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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



MARSTON HOMESTEAD AND EVERY SEASON FARM WIN THE BLUE!

**Marston Homestead Jane (left) Senior Champion and Grand Champion-Open Division
and Every Season Farm Freedom Rose (right) Senior Champion and Grand Champion-
Youth Division**

**Northeast Regional American Milking Devon Cattle Show
Seneca County Fairgrounds, Waterloo, New York
July 20- 23, 2022**

FEATURE ARTICLE: THE NORTHEAST REGIONAL AMERICAN MILKING DEVON CATTLE SHOW EXPERIENCE July 2022

Article prepared by Editor Thomas Slater, Photos courtesy of Thomas and Gina Slater

When you have a farm, it is tough to get away, especially during hay season. But, our daughter, Ashley, happened to be home this July and agreed to farm sit for a few days, so my wife, Gina, and I decided to make a mini vacation out of the Northeast Regional AMD Show in Seneca County. Seneca County, with about 34,000 residents, is located in the beautiful Finger Lakes Region of New York. Wanting to take advantage of some of the attractions of the region, we made reservations at the Yorkshire Inn in Phelps, New York, which was just a short drive to the Seneca County Fairgrounds. After dealing with those last-minute farm things, we were finally ready to go and launched our two-hour drive to Phelps. We arrived at the Inn and



were promptly greeting by the Inn's cat and Boston Terrier. The Inn was historic and the hosts gracious. Not planning on hitting the Fair until the next day, we engaged in the give and take of deciding where to eat and in this case we both won. We decided on an Italian place in Geneva, Cosentino's Ristorante. We knew it was a safe place, because it was located right next door to the Police Station. Gina had the Frutti di Mare and I had my go to Veal Parm, excellent! Dessert? Of course, we're on vacation. We chose to go to Long Pier Ice Cream where they serve wine ice cream—go figure.

On Thursday morning we had a great breakfast at the Inn and headed off to the Fair. When we arrived, we

were a bit confused. We were looking for the Entry Gate so we could pay to get in. We drove the perimeter road around the fair and there were no pay gates, there were just open gates. So, we went in one, parked and began walking, looking for the cattle barn, and of course it was on the other end of the fairgrounds. It was about nine in the morning, and there wasn't much activity yet. As it turned out, there was no entry fee to the Seneca County Fair and the rides and vendors started up in the afternoon. This is the only Fair I have been to where there was no charge to enter, and that was a pleasant surprise (more money for fried dough). We checked in at the cattle





barn and found the three Devon farms that would contribute over 40 Devons to the Fair roster. It was a beautiful sight seeing all that ruby red showing in one place. Ox Hill Devons, PA, was represented by Andrew, Kathy and Lily Van Ord. Marston Homestead, ME, was represented by Mark and Kim Winslow. Every Season Farm, NY was represented by the Freiers: Dale Sr., Dale Jr., Grace, Dale III, Mark, Josiah and Abigail. This day was a preparation day, so the animals were being exercised, washed, horns polished, fed and the stalls were

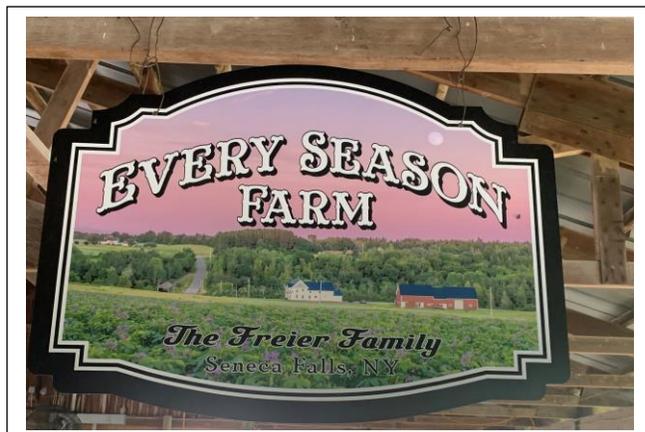
kept squeaky clean. Many of those showing tomorrow are practicing in the show ring. Many exhibits were all set up and the new AMDCA four banner set was on display. These banners give a snapshot of AMDS in four areas: Milk, Draft, Beef and Heritage. These banners are available for future AMD shows around the country. A new Northeast Regional Show Banner was also prominently on display. When you walked into the cattle barn it was clearly evident what breed of cattle was on exhibit.

Everything was well-in-hand in the cattle barn, so Gina and I decided to take a stroll around the other animal barns. It became evident that the Freier Family was well-represented in all areas of the Fair, also showing sheep, chickens and bunnies.



Free time! In wine country! And I'm not much of a wine aficionado, but Gina is... so we compromised on The Ardennes. They have both wine and beer tasting. It was a beautiful place, and the tastings were great. We followed that up with a trip

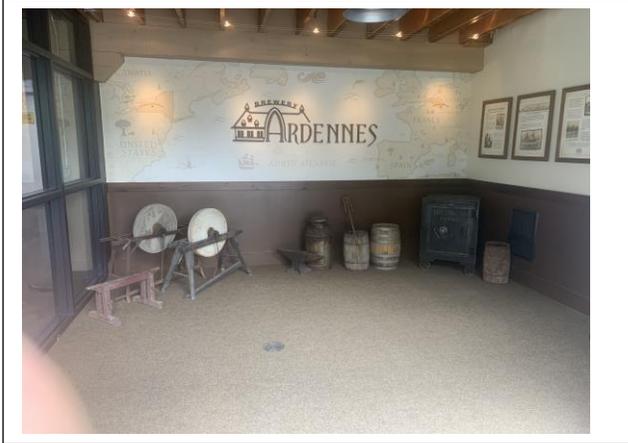
to Belhurst Castle, another beautiful place. It is a former private residence located on the shores of Seneca Lake in Geneva and is listed on the National Register of Historic Places. It has been adapted for hotel and retail uses with three choices of lodging, two ballrooms to host weddings, two restaurants, a spa, and a winery. It has previously been used as a speakeasy during prohibition, a casino, and a supper club. I roamed the beautiful grounds while Gina tasted their wine, which can only be purchased there.











