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American Milking Devon Cattle Association

Established in 1978 to promote the conservation of American Milking Devon cattle as a triple purpose breed by maintaining a breed registry, encouraging knowledgeable and responsible breeding, and educating the public about the historic role of American Milking Devon Cattle, as well as their place in a healthy sustainable agriculture.

Properly cared for Milking Devons will work for you, not you work for them.-- Diurna Kibbe



FAIR TIME IN SENECA COUNTY, NEW YORK

The Seneca County Fair in New York added an American Milking Devon Cattle class this year. The Fair held a Dairy Show, a Beef Show and a Working Steer and Oxen Show. The best caption for this Fair photo is "Kids and Cows."

To stop receiving the newsletter or if you have suggestions, content or announcements to be included, please contact Tom Slater patriotsretreatfarm@yahoo.com Submissions should be in Microsoft Word Format and pictures in JPEG format.

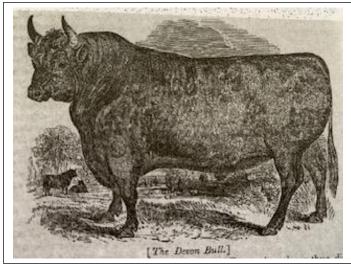
FEATURE ARTICLE: MIDDLE HORNS FROM DEVONSHIRE

(Part 2 of several non-consecutive parts. The first part was published in the Volume 6, Issue 3, July 2019 Edition of the Newsletter.)

This article is taken from a book written by William Youatt titled <u>Cattle: Their Breeds, Management, and Diseases</u>. Originally published in 1836 by Burton H. Smith, Philadelphia, it has been reprinted by Scholar Select and is in the public domain. It can be freely copied and distributed in the United States. This work has been selected by scholars as being culturally important and is part of the knowledge base of civilization as we know it. From time to time the Editor will share historical information such as this when in need of Feature Article material.

There are few things more remarkable about the Devonshire cattle than the comparative smallness of the cow. The bull is a great deal less than the ox, and the cow almost as much smaller than the bull. This, however, is some disadvantage, and the breeders are aware of it; for, although it may not be necessary to have a large bull, and especially as those of any extraordinary size are seldom handsome in all their points, but somewhere or other present coarseness or deformity, it is almost impossible to procure large and serviceable oxen, except from a somewhat *roomy* cow. These cows, however, although small, possess that roundness and projection of the two or three last ribs, which make them actually more *roomy* than a careless

examination of them would indicate. The cow is particularly distinguished for her full, round, clear eye, the gold coloured circle round the eye, and the same colour prevailing on the inside skin of the ear. The countenance cheerful, the muzzle orange or yellow, but the rest of the face having nothing of black, or even white about it. The jaws free from thickness, and the throat free from dewlap¹. The points of the back and the hind quarters different from those of other breeds, having more of

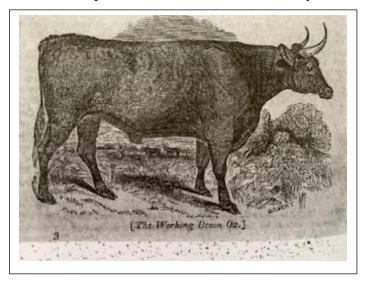


roundness and beauty, and being free from most of those angles by which good milkers are sometimes distinguished.

We are here enabled to present our readers with the portrait of a cow, belonging to that indefatigable agriculturalist, Mr. Western. She was rising four years old. With regard to size she is a favourable specimen of the Devon cow. It will be seen at once how much more *roomy* and fit for breeding she is, than even her somewhat superior bulk would at first indicate. She is, perhaps, in a little better condition than cows generally are, or should be in order to yield their full quantity of milk. Their qualities may be referred to three points; their working, fattening, and milking.

