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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



LOCAL FAIRS ARE A GREAT PLACE FOR DEVONS

Josiah Freier demonstrating his 3-year-old working steer team of Ruben and Simeon during the Seneca County Fair Working Steer/Oxen Show

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DEVONS MAKE A SHOWING AT THE SENECA COUNTY FAIR IN NEW YORK

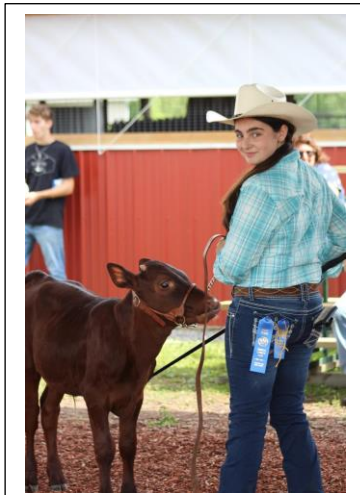
Article and pictures courtesy of Dale Freier, Every Season Farm, Seneca County, New York
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The 177th Seneca County Fair was held in Waterloo, New York, from July 21-24, 2021. American Milking Devon Cattle demonstrated their remarkable triple purpose qualities being judged in the dairy, beef and working steer/oxen shows over the 3 ½ day event.

A total of 17 American Milking Devons (AMD) were on display at the fairgrounds. There were six AMD exhibitors, all youth, and the animals shown were provided by Every Season Farm (our family farm.) AMD classes for calves, yearlings, heifers, milk cows, and group dairy classes were all offered in the dairy show and 3 classes were available in the working steer/oxen show. The beef show maintains an *Other Registered Breeds* category that allows the AMD to be shown as a beef animal. This gave our 4-Hers a chance to put on their cowboy



Josiah Freier with his 3-year-old steer Every Season Farm Simeon at the Beef Show



Ellie Updike with her 4-month-old bull calf Every Season Farm Hamilton during the Beef Show

hats and belt buckles and learn another showmanship style. AMDCA director Andrew Van Ord volunteered his expertise as the working steer/oxen judge. There were three yokes of animals within the working steer/oxen show with Best Matched Pair won by Josiah Freier with his three-year-old team of AMDs and the Best Trained Pair category won by Dale Freier III with his 5-year-old team of American Linebackers. The Grand Champion American Milking Devon within the dairy show was junior 2-year-old cow Every Season Farm Freedom Rose shown by Dale Freier III. She was also Reserve Supreme Champion of the dairy show. Grand Champion Steer of the beef show was Every Season Farm Ruben shown by Sawyer Updike.

Our family has shown our American Milking Devons at the Seneca County Fair since 2018. When we began bringing our animals to the fair, only the 4-H dairy show offered an *All Other Breeds* category that allowed for our cattle to be shown. The open dairy show did not offer any classes for the American Milking Devon and therefore, we were not eligible for open class premiums or ribbons. During those two years, however, it became evident to the fair board that our family and our growing 4-H group put a great deal of time and effort



Mark Freier positioning the 4-month-old team of Lee and Grant at the Working Steer/Oxen Show

into preparing our animals for the show and presenting them to the public. After the 2019 show, we were invited to join the fair board and to add classes for American Milking Devons.

Our experience has been when American Milking Devons are presented in public a good deal of enthusiasm is generated from fairgoers as they come in contact with this amazing heritage breed for the first time. The broad black tipped white horns seem to be noticed first which leads to the most often asked question of “Are these all bulls?” Many people are impressed by their deep radiant red color. More questions and interest follow as we discuss the history and how

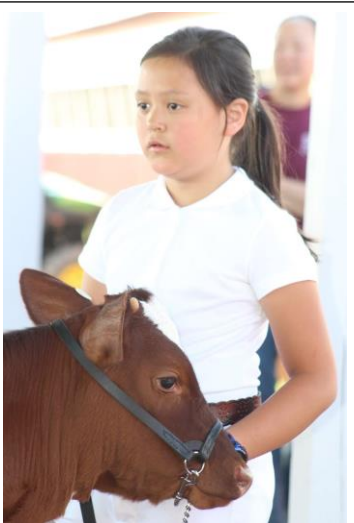
a triple purpose breed was so integral to human livelihood and the development of our country.

