufacturer's directions. Then, we place a piece of duct tape over the calf's head like Alice in Wonderland's headband. The tape can be removed as soon as the next day, or it can be left on until it falls off. (If we put the tape all the way around the animal's head, under the jaw, we have to remove it the next day or it will tighten quickly; calves grow like weeds!)

There has been almost no occurrence of regrowth (dehorning scurs) in calves of the proper age, although there have been a couple of animals that developed scurs when they were dehorned at an older age (a 2½-week-old bull and a 5-week-old heifer). I think this compares quite favorably to the frequency of scurs you see with calves done with the dehorning iron, and proper paste dehorning leaves very minimal scarring.

I reserve the use of the dehorning iron for older calves and situations where rain or other humidity prevents the use of the paste/duct tape. Paste dehorning is especially handy when you don't have access to electricity.

The most wonderful thing about the paste is anyone can do it. (Before switching to polled cattle, Evelyn was dehorning calves with paste and duct tape when she was in her 80s and 90s.) This enables people to dehorn their calves at the proper time rather than waiting for the veterinarian's schedule or waiting to have several calves on the ground to make the veterinarian's call "worth it."

Because people can do it themselves inexpensively, the calves are dehorned when they are very young, when the likelihood of regrowth is very low and dehorning is the most humane. The duct tape adds the bonus of the calf being returned to his mother right away, which helps reduce stress. Another bonus is the calf does not associate the discomfort with his handler in the way it would with an iron dehorning, which helps when you are trying to raise tame calves.

Sincerely,
Gabriella Nanci

Focus on Youth

Chris Odom Memorial Junior Exhibitor Award Winners

First and foremost, we want to thank all of the families who support their young members in their activities with Dexter cattle.

The 2009 Chris Odom Junior Exhibitor Award applications came in from four different states and 14 outstanding individuals. The five judges who scored each application individually found it a close competition among many of the applicants.

In the 13-and-over division, the applicants included Dalton Connell, Ashlei Barrett and John Sasfy, all of Crocker, Mo.; Caitlin Graham, Louisburg, N.C.; Jackson Lewis, Bunn, N.C.; and John Anderson, Ludlow, Mo.

In the under-13 division, applications were received from Danielle Hawkins, Wellston, Okla.; Seth Hall, Poteau, Okla.; Austin and Kyle Wilson, Bandera, Texas; Abigail Graham, Louisburg, N.C.; Samuel Lewis, Bunn, N.C.;

McKensie Anderson, Ludlow, Mo; and Jackson Neal, Castalia, N.C.

This year's award went to Jackson Lewis (13 and over) and Danielle Hawkins (under 13). Both exhibited outstanding efforts in showing and promoting Dexter cattle.

They received checks for \$1,000 and \$500, respectively, from the ADCA and beautifully embroidered and personalized jackets, polo shirts and caps and an impressive engraved plaque from the Texas Dexter Breeders Association.

All of these children should be congratulated for their efforts and commitment to the breed. The ADCA Youth Committee looks forward to the continuing accomplishments of these and all youth who are currently or are getting involved in exhibiting Dexter cattle.

ADCA Youth Committee



Danielle Finds Success with Dexter Cattle



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Danielle Hawkins of Lincoln County, Okla., has had an exciting first year in 4-H. Her Dexter heifer has won champion honors at the Lincoln County Fair and Spring Livestock Show, Kansas State Fair. Danielle was named Outstanding Youth Exhibitor at the Kansas State Fair. Her highlight was winning reserve grand champion at Houston.

Dexter Cattle are the smallest British breed of cattle. They are originally from Ireland. Cows weight between 650-850 pounds; they are very hardy and calf easily. They are a great 4H or FFA project for smaller kids because their size allows the kids to do most of the work. Tulsa State Fair has added an Open Dexter Show this year.

Danielle's first year in 4-H has been a great experience from winning ribbons in fair projects, giving speeches about her cows, and showing to 4H camps and share the fun.

Ag Youth

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The association, breed and Danielle Hawkins recently received coverage in Ag Youth, a Sentinel, Okla.-based magazine that updates readers on agricultural events and carries success stories about youth in agriculture.

Raising Dexters a Half-Acre at a Time

We love to see our Dexters grazing peacefully in the morning light. Standing on the back deck with a cup of coffee in the morning watching the world wake up and the Dexters slowly grazing across our small spot of earth, it makes me pause and think about why I started raising cows and what made me think I could do it successfully.