After all that excitement we were tired and needed a rest, so we returned to the Yorkshire Inn for a little relaxation, and the usual discussion about where to have dinner that evening. We were tempted to go back to Cosentino's because that was so good, but we decided to try something different, Warfield's in Clifton Springs. One of the nice things about the Seneca County location is that there are a wide variety of things to do, and they are all relatively close to each other. We arrived in Clifton Springs to a beautiful downtown with a Main Street that was like taking a step back in time. The Warfield Block building was beautiful inside and out and the food was great again—another winner. I had the duck, which I usually do if it's on the menu, and Gina had the Shrimp Tagliatelle. We took dessert to go, a cannoli and an éclair. Back to the Inn to rest up for the big day tomorrow.

After another great breakfast at the Inn, we left for the Fair in great anticipation of the Regional Show that day. We arrived at about 8:45 a.m. to the sight of handlers exercising their calves, and in one case the calf was exercising the handler. You could feel the excitement in the air. The show judge Dr. Drew Conroy was there and getting the lay of the land. The show mechanics were complicated as they were running a youth show alongside the regular show. The show was relaxed, allowing the needed time for entrants to return an animal and bring out another for



the next class. Dr. Conroy spent a lot of time talking with the entrants about their animals, utilizing the time not only as a competition, but as a teaching moment as well. The day was quite warm, but there was a good attendance in the stands. The Show went off without a hitch and by 1:30 p.m. we were all off to the Devon Gathering and Farm Tour at Every Season Farm.



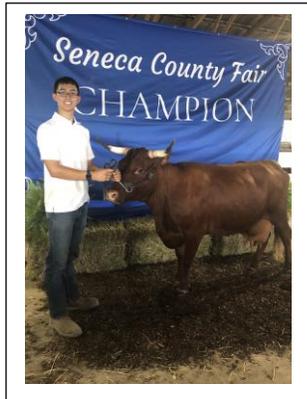
Lily Van Ord



Alaina Gauss



Abigail Freier



Mark Freier

**AMDCA NORTHEAST
REGIONAL CATTLE
SHOW ALLSTARS**

**Look for these individuals in
the show pictures that
follow. Many thanks to
them for making this show
possible.**



Josiah Freier



Jocelen Gauss



Ellie Updike



Daniel Ross



Dale Freier



Sawyer Updike



Ellie Marsallis



Abigail Wheeler

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Steve Burton



Kim and Mark Winslow

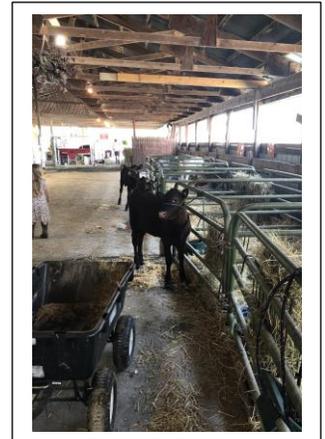
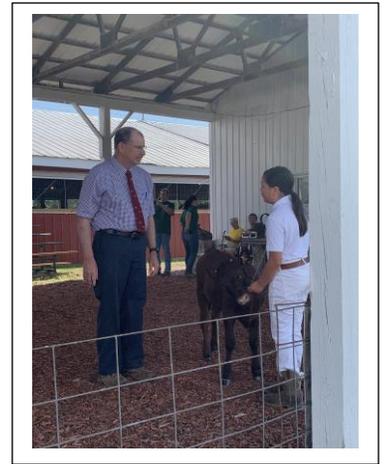


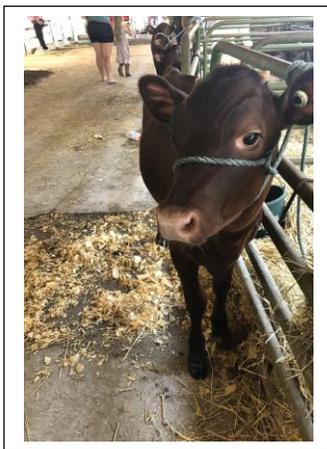
Andrew, Lily, and Kathy Van Ord



Dr. Drew Conroy

















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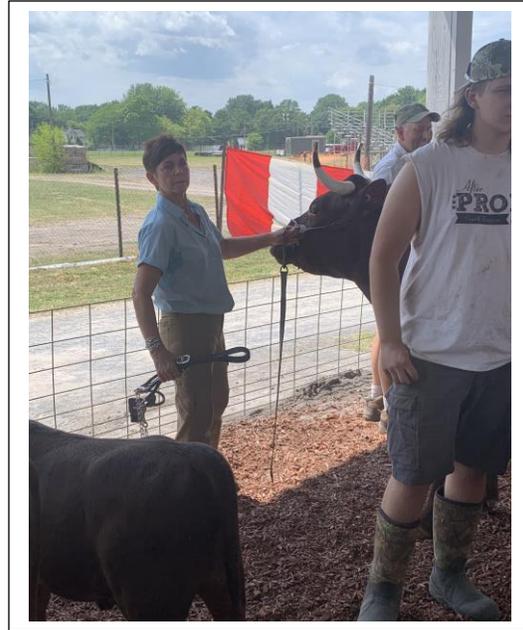
Dr. Conroy is the premier judge of anything Devon and is a world renowned Ox expert. Do all Devons look the same?

Not to Dr. Conroy. He says about the show, **“One of the great things about a show like this one is the variation in the Devon cows. It is a triple purpose breed and variation in the cows gives breeders a chance to see the strengths and weaknesses in other herds and how they might be able to improve their herds. It's difficult to make change if you don't have variation.”** Being in the ring with Dr. Conroy is an educational experience as he willingly shares his knowledge. These picture show Dr. Conroy in action.