One of the most enjoyable moments at our fair this year occurred near the very end, when we were taking down our display and loading our animals. We were all very busy with the tasks before us when a fairgoer stopped to ask about the cows. The show dairy superintendent, who

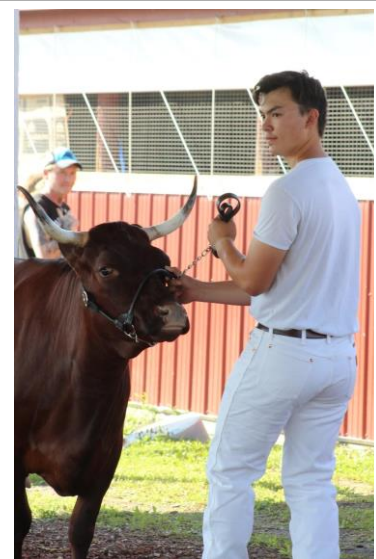
only a few years ago, had never seen an American Milking Devon, but who had spent time sitting with our family and 4-H group throughout the fair, surprised us all when he stood up and began to explain the full history of the arrival of the Devon to North America and their history as a triple purpose heritage breed! We all stopped what we were doing and turned and cheered as we realized the impact we had made! In fact, all of the 4-Hers involved in our club and their families have come to appreciate and care about the American Milking Devon and their unique qualities.



Ellie Updike and Josiah Freier showing their calves during the Dairy Show



Abigail Freier with her heifer calf Every Season Farm Savannah during the Dairy Show



Dale Freier III with 4-year-old Every Season Farm Rose Petal during the Dairy Show

Agricultural fairs are a great opportunity to promote heritage breed animals and especially the American Milking Devon. Educating our communities about the unique history, versatility, and the necessity of preserving this breed for future generations is very important. If you are interested in bringing your AMDs to your local fair, I encourage you to speak with your local fair board about creating an AMD class or possibly utilizing the *All Other Breeds* category. Once the fair board has seen your AMDs in action, the opportunity to increase their involvement in the show will likely go up quickly. Most fair boards have a heart to promote agriculture and with patience and a little bit of hard work they too can become welcome supporters of the American Milking Devon.



Every Season Farm Dinah, 3-year-old cow, Reserve Grand Champion
Devon at the Dairy Show

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)

American Milking Devon Working Steers and Oxen in Competition

by Victoria Reck Ames, Honey Hill Heritage Devons

Come late summer and early fall, American Milking Devon cattle are putting on a show at county fairs throughout Vermont, New Hampshire, Maine and western Massachusetts. They won't be in the pulling ring, where seven-foot Chianina steers and oxen now reign, and where the tractor roars as it repositions the weighted stone boat between pulls. Rather, AMDs will be in small arenas or rings in the quieter sections of the fairgrounds. There, they'll be hitched to a cart or scoot, executing precision maneuvers against the stopwatch and under the attentive eye of a seasoned judge. The competitions include all horned dairy breeds, ranging from month-old babies up to steady, mature oxen as old as 14 or 15, driven by teamsters of all ages. If you've never been to one of these shows, you're in for a treat.



Haley Allen (Loudon, NH), with 2-month-old Chase & Rebel



Mark Winslow's young team works in unison even when they're standing still.

I collected the photographs in this article in 2021 at the Acton Fair (Acton, ME; August 26-29), Lancaster Fair (Lancaster, NH; September 2-6), and Hopkinton State Fair (Hopkinton, NH; September 2-6). The Fryeburg Fair (Fryeburg, ME; October 3-10) is another great place to see American Milking Devon steers and oxen in competition.

Before you go, carefully review the on-line fair programs to choose the best day to attend. Look for events with names like:

- 4-H Working Steer Show; 4-H Working Steer Scooting Contest
- Show of Working Oxen or Show Oxen & Steers
- Working Cattle Show; Working Cattle Show with Carts
- Oxen Log Obstacle Course, Oxen Log Obstacle Course Double Challenge



Ray Ramsey's 7-year-old team, Rough & Tough, wait for their turn in the ring.

