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Press Reports:

Halton Heavy Horse #2

By Kylie MacGillivray

A school for horses?! Well it is a learning center for horses, but a University for people. On May 7th we went to visit the Guelph Equine Research Center for a tour. The tour started at 7:00pm. We were first introduced to the breathing room. The tour lady told us that breathing is one of the most important things for a horse..... Well of course it is. Everybody needs to breathe, but a horse needs a good bed with no dust. Just like the hay with no mold or dust. Those little things cause Asthma. After we finally realized that

breathing is so important, we got a look at the research horses, where they do tests on the horses. Then she took us to the treadmill. Some of us had no clue there was such thing as a treadmill for HORSES. The treadmill could go from a walk to a gallop. We were sure amazed by that. Later on after the tour Shannon Pratt then gave us information on Colic, the insides of a horse and the stomach. After this really good information we said "Thank-you" for the interesting facts and the tour.

Junior Dairy Calf Club

By Kaitlin DeVore

Are your calves getting the right nutrition from the feed you're giving them?

That was the topic of the lesson for the Junior Dairy Calf Clubs third meeting, which was held on Thursday, June 13th, 2002 at Branderlea Holsteins. Home of Don Brander and family.

With 3 leaders and 10 members in attendance, it was a very educational evening. To start off the meeting Jessica Lutes (president of the club) called on Scott Gooding to lead the club in the 4-H pledge which was followed by the reading of the minutes.

Jessica then handed the meeting over to the leaders.

Tyler Brander went over the parts of a Dairy cow, due to the very lively members of the club it went by very fast and were on our way to judging a class of three year old Holsteins. Each mem-

ber was required to give reasons for this class.

The next activity was a class of three year old Jerseys which did not require reasons but Jessica Lutes gave reasons out loud for an example to the other club members.

Finally we got to our lesson on what to feed dairy calves. The lesson was given by Ken McNabb.

The meeting was adjourned at 9:20 and Lee Nurse thanked Don and his family for letting us have our meeting at their farm. It was then time for refreshments!

NEXT MEETING: Saturday, July 13th, 2002 @ Nurseland Farms, Members need to bring: • clippers • Electrical cords, • Top line brushes and a lunch.

Other important dates: July 23 Halton/Peel Twilight meeting. July 24 Halton/Peel Judging Competition.

Sr. Calf Club

By Sam DeVore

The third meeting of the Halton 4-H Sr. Calf Club was had at the Branderlea Farm on June 13, 2002.

The meeting was called to order at 7:30 p.m. The secretary's report was read. Then we judged a class of 3 year old Jersey's & we also gave reasons.

After judging we did a quiz on the parts of a cow. Then we judged a second class of 4 year old Holsteins.

Lee Nurse thanked the Brander's for letting us have our meeting there. There was refreshments after the meeting was over.

IMPORTANT DATES

Mark your calendar!

JULY

- 1 - Deadline for applications to the Canadian Red Angus Promotion Society bursaries.
- 2 - Deadline for nominations for the Canadian 4-H Council's National Volunteer Leader Award.
- 2 - Halton Heavy Horse Club meeting.
- 3 - C'Ville Explore 4H Club meeting.
- 6 - West Central Judging Competition.
- 8 - Halton Rabbit Club meeting.
- 9 - Eastern Ontario Judging Competition.
- 11, 12 - Gencor Dairy Challenge (West) - Stratford.
- 12 - Deadline for Member's Conference.
- 12 - Deadline for Monsanto Agri

- Business Scholarship.
- 17 - Western Judging Competition.
- 18 - Halton Dairy Clubs meeting.
- 20 - Inter-County 4-H Dairy Judging Competition.
- 24 - Halton/Peel Judging Competition.
- 25 - Registration deadline for Rotary Career Edge (Ridgetown College - August 25-28).
- 31 - Application deadline for the Dr. Ethel Chapman Scholarship & Halton Women's Institute Bursary.
- 31 - Gencor Beef Challenge (East) - Markham.