Where the ground is not too heavy the Devonshire oxen are unrivalled at the plough. They have a quickness of action which no other breed can equal, and which very few horses exceed. They have also a degree of docility and goodness of temper, and also stoutness and honesty of work, to which many teams of horses cannot pretend. Vancouver, in his survey of

Devonshire, says, that it is a common day's work on fallow land for four steers to plough two acres with a double furrow plough. Four good Devonshire steers will do as much work in the field, or on the road, as any three horses, and in as quick, and often quicker, time, although many farmers calculate two oxen to be equal to one horse. The principal objection to the Devonshire oxen is, that they have not sufficient strength for tenacious clayey soils: they will, however, exert their strength to the utmost, and stand many a dead pull, which few horses could be induced or



forced to attempt. They are uniformly worked in yokes, and not in collars. Four oxen, or six growing steers, are the usual team employed in the plough.

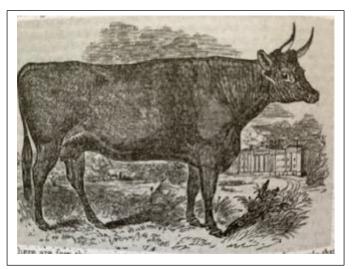
There is a peculiarity in driving the ox team, which is very pleasing to the stranger, and the remembrance of which, connected with his early days, the native does not soon lose. A man and a boy attend each team; the boy chants that which can scarcely be regarded as any distinct tune, but which is a very pleasing succession of sounds, resembling the countertenor in the service of the cathedral. He sings away with unwearied lungs, as he trudges along almost from morning to night, while every now and then the ploughman, as he directs the movement of the team, puts in his lower notes, but in perfect concord. When the traveller stops in one of the Devonshire valleys, and hears this simple music from the drivers of the ploughs on the slope of the hill on either side, he experiences a pleasure which this operation of husbandry could scarcely be supposed to be capable of affording. This chanting is said to animate the oxen somewhat in the same way as the musical bells that are so prevalent in the same county. Certainly the oxen move along with an agility that would be scarcely expected from cattle; and the team may be watched a long while without one harsh word being heard, or the goad or the whip applied. The opponents of ox-husbandry should visit the valleys of north or south Devon, to see what this animal is capable of performing, and how he performs it.

The profit derived from the use of oxen in this district arises from the activity to which they are trained, and which is unknown in any other part of the kingdom. During harvest time, and in catching weather, they are sometimes trotted along with the empty wagons, at the rate of six miles an hour, a degree of speed which no other ox but the Devon has been able to stand.

It may appear singular to the traveller, that in some of the districts that are supposed to be the very head-quarters of the Devon cattle, they are seldom used for the plough. The explanation, however, is plain enough. The demand for them among graziers is so great, that the breeders obtain a renumerating² price for them at an earlier age than that which they are generally broken in for the plough.

They are usually taken into work at about two years or twenty-six months old; and they are worked until they are four, or five or six: they are then grazed, or kept on hay, and in ten or twelve months, and without any further trouble, they are fit for the market. If the grass land is good, no corn, or cake³, or turnips, are required for the first winter; but, of course, for a second winter these must be added. The grazier likes this breed best at five-years old and they will usually, when taken from the plough, fetch as much money as at six. At eight, or nine years, or older they are rapidly declining in value.

Lord Summerville states, that after having been worked lightly on the hills for two years, they are brought at four years old by the tillage-farmer of the vales, and taken into hard work from four to six; and, what deserves consideration, an ox must be thus worked, in order for him to attain his fullest size. If he is kept idle until he is five or six, he will invariably be stinted in his growth. At six he reaches his full stature, unless he is naturally disposed to be of more than ordinary size, and then he continues to grow for another half-year.



Their next quality is their disposition to fatten, and very few rival them here. They do not, indeed, attain the great weight of some breeds; but, in a given time, they acquire more flesh, and with less consumption of food, and their flesh is beautiful in its kind. It is of that mottled, marbled character so pleasing to the eye, and to the taste. Some very satisfactory experiments have been made on this point.