These fair events illustrate elements of agricultural tasks that oxen historically performed to build New England, and elements of the work that cattle continue to perform as draft power on farms and in the forest. A well-trained team will dependably back a straight line, stop on a dime, snake a heavy load through a complicated landscape, and also will respond to the teamster's commands as individuals as well as a team. A "handy" team is an extension of the teamster's body, vastly magnifying the teamster's strength and capacity.

These events also showcase the intimate relationship and bond between team and teamster. Developed over hundreds of hours of training, this relationship makes it possible for a team to read a slight shift in the teamster's body as a command to turn to the left. The bond tells the teamster that the team is confused about a task and requires patient step-by-step instruction. Teamsters conspicuously carry goad sticks or lashes to communicate with their teams, but voice commands—perhaps whispered—are equally important. Often, master teamsters scarcely speak or gesture with the goad. Their teams appear to simply read these teamsters' minds.

Today, many teamsters come up through 4-H working steer clubs, developing their teams and skills under the guidance of master teamster club leaders. At the fairs, 4-H working steer competitions are divided by teamster age—juniors are 11 to 13, and seniors are 14 through 18. Pay special attention to the 4-H seniors! Many will have trained multiple teams to a demanding standard, and their cattle will be extraordinarily capable.



13-year-old 4-H competitor Luke Bronnberg (Lunenburg, NH) with 2.5-year-old Amos & Buck. As specified by the judge, Luke has aligned the team to roll the left cart wheel up on top of a wooden bump. He'll direct the team to hold the cart there for several seconds before continuing.



Participating in an open event, 16-year-old 4-H member Victoria Jellison (Bath, NH) with 2-year-old Bart & Bruiser. Victoria has just driven the team—from the front—through a narrow “bridge” defined by surveyor’s tape tied to wooden stakes. The judge took a bite out of the apple on top of the cone, making it deviously fragrant. Victoria's team will walk past the temptation. Points off if they don't.

4-H classes typically include:

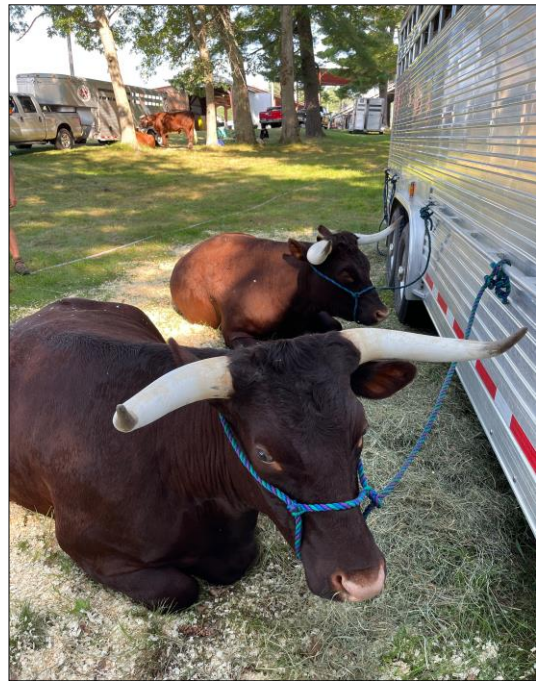
Fitting and Showmanship. The judge evaluates appearance of team and teamster; ability to show the team, overall knowledge.

Cart. The judge evaluates the team and teamster’s ability to navigate a wheeled vehicle through and around a series of obstacles, within a prescribed time

Distance pull. The judge evaluates the team and teamster’s ability to manage a chain to pull a drag weighing half the team’s combined weight, with gee and haw turns, within a prescribed time



The team of 13-year-old 4-H member Ava Mullen (Kennebunk, ME) navigates a scoot class in an “open” event.



Three-year-old Pete & Bub (Winslow family, Falmouth, ME) are clipped and buffed for the show ring to the standards of 4-H fitting & showmanship.

Teamsters of all ages participate in “open” competitions. The working steer and ox teams are grouped by team weight, such as 200 to 1,000 pounds, 1,001 to 1,600 pounds, 1,601 to 2,400 pounds, 2,401 to 3,200 pounds, and 3,201 pounds and over. When Holsteins, Brown Swiss and Chianina crosses are in the mix, heavier doesn’t necessarily mean older! And older (for cattle or teamster) doesn’t necessarily mean more proficient.



