

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



RAY LUDWIG PLOWING – May 2004

Photo Courtesy of Drew Conroy

FEATURE ARTICLE: IF IT WEREN'T FOR THE OX WE WOULDN'T BE WHERE WE ARE TODAY Part 1 of several parts

Article prepared by Editor Thomas Slater from presentations made by Drew Conroy and Ray Ludwig at the 2018 Annual Meeting of the American Milking Devon Cattle Association held on May 12th in Tunbridge, Vermont.

The American Milking Devon Cattle Association was very fortunate to have two of the world's most authoritative individuals on all things oxen present at the Association's Annual Meeting this year. Ray Ludwig lives in Connecticut with his wife Jean and they will celebrate their 67th Wedding Anniversary in September. Ray has been working with oxen for 61 years. For many of those years he worked as a 4-H leader training young teamsters and their oxen. Drew Conroy, Ph.D., is a professor of Applied Animal Science at the University of New Hampshire and a consultant to teamsters around the world. He and his family also raise American Milking Devon cattle and train ox teams that have been featured in many magazines and films. Dr. Conroy has been working with oxen for 41 years. Ray and Drew have over 100 years of combined experience with oxen.

Teamsters vary in their viewpoints on cattle breeds and training methods, but there is one thing Drew and Ray agree on. To quote Drew, *"I agree with Ray Ludwig that Devon cattle especially need work to do, they are not cattle well suited to being idle in the yoke."* Drew has had about every breed of oxen except Kerry. Having had six pairs of Devons, Drew normally doesn't keep them long, he trains them and moves them on. Ray's work has been almost entirely with Devons, with a recent exception. Oxen have been used in this part of the world for all kinds of conveyances, they have been used where horses wouldn't go, and in places too risky for horses.



Drew Conroy hauling wood with Devon team



Ray Ludwig hauling wood with 5 Devons

Drew grew up in New Hampshire and his first team were Brown Swiss for which he paid fifty dollars for the pair. At the time Devons were bringing \$100 to \$200 a pair and he couldn't imagine paying that price for a pair of oxen. It wasn't until ten or fifteen years later that he got his first Devon. The historical aspect of the Devon piqued his interest as they appeared in many old photos as did the stories of the "Devon Trot"—the fact that Devons move quicker than most other ox breeds. Many hundred year-old pictures show children playing with calves. New England has been doing that now for 40-50 years through 4-H. Ray was a 4-H leader for 25 years. Most of his 4-Hers had Devons because they lived right near the Green farm in

Mansfield, Ct., where they could readily get the Devon calves.

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Ray tells a fond 4-H memory. His 4-H club went to the Eastern States to compete. For a final event on the last day they had each State send out any number of 4-Hers they wanted, to demonstrate what they had trained their steers to do. Some young teamsters would drive from the front, some from the side, and some would get them to kneel down. There was even a young teamster that would stand on the back of the steers and drive them from there. One year, Connecticut had five pair of Devons there. The first pair was eight months old and the last pair was six or seven. The teamsters hitched them up in tandem, drove around the ring and went over to the ox cart. Just as they had been trained, all five teams, the youngest team included, went up to the pole, stepped over, took a sharp haw and went up to the end. The last teamster made the chain hitch and they proceeded out into the ring, did a figure eight, went around the ring again, and took the wagon back to where it was parked to begin with. Then the first little pair made a 90 degree turn and the rest of them side-stepped that wagon around and that wagon turned not an inch ahead or back. They made a perfect set up and backed the wagon into the barn obstacle.



Luke Conroy with Lance and Henry

Devons are good workers, which at least in part Drew maintains, is the reason they were the desired and sought after breed on the old New England Farms. Oxen were affordable and they were the animals most small farms used. If you had a good pair you could put one off and work a single or you could even yoke to different steers.

Drew's work in Africa demonstrated that cattle are cattle, all breeds are a little different but they definitely will work. Some Maasai farmers were plowing with their oxen and Drew asked them if he could drive the team. Their response was to laugh thinking that since he didn't know their language he couldn't drive the team. Of course that wasn't the case. Drew related that working with African ox farmers is like going back in time. The ox is their greatest asset, having a yoke of oxen is a really valuable thing. It's similar to a farmer having a tractor and being able to accomplish more work. In Africa if you don't have a team of oxen you are in pretty rough shape. The Africans treat their cattle well. From the time calves are born, they are kept in the house at night while the mothers are out to pasture. They all have names and come when they are called. They even

work bulls sometimes. This differs from Cuba where they have 150,000 oxen on the island. There they don't start training oxen until they are two or three years old and it becomes quite a battle. In Africa they usually sell their older oxen because they are so valuable. They continually train younger oxen and generally keep one older animal to help train the younger ones.



