

LIMOUSIN

Something better for beef industry promoted at Mohawk Inn meeting



ALLIMOUSIN COW and her twin calves were stars of the show when the Canadian Limousin Association held a gathering at Mohawk Inn, Campbellville. Abner Martin (right, foreground), president of the Ontario Association, tells guests

about the many qualities of the breed imported from France. The animals are from Nordic Farms, Eden Mills, which boasts one of the largest purebred Limousin herds in North America.

"Limousine" stands for something better in a motor car—and "Limousin" means the same in the beef industry. That message was heavily stressed last week when the Canadian Limousin Association held an informative reception and dinner at Mohawk Inn, Campbellville for about 50 guests. The gathering was a promotional venture for the Association, designed to give the Limousin story to those contemplating making an investment in this new Canadian breed and bring those already in the business up to date on developments in the industry.

According to Abner Martin, president of the Ontario Association and general manager of Kitchener Livestock Exchange, Limousins are making a big impact on the beef industry in North America. Various speakers through the evening extolled the benefits of the breed and an investment dealer, Michael Burns, said Limousins can be a good investment.

Great Impact
Dennis Cluley, manager of Nordic Farms at Eden Mills, had a cow and twin calves on display outside the Mohawk Inn. Nordic has a herd of 75 purebred Limousins—one of the largest fullblood herds in North America—and Cluley

is optimistic about the future of the breed in Canada. He predicts Limousins are making "a great impact" on the industry, one that will be felt for years to come.

Cluley explained Limousins came to Canada from France in 1967. They are originally from the high, rocky hill country of France where little feed grain is produced and the principal agricultural production is sheep, horses and cattle. The cattle are basically range animals, bred to rustle for themselves, and wintered outside. They drop their calves in the open. The result is an animal that converts roughage to beef more quickly than other breeds, thus producing food more cheaply than ever before. In Canada they are raised on an extremely high concentrate grain ration.

Market early
Cluley stressed the animals' high fertility rate. Abner Martin talked at length about the high fertility rate and told of cows in France still producing at 15 years. He urged anyone interested in Limousin to attend the second annual "Golden Opportunity Sale" at University of Guelph, the excellent milk and udders, and the good formation of the body with an extremely heavy hind quarter. They are weaned at 200 days at an

average weight of over 600 pounds, and reach a marketable 1,100 to 1,200 pounds by 12 months of age. Saturday, Aug. 24 when 24 consignors will offer 54 lots for sale. Eight of those lots are from the local Nordic Farms.

Limousin enthusiasts expect to better their sale success of last year which brought some of the highest prices ever for percentage and purebred beef cattle in Ontario. Mr. Martin says, "It will be an exciting sale and we expect that attendance will be double that of last year's events which had over 1,000 people attending. We are also predicting record prices."

The day-long events this year will feature some of the top geneticists in North America participating in a symposium on "Limousin Production and Reproduction for Profit."

Tax implications of Limousin breeding were discussed by John Lynch, a tax expert. Dr. Don Wilson of Modern Ova Trends, Norval, outlined the system of embryo transfers which enables a cow to have as many offspring in one year as she may have had in her whole lifetime. He told of one

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Churchill

Summer visits, trips flourish in Churchill

By Mrs. Fred MacArthur

Churchill Community Church morning worship with our Acton Baptist friends was very well attended. Rev. A. W. Fosbury gave the message, Mr. A. Cooper sang a solo, Let It Be, accompanied by his son Michael, on his guitar, at the morning service.

Chaplain Earle Leslie of Cold Lake, Alberta, made a brief visit on the weekend with his sister Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Denny. Major Leslie is an Armed Forces delegate to the United Church Conference in Guelph.

The Down children from Sunderland holidayed last week with their aunt and uncle, Pat and Bob Kerr and children Christine and Jeffrey. Their mother (Helen), Mrs. Down came for them on Thursday.

Mrs. John Bonnell and daughter Lisa attended the wedding of her younger brother Bob Raubaus at Calgary on Saturday, August 17. Dr. and Mrs. Lee Sanford of Winnipeg are visiting with

Mr. and Mrs. Bob Kerr for a few days.

Mr. and Mrs. Norman Turner, David and Julian, attended a family gathering last Sunday at the home of Mr. and Mrs. James Lagerquist of Norval.