Todd Courser (Warner, NH) with 2-year-old Ben & Del, standing in first place after a cart class.

The types of open show classes at a particular fair depend, in part, on the number of competing teams, and therefore on the amount of time available for each team to take its turn. When over a hundred teams are vying to earn a blue ribbon for “Best Working Cattle” ([Fryeburg Fair, ME](#)), the judge requests a demonstration of basic skills such as come up, whoa, gee, haw, and back. When thirty teams are competing, the judge can lay out a challenging cart class and give each team five minutes to complete it. (Lancaster Fair, NH).



Haley Allen and Chase & Rebel maintain the left cart wheel on both sides of the wooden plank “L.”



Their legs moving in unison, Mark Winslow drives his young steers around cones.

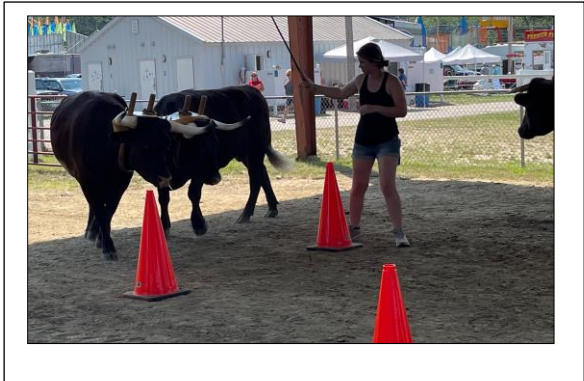
Typical open show classes include:

Best Matched. The judge evaluates the team’s similarity in size, conformation and markings.

Best. The judge evaluates market condition, looking for fitness and health, good conformation and muscling. Sometimes called Best Fat Cattle. (See: *'Tis Sixty Years Since. The Passing of the Stall-fed Ox and the Farm Boy.* George Sheldon, 1898. Proceedings of the Pocumtuck Valley Memorial Association.)



A friendly heckler wants to know how many blue ribbons Marissa already has collected during the day. She waves three fingers.



Among other maneuvers required by the judge’s course, Marissa Winslow (Falmouth, ME) will serpentine-weave 3-year-old Pete & Bub backwards around the cones.

Best Pair. The judge evaluates the team’s responsiveness to teamster, as well as similarity of the pair. In addition to demonstrating basic commands, the judge also may ask the teamster to drive or back up from behind the team, call the team from a distance, or back the team for twenty feet. Judges’ expectations vary.



Cy Courser—himself an accomplished teamster—holds Ben & Del for his father (who’s helping a fellow competitor with a heavy yoke) until it’s their turn to enter the show ring.



Waiting in the arena with Todd Courser, Ben & Del watch their competition. Standing patiently in the yoke is a job requirement for working steers and oxen.

Best Working. The judge evaluates the team's responsiveness to their teamster throughout a (typically timed) cart or scoot course designed by the judge. Breed, matching, conformation or body type are irrelevant. Winning teams walk at the same pace and work together, appearing comfortable and compatible in their work. These cattle carry their heads high, alert but calm. The winning team quickly and correctly accomplishes all the course's challenges and does so without hitting obstacles.



Tight turns require cattle to know how to step out, away from the shaft of the cart or the chain of the scoot.



Exercising the eyes in the back of her head, Victoria Jellison anticipates her steers' thoughts.



Ray Ramsey (Pittsfield, NH) and his team finish their run by returning the cart to the "barn." Not touching the wooden planks with either cart wheel demonstrates ability to precisely place the cart. Especially when backing—a distasteful task for many cattle—the judge expects to see heads held high, not shaken or tossed. Points are subtracted when the cattle express reluctance or resistance.



As Ben & Del stand calmly, Todd Courser raises the heavy cart shaft and pins it to the yoke. In a timed event, every second counts. Experienced, cooperative cattle save time.



The course calls for Ben & Del to wait while Todd retrieves a bucket. Stepping away from a task is inevitable. Teamsters count on being able to find their teams where they left them.



Todd has Ben & Del pull the left cart wheel onto the wooden "bump" and hold it there for several seconds.



Ben & Del withstand the temptation of apples while Todd again leaves them to return the bucket to the hay bale.