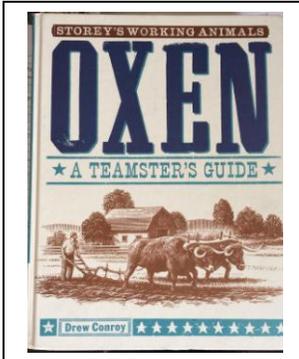
Ray Ludwig using a pin wheel rake at home with Devons

Drew maintains that *"If it weren't for the ox we wouldn't be where we are today."* In 1890 the U.S. Census Bureau stopped counting oxen. Prior to that, in 1850, in those states that largely used draft animals, 57-70 percent of the draft animals

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were oxen. Maine, New Hampshire and Connecticut were the strongholds for oxen for a long time. Why not Vermont and Massachusetts-- in the Champlain Valley they had richer, bigger and better farms. John Wheelock, who lives in Colchester, Vermont, added that his father, who farmed for the first half of his life with horses, never saw oxen working. The swamps of the American South and poor Appalachia were places that oxen hung on longer as horses don't like to log in swamps. One of the reasons we still have oxen Drew states, is because of the fairs and the pulling contests. Some of these fairs are 150 years old. **End of Part 1**

Both Drew and Ray have publications. Drew has several books available through the major book sellers. Ray's book, *The Pride and Joy of Working Cattle*, is available directly through him. If you are interested in Ray's book contact Ray at 860-875-5117 or by mail at: 552 Old Post Road, Tolland, CT, 06084



← One of Drew's books Ray's Book →



2018 Mid-Atlantic Regional Show and Fall Gathering

(Article courtesy of Richard Larson)

EDITOR'S NOTE: This is a significant historical event for AMDs. It has been many years since the last Regional Show that included AMDs. For more information on the significance of this Regional Show to be held in conjunction with the State Fair of Virginia as part of their Dairy Cattle Show, see the article on page 9 (Mid-Atlantic Milking Show).

Planning for the upcoming regional show is nearly complete and breeders' interest is strong. It is going to be informative, educational and fun. With a major event scheduled for each day, this is a gathering that you will not want to miss! Current draft schedule of events:

- ✓ Animals arrive No Later Than 8:00 pm, **Thursday**, 9/27/18
- ✓ AMD Breeders working lunch 1:00 pm, **Friday**, 9/28/18
- ✓ Competitive AMD Regional Show 1:00 pm, **Saturday**, 9/29/18 (Note, start time may move up due to anticipated strong AMD participation.)
- ✓ AMD Breed Standard Evaluation & Scoring 9:00 am, **Sunday**, 9/30/18
- ✓ Release begins at 3:00 pm, **Sunday**, 9/30/18 (Time is staggered by location.)

Events

Regional Show will be the standard competitive show, with multiple classes and placings of 1st through xx (depending on number of entries in the class). Premiums will be awarded according to placing for both individual and group classes. There will be:

- 3 heifer classes
- 4 yearling classes
- 2 cow classes
- 2 bull classes
- 5 group classes
 - ✓ Bred & Owned Three Heifers
 - ✓ Bred & Owned Produce of Dam
 - ✓ Bred & Owned Dam & Daughter
 - ✓ Get of Sire (4 animals)
 - ✓ Breeders Herd (5 animals)

- 4 championships
- Premier Junior Exhibiter Award
- Premier Breeder Award

Breed Standard Evaluation & Scoring will be an individual evaluation of each animal using the Association's Standard of Excellence. Exhibitors will receive a score card, completed by Dr. Drew Conroy, for each animal (See feature article for more information on noted Devon expert Dr. Conroy). Dr. Conroy will also discuss his evaluation of each Devon for the benefit of the public. The evaluations will start at 9:00 am on Sunday and continue (with time out for lunch) until every animal has been evaluated. Personally, I believe this will be the most informative, educational and interesting portion of the 2018 Gathering. We are most grateful that Dr. Conroy has agreed to stay the extra day for it! It will also be a fantastic opportunity to educate the public about AMD.