Mr. Carpenter, a very intelligent farmer, informs us, that the Duke of Bedford, who has considerable property in the county of Devon, had some prime Hereford oxen sent to his Tavistock estate in the month of April, and he ordered some Devons to be bought in Crediton market at the latter end of the same month. The Devons were not in so good condition as the Herefords when they were put to grass, and cost about 5*l*.per head⁴ less than the Herefords; but at the latter end of December, when they were all sold to the butcher, the Devons were superior in fatness and weight.

¹dewlap-a fold of loose skin hanging from the neck or throat of an animal

²remunerate- to pay an equivalent for, compensate, reimburse

³cake- a mass of compacted dry food used as a supplement for cattle

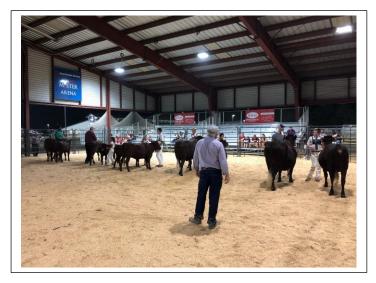
⁴51.per head- British 5 pounds sterling in 1800 converts to \$448 American dollars today

2021 Mid-Atlantic AMD Regional Show & Oxen Competition

Article submitted by Richard Larson

Deadline for entering your Devons is August 15!! Go to

www.statefairva.org



The 2021 Mid-Atlantic AMD Regional Show will be held in conjunction with the Virginia State Fair and scheduled for September 24-26, 2021, with dairy animals arriving on Thursday, September 23rd and oxen on Friday, September 24th. The Board is in the process of locking in an experienced and knowledgeable judge for the breed show and Mark Winslow, a long-time teamster, will judge the oxen competition.

For those of you who have not participated in the previous shows

(2018 & 2019) a quick overview of what to look forward too. Details for the 2021 regional show have been finalized:

- ➤ Cattle arrive and in place NLT 8:00 pm, Thursday, 9/23/21
- Youth-showing & fitting 9:00 am, Friday, 9/24/21
- AMD show 3:00 pm, Friday, 9/24/21 Judge: Jason Devino, Milton, VT
 - ✓ 15 individual classes
 - ✓ 5 bred & owned group classes
- > Oxen arrive and in place NLT 5:00 pm, Friday, 9/24/21
- ➤ Ice cream social (in barn) 8:00 pm, Friday, 9/24/21
- Oxen competition 2:00 pm, Saturday, 9-25/21 Judge: Mark Winslow, ME Open to all breeds.
 - ✓ 4 classes, divided by adult and youth
- AMDCA meeting (in tent) **6:00 pm, Saturday, 9/25/21** Presentations on:
 - ✓ *Milking Your Devons* Dale Freier
 - ✓ *Line-Breeding* Richard Larson
- AMD card-grading 8:00 am to 12:00 noon, Sunday, 9/26/21
- ➤ Pretty Cow Contest 1:00 pm, Sunday, 9/26/21
- > Cattle release 3:00 pm, Sunday, 9/26/21

2021 Mid-Atlantic AMD Regional Show & Oxen Competition (Continued)

New & Different for 2021:

- ✓ The Fair has agreed to add an Oxen event in 2021 based on Mark Winslow's proposal. This of course would not be limited to Milking Devon but is one more way of showcasing our wonderful tri-purpose breed (and earning additional premium \$\$).
- ✓ Out-of-state 4-H members will be able to compete as 4-H ers. And, thus will be able to earn two premiums for each class Open and Youth. All you need is a letter from your club confirming your 4-H status.

Background: If you are thinking, "I'd like to participate but have never done anything like this before" – you are not alone. The three-day weekend is an enjoyable, relaxing and learning experience for all. Past shows had participants from ME, VT, NY, PA, IL & VA exhibiting almost 100 head of AMD. Ages of exhibiters ranged from 7 to 75. Blue-ribbon premiums range from \$50 to \$350. Check the Fair's website for details.