Are you ready to start training your own team for the 2022 fairs? Your smart AMD cattle will love the attention, and the challenge of competition. An excellent resource for beginners is the 4-H Working Steer Manual (University of NH Cooperative Extension). See you at the fairs!



Honey Hill Benjamin Butler & Honey Hill Adelbert Ames — aka Ben & Del

Victoria Reck Ames (Swanzy, NH) breeds and trains friendly, personable AMDs, with a special interest in preparing AMDs for qualified 4-H youth. She is convinced that Todd Courser's Ben & Del still cast loving looks her way. HoneyHillDevons.com



Ben & Del's first time hitched to a cart

AMDCA TRIBUTE TO DIRECTOR DEXTER E. RANDALL



Dexter E. Randall, 76, of Newport Center, Vermont passed away on October 17, 2021, in Lebanon, New Hampshire. Dexter was recently elected to a third term as a Director of the American Milking Devon Cattle Association. He was a native Vermont dairy farmer growing up on a hillside farm in Lyndon, Vermont.

Dexter's father was a logger and had used many teams of oxen in the early and mid-nineteen hundreds. His dad logged throughout northern Vermont and his best team was a pair of Devons. Dexter eventually started his own farm, which he operated with his late wife Alice, and he decided to get his own team of Devons. Much to his disappointment, he had a very difficult time finding a team. He finally located some Devons and enjoyed being part of the movement to bring Devons back from the edge of extinction. Dexter valued the Devon triple purpose and worked to improve and highlight the value of their grass-based milk and meat as many people today are demanding the slower, more healthy grass-fed products.

Alice and Dexter's farm was in Troy, Vermont. Dexter was a former State Representative for Orleans County from 2004-2008. Small family farms were one of his passions and he worked with many organizations to save them. Many countless hours were spent by Dexter traveling the countryside visiting friends and neighbors and telling stories with his dog, Jiggs, at his side. He will be missed.

Should friends desire, contributions in his memory may be made to the Rural Vermont Farm Advocacy Group in his name at www.ruralvermont.org or Rural Vermont, 46 East State Street, Montpelier, VT 05602.

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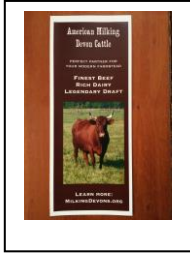
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All shirts and sweatshirts are gray with maroon lettering and logo

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***This is not a money-making endeavor for the Association, rather it is a service for members. The items and shipping and handling are being provided as close to actual cost as possible.**

****Due to supply chain issues Adult Size LARGE T-Shirts and Adult Size 4XL Sweatshirts are unavailable. We hope to order these sizes when they become available.**



.Brochures Available- 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 GETTING READY FOR WINTER AND THINKING ABOUT SPRING

Quotes and advice from Director Ray Clark

This is a good time to pregnancy check your cows to ensure you won't be disappointed in the spring. This provides time to remedy the situation if necessary. The upcoming winter weather, especially in the colder areas of the country, will tax the health of your animals. So, this is a good time to worm them and treat for lice. Lice are most active in the colder weather and can be debilitating to a cow. If you are unsure of what products to use, check with your veterinarian. Also, you need to ensure that your feeding program contains adequate trace elements for your area. Cows get their essential nutrients through their feed and supplements, and these vary depending on how your cows are managed and housed. Devons particularly require selenium, Vitamin E, and copper. (Copper is not good for sheep so it is important to keep it away from them.) Your local feed mill or the County Extension Agent should know what the soil composition is in your area and assist in determining what you should feed. Feeding trace elements free choice is a good method of feeding as the cows will seek out what they need. Course feed (dry hay), along with whatever else you are feeding (silage), is a good way to prevent winter scours, as it helps keep bacteria in the rumen.

In thinking about spring, pastures come to mind. Keep your pastures and all feeding areas free of nails and pieces of iron that cows could potentially swallow. When cows graze, they grab a mouthful and shove it down. If there is a piece of metal in the grass it will end up in their rumen and could kill them. Planning for next year's pastures and hayfields can start now. Pastures and hay land generally have a pH that ranges from 4.5 – 7, with the ideal being 6.6. For heavy metals to become available in the pasture feed the pH needs to be below 4.5. So, it's good to have variability of the pH in a permanent pasture. You can plan ahead by checking the pH in various parts of your pasture now so you can prepare for spring.