Logistics

- ✓ Any transfer of ownership must be No Later Than 6/30/18.
- ✓ Entries due No Later Than mid-August. Once the Fair schedule is official, I will notify all breeders, who have indicated their interest by email to me, of the exact date.
- ✓ Health certifications required within 30 days of the fair.
- ✓ Youth must be registered with either FFA or 4-H in order to compete as a youth. Go to: <https://ext.vt.edu>
- ✓ Care of animals – if you are not planning to stay at or close by the fair, engaging youth who are either sleeping in the barn or close by to tend to your animals in the evenings is a good option.
- ✓ Lodging options include: a) sleeping in the barn; b) camping on the fairgrounds; or c) selecting one of the many motels in the area.
- ✓ Decorating is strongly encouraged. In fact the Fair makes three Dairy Cattle Herdsman awards (\$100, \$80 & \$40). Getting paid to promote your farm and the breed – not bad!!

Fence Sitters

If you are undecided if you should exhibit or not, let me just touch a few positive highlights.

- A rare opportunity to have your AMD evaluated by a highly regarded, breed-knowledgeable, professional.
- Premiums that will cover your costs, especially when combined with group classes.
- An excellent opportunity to promote your farm to both the public and other breeders.
- A relaxed social setting to meet other breeders and to ask questions.
- Support the collective efforts of breeders and the Association to promote our beloved Milking Devon.
- Each exhibitor will receive a free parking pass and entry tickets to the Fair.

You have never showed cattle before – not to worry, over half of the breeders who have already committed to participating are just like you. **We need and value your support!** Please let me know if you have any questions. Finally, a reminder to breeders – **please email me as soon as you make your decision to exhibit.**

IMPORTANT: The official rules for the 2018 dairy cattle show are now available on the Fair's website. **Entry deadline is August 15, 2018.** All entries are online. Only \$10 per class. Go to: www.statefairva.org participate, competitions, click on livestock .

Read and adhere to: **2018 State Fair Livestock Policies** (contains essential health information)

Read and identify specific classes that you wish to enter: **Open Dairy Cattle Competition**

Once you have submitted your entry, email me at oldgierpenfarm@yahoo.com indicating the number of head you will be exhibiting. This will facilitate planning and enable me to keep you apprised of any updates as we approach the show. **All future communication regarding the Regional Show and Breed Standard Evaluation & Scoring will be 1:1 directly from me (Richard Larson) to you.**

EDITOR'S NOTE: *If you have never shown cattle before, or if you want to brush up on your skills, Hoard's Dairyman has some great resources available on their website that are reasonably priced. Just go to <https://www.hoards.com>*



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 Andrew Van Ord. His contact information is on the last page of this newsletter.

A MEMBER'S PERSPECTIVE- You may be familiar with the old adage, you can lead a horse to water but you can't make it drink. Sometimes we people are like horses, especially when it comes to communication. Case in point - the Board scheduled an all-member conference call for April 30. In addition to the seven Board members and the registrar, there was only one association member on the call. Out of 82 members only one. How disappointing. I understand that members have, over time, expressed ongoing concerns about communication, information sharing, being heard. Regardless if you have concerns or not, a conference call with the entire leadership team is an invaluable opportunity to hear, learn and be heard. Perhaps you thought that the subject for the call (registrations) was un-interesting or that the time was not good. Well then I think we, as intended recipients of the information exchange, have an obligation to articulate our preferences. Before the next (and hopefully not the last) call is scheduled, I urge you to let any Board Member know what subject(s) you would like to have discussed. But most importantly, please make the effort to join in. You may find the exchange both informative and interesting. I know I did!—**Richard Larson**

Ray's Corner- On Fly Control and Minerals
Quotes and Wisdom from Director Ray Clark

Fly control on cattle is important as it affects the rate of gain. Some flies bite on the belly, lay eggs, and the larvae work up through the cow and come out through the back. This doesn't happen as often in Devons as it does in other breeds. You should contact your veterinarian to find out what fly control method(s) they recommend for your area.

Proper salt, water and minerals are important also if you want your cattle to thrive. The mineral salt blocks do not contain enough minerals. It's best to use a mineral feeder and make sure you include in it minerals that are lacking in your area. Your local feed dealer would know what minerals are lacking in your area.