SHOWMANSHIP WINNERS

The AMDCA awards Show Leads for Junior and Senior Showmanship as selected by the Show Judge. This year's Junior winner was Mark Freier from Every Season Farm and the Senior winner was Kim Winslow from Marston Homestead.



The Devon Gathering and Farm Tour

On Friday afternoon after the Cattle Show, several Devon families gathered at Every Season Farm and partook of a wonderful luncheon spread courtesy of the Freier Family. It was scorching hot that day, so it was great to enjoy the relief of some air conditioning. After lunch we went around the room and introduced ourselves and shared our Devon stories. We talked about a number of things including buying our first Devons, how hard it was to find Devons for quite a while, oxen, buying cows from Cyril Green, crossing breeds, and sexing semen. When we were finished with our introductions and general discussion, Dale Freier gave a very informative presentation on milk production with Every Season Farm Devons.

Every Season Farm utilizes their milk to produce butter, mozzarella cheese and yogurt for home use, and they utilize skim milk to feed the pigs. New York's Laws are not favorable



for off farm sales of homemade dairy products. While the animals are largely grass-fed, they are not certified as grass-fed. The pastures are organized into paddocks, and they use Gallagher wheels to assist in the rotation process. Dale is interested in the historical aspect of Devons so he buys historical Devon documents when he can find them. One 1908 catalogue from Ohio gave a lot of background information on Devons. Some of the pictures look like cows and a bull that Freiers currently own. Historical information shows a variety of Devon udders. Dale quoted from the 1908 catalogue, *“When bred for milk they equal any as numerous cases are recorded of their producing from 14 to 19 pounds of butter per week. An Ohio breeder of four Devon cows averaged 44 ½ pounds of butter per week besides using milk and cream for a family of seven for six months.”* When asked a Dairy Quiz Bowl question, “how much milk does it take to make a pound of butter,” Josiah came up with the correct answer, that it took 21.2 pounds of Devon milk to make one pound of butter. A 1911 reference indicated that a two-year-old- Devon averaged 37 and a half pounds, a six-year-old averaged 51 pounds, another cow was averaging 39 pounds over a 30-day period and as much as 9,000 pounds in a year. In a 1929 Herd book, the dairy section indicated that some Devons gave 5,000 pounds of milk a year. In the 1920’s in England, in a 300-day lactation period, cows were averaging 10,000 pounds of milk a year, with the standard practice of keeping the calf with the dam for 24 hours.



In the spring of 2020, the Freier’s aligned their breeding so they could comparison milk. They milked a five-year-old Devon, four Devon first calf heifers, some older cows, a Brown Swiss first calf heifer, and a Shorthorn-Devon cross. The five-year-old Devon averaged 31 pounds a day, the Devon first calf heifers averaged 24 pounds a day, the Brown Swiss first calf heifer averaged 34 pounds a day, and the Shorthorn-Devon cross averaged 37 pounds a day. They did some component testing as well and all the Devons together averaged 4.1 percent butterfat, with individual cow’s averages ranging from 3.6 percent to 4.8 percent. On any given test day, the Devons generally ranged from 2.2 to 5 percent butterfat. Occasionally some individual animals ranged from 6.9 to 9 percent butterfat. The entire herd, including the Brown Swiss, averaged four percent butterfat.



They also tested for protein and the Devons averaged three percent. The individual cow's averages ranged from 2.9 to 3.2 percent. On any given day the individual Devons ranged from a low of two percent to a high of 4.3 percent protein. The entire herd averaged 3.1 percent protein. The somatic cell count for the entire herd was 218,000. However, if you took out the numbers for one cow that had clinical mastitis, it would have been 103,000. An interesting finding was that there were a number of the cows ranging below 30 persistently during the whole lactation which is surprisingly low.

In the spring of 2021, the Freier's milked ten cows. Two were first calf heifers, there was one second lactation Brown Swiss, a second lactation Shorthorn-Devon cross, and the remainder older Devons. They milked for five months and in July switched to once-a-day milking. The Devon herd average was 22 pounds a day, ranging from 11 to 29 pounds a day. For the first 90 days the Devons averaged 33 pounds a day, with some peaking in the 40-pound range. The Brown Swiss and the Shorthorn-Devon cross averaged 40 pounds a day. The first calf heifers underperformed the prior year averaging 14 pounds per day. This production was based on all grass, no concentrate.



Some discussion ensued about milking once a day. The Freier's went to once a day in July which obviously affected the production. They had one cow that, on its own, reduced its milk production to 4 pounds after 100 days, effectively drying itself off. Dr. Conroy shared that about ten years ago he visited a 200-cow grass-fed dairy farm in Ireland where they were milking once a day. The husband became ill, so the wife had heard that this could be done, so that's what she did, and it was working out. He further related that the American Dairy Science Association has been discussing once-a-day

milking but only for grass-fed not with high production grain, hay and silage operations. One of the disadvantages of once-a-day milking is the weight load on the udder, causing them to drop earlier in their life.

So, Dale asks, "How much milk does a Devon make?" And he answers, "It Depends." It depends on more than just feed and management style, it depends on the cow. They have had some cows that never made it out of the 20-pound range, and they weren't all first calf heifers. Even though they raise a beautiful calf, they just won't make more than the 20 pounds. In a comical moment Dale related that nearly all the historical dairy data indicated that the butterfat in Devons averaged 4.1 percent, and all the effort the family went through to test the milk the average came up to 4.18 percent. He wondered why he didn't just believe the historical figures in the first place.

In the second year the butterfat herd average was 4.3 percent and the average for the Devons was 4.4 percent. The highest test percent on a Devon was 15 percent. Dale said you can just see it when you pour the milk out of the bucket. The protein was in the three to four percent range and the somatic cell count was generally under 50,000. In the spring of 2022, they milked 11 cows again, nine Devons, a Brown Swiss, and Shorthorn-Devon cross. Two of the Devons were first calf heifers. The results were basically the same as the first two years. The Devon butterfat averaged 4.2 percent, the protein averaged three percent, and the somatic cell count was low. The three years of data and all the hard work indicate that their Devons averaged a little over four percent butterfat and three percent protein. This was achieved on a grass-fed diet, and they had no trouble breeding back their cows.

