



Scotsdale heifer Royal winner

SCOTSDALE MARION AUGUSTA, a heifer calf bred by S. G. Bennett of R.R. 1, Georgetown, took first in its class at the Royal Winter Fair and was later sold in the Shorthorn Sale.

Left to right are Gail Brydges, Linda Jackson, Corrin Hendricken, buyers Mr. and Mrs. R. C. Acton, Wendy Hudson, Joan Andrew, Maxine Gray, and leadsman Emerson Clark.

### Rock-Ella farms take top awards

Dairy cattle winners at the Royal Winter Fair included several area showmen.

Rock-Ella Farms of Hornby was premier Jersey breeder walking away with the breeder award and progeny of dam award. The farm also won seventh in bull calf class; first in junior yearling; second senior yearling; seventh in three year old female; fourth in four year old female; fifth in get of sire class and first in

progeny of dam.

Chris and Valerie Richardson, Jersey breeders from Milton placed tenth in bull calf and sixth in heifer calf.

Eleanor Robinson of Georgetown placed fifth in four year old female Jersey class.

Holstein winners included Claude Pickett of Georgetown who owned first prize 4H calf showed by Kim Peddie and

third open calf. He was third in heifer calf, also.

First prize bull calf went to Harry Moore of Terra Cotta and Bertram Stewart of Hornby. This team also placed fourth in junior yearling female. Also of Georgetown, Fred Nurse won fourth in bull calf class. M.D. Wingrove of Campbellville placed fifth in dry cows and third with breeders herd.

J.Y. McNabb of Georgetown won several trophies

with his fine Guernsey cattle among them the Kingfield Farms Challenge Trophy, Del-Eden Challenge Trophy, Brookhill Farms Challenge Trophy and the Erle Kitchen Memorial Trophy.

He won first place in group of Guerneys owned and bred by exhibitor. Grand Champion female; first with female four years old; second and third in two year old female; and third for senior yearling.

### Care, handling of sheep discussed

By Henry J. Stanley  
The monthly meeting for sheep producers or those interested in sheep was held on Thursday, Nov. 23 at the Agricultural Office, Milton.

Mary Smith, Branchton, Secretary of Zone 3, discussed care and handling of her 400 ewes at lambing time. Mary stressed the importance of

getting prepared before you expect the lambs—have a good supply of Sunlight soap, plastic gloves, clean lambing pens, milk replacer, medicines, etc. It is much better to be prepared now than having to look for something on a cold night in January.

Peter Branch, Norval, gave many ideas on the marketing

of lambs and goats. He stressed the importance of advertising and of selling a product that was uniform and of good quality and not over-finished. Alex McKinney, Brampton, a new sheep producer, told of the many sources of information which he uses.

A new committee was chosen for 1979 to plan the

sheep information meetings. Chairman is Robert Lane, Milton; members, Mary Smith, Branchton; Dr. George Clement, Milton, Steve Early, Brampton and Lorraine Johnston, Acton.

The next meeting is planned for January with a farm tour and demonstration of pregnancy testing in ewes.

### Shorthorn beef do well at Royal

Shorthorn beef classes at the Royal Winter Fair saw several area winners.

David Lasby of Rockwood won reserve grand champion shorthorn in the Queen's Guineas class.

Reford and Doug Gardhouse of Milton won senior champion female; reserve grand champion female and reserve junior female champion.

They also won third and sixth in bull calf; second in young bull; and first and sixth in two year old bull. They won reserve grand champion with the first place bull.

The Gardhouses place first in yearling female; first in cow with calf; first in breeders group of four animals; third in get of sire class; and second in class of

two bulls.

Scotsdale Farms owned by S.G. Bennett of Georgetown won a third in young bull; third in class of two bulls; first heifer calf; and sixth place yearling heifer.

Dual-purpose Shorthorns saw Allan and Harold Pat-

erson of Milton win fifth in young bull calf and fourth in older bull calf, both first and second prize in dry cow class; second in three year old female; fourth in four year old female; eighth in female five or over; and second in group of four animals bred and owned by exhibitor.

### Oldtimer judging

By Henry Stanley  
On Youth Day, Nov. 9 at the Royal Agricultural Winter Fair, a special competition was held for those who have judged over the last 50 years at the Royal. Representatives from Halton were Joe Willmott of Milton, a member of the first judging team at the Royal in 1922, competed along with Craig Reid, Milton, a member of the 1937 judging team. Frank Chisholm,

Hornby, a 1931 competitor and winner of the gold medal for dairy cattle judge, Lloyd Chisholm, Milton, member of the 1935 team and winner of the gold medal for dairy cattle judge, and Angus McNabb, formerly of Georgetown, member of the 1946 team.

Albert Hunter, Burlington 1, a member of the 1929 team was an official judge in the sheep classes for this year

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### OFA brief opposes hydro corridors on good farm land

Peter Hannam, president of the Ontario Federation of Agriculture, has expressed strong disapproval over proposed Ontario Hydro plans for nuclear generating stations and transmission corridors such as proposed for Linton Hills.

Speaking at the public hearing of the Porter Commission where he presented an OFA brief, Hannam said it was "entirely irresponsible to waste present foodland resources for any short-term industrial benefit. There must be a balance."

Shifting food production onto less productive land substantially increases the energy needs of the farmer and decreases the amount of production, he said, and this will be reflected directly in higher consumer food costs. Hannam explained the near total reliance this plan would place on uranium and coal, two exhaustible fuels, is undesirable and risky. "Ontario Hydro expressed belief in the past in an energy mix," he added. "But now, despite all our oil problems, it wants to rely on only two fuel sources."

Hannam said the OFA realized the need for surplus energy but could not support the destruction of agricultural land for the purpose of exporting energy to the U.S. He added, if the generating stations are as safe as we're being told, why not build them in metro areas?

The OFA brief recommended further:

1. Ontario Hydro adhere to the Foodland Guidelines when planning their transmission and generating sites.
2. Ontario Government begin a policy of implementing alternative energy sources, especially those that are renewable and clean.
3. Ontario Hydro maintain an energy mix, with no single non-renewable fuel accounting for more than 50 per cent of the Province's electrical power requirements.

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