More Info: It's important that we have a sense of participation for planning purposes. Please email me at: oldgjerpenfarm@yahoo.com if you:

- ✓ Know you are planning to attend
- ✓ Thinking about attending and want to be kept up-to-date on information as decisions are made
- ✓ Have questions

Hope to see you **and** your AMD in September!! Questions or more information contact: Richard Larson <u>oldgjerpenfarm@yahoo.com</u>



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The American Milking Devon Cattle Association is Sponsoring a "Devon Youth Ambassador" at Regional Fairs

In order to increase the involvement of young people in the American Milking Devon Breed the Association is sponsoring one Devon Youth Ambassadorship for each Region who has a Devon show class at a Fair in their Region during 2021.

Description of the Duties:

The Devon Ambassador will attend the Fair during the Devon show and have the responsibility of assisting the Judge and Show Superintendent in conducting the event.

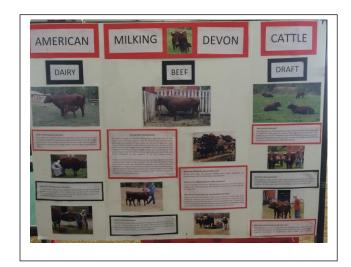
Funding:

The Association will reimburse the family of the Ambassador for transportation, fair passes and lodging for both the Ambassador and one chaperone (not to exceed \$1,000)

Selection of Ambassador:

Interested candidates who are between the ages of 14-18, will be urged to submit to the Secretary of the Association (Bruce Farr, 51 Catamount Road Northwood, NH, 03261 or email secretaryamda@gmail.com by August 15th the application on the following page:





AMDCA Youth Ambassador Application

**
Name:
Address:
Contact Information:
Fair you are proposing to attend:
The Devon Youth Ambassador will represent our Breed to the general public. In order to select the most qualified candidate, we would like to know more about you. So please answer the following questions and add additional space if you need it.
What is your current involvement with American Devon cattle (ownership, showing, care)
2. Please share with us your involvement in your school, sports or extracurricular activities (4H, FFA etc) which demonstrate your ability to commit to a task.
3. What are your long terms plans, and how do you think we can ensure the protection and promotion of our breed?

DEVONS IN THE NEWS

This has been a very busy quarter for Association President and Registrar John and Bonnie Hall. They toured many of America's great landmarks in the western part of the country and along the way they stopped to visit with AMD owners. They even made a local newspaper spreading the word about American Milking Devons.



On May 17th
John and Bonnie
attended an event that
was so important even
George Washington
showed up. The
Livestock Conservancy
celebrated the release of
Heritage Breed Forever

Stamps from the U.S. Postal Service during the First Day of Issue Ceremony held during International

Fair

Heritage Breeds Week at George Washington's Mount Vernon. John and Bonnie represented the American Milking Devon Association,



joining the other nine representatives of the other Heritage Breeds. The other breeds on the stamps are: Mulefoot Hog, Wyandotte Chicken, Narragansett Turkey, American Mammoth Jackstock, Cotton Patch Goose, San Clemente Island Goat, American Cream Draft Horse, Cayuga Duck and the Barbados Blackbelly Sheep.

All of the breeds were represented at the ceremony including a pair of young steers owned by George Washington's Mount Vernon. The Livestock Conservancy Technical Advisor D.

Phillip Sponenberg, DVM,Ph.D. chose the breeds for the stamps. Zack Bryant designed the stamps with photographs by member Aliza Eliazarov. These stamps can be ordered through your local post office por online at https://bit.ly/USPSHeritageStamps.

Finally John and Devons were featured on The Livestock Conservancy's new Cattle Chats podcast with Brittany Sweeny, the Conservancy's Communications Manager, and Charlene Couch, the Conservancy's Senior

Program Manager. This is a wide-ranging and exceptionally interesting interview of 50 minutes. This interview can be found on the American Milking Devon Cattle Association Facebook Page. You are encouraged to take a look and listen.