Dale concluded his presentation with a quote from *The Rural New Yorker*, “The very best of the Devons are probably the best of them all.” Then he added, “But they are not all the very best, and that’s the reason for the Show. We want to work toward developing the very best. The whole point of doing the Show is identifying who are the very best, and who has them, how can we breed to our Standard of Perfection, and thinking about our goals.” Dr. Conroy noted that the scorecard has changed placing more emphasis on the Devon udder. There was a tremendous response from those gathered regarding the presentation. All of the effort by Every Season Farm to collect and share this information is greatly appreciated.



After the presentation we braved the sweltering heat and toured the barns, pastures, and milk house. While touring the cow barn, some discussion ensued regarding the stanchions for Devons. Based on that brief discussion, it seems as though that might be a good topic for further discussion.

**Every Season Farm Bull
Red Thunder**



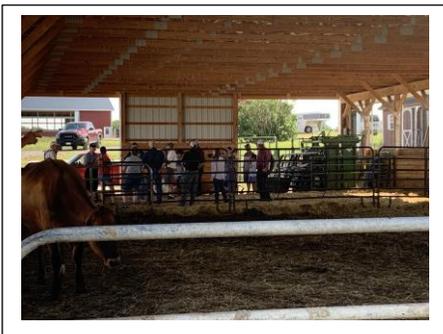


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FARM TOUR**





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Seneca County Fair- After the farm tour Gina and I returned to the fair to take in the other things the fair had to offer. It is a small fair with one main thoroughfare with rides and exhibits on both sides. There was a country western duo, a tractor building, a 4-H building, rides, and the required fair food. The Devons and the Freier family were represented in other exhibits at the fair. In 2023 the Seneca County Fair will be held July 19th through July 22nd.



The Beef Show and Ox Competition- The Fair culminated with a beef show and an Ox Competition. True to its triple purpose, Devons participated in the beef show and won some prizes. Dale Freier entered a team of Linebacks in the Ox Competition and the remaining entries were Devons, The competitors were Mark Winslow and Josiah Freier with steer teams and Lily Van Ord with a single cow. Mark Winslow won the competition. Lily Van Ord walked her single through the course flawlessly. The crowd enjoyed the competition as the handlers backed up, hooked up, went between and around obstacles, and returned the tire to the starting point.



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OX COMPETITION





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NORTHEAST REGIONAL AMERICAN MILKING DEVON CATTLE SHOW

FINAL STANDINGS

Youth Senior Showmanship

1. Mark Freier
2. Abigail Wheeler
3. Dale Freier III

Youth Junior Showmanship:

1. Josiah Freier
2. Ellie Updike
3. Lily Van Ord
4. Abigail Freier
5. Alaina Gauss
6. Jocelen Gauss

Grand Champion Showman

Mark Freier

Reserve Grand Champion Showman

Josiah Freier

Bull Calf born between 9/1/21 and 5/1/21

Open:

1. Mark and Kim Winslow Chandler Ridge Farm Charley
2. Dale Freier Every Season Farm Ferdinand
3. Mark Freier Every Season Farm Sir Duncan

Youth:

1. Mark Freier Every Season Farm Sir Duncan

Grand Champion Bull

Mark and Kim Winslow Chandler Ridge Farm Charley

Reserve Grand Champion Bull

Dale Freier Jr Every Season Farm Ferdinand

Grand Champion Bull Youth

Mark Freier Every Season Farm Sir Duncan

Spring Heifer Calf Born after March 1, 2022

Open:

1. Jocelen Gauss Every Season Farm Pumpkin
2. Lily Van Ord Ox Hill Willow
3. Abigail Freier Every Season Farm Halfmoon
4. Josiah Freier Every Season Farm Red Doll
5. Alaina Gauss Every Season Farm Harmony
6. Josiah Freier Every Season Farm Red Diamond

Spring Heifer Calf Born after March 1, 2022

Youth:

1. Jocelen Gauss Every Season Farm Pumpkin
2. Lily Van Ord Ox Hill Willow
3. Abigail Freier Every Season Farm Halfmoon
4. Josiah Freier Every Season Farm Red Doll
5. Alaina Gauss Every Season Farm Harmony
6. Josiah Freier Every Season Farm Red Diamond

Summer Yearling Heifer born after May 31, 2021 and before September 1, 2021

Open:

1. Abigail Wheeler Every Season Farm Rose Marie

Youth:

1. Abigail Wheeler Every Season Farm Rose Marie

Spring Yearling Heifer born after February 28, 2021 and before June 1, 2021

Open:

1. Mark and Kim Winslow Marston Homestead Chanel
2. Mark and Kim Winslow Marston Homestead Gwen
3. Josiah Freier Every Season Farm Red Duchess
4. Mark Freier Every Season Farm Sierra

Youth:

1. Josiah Freier Every Season Farm Red Duchess
2. Mark Freier Every Season Sierra

Junior Champion Spring Heifer Calf

Open:

1. Mark and Kim Winslow Marston Homestead Chanel

Youth:

1. Jocelen Gauss Every Season Farm Pumpkin

Reserve Junior Champion Spring Heifer Calf

Open:

1. Jocelen Gauss Every Season Farm Pumpkin

Youth:

1. Lily Van Ord Ox Hill Willow

Junior Best 3 Females

Open:

1. Josiah Freier Every Season Farm Every Season Farm Red Doll, Every Season Farm Red Duchess, Every Season Farm Red Diamond

Youth:

1. Josiah Freier Every Season Farm Every Season Farm Red Doll, Every Season Farm Red Duchess, Every Season Farm Red Diamond

Junior 2-Year-Old Cow

Open:

1. Mark Freier Every Season Farm Dawn
2. Josiah Freier Every Season Farm Red Darling

Youth:

1. Mark Freier Every Season Farm Dawn
2. Josiah Freier Every Season Farm Red Darling

Senior 2-Year-Old Cow

Open:

1. Mark and Kim Winslow Marston Homestead Gigi
2. Mark and Kim Winslow Marston Homestead Kenzie

Junior 3-Year-Old Cow

Open:

1. Dale Freier Jr Diller Farms Hannah
2. Dale Freier III Every Season Farm Freedom Rose
3. Lily Van Ord Ox Hill Anne's Glory

Youth:

1. Dale Freier III Every Season Farm Freedom Rose

Senior 3-Year-Old Cow

Open:

1. Mark and Kim Winslow Marston Homestead Claire

4-Year-Old Cow

Open:

1. Josiah Freier Every Season Farm Dinah

Youth:

1. Josiah Freier Every Season Farm Dinah

5-Year-Old Cow

Open:

1. Mark and Kim Winslow Marston Homestead Jane
2. Josiah Freier Every Season Farm Rose Petal
3. Mark Freier Every Season Farm Eve

Youth:

1. Josiah Freier Every Season Farm Rose Petal
2. Mark Freier Every Season Farm Eve

Aged Cow

Open:

1. Dale Freier Jr Diller Farms Hannah
2. Dale Freier III Diller Farms Velvet Rose

Youth:

1. Dale Freier III Diller Farms Velvet Rose

Dry Cow 3 and over

Open:

1. Dale Freier III Every Season Farm Rebekah
2. Dale Freier III Diller Farms Grace

Youth:

1. Dale Freier III Every Season Farm Rebekah
2. Dale Freier III Diller Farms Grace

Senior Champion Female

Open:

1. Mark and Kim Winslow Marston Homestead Jane

Youth:

1. Dale Freier III Every Season Farm Freedom Rose

Reserve Senior Champion Female**Open:**

1. Dale Freier Jr Diller Farms Hannah

Youth:

1. Mark Freier Every Season Farm Eve

Grand Champion Female**Open:**

1. Mark and Kim Winslow Marston Homestead Jane

Youth:

1. Dale Freier III Every Season Farm Freedom Rose

Reserve Grand Champion Female**Open:**

1. Aged Cow Dale Freier Jr Diller Farms Hannah

Youth:

1. Spring Heifer Calf Jocelen Gauss Every Season Farm Pumpkin

Best 3 Females**Open:**

1. Mark and Kim Winslow Marston Homestead Gigi, Marston Homestead Clair, Marston Homestead Kenzie
2. Mark Freier Every Season Farm Eve, Every Season Farm Dawn, Every Season Farm Sierra
3. Josiah Freier Every Season Farm Dinah, Every Season Farm Red Duchess, Every Season Farm Red Diamond
4. Lily Van Ord Ox Hill Anne's Glory, Ox Hill Anne's Glory III, Ox Hill Willow

Youth:

1. Mark Freier Every Season Farm Eve, Every Season Farm Dawn, Every Season Farm Sierra
2. Josiah Freier Every Season Farm Dinah, Every Season Farm Red Duchess, Every Season Farm Red Diamond
3. Lily Van Ord Ox Hill Anne's Glory, Ox Hill Anne's Glory III, Ox Hill Willow

Produce of Dam

Open:

1. Dale Freier III Every Season Farm Freedom Rose, Every Season Farm Rose Petal
2. Lily Van Ord Ox Hill Anne's Glory, Ox Hill Anne's Glory III
3. Mark Freier Every Season Farm Eve, Every Season Farm Sierra
4. Josiah Freier Every Season Farm Red Darling, Every Season Farm Red Duchess

Youth:

1. Dale Freier III Every Season Farm Freedom Rose, Every Season Farm Rose Petal
2. Lily Van Ord Ox Hill Anne's Glory, Ox Hill Anne's Glory III
3. Mark Freier Every Season Farm Eve, Every Season Farm Sierra
4. Josiah Freier Every Season Farm Red Darling, Every Season Farm Red Duchess

Dam and Daughter

Open:

1. Mark and Kim Winslow Marston Homestead Claire, Marston Homestead Chanel
2. Mark Freier Every Season Farm Eve, Every Season Farm Dawn
3. Lily Van Ord Ox Hill Ox Hill Anne's Glory, Ox Hill Willow
4. Josiah Freier Every Season Farm Dinah, Every Season Farm Red Diamond

Youth:

1. Mark Freier Every Season Farm Eve, Every Season Farm Dawn
2. Lily Van Ord Ox Hill Anne's Glory, Ox Hill Willow
3. Josiah Freier Every Season Farm Dinah, Every Season Farm Red Diamond

Exhibitors Herd

Open:

1. Mark and Kim Winslow Marston Homestead
2. Dale Freier III Every Season Farm
3. Josiah Freier Every Season Farm

Youth:

1. Dale Freier III Every Season Farm
2. Josiah Freier Every Season Farm

Boots on the Ground

Cattle shows take an immense amount of planning and organization to be successful. Richard Larson has been the "Boots on the Ground" at the Mid-Atlantic AMD Regional Show and his tireless efforts over the last several years has made that show a success. Likewise, the entire Freier family has put forth a tremendous amount of effort to make the first Northeast Regional AMD Show a rousing success. The Association would like to thank all of these individuals and the respective Fair Boards for all their efforts on behalf of the beautiful AMDs.

AMERICAN MILKING DEVON CATTLE RETURN TO THE GREAT NEW YORK STATE FAIR

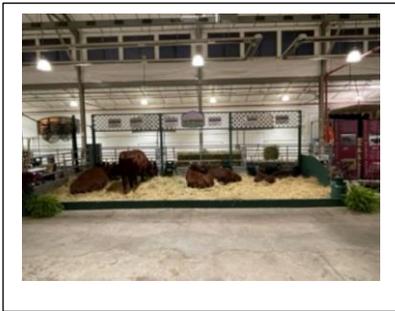
Article and pictures courtesy of Dale Freier Jr.