Dexter cattle are raised primarily by folks with a small amount of ground to devote to the venture. Although the folks may have other ground devoted to a farm operation or have a day job in the city, by and large Dexters are raised by small land holders. And as such, we Dexter lovers must squeeze the most value from that land.

Here in the Midwest, that may best be accomplished by rotational grazing, achieved by cross fencing and having enough water sources to accommodate the different grazing pastures. In a nutshell, rotational grazing is dividing your grazing area into smaller pastures or cells, or paddocks. It would help if you have a mobile container for mineral supplements. All pastures could use some time off, and a rotational grazing system is the perfect solution to the problem. The idea is that you'd like the animals to graze an area for no more than five to seven days and then let that area recover for about 21 to 31 days after it has been grazed.

When you have a rotational grazing system, you can stretch your forage supplies because the plants are healthier and their ability to recover is much, greater. And don't forget the herd mentality can affect how much water

cows receive. Because bovines are social creatures, they often follow the herd leader toward or away from water sources. Lead cows and those closest to her usually get as much water as they need. Cows at the end of the pecking order often don't get enough, because they leave the water source to follow the lead cow back to pasture or shade.

Some ranchers still use a traditional grazing system; livestock are free to roam the pastures, consuming any available forage they may find. Typically, cattle will

We Dexter lovers must squeeze the most value from our land.

over-graze the younger, lush forage plants as they re-grow and ignore nearby mature forage. This overgrazing weakens younger plants by reducing the leaf area required for photosynthesis and depleting carbohydrate reserves in the roots. If you are currently using the continuous grazing system and want to move to a rotational system, you can begin by splitting your pasture in half so that you've got two cells. Then eventually you take those two cells and split them again.

While continuous grazing is still in widespread use, pastures constantly over-grazed risk poorer re-growth potential and crowding out of desirable grass and legume species by undesirable weeds. On the other hand, when a rotational system is used and livestock are moved from one paddock to the next, it is possible that when managed correctly you can provide enough forage growth early in the grazing season to harvest feed for later use from one-fourth

to one-third of the grazed acreage. After you've made a first cutting from approximately one-third of the grazing area, you can then work it back into the grazing cycle in the second or third rotation. A forage mix of 50 percent to 70 percent grass, with legumes making up the remaining 30 percent to 50 percent is recommended as an adequate mix.

We have been raising Dexters for several years with no grain or feed other than our own forages, and it has been a wonderful learning experience. We put up hay for winter feed, and the Dexies roam from paddock to paddock in the summer. For us it is the most economical and earth-friendly way to

keep ourselves and a few others in beef. Our animals are healthy and look like it; we use no drugs simply because we don't need them. Our pastures benefit from the natural fertilization, and the cows do the spreading, saving us the trouble.

If you think that rotational grazing is something you may want to try, keep these things in mind. First, have an adequate water source in each grazing area. Second, have the proper forage for cattle nutrition. And third, look at your cattle and the forage base every day; if either one is declining, take the corrective measures to ensure the good health of your cattle.

Good luck with your endeavors and long live the wonderful Dexter breed.

*Jim and Rhonda Wooten
Honey Creek Dexters*

The Shows Are Rolling in Washington

The Puyallup Spring Fair kicked off the 2009 season. The Pacific Northwest Dexter Club (PNWDC) hosted this second annual show in April.

Carol Davidson was a fantastic judge and gave a wonderful presentation on conformation and productivity of the Dexter. We all learned a lot and had a great time. Results were as follows:

- Champion Cow/Calf - Lucy LaFayette with *Spring of Windy Acres* and *Ravenwood Valentine*
- Reserve Champion Cow/Calf - Stefani Millman with *RdoubleD Sheridan* and *Mrald Farley*
- Champion Udder - Stefani Millman with *RdoubleD Sheridan*
- Reserve Champion Udder - Lucy LaFayette with *Spring of Windy Acres*
- Champion Female - Monica

Dexter with *MV Player*

- Reserve Champion Female - Monica Dexter with *RdoubleD Allie*
- Champion Bull - Stefani Millman with *Mrald Ruby Jack*
- Reserve Champion Bull - Stefani Millman with *Mrald Farley*.

In 2010, the PNWDC will again host the show at the Puyallup Spring Fair. Watch for the dates around the third week of April.