ASSOCIATION BUSINESS

IMPORTANT!! CURRENT MEMBERSHIP AND REGISTRATION FORMS ARE INCLUDED IN THIS NEWSLETTER AND ARE ALSO AVAILABLE IN FILLABLE FORMAT ON THE AMDCA WEBSITE: <http://www.milkingdevons.org/forms.html>

2022 MEMBERSHIP DUES WILL BE DUE SOON-

Membership Policy - 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.**

Current 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.

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 2021 are down from prior years. For the months of August, September and October there were 640, 700 and 730 visits to the website respectively. For the same three months there were 436, 536 and 534 visitors per month respectively. Eighty (80) percent of the visitors in August had not viewed the website prior, while Eighty-three (83) percent and eighty (80) percent of the viewership in September and October, 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.

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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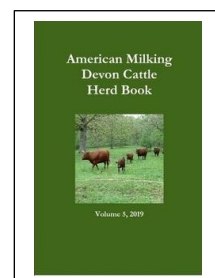
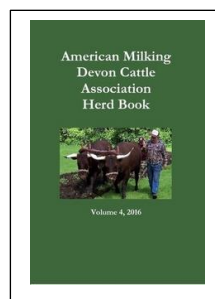
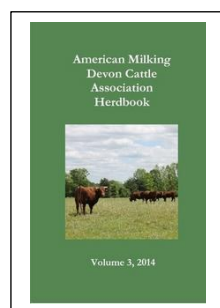
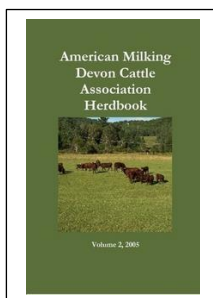
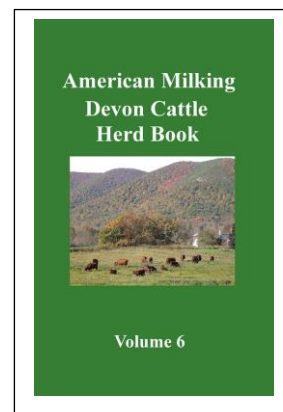
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AMERICAN MILKING DEVON CATTLE ASSOCIATION
The Registrar, 610 East Pond Meadow Road, Westbrook, CT 06498

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

Transfer: \$5.00 Name of New Owner _____

Address _____ State _____ Zipcode _____

Phone number _____ Email _____ Date of Transfer _____

NAME _____ TATTOO _____

SEX _____ TWIN _____ SEX OF OTHER TWIN _____ DATE OF BIRTH _____

SIRE _____ NUMBER _____

PATERNAL GRANDSIRE _____ NUMBER _____

PATERNAL GRANDDAM _____ NUMBER _____

DAM _____ NUMBER _____

MATERNAL GRANDSIRE _____ NUMBER _____

MATERNAL GRANDDAM _____ NUMBER _____

ARTIFICIAL SERVICE _____ NATURAL SERVICE _____

IF Artificial Service, attach breeding receipt

IF Natural Service, give dates between which bull had access to dam: FROM _____ to _____

OWNER OF SIRE: _____

ADDRESS: _____ STATE _____ ZIPCODE _____

OWNER OF DAM: _____

(At time of breeding) ADDRESS: _____ STATE _____ ZIPCODE _____

In making this application, I hereby subject myself to all the provisions of the Constitution, bylaws, and rules of registry of the American Milking Devon Cattle Association as they now exist or may from time to time be amended, knowledge of which I now have or will immediately acquire. **I GUARANTEE THAT ALL MATTERS STATED HEREIN ARE TRUE.**

OWNER _____ **ADDRESS** _____

CITY _____ **STATE** _____ **ZIPCODE** _____ **SIGNATURE** _____

American Milking Devon Cattle Association

610 East Pond Meadow Road, Westbrook, CT 06498

2022

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, 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
Perfection	100

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CLASSIFICATION FORM

<u>Body Part</u>	<u>Points</u>	<u>Animal Number</u>				
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	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____

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