For six days at the end of August, American Milking Devon Cattle returned to the Great New York State Fair for the first time in over 100 years. The Fair is held just outside the city of Syracuse, NY at the end of summer. It is a very popular annual Upstate NY event hosting on average one million people during its 13 days.



Abigail washing Rose Petal at the NYS Fair

The fairgrounds contain the Daniel Parrish Witter Agricultural Museum which was built in the 1920s by the NY State Agricultural Society to preserve and showcase



2022 NYS Fair Freier's Every Season Farm

NY State's agricultural history. It is a wonderful museum filled with an excellent collection including a full original log cabin. Our family had noted on past visits that several of the exhibits in the museum contained depictions of Devon cattle in the early agricultural eras of the state. We were curious if the museum directors were aware of the significance of the cattle represented. We knew from past records of the NY State Fair that Devon cattle had long been an important part of the cattle shows since the early 1840's but had dwindled down quickly after the early 1900's.

Our family reached out to the Agricultural Museum early in 2022 to discuss the possibility of the Museum sponsoring the return of our heritage breed cattle to the Fairgrounds as there were no dairy classes that pertained to heritage breeds. Entering the Fair as an educational exhibit we hoped would be a successful way of getting the animals back on the Fairgrounds.



Abigail and Josiah at Ambassador Table



Josiah and Working Steer Team NYS Fair

The Museum was very receptive to the idea and fortunately one of the Museum Board Members had been at the Virginia State Fair in the past and had seen our cattle display set up and spoke positively about it. Through the help of museum superintendent Nancy Webber and Secretary Bob Welcher a plan was made with the dairy superintendent to house the cattle as a historical agricultural exhibit in the Dairy Cattle Barn during the first half of the Fair. Our exhibit included two milk cows, two working steers and two heifer calves. Being in the dairy barn allowed us access to the milking facilities which was very important. The dairy cattle barn is a spacious

100-year-old brick structure with an indoor show ring, attached wash racks and milking parlor. We set up our display signs that focus on the heritage of the Devon's as well as each of their triple purpose characteristics. Our children Josiah and Abigail set up their AMDCA Ambassador table at one end of our exhibit including a spinning wheel game to engage fairgoers in historic fun facts about Devons.



Abigail with Halfmoon at the NYS Fair

Our exhibit area was near a main doorway into the dairy barn which was itself nearly directly across from a popular entrance into the Fairground. This created a situation where our exhibit was



Freier AMD Exhibit NYS Fair

one of the first areas viewed by many as they entered the fairgrounds. The foot traffic at our site was tremendous. We estimate the number of people passing by our exhibit during some of the busiest times was almost 2,000 people an hour. At times we had a line ten people long waiting to interact with Josiah and Abigail at their ambassador table. We hoped to have an opportunity to educate fairgoers about the history and uniqueness of AMDs and we were not disappointed! As has been our experience everywhere we have shown our AMD's, people were drawn in by a sight they were not expecting to see, deep ruby red cattle with long bright

white horns with black tips. We discussed the history of Devons including their long and important role in American history and their critical status today. Many people were truly interested in the Devons and amazed at their 400-year history in America. We answered many great questions and handed out every brochure we brought. In addition, Josiah took his yearling team of working steers across the fair grounds to the agricultural museum twice a day to put on a demonstration of working cattle which was very well received. We are not exactly sure when the last team of working cattle were on the fairgrounds but suspect it is also well



Josiah at AMDCA Ambassador Table with crowd at NYS Fair

over 100 years ago.



Josiah Milking Hannah at 2022 NYS Fair

Our family has been taking our AMD cattle to shows for seven years. Our reception and situation at the NY State Fair was remarkable. It is likely we had a larger impact introducing fairgoers to AMDs at the NY State Fair over our six days this summer than in all the other seven years combined. Overall, being at the Fair was a great experience and although we went home quite tired, we made many new friends and had the opportunity to introduce thousands of people to our beloved American Milking Devons.

AMDCA AMBASSADOR PROGRAM

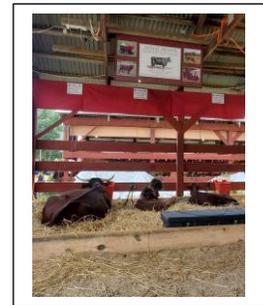
The AMDCA Board of Directors has established an Ambassador Program for youth. Its purpose is to involve youth with Devons in a way that increases their own knowledge of Devons and that builds their presentation and interpersonal skills, while at the same time informing the public about American Milking Devons. For a modest stipend, youth present on AMDs at public forums and provide the Association with pictures and a narrative of their experience. The future of Devons will depend on many of these youth. The Board is proud of these young men and women as they step out of their comfort zones. If you would like more information on this program, please contact AMDCA Secretary Bruce Farr at secretaryamdca@gmail.com.

Lily Van Ord- Lily's Ambassador Report

I learned from talking to people about my Devons that lots of people don't understand our type of cattle. When talking to people I learned that people are attracted to their color and horns, people always ask questions about that mostly. I also got more used to talking about this topic by going to events and communicating. I struggled talking to people and telling them about Devons or just communicating in general helped me.



I often get surprised by people's reactions. People seem very surprised or interested when I tell them facts about our cattle. They seem shocked when I tell them about Devon history. That makes me happy that people are interested in Devons.



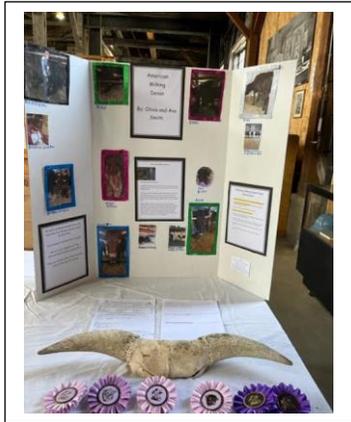
Olivia and Ava Smith-Our Experience with American Milking Devons

We started with Devons, when Ray Clark asked us if we wanted to show cows. We had shown Jerseys and Holsteins before but did not have experience with this breed. We spoke with Ray about them and the history of the breed and learned a lot. We used his cows and showed two of them at the Caledonia County Fair in 2021. Then we started doing chores for Ray and taking care of his herd of Devons. Once we started warming up to the cows, they warmed up to us and we got to know their true personalities.