CATTLE: Breed making a comeback





CORRECTION: In the last Newsletter edition the Editor incorrectly identified the breeder of the bull Fred of Sun Moon Farm. This is the attribution as it should have appeared.

Fred of Sun Moon Farm DOB 8/17/12
Sire: Jacob of Sun Moon Farm
Dam: Davis Carolina Granda
Owned by Eudora Franks
Franks Ranch, Flynn, TX
Bred by Patricia and Charles Howell
Sun Moon Farm
Advance, North Carolina



<u>Brochures Available-</u> The Association has recently had a new batch of American Milking Devon Cattle brochures produced and is offering them free of charge to AMDCA members. If you would like some, please contact Association Secretary Bruce Farr. His contact information is on the last page of this newsletter.

RAY'S CORNER ON DIFFERENCES BETWEEN CLASSIFICATION, CARD GRADING AND SHOWING

Ouotes and advice from Director Ray Clark

EDITOR'S NOTE: Most of this article is a reprint from the Volume 6 Issue 2 April 2019 Newsletter. As fair time rolls around the information in this article is useful to all who wish to show cattle, watch shows or even breed cattle.

In the spring of 2019 AMDCA Director Ray Clark, assisted by AMDCA Director Dexter Randall, led a course at Colonial Williamsburg on American Milking Devon Classification. Directors Clark and Randall were invited to conduct the workshop by the Colonial Williamsburg Bill and Jean Long Director of Coach and Livestock, Paul Bennett. Mr. Bennett told *The Caledonian-Record* that "We breed Milking Devon and we wanted him [Ray Clark] to help teach the finer points of cattle breeding to make sure that what we are breeding is the center of excellence, it's our dream to be the renowned breeder for American Milking Devon Cattle." The American Milking Devon is one of nine breeds of cattle to be categorized as "critical" by The Livestock Conservancy. The "critical" category is the rarest category and the criteria for placement in that category is "Fewer than 200 annual registrations in the United States and estimated global population less than 2,000." The Milking Devon is extinct in its native England.

Directors Clark and Randall taught the participants "Classification" scoring protocol and then spent three days together with the participants scoring Colonial Williamsburg cattle. On the



CLASSIFICATION WORKSHOP, WILLIAMSBURG

fourth day Director Clark spent time demonstrating how a heritage breed should be handled in a show ring. There is a difference between "classifying" animals and "showing" them. When "classifying" an animal, the animal is compared only to the breed standard. Each part of the cow is measured against the standard and points are assessed for that part. When the entire animal has been examined, the points are totaled, giving the animal an overall score on a scale from zero to 100. A score of 90 and above is considered excellent, a score of 80-89 is considered very good and a score of

70-79 is considered acceptable. Every breed has a different standard. The weightings given to the individual characteristics of the Breed Standard indicate their relative importance in that breed.

In November of 2017, The AMDCA, in cooperation with Colonial Williamsburg and the Livestock Conservancy, held a "Card Grading" Event at Colonial Williamsburg. "Card Grading" is different from "Classification" in that instead of resulting in a numerical score like "Classification," "Card Grading" results in one of four colors: Blue- excellent breeding animal conforming to breed standard and free from any genetically based unsoundness; Red-a good breeding animal which shows most of the breed characteristics and is free from genetically based unsoundness; Yellow-an acceptable, average breeding animal with no disqualifying deviations from breed standard or genetically based unsoundness; and White-an unacceptable breeding animal which does not conform to breed standard, is of another breed, or is



CARD GRADING, WILLIAMSBURG

genetically unsound—these animals should not be used for pure breeding. "Card Grading," while helpful in breeding decisions such as in preliminary culls, is not as informative as

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"Classification" as it does not give the breeder specific scores on specific traits that a breeder might be interested in.

