

Halton-Peel Guernsey Breeders Hear Reports at Annual Meeting

On Friday, January 19, the Halton and Peel Guernsey Breeders held their annual meeting in the Esqueping township hall at Stouartown. President of the club, Gordon King, acted as chairman of the meeting.

A noon banquet with Mr. Wm. Davis of Brampton as guest speaker, started the program. In his remarks, Mr. Davis, an assisting Crown Attorney for Peel County, outlined the role of the magistrate's court. He also compared the system used in Canada with the system used in the United States.

In the president's and secretary's reports, an outline of the various activities of the club indicated that the past year was a successful one not only for the club but for the breed.



SPRING FARM POND PIERE, jointly owned by Wilfred Leslie, Georgetown, and J. M. Fraser, Streetsville, Ont., has been selected as the Reserve All-Canadian two-year-old Holstein Bull for 1957. He was grand champion at the CNF and Peel County Black and White Day held in connection with Brampton Fair.

Mr. Earl Shultz, secretary-fieldman for the Ontario Guernsey Association, outlined the promotional work carried out to present the value of Guernsey milk to the consuming public. Results of the recent campaign has assisted in increasing the demand for Guernsey.

Mr. Bruce Hodgins, secretary of the Canadian Guernsey Association, brought greetings from the Canadian Guernsey Association. In his remarks, Mr. Hodgins reported on the exceptional demand at the present time for Guernsey cattle. In conclusion, Mr. Hodgins presented production certificates to several of the breeders.

Associate Agricultural Representative J. Allen Francis presented details of the Federal Plan for Brucellosis Control Areas, and the progress of the plan in Canada. The effect of the plan on Halton and Peel cattle raisers, also was given. The meeting passed a motion to give support in the proposed canvass to have Halton designated a Brucellosis Control Area.

Halton Holstein Breeders Group Elect W. R. Royle President

Halton Holstein Breeders numbering approximately 100 were out to their annual meeting at the Palermo Community Hall on Tuesday, January 14. G. Leslie Peer, and John W. Pickett, president and secretary respectively of the Club for 1957, were in charge of the excellent program.

The report of Martin Heslop, club salesman, revealed that he had made sales for Halton breeders totalling \$41,220 in 1957. One item on the agenda which brought forth a good deal of discussion was a motion introduced at the 1957 annual meeting of the parent organization which if approved at the 1958 annual, would bar the registration of any Holstein bull having one or more black spots touching the hoof after January 1, 1960.

D. S. Dunton and E. R. Segsworth, both members of the National executive, informed the meeting that an amendment would be introduced recommending that instead of debarring bulls with such black spots, that an "asterisk" be added to their name on their pedigree which would be indicative of the black spot factor.

The Halton meeting went on record as opposed to the original motion and in a second motion also vetoed the asterisk idea and suggested that instead the matter be given further study and in the meantime, that the Association publish annually the number of animals, both male and female, offered for registration which had the so-called objectionable black spots.

Following the excellent dinner catered by the ladies of the Halton Holstein Club, the members were privileged to hear Dr. Harold Worton, Provincial Veterinarian, discuss the proposed Brucellosis Control Area Plan.

The meeting unanimously recommended that steps be taken at the earliest moment to place the matter before all Halton cattle owners. A panel discussion on the "Future of the Dairy Industry" was the final item on the agenda. The panel members, D. S. Dunton, J. M. Peer, Prof. G. E. Rathby, E. R. Segsworth and Dr. H. J. Worton, delighted the audience with their sound practical discussion on the various topics introduced under the chairmanship of J. E. Whiteleak.

All in all, it was a top meeting and many veteran breeders stated at the conclusion of the meeting, "This was one of the best meetings we ever had." The officers elected for the coming year are as follows: President, Walter Royle; first vice-president, W. R. Toxell; second vice-president, J. H. Taylor; secretary-treasurer, John W. Pickett.

Directors: Esqueping Chas. Austin, Ward Brownridge, J. W. Carney, T. H. McGee and Ford Wickson; Trafalgar: Ralph Ford, Hugh Beary and J. C. Marshall; Nelson: Fred Bell, Brock Harris, A. M. Sherwood, J. Leslie Peer and E. R. Segsworth; Nassagaweya: John Popp.

Halton Jersey Club Hold Annual Meeting

That Jersey cattle and Jersey milk are in strong demand was proven in a convincing manner by several speakers at the annual meeting of the Halton Jersey Club held at Riewarctown on Thursday of last week.

The dinner meeting, attended by some 80 Jersey enthusiasts, was ably presided over by Wm. Featherstone, president of the club. The meeting was honored by the presence of Maurice C. Bealy, president of the Canadian Jersey Cattle Club, who brought greetings from the parent organization and at the same time extended an invitation to attend the annual meetings of the Ontario and Canadian organizations which are being held at Cornwall on February 11 and 12.