Devons in particular need copper and selenium. Vitamin E should be paired with selenium as it aids in its absorption. Without copper, the cows can just up and die. The old timers used to mix their feed using a copper bar to stir it or feed it with a copper scoop. It's uncertain whether these methods imparted enough copper, but it does demonstrate that they were aware of its importance.

Ray would like to remind the readers that he doesn't recommend; he shares his experiences with the readers.

DEVONS MAKE THE NEWS



Victoria Reck Ames Training Burley May 2018

On May 17th, 2008, A Green World (AGW) announced that it awarded Honey Hill Heritage Devons in Swanzey, NH, its top environmental and animal welfare certification. The herd of registered American Milking Devon triple purpose cattle at Honey Hill is now Certified Animal Welfare Approved. This certification and food label lets consumers know these animals are raised outdoors on pasture or range in accordance with the highest animal welfare standards in the U.S. and Canada, using sustainable agriculture methods on an independent farm.

Victoria Reck Ames of Honey Hill Heritage Devons recognizes the growing consumer interest in how animals are raised on farms. Honey Hill Heritage Devons is certified to raise and sell certified cattle to other AGW farms.

The cattle at Honey Hill are registered American Milking Devons, originally derived from British North Devon cattle brought to North America in the 17th century. American Milking Devons are triple purpose cattle, valued for milk, meat and as oxen (labor). The farm uses rotational grazing practices and sustainable farming techniques, which result in lower environmental impact, improved soil tilth and fertility, and a higher quality product.



Laurel recall- Victoria Reck Ames Training May 2018

AGW Executive Director Andrew Gunther states *“These stewards of the countryside are quite literally building a greener world while producing delicious food, and we’re honored to help consumers find them—and in doing so choose products that match their values.”*



Honey Hill Heritage Devons Farm May 2018

Victoria relates that a few years back she took part in a friend’s capture of a herd of Highlands that were two years gone feral, and the experience made her fanatical about manners. Gee, haw, “come to me” from a distance—the Devons think it’s fun and so does she.

The information and pictures for this article are courtesy of Victoria Reck Ames, Honey Hill Heritage Devons, Swanzey, NH.

DEVONS IN THE NEWS (CONTINUED)

The following news release was produced by the Virginia Farm Bureau Federation and was submitted by Richard Larson

MID-ATLANTIC MILKING SHOW WILL BE PART OF 2018 STATE FAIR

DOSWELL—The **State Fair of Virginia** has been chosen to host the American Milking Devon Mid-Atlantic Regional Show in conjunction with its Dairy Cattle Show Sept. 28-30.

“It’s a big honor to be chosen to have this competition hosted during the State Fair,” said Glenn Martin, director of livestock and equine events. “This shows the growth we’ve had in the program.”

Richard Larson of Old Gjerpen Farm in Culpeper County raises American Milking Devons as part of his farm’s rare breed conservation efforts. Martin said Larson was instrumental in getting the regional event at the State Fair.

“We sell cows and heifers mostly to families looking for a milk cow that is an easy keeper,” Larson explained. “We’ve shown our Devons at the State Fair for the past two years and will again this year.”

Larson said he anticipates a strong turnout of Milking Devon breeders and cattle for the event, which starts at 1 p.m. Sept. 29, and the Devon breed standard scoring of individual animals, which begins at 9 a.m. Sept 30. The breed standard scoring competition will be informative for those interested in learning more about the historic breed, he added.

“This regional gathering of breeders and their cattle at the 2018 State Fair is a unique opportunity to learn more about the breed up-close and personal,” Larson noted.

Milking Devon cattle first arrived in North America in 1623 from Devonshire, England. They are a tri-purpose breed with fewer than 2,000 registered in the U.S. today. While not well known outside of the Northeast, the cattle’s milk is used for making butter and cheese.

The breed performs best in a grass-based environment, routinely producing up to 6,000 pounds of milk per lactation. Their milk also is especially high in omega-3 fats. The Milking Devon breed can produce milk for up to 20 years, Larson explained. “These genetic traits make the Milking Devon an excellent breed for families.”

THE HISTORICAL DEVON

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Editor’s Note: Due to the length of this article it will be presented in several parts over the next several newsletters.

PART 3: DEVONS IN THE DAIRY

Devons were formerly more celebrated as milkers than at present, the improved race being regarded as medium in this respect. The quality of their milk, is however, rich, and superior to that of many of the heavier milking breeds.