Director Clark informs that historically the major registered dairy breeds have used "Classification" as the means to herd improvement. A registered animal is "classified" by a paid specialist when young and then again at a production age, and the scores are recorded and stay with the animal for life. These scores help a breeder determine the nature of their breeding program. Director Clark warns that breeding two top-notch animals to each other does not necessarily result in a top-notch offspring due to the way genetics works. It is important to see the results of a



SHOWING CATTLE- MID-ATLANTIC REGIONAL SHOW

specific breeding to determine the desirability of continuing that type of breeding.

"Showing" cattle at a fair or other event is different than "Classifying." In "Showing," animals are compared against each other. The animal closest to the "Breed Standard" wins, but that actually does not inform anyone about the quality of the animal, since there is no ultimate judgment on how close the winning animal comes to the "Breed Standard." Director Clark, who has shown and judged shows his entire life, feels that showing cattle is a great way to help advertise the breed and sell animals, while "Classification" should be relied on to develop a breeding program. One of the main purposes of Mr. Bennett's invitation to Directors Clark and Randall was for them to help guide the reengineering of Colonial Williamsburg's American Milking Devon breeding program to develop a premier herd.

To conduct the workshop Director Clark prepared a packet for each participant of important information including the Devon pictures the Association had artistically drawn as close examples of the Breed Standard, as well as the Breed Standard Point System. These handouts are appended to this newsletter so they may be printed out and utilized by those who wish to try their hand at classification. Over the course of the three days each animal, about 12 in all, was evaluated on every written standard. First, Director Clark demonstrated the process explaining each decision and then everyone participated. Remarkably, the scores came out close as they should have said Director Clark. Director Randall's assistance in all aspects of the workshop was indispensable said Director Clark. This event was the first "Classification" of American Milking Devons on a farm in Director Clark's memory. Dr. Drew Conroy did "classify" Devons at the 2018 Mid-Atlantic Cattle Show held at the Virginia State Fair.

¹Caledonian Record, Northeastern Vermont and Northern New Hampshire. Weekend Edition, April 13-14, 2019. Pages A-1 & A-9.

²Breeders and Products Directory. The Livestock Conservancy. Pittsboro, NC. Page 6.

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ASSOCIATION BUSINESS

<u>IMPORTANT!! TWO NEW FORMS INCLUDED IN THIS NEWSLETTER AND ALSO AVAILABLE IN FILLABLE FORMAT ON THE AMDCA WEBSITE</u>

Forms are available in regular and fillable format on the AMDCA Website: http://www.milkingdevons.org/forms.html

Membership Form- Reminder: 2021 Membership Dues OVERDUE NOW- For your convenience a Membership Form is attached to this newsletter.

<u>Membership Policy</u> - Membership is open to any individual or organization interested in furthering the purposes of the Association. An organization shall designate an individual to represent it at business meetings of the Association.

There shall be three categories of Membership:

- 1. Voting Members, consisting of all members owning registered American Milking Devon cattle.
- 2. Non-Voting Associate Members, who wish to further the purposes of the Association. The Annual Dues for these two categories as established by the Board (currently \$20) shall be due and payable on or before December 31 of each calendar year. Lapsed members shall be reinstated on payment of current year dues.
- 3. Non-Voting Junior Members, a category open to those under 18 years of age for a single dues payment (currently \$20), can access all membership services as the established fees.

Only Voting Members are entitled to vote at Membership Meetings. Except for voting rights, no distinction shall be made between the three membership categories as to the availability or cost of services provided. At the Annual Meeting of 2016, the Membership passed a MOTION that Members not in good standing by April 1st of each year will not receive an election ballot and will be removed from the Breeder's Listing. If you wish to be listed on the Breeder's List a completed Membership Form is required to be submitted annually with your dues.

New Registration Form- Due to the changes in Registration Policy, a Registration Form has been created and approved by the Board of Directors. A copy of the form is attached for your convenience. Failure to use the form will result in the return of your application unprocessed.