We used the winter to research and learn more about the Devons and how they came to be a rare breed here in America. We did projects with research and articles for school. We also used the Devons as our focus for 4-H doing a tabletop exhibit about them at state day. Our exhibit included a poster with research and photos, as well as a pair of horns and our ribbons.



We bought two of Ray's Devon's over the winter, Ruby and Fern. Ruby is two and Fern is a yearling. In the spring we helped deliver some of the Devons, Ray had five babies this spring: four heifer's and one bull calf! The mom's and babies all did great and are healthy and happy.



In August we took four Devon's to the Caledonia County Fair: Ruby, Fern, Iris, and Bubbles. We decorated the stalls in fall decor and did a poster about the Breed that we displayed with the set of horns. We also used our time there to hand out pamphlets and stickers about the Breed. The Fair had a record attendance that week and we feel like we really helped to spread the word about this amazing Breed. Another barn brought one Devon and we got great photos of all five Devon's at the Fair. Ray was able to come to the Fair and socialize and see how beautiful the cows all looked.

Josiah and Abigail Freier- The Freier Story

This American Milking Devon ambassador year was busy but very exciting. My sister Abigail and I made plans for an ambassador project during the Seneca County Fair in July where the Northeast Regional American Milking Devon Cattle Show was held. This was just the first of many places we went to teach people (in a fun way) about the rare heritage breed we love.

Our display was a table with oxen books and AMD brochures with a large spinning game wheel and a basket of candy. We also had four nice tall signs with one for the history of the Devons and one for each of their triple purposes. We asked fairgoers if they would like to spin the wheel and then answer a question about the AMD Breed. The question was decided by the section the person chose by



spinning the wheel. These included milking, beef, oxen, and more. The questions were very easy to answer (ex. “Can a milking cow have horns?”) but we were extremely surprised at how many people did not get that question right! In fact, days went by before one person we talked to already knew that both bulls and cows had horns. We always made sure that anyone who tried to answer a question got a piece of candy (we went through a lot!) and we told the correct answers to the people if they didn’t answer correctly.



During the New York State Fair in August, I brought my yearling Devon working steer team for demonstrations through the Witter Agricultural Museum located on the fairgrounds. We also brought two Devon heifer calves and two milk cows. Over six days Abigail and I and my family explained to hundreds of people a day the importance of heritage breeds, and many were shocked and surprised to learn that this Breed, which started out as one of the most prominent breeds in the early stages of American history, is now considered “critical” by the Livestock Conservancy. We had so many people interested in our exhibit that we had to put the spinning wheel away because we could not handle so many questions.



Rose Hill Mansion is an 1830’s Greek Revival historic mansion that held a Community Day in early August and we were invited to bring our cattle and set up a display table. We set up our game wheel and signs. Once again, people were really interested in seeing Devons up close and learning about their history. We also extended our ambassador plans to the Interlaken Historical Society Plow Day and Country Fair event in September in the south end of Seneca County. This is a historical open house put together by the Interlaken Historical Society showing the progression of plowing and agriculture over the centuries. My team was too young to pull a plow this year but, in the future, they will be strong enough. We talked and explained to people about the American Milking Devon Breed at the Seneca County Fair, Rose Hill Mansion, Interlaken Plow Days, and the New York State Fair. My Devon working steer team was also there at these four places to help give a unique visual of the Breed that people could interact with. It was a busy time but a lot of fun too. Thank you for the support of the AMDCA Ambassador Program.



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AMERICAN MILKING DEVON CATTLE ASSOCIATION T-SHIRTS AND
SWEATSHIRTS NOW AVAILABLE***



PRICES (Plus Shipping and Handling)

	<u>T-Shirts</u>	<u>Sweatshirts</u>
Youth Sizes S-L**	\$8	\$18
Adult Sizes S-XL	\$11	\$20
Adult Size 2XL	\$14	\$23
Adult Size 3XL	\$15	\$24
Adult Size 4XL	\$16	NA**

All shirts and sweatshirts are gray with maroon lettering and logo

Shipping and Handling Charges: Shipping and handling will be at actual cost. To order, call or email Thomas Slater (518-868-9328 or patriotsretreatfarm@yahoo.com) to determine the shipping and handling charge for your location. You will be asked to make out a check to Thomas Slater for the total amount and send to 303 Cripplebush Road, Central Bridge, NY 12035. Once the check is received your order will be shipped.

***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.**

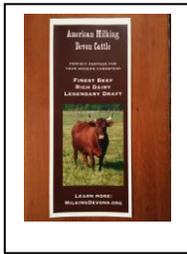
****Due to supply chain issues Adult Size 4XL Sweatshirts are unavailable. We hope to order this size when it becomes available.**

ASSOCIATION BUSINESS

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)



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.

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>

2023 MEMBERSHIP DUES ARE NOW DUE

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. Statistics indicate that the For Sale page(s) continue to be among the most frequently viewed on the site. 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.

Call For Nominations

Nominations are now being accepted for two Director positions (member of the Board of Directors) for the term May 2023 through May 2026. Voting will be by mail, and ballots will be counted and results announced at the Annual Meeting in May.

As an all-volunteer organization, AMDCA depends on its Directors to both manage the organization and do much of the actual work. The Board meets monthly by telephone. In addition, the Association hosts one or more Regional Gatherings each year, which the Directors are urged to attend. Directors must be voting members, i.e., must own registered American Milking Devon Cattle. The terms of two Directors, Ray Clark and Andrew Van Ord, expire this year.