PART 3: DEVONS IN THE DAIRY (CONTINUED)

Their milking qualities have in a measure deteriorated through efforts towards improvement in other respects, but that they have been used with profit in the dairy, will be seen by the following records of yield which have been obtained from various authentic sources. Mr. C. S. Wainwright of Rhinebeck, N. Y., made fourteen pounds of butter per week from Helena; F. P. Holcomb of New Castle, Del., nineteen and one-half pounds a week from Lady; Hon. H. Capron, formerly of Robin's Nest, Ill., twenty-one pounds in nine days from Flora 2d.; C. P. Holcomb, New Castle, Del., in twelve weeks, made from one cow 174 pounds of butter, or an average of fourteen pounds nine ounces per week; during one week she made nineteen pounds, and in three days nine and one-half pounds; W. L. Cowles, Farmington, Conn., sixteen and one-half pounds in ten days; J. Buckingham, Duncan's Falls, Ohio, in three months, from four cows, an average of forty-four and one-half pounds per week, besides using the cream and milk in a family of seven persons; L. G. Collins, Newark, Mo., from the dam of Red Jacket, sixteen and three-fourth pounds per week; Mr. Coleman, twenty-one pounds per week for several weeks in succession; Mr. Hurlbut of Connecticut, from Beauty, averaged sixteen pounds per week during the month of June, when she was sixteen years old; E. H. Hyde, Stafford, Conn., from Gem, 215 pounds of butter in ninety-five days, an average of over two and one-fourth pounds per day.

It is generally supposed that the rotundity of form and compactness of frame which contribute so much to the remarkable beauty of the North Devon cow—a peculiarity of form which disposes an animal to take on fat readily-- is incompatible with good milking qualities, and Youatt in this connection expresses the opinion that “for the dairy the North Devon must be acknowledged to be inferior to several other breeds. The milk is good, and yields more than the average proportion of cream and butter; but it is deficient in quantity.” He also maintains that the milking qualities could not be improved without probable or certain detriment to the grazing qualities.

The editor of this work some years since had occasion to examine several animals from the celebrated Patterson herd, which would have been regarded as remarkable milkers, even among good milking stock. They had not, to be sure, the beautiful symmetry of form and fineness of bone which characterize most of the modern and highly improved pure-bred North Devons, and had evidently been bred for many years with special reference to the development of the milking qualities, great care having been used to select both sires and dams from the best milking stock, rather than that of the finest forms. The Devon has been bred principally for beef and labor, rather than for dairy use, and its chief merit lies in this direction.

ASSOCIATION BUSINESS

ANNUAL MEETING – The Annual Meeting of the American Milking Devon Cattle Association was held on **Saturday May 12th, 2018 at 10:00 A.M.** at the Tunbridge Town Hall, in Tunbridge, Vermont. In addition to the regular annual business, there were elections for Directors. Incumbent Directors Bruce Farr, Jeremy Michaud and Dexter Randall were all re-elected for three year terms. Special topics discussed were Regional Groups, a grant AMDCA is working on with the Livestock



Conservancy, the Mid-Atlantic Regional Devon Cattle Show in Virginia, and the status of a Card Grading Video that will be available to the membership in the near future. The Standing Committee Proposal for Regional Groups was adopted with two additions. The





first provision added is that ten percent of the voting members in a Region is required to establish the Regional Group and conduct business. The second provision is that there shall be a review of the Standing Committee Structure at each subsequent Annual Meeting. Minutes of the meeting will eventually be posted to the Association website. If you have any questions please feel free to contact any of the Directors.

GRACE PERIOD ENDS-NEW CATTLE

REGISTRATION POLICIES NOW IN EFFECT: At the 2016 Annual Meeting, the Membership directed the Board

of Directors to develop and implement two new policies regarding registration. The first directive was to develop a policy that created an upper age limit for the registration of cattle, and the second directive was to create a sliding fee scale for registration that increased with the age of the animal being registered. These policies were deemed necessary by the Membership, as many problems and issues arise and increase the longer registration of an animal is delayed. The Membership felt that these two policies would encourage more timely registration of animals, contribute to a more accurate Registry, and reduce some of the problems which the Association has no control over that are currently occurring between buyers and sellers. The Membership also directed the Board to provide a grace period before these new policies took effect, so those who currently own unregistered cattle may have ample time to get them registered. Based on the directives of the Membership, the Board adopted the following policies:

- **Effective midnight December 31, 2017** no animals exceeding five (5) years of age will be registered by the American Milking Devon Cattle Association.
- **Effective midnight December 31, 2017** a new cattle registration fee schedule will be implemented as follows:
 - Cattle less than one year old -\$5
 - Cattle one year old but less than two years old -\$10
 - Cattle two years old but less than three years old-\$25
 - Cattle three years old but less than five years old- \$50
 - The Registrar is to receive \$25 of the \$50 fee for three years and older registrations due to the volume of work involved
 - Cattle five years old or older cannot be registered
- Mistakes in registrations that are corrected by the Registrar will be published in an Appendix of a future edition of The Herd Book.



New Registration Form- Due to the changes in Registration Policy, a new Registration Form has been created and approved by the Board of Directors. A copy of the new form is attached for your convenience. **Old forms will not be accepted and registrations on old forms will be returned.**

Forms are available in regular and fillable format on the AMDCA Website :

<http://www.milkingdevons.org/forms.html>

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. For the months of April, May and June there were 825, 748 and 813 visits to the website respectively. For the same three months there were 584, 538 and 624 visitors per month respectively. Eighty (80) percent of the visitors in April had not viewed the website prior, while eighty-one (81) percent and eighty-three (83) percent of the viewership in May and June, respectively, had not viewed the website before. The statistics indicate that the For Sale page(s) are 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.

EVENTS YOU JUST SHOULDN'T MISS

- **2018 Mid-Atlantic AMD REGIONAL SHOW and FALL GATHERING** , September 27-30, 2018, at Meadows Event Park, Doswell, VA 23047
- **Nationwide AMDCA Conference Call**- Topic to be determined- late August or early September, more information to follow on this, please consider participating

AMERICAN DEVON RECORD

This article was the Preface to Volume 9 of the American Devon Record published in July of 1937—courtesy of Lawrence Gilley.

It seems appropriate to preface this volume by mentioning a few events that have transpired since the publication of Volume 8 that we believe will prove to be milestones in the History of the Development of the Breed in America.

In 1925 a consignment sale was held by the Club at the Eastern States Exposition in which ten animals were contributed as outright gifts from the following breeders: Batchelder Farms, Mont Vernon, N. H., Conn. State College, Storrs, Conn., John E. Gifford, Sutton, Mass. Case & Elling, Concordia, Missouri, Ralph Coffing, Macy, Ind., Dr. John L. Buel, Litchfield, Conn. The proceeds of this sale were used, to pay up all outstanding debts of the Club and provide funds to put it on a good financial footing.

In 1931 the American Devon Cattle Club cooperated with the United States Department of Agriculture in establishing a Devon Herd at the Everglades Experiment Station of the University of Florida at Belle Glade, Fla. This Herd has since been added to from time to time and has already proven a vital factor in establishing Devon Herds throughout Florida and neighboring states.

There have been more importations from England during the last few years than in any similar period since 1890. These cattle have been widely distributed over the country and have already made a tremendous contribution to the advancement of the Breed.

AMERICAN DEVON RECORD (CONTINUED)

Although a complete account of these cattle appears under their registry record we mention here the dates of importations and the names of those enterprising breeders who brought these cattle over:

- 1929, Batchelder Farms, Mont Vernon, N.H.
- 1929, Case & Elling, Concordia, Mo.
- 1929, W. H. Neal & Son, Meredith, N.H.
- 1929, John E. Marble, So. Pasadena, Calif.
- 1929, W. E. Gird, Bonsall, Calif.
- 1929, Mark J. Hammett, Landover, Md.
- 1930, Wayside Inn, So. Sudbury, Mass.--



**DEADLINE FOR SUBMISSION OF ARTICLES FOR OCTOBER NEWSLETTER IS
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FEEDBACK- Your comments, ideas and "constructive" criticism are always welcome. I would like to know what topics interest you that could become feature articles. The best way to reach me is through e-mail patriotsretreatfarm@yahoo.com. If you don't have e-mail call me at (518) 868-9328 or mail me at Thomas H. Slater, 303 Cripplebush Rd., Central Bridge, NY 12035. Thank you in advance for your assistance with this newsletter.

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** _____