The King County Fair in Enumclaw is the oldest-running fair this side of the Mississippi, and, of course, the Dexters were there as well for the second year in a row. Angus breeder and long-time judge Bill Bartolac is tough to show under and has high expectations.

Results were as follows:

- Champion Cow/Calf - Stefani Millman with *RdoubleD Sheridan* and *Mrald Farley*
- Reserve Champion Cow/Calf—Lucy LaFayette with *Spring of Windy Acres* and *Ravenwood Valentine*
- Champion Female - Monica Dexter with *RdoubleD Allie*
- Reserve Champion Female - Lucy LaFayette with *RdoubleD Anna*
- Champion Bull - Stefani Millman with *Mrald Farley*
- Reserve Champion Bull - Monica Dexter with *RDoubleD Wager*.

The next shows in Washington are Skagit County in Mount Vernon and Evergreen State Fair in Monroe. Come on out, support your fellow breeders and learn about showing.

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Your ADCA Board in Motion: WorkYoke

TAM Problems

The Pedigree & Genetics Committee has been working on this since problems were discovered and will report its progress to the Board of Directors (BOD).

PHA Testing Update

The Pedigree & Genetics Committee provided the following information regarding Pulmonary Hypoplasia with Anasarca (PHA) testing and will continue to correspond regularly with Pfizer Animal Genetics and provide regular updates to the ADCA as progress is made toward being able to offer the PHA test at Pfizer. Pfizer is working with Dr. Jon Beever (AgriGenomics, Inc.) to develop a commercial PHA test for Dexter cattle and other breeds. The company has a contract ready for signature that will give it the right to do the test; however, Dr. Beever still needs to provide Pfizer with a panel of known positive and negative animals so it can be sure it is getting the right results before it offers the test commercially. This collaborative effort is progressing steadily, and the ADCA is encouraged that Pfizer Animal Genetics soon will be able to offer PHA testing of Dexter cattle in 2009.

AGM Proxy Voting

Proxy voting for members is part of compliance with Delaware corporation law, so proxies were published in the *Bulletin*. Proxies are general unless given only for a specific reason. Unless specified, voting proxies are given without restriction on how they are voted. Currently, *no specific vote* requests have been received for the 2009 Annual General Meeting (AGM). Whoever carries the proxy (say, the person has 10)

has 11 votes. If no amendments are submitted in advance, the bylaws and certificate of incorporation cannot be changed. The matters voted upon at the AGM give the BOD membership direction for future action regarding their concerns.

Member Complaint Involving Other Members

This matter will be handled in an executive BOD session.

2010 Requirement for Testing All Herd Sires

It was suggested that the implementation deadline for the second phase be suspended until all questions have been addressed. The Pedigree & Genetics Committee was asked to respond to concerns about implementation before the BOD decides to change the implementation date. There are many unanswered questions and potential problematic outcomes as surfaced with Random Parenting Testing. Many scenarios have not been addressed that need to be set into policy prior to the implementation.

Nominations for President and Vice President

Nominations by members were due 30 days before the AGM. Board members can make nominations from the floor at the Sunday BOD meeting. The BOD discussed a nominee's resignation of membership in a competing U.S. registry, as election to either office constitutes an individual becoming a party to the BOD's business. This requirement is addressed in the Certificate of Amendment of Certificate of Incorporation of American Dexter Cat-

tle Association Fifth, C, iv. The only member nomination submission has been declined due to the competing U.S. registry issue.

Information – Genotype Labs

Discussion revolved around the controversy of opening up testing at other labs and considering testing from other labs *with qualifications*. The standard operating procedure grandfathered in prior testing and could be revised to allow testing from other labs as long as the results were sent lab to lab and the ADCA-chosen lab agreed that the results were compatible to enter into the end result, an ADCA database. *The results need to be exchanged lab to lab to avoid issues of ownership of the test.* Many owners supply test results to new buyers and owners. That does not automatically convey ownership or the right to publish the results. Only an owner of the test results can direct the testing lab to forward the results to the ADCA lab of choice.

AGM Agenda Topics

President David Jones requested that the BOD submit the topics that need to be discussed for the AGM agenda. He will let all committee chairs know they should prepare a written report to present and then give to the secretary.

Registration Clarification

Currently, an issue regarding an animal that does not appear to meet the ADCA requirement for registration was referred to the Pedigree & Genetics Committee. The BOD will take this under consideration in executive session.

Tax Forms Filed

The 990 and 2008 Tax forms were filed by the treasurer prior to the May 15 deadline.

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