James Bremner, secretary of the Canadian Jersey Cattle Club, was also in attendance and reported that Ontario is now doing 60 per cent of the Jersey business in Canada. When presenting Maurice C. Bealy with the Premier Exhibitor and Premier Breeder awards won at the Halton Parish Show, Mr. Bremner congratulated Mr. Bealy on having won the same awards at the 1957 Royal where he had, he added, the greatest Jersey show ever held in Canada.

Dudley Oliver, business manager of the Ontario Jersey Club, gave a most enthusiastic address on the new program in merchandising Jersey milk. Reference was made to a small dairy on the outskirts of Toronto which, when the program started two years ago, was handling seven cans of Jersey milk today. Mr. Oliver stated that same dairy is handling 120 cans daily of Jersey milk. A total of 82 dairies in Ontario, he added, are handling approximately 3,000 cans of Jersey milk per day.

The A-J program, as also pointed out by Messrs. Bealy and Bremner, has resulted in an increasing demand for Jersey cattle and at considerably higher prices than a year ago.

This meeting also went on record as endorsing the proposal that Halton immediately take steps to inform all cattle owners of the Brucellosis Control Area Plan with a view to Halton achieving that status at the earliest possible date.

Another pleasing feature of the program was an illustrated address on British Columbia by Edwin Harrop of Milton R. R. 5, who was one of the party of 108 on the tour.

Halton Speaker Among Finalists

It was our privilege to attend the evening session of the Ontario Junior Farmers' Conference in the King Edward Hotel, Toronto, on January 11.

The five finalists in the Provincial Public Speaking Competition who had been selected from 29 contestants earlier in the day, were Katherine Merry of Halton, Margaret McLeod of Oxford, Vernon Ginzburg of Waterloo, Sandra Doug of Huron and Bill Boulton of Leeds County.

The contest was sponsored by the Ontario Soil and Crop Improvement Association in 1957. Others who spoke briefly were George Hower, newly elected president of the Halton club, Mac Alexander, and J. Allen Francis, Associate Agricultural Representative for Halton and Peel Counties, who presented an interesting report on C-I Club activities.

The newly elected officers and directors follow: president, George Hower; first vice-president, Ernest Davies; second vice-president, Don Matthews; secretary-treasurer, J. K. Whiteleak.

Directors: Esqueping: Mac Alexander, Gerald R. Graham, Ken Elia and Bruce Nixon; Nassagaweya: Duncan Moffat, Trafalgar: M. C. Bealy, W. H. Devlin and Wm. Featherstone; Wellington County: Fred Muser; Director on Board of Ontario Jersey Club: Ken Elia.

Katherine Merry had as the subject of her prepared address, "Stress and Strain". For her impromptu five minute effort in the morning, she drew the topic "Holidays" and in the evening, she drew as her impromptu subject, "Rural Life".

The Crystal Ballroom at the King Edward Hotel was filled almost to capacity when we arrived in the evening. All five young people delivered outstanding addresses and in so far as we could determine, the audience was quite prepared to accept any one of the five as the winner. The panel of judges awarded the top award to Margaret McLeod of Embro, Oxford County, whose prepared address was entitled "Count Your Blessings".

The audience also had the privilege of hearing a choir from Midland County, the winning ladies trio from Waterloo, the winning mixed quartette from Ontario County and the winning male quartette from Huron County.

Halton Juniors entered a ladies trio and a male quartette. The ladies trio was composed of Donna Marshall, Marilyn Leslie and Lorna Woodley and the male quartette members were: Howard Hockett, John Eves, Tom Hunter and Stou. I. McFadden.

The Halton quartette placed third among the 10 entries. The trio and quartette were trained by Mrs. George Newell of Milton R. R. 1.

The machine can do the work of fifty men, no machine can do the work of one extraordinary man.

Elect Officers At Y Meeting

The Board of Directors of the Y.M.C.A. elected their new officers for the coming season at their regular meeting on Tuesday, January 21, in the Y.M.C.A.

Appointed to the executive committee of the Board were: W. H. Elmer Smith, president; P. Allan Dick, first vice-president; M. Allan second vice-president; H. Spurgeon secretary and Mrs. Janet Rogers treasurer.

In the general program committee, the vice president acts as chairman with the following appointed to office: boys' and girls' work, J. Carpenter and A. Dulu; adult program, H. Rogers; and physical program, M. Jeffrey.

The second vice president acts as chairman for the physical arrangements with the following officers: finance, A. Ives and M. Nellis; building, E. Masales and public relations, J. Price.

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