AMDCA ANNUAL MEETING AND DIRECTOR ELECTIONS

The AMDCA Annual Meeting was held on Saturday May 8th by teleconference this year due to COVID Restrictions. The usual reports were delivered and some discussion was held but no items were formally voted on during the teleconference. Director elections were held solely by mail this year and the results were reported during the Annual Meeting. Ray Clark and Andrew Van Ord were elected to the Class of 2023 and Bruce Farr, Jeremy Michaud and Dexter Randall were elected to the Class of 2024.

Buying Registered Cattle- It has come to the attention of the Association that some AMD buyers are not receiving their transfer registration papers in a timely fashion as the result of sellers not submitting the appropriate paperwork to the Registrar. Some of these buyers reach out to the Association to seek assistance in rectifying the situation. The Association, however, has no authority to intervene in this type of situation. The buyer and seller should discuss the transfer paperwork **prior to the sale being completed**, and if at all possible, the buyer should receive a copy of the paperwork the seller is forwarding to the Registrar at the time the cattle are physically transferred. A potential buyer could contact the Registrar prior to a purchase to ascertain whether a seller actively registers cattle. No personal information beyond "YES THEY ACTIVELY REGISTER CATTLE" or "NO THEY HAVEN'T ACTIVELY REGISTERED CATTLE" regarding a seller will be given out by the Registrar. To maintain the integrity of our breed registry, the Registrar cannot register animals without the proper paperwork.

AMDCA Website - AMDCA hosts a website under the direction of Webmaster Lawrence Gilley. The website contains Breeder Information, Breed History, a Calendar of Events, a For Sale Section, Association Information, Member Services, Semen Sales, Frequently Asked Questions and Relevant Links. Website activity statistics for 2021are down from prior years. For the months of April, May and June there were 696, 626, and 553 visits to the website respectively. For the same three months there were 518, 492, and 422 visitors per month respectively. Eightyone (81) percent of the visitors in April had not viewed the website prior, while Eighty-four (84) percent and eighty-one (81) percent of the viewership in May and June, respectively, had not viewed the website before. The statistics indicate that the For Sale page(s) continue to be among the most frequently viewed. We encourage you to use our website as it is kept current with Association-related business. Lawrence's contact information and the web address can be found on the contact page of this newsletter.

New Devon Videos Available

Backyard Green Films worked with the American Milking Devon Cattle Association on documentaries about Milking Devon Cattle. In Parts I and II of the first documentary you can sit down with two old time Yankee farmers from New England who tell us stories as well as the history of the American Milking Devon from Roman Empire times to the present day. The second documentary is about one of the uses of this triple-purpose breed of cattle. The first documentary was partially funded by The Livestock Conservancy. All three videos, along with others, can be viewed from the videos section of the Breeders page of the Association website www.milkingdevons.org/videos.html

Videos Available

- Part I: The American Milking Devon: Past and Present (56 minutes)
- Part II: The American Milking Devon: Past and Present (12 minutes)
- The American Milking Devon Oxen (20 minutes)

MILKING DEVON HERD BOOKS

The latest AMD Herd Book, Volume 6, is now available!

Herd books are available as PDFs at http://www.milkingdevons.org/amdca-herd-books.html

Paperback printed copies are available for purchase from Lulu.com

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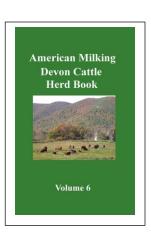
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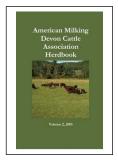
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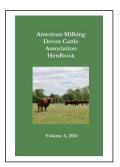
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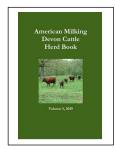
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AMERICAN MILKING DEVON CATTLE ASSOCIATION

The Registrar, 610 East Pond Meadow Road, Westbrook, CT 06498

REGISTRY APPLICATION

Registration Fees:

< 1 yr. \$5.00; 1 yr. but < 2 yrs. \$10.00; 2 yrs. but <3 yrs. \$25.00; 3 yrs. but <5 yrs. \$50.00