If you wish to put a name in nomination, please submit the following information not later than **Friday, February 24th, 2023**, to Bruce Farr, AMDCA Secretary, 51 Catamount Road, Northwood, New Hampshire, 03261; or e-mail secretaryamdca@gmail.com

1. The nominee's full name and contact information,
2. A statement of the nominee's background, qualifications and his/her philosophy and goals for AMDCA. Please limit this information to ½ page.
3. A statement *signed by the nominee* that he/she is a voting member and agrees to serve if elected.
4. The nominee's record of attendance at Annual Meetings and regional meetings over the past three years.

All nominations will be acknowledged, and the Nominating Committee will ensure that all complete nominations received by the above deadline are placed on the Ballot.

THE AMERICAN MILKING DEVON CATTLE ASSOCIATION 2023 ANNUAL MEETING IS SCHEDULED FOR SATURDAY MAY 13th at 10:00 a.m. AT THE TOWN HALL IN TUNBRIDGE, VERMONT.

RAY'S CORNER ON WINTERING DEVONS

Quotes and advice from Director Ray Clark

Lice is a common problem in the winter for cattle. They suck the blood of the cow and weaken them. There are various treatments available for this. Devons require copper, selenium and vitamin E to remain healthy. Lack of selenium leads to white muscle disease which is often fatal. In calves it is evidenced by their standing on their toes. Some Devons can have a fatal allergic reaction to penicillin—it will stop their heart. If you use penicillin it's good to have some epinephrine on hand as an antidote in case a reaction occurs. An alternative to penicillin is Tylon 50. It is a broad-spectrum antibiotic that is used to treat pneumonia, shipping fever, mastitis, hoof rot and winter scours.

Old barns often contain pathogens from every animal disease imaginable. If you are raising calves in an old barn, it may be helpful to take some precautions. Dipping or spraying the navel of a newborn calf with iodine can prevent fatal infections. If scours is a problem with your newborns, a product called Lira Gold can be helpful. Given to calves when they are born can eliminate the scour issue and helps calves maintain their vigor.

Finally, a word on Cattle Registration and pedigree. Registration is a method we utilize to ensure that Milking Devons remain Milking Devons, and not some hybrid variation. This is obviously important, but what is even more important is the pedigree. It's the pedigree that tells us what lines the cattle come from and it's the pedigree that should guide our breeding programs. Just breeding two registered animals doesn't necessarily produce great offspring. It takes a degree of knowledge of the various pedigrees and some careful thought to breed the animal you want.

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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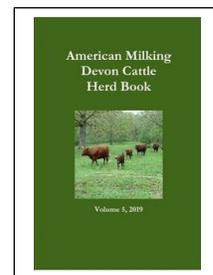
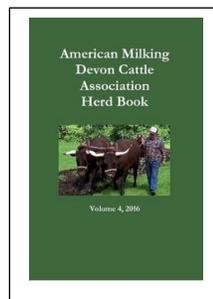
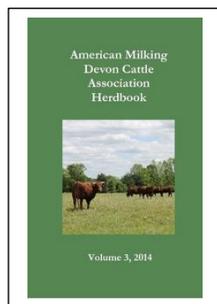
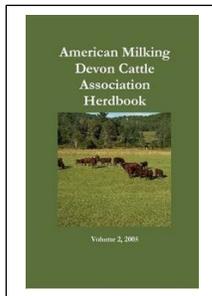
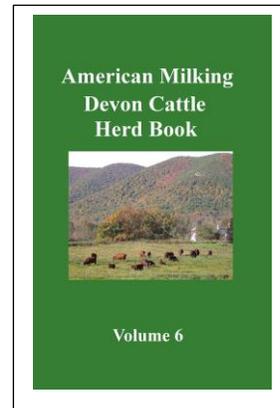
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DEADLINE FOR SUBMISSION OF ARTICLES FOR THE NEXT NEWSLETTER IS April 15th, 2023.

Please submit articles in Microsoft Word format and pictures in JPEG format

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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.

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

2023

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 Bull
Adopted at the AMDCA Annual Meeting May 2022

HEAD Masculine, Forehead broad, tapering toward the Nose, which should be flesh-colored; Nostrils high and open, Muzzle broad, Eyes full and placid, Ears medium size and thickness, fringed with hair; Horns growing at right angles from the head or slightly elevated, stout and waxy at the base, tipped with a darker shade	8
CHEEK Full, broad at the root of the tongue, Throat clean	2
NECK Of medium length and muscular, growing from the Head to the shoulders, and spreading out to meet them.	8
WITHERS Of medium length and muscular, growing from the Head to the shoulders, and spreading out to meet them.	6
CHEST Deep, broad, and somewhat circular in character	5
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, full and level	10
HIND-QUARTERS Deep, thick and square	10
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
ARMS AND THIGHS Muscular	5
SKIN Moderately thick and mellow, covered with an abundant coat of rich mossy hair of a red color; a little white in front of the Purse 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	3
BARREL Long and adequate depth and width from the withers to the brisket proceeding to the hips and down to the flank	6
FEET AND LEGS Straight and squarely placed from behind not to cross or sweep when walking with adequate width. Movement should be smooth and consistent, the stride long and fluid. Steep angle to the feet with a deep heel, with short and strong flex to the pastern. Thurls positioned centrally between the hip and pin bones. Some flex to the hock but not excessive when viewed from the side and no swelling of the hock.	12
PERFECTION	100

Standard of Excellence
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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.	6
NECK of medium length, growing from the Head to the shoulders, and spreading out to meet them.	2
WITHERS fine, Shoulders flat, sloping and well covered.	5
CHEST Deep with a wide floor showing body capacity for vital organs with well sprung fore ribs when viewed from the front and side.	5
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
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HIND-QUARTERS deep, thick and square.	10
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.	2
UDDER Not fleshy coming well forward in line with the Belly and well up behind. Moderate depth relative to the hock and consideration for age, good clearance. Firmly attached both front and rear udder and uniform in size and shape. Clearly defined halving of the udder with teats centrally placed. Teats of medium length and diameter and cylindrical. The udder floor and quarters are evenly balanced when viewed from the side and the rear, the udder is soft and pliable with no deformities.	25
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.	3
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