Mrs. Wilbert Brown accompanied Mr. and Mrs. Gordon Lindsay of Orangeville and all attended the wedding of Mr. Kelyvn Brown and Miss Marlene Kerns of Montreal on Saturday, August 10 in Knox Presbyterian Church, Montreal. Reception afterward in Prince Albert Hall, Montreal.

On their way home they visited with Mr. and Mrs. Walter Brown in Riverfield, Quebec, and brought Leslie Brown home with them after spending his two months' holidays at their home.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Burgess called and had a brief visit with his sister, Mrs. Mary McEachern and Mr. Angus McEachern. Mrs. Stewart Hamilton, Toronto, and daughter, Mrs. Bob Fowler and two children

of Maple, visited with Mr. and Mrs. Ward Hamilton, along with Mr. and Mrs. Ron Blake and family of St. Mary's.

Mr. Ross Carroll of London joined the Ward Hamilton's on the weekend.

Little David Milne is sporting a new cast after falling out of an apple tree and breaking his wrist. Too bad, David.

Mr. and Mrs. Alvin Moore visited on the weekend in Powassan with her mother Mrs. Hodgins who returned home with them to spend a lengthy holiday with her two daughters Mr. and Mrs. Don McIntyre and Mr. and Mrs. Alvin Moore and their families.

Mrs. Marian MacArthur of Welland visited last week with her brother and sister-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Fred MacArthur.

Mrs. Wilma Buisson, son John and Nadine of Welland, also our granddaughter Carol Ann, Mr. and Mrs. Bob Gauvreau of London and Mr. and Mrs. Ron MacArthur and baby Michael of Acton were Sunday guests with Mr. and Mrs. Fred MacArthur.



Judi Howson

Nursing grad

Judi Howson graduated from the Credit Valley School of Nursing in Mississauga on August 2, of this year.

Judi is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. M. Howson, 180 Longfield Road, Acton, and attended M. Z. Bennett Public School and Acton High School.

She plans to work in Vancouver, B.C.

Show clipping

By Lorie Parsons

The Halton 4-H Beef Calf Club held their meeting on Thursday, August 15 at Creditvale Farm on Steeles Ave. The meeting was a joint meeting with the Peel 4-H. The two clubs then joined together to watch a demonstration on clipping and an explanation on trimming the feet given by Mr. Maher. A demonstration on brushing a Hereford was given by Mrs. Evelyn Gillies. A demonstration was also given on how to show your 4-H

returned home the end of the week.

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Ballinfad

Butchart Gardens visit highlights trip

By Mrs. R. Shortill

Mr. and Mrs. Snider spent last weekend at Orillia at the home of their son Ted and Grace and family.

Mr. and Mrs. Rogers are in the process of moving to Guelph.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Plouffe are building a new house on the Seventh Line in the 'Fad.

Mrs. R. Shortill, accompanied by Lillian and her friend, returned from a trip across Canada to Victoria, Vancouver, Calgary and Banff. Victoria is a beautiful city, with street bus rides with drivers who pointed out parts of interest. Flower baskets on the globe light posts each held twenty varieties of flowers.

A visit to Butchart Gardens was very enjoyable. A guide explained how this beautiful acreage of gardens was once an unsightly hole left by quarrying great slabs of rock. The owner in that day conceived the idea of bringing in fertile soil by the return trips of scows which bore away the

quarried rock. This was placed on the cliff ledges, on which floral arrangements were planted and as the years went on, so improving continued—imagine an unsightly stone quarry—Butchart Gardens. One cannot help regret the commercializing of all these grand places, though.

At church attendance at Central Ave. United Church, we heard a fine sermon based on Paul's letter to the Romans, leading up to a link with Watergate. Fine music on a lovely pipe organ and a fitting solo helped out the service—a pleasant interlude

for our holiday. Many Ontario people have made the West Coast the scene of their trip this year.

New residents
Mr. and Mrs. Randy DeForest are now living in an apartment in Ballinfad.

Mr. and Mrs. Hodgson have purchased the former stone Shortill home, and have moved here from Toronto area. They are newly married and we congratulate them and welcome them to our community.

Mr. and Mrs. Crispin have returned from their western honeymoon. They reside in the Shortill apartments.

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