		Owner			
Address			_State	Zipcode	
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NAME				_ TATTOO	-
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MATERNAL GR	ANDDAM		NUMBI	ER	
ARTIFICIAL	SERVICE	NATURAL S	ERVICE		
IF Artificial Service	e, attach breeding	receipt			
IF Natural Service,	, give dates betwe	en which bull had access to c	dam: FROM	to	
OWNER OF SIR	E:				
ADDRESS:			STATE	ZIPCODE	
OWNER OF DA	M:				
(At time of bre	eding) ADDRE	SS:	STATE	ZIPCODE	
American Milking	Devon Cattle Asso	subject myself to all the provociation as they now exist or RANTEE THAT ALL MATT	may from time to t	time be amended, knowled	
OWNER			ADDRESS		
CITY	STATE	ZIPCODES	SIGNATURE		

American Milking Devon Cattle Association

610 East Pond Meadow Road, Westbrook, CT 06498 2021

Please check one.
\$20 - Voting Member – individuals who own registered Milking Devon cattle
\$20 – Non-Voting Associate Member – individuals interested in furthering the purposes of the
Association
\$20 – Non-Voting Junior Member (one time dues payment, non-voting, under 18 years old)
Make checks payable to the American Milking Devon Cattle Association.
Send completed form and check to:
Bonnie Hall, Registrar, 610 East Pond Meadow Road, Westbrook, CT 06498
Voting members: Please circle if you do not wish to be listed in the on-line breeder's list
[NO] Do not include me in the on-line breeder's list.
Please circle "no" below to indicate information you wish to omit from the on-line
breeder's list.
[No] NAME:
[No] FARM/ORG:
[No] ADDRESS:
[No] PHONE:
[No] E-MAIL:
[No] WEBSITE:

Note: A current membership is required for inclusion in the breeder's list, for voting at the annual meeting and for registering cattle and for transferring the registration of cattle Please ensure that your membership is up to date.

Standard of Excellence and

Scale of Points of Devon Cow

From the American Devon Record Book, 1926

HEAD moderately long, with a broad indented Forehead, tapering considerably towards the Nostrils; the Nose of creamy-white, the Nostrils high and open, the Jaws clean, the Eye bright, lively and prominent; Throat clean, Ears thin, the Expression being gentle and intelligent; Horns matching, long, spreading, and gradually turned up, of waxy color, tipped with a darker shade.	10
NECK of medium length, growing from the Head to the shoulders, and spreading out to meet them.	4
WITHERS fine, Shoulders flat, sloping and well covered.	6
RIBS well sprung from the Backbone, nicely arched, deep and fully developed.	8
BACK straight and level from the Withers, to the setting on of the Tail, Loins broad and full, Hips of medium width and on a level with the Back.	12
RUMPS moderately long and level.	8
HIND-QUARTERS deep, thick and square.	10
UDDER not fleshy, coming well forward in line with the Belly, and well up behind; Teats large, and squarely placed.	20
TAIL thick at the root and tapering, with a brush of strong hair, reaching to the Hocks, and hanging at right angles with the back.	5
THE UNDER LINE as nearly as possible parallel with the top.	6
LEGS straightly and squarely placed when viewed from behind, not to cross or sweep when walking.	5
SKIN moderately thick and mellow, covered with an abundant coat of rich mossy hair of a red color; white about the Udder is admissible, but it should not extend beyond the Navel forward, on the outside of the Flanks or any other part of the Limbs or Body.	6

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Perfection

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CLASSIFICATION FORM

Animal Number

Body Part	Points	——————————————————————————————————————
HEAD	10	
NECK	4	
WITHERS	6	
RIBS	8	
BACK	12	
RUMPS	8	
HIND-QUART.	10	
UDDER	20	
TAIL	5	
UNDER LINE	6	
LEGS	5	
SKIN	6	
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PERFECTION	100	