AUGUST

- 1, 2 - Gencor Dairy Challenge (East) - Markham.
- 6 - Halton Heavy Horse Club meeting.
- 10 - Gencor Beef Challenge (West) - Stratford.
- 10 - Go For The Gold Competition - Region 4.
- 11 - Halton Heavy Horse Club Achievement Program (Mountsberg C.A.).

- 13, 14 - Western Ontario Junior Show.
- 14 - Halton 4H Board of Directors meeting (Milton Fairgrounds, 8 p.m.).
- 14, 15 - Central Member's Conference (Georgetown, Ont).
- 15 - Halton Dairy Club meeting.
- 20, 21 - West Central Junior Show.
- 25-28 - Rotary Career Edge (Ridgetown College).
- 26 - Halton Rabbit Club meeting.

Halton/Peel Judging Competition

Wednesday, July 24th

Jeff & Kenda Nurse & family

9536 Trafalgar Rd. (south of 10 Sideroad on the west side of the road with large farm sign with Nurseland Farm on it)
 Registration at 6:15 pm and judging starts at 6:45 pm

Classes: dairy (reasons); beef (reasons); swine - market pigs; sheep; hay; rabbit (reasons); ID quiz (weed, seed and plant identification); heavy horse (reasons).

This competition is mandatory for all competitive club members and other members where mandated by their leaders.

We look forward to seeing everyone there.

4-H Ontario Scrapbooking Competition

This year Ontario 4-H is holding a scrapbook competition. This is a fun, creative and rewarding opportunity for us to preserve our 4-H memories. Ontario 4-H is encouraging us to compile photographs, newsletters, programs, newspaper clippings and other 4-H information in a historical scrapbook for our county. You can help with this creation by participating in the Halton Scrapbooking with a Purpose Club (both members and volunteers) or by donating 2002 memorabilia to the group. For information call Brenda, 519-822-0285.

Member's Conference

All members (13 & 14 before January 1, 2002) are invited to embark on a Great and Noble Quest! During the 4-H Member's Conference 2002 you'll be "swamped" with new friends. Peel off those layers and discover your inner self, explore team building as you conquer the "pink dragons" we have in store for you. Discover self confidence and leadership skills on your adventurous journey and have so much fun... you'll burst! To receive your registration form, contact Brenda at 519-822-0285. Registration deadline is July 12 and space is limited - first come, first served.

Go For The Gold - 2002

Any members that are interested in representing Halton as part of our team for this year's Go For The Gold competition are asked to contact Brenda at 519-822-0285 for additional information. This year the Region 4 event will be held on August 10 in Haldimond and the provincial event in November (RAWF). Also needed are any volunteers interested in assisting our team.

Dr. Ethal Chapman Scholarship and Halton District Women's Institute Bursary

Once again the Halton Women's Institute is supporting our 4-H members by offering their annual Bursary and the Dr. Ethal Chapman Scholarship. For additional information contact Brenda at 519-822-0285. The application deadline for both of these awards in July 31.

Halton/Peel Judging Competition

Jeff and Kenda Nurse will host the Halton/Peel Judging Competition on Wednesday, July 24, Trafalgar Road, Georgetown. Registration is at 6:15 p.m. Judging begins at 7 p.m. SHARP.

The evening will feature eight classes including ID Quiz and four reason classes. Classes will include dairy, beef, sheep, swine, hay and rabbit.

All classes subject to availability...check Compass next month for final details!

The Great Pumpkin Challenge

Andrews Scenic Acres is once again sponsoring THE GREAT PUMPKIN CHALLENGE this fall and now is the time to plant your seeds.

Andrews Scenic Acres is encouraging everyone to enter in their two largest competitions for school age children - the largest Jack-O-Lantern Pumpkin and the largest Giant Atlantic Pumpkin. Student winners will receive \$200 from Andrews Scenic Acres and as well, have \$200 donated to the charity of their choice!

For more information, please call the farm at 905-878-5807 and GOOD LUCK!

Announcing 4-H Ontario's New Region 4 ASR

4-H Ontario is pleased to announce that Nicole Munroe is the new Association Support Representative for Region 4. Nicole replaces Marie Henry who is now Program Manager with 4-H Ontario. As an ASR, Nicole is the primary contact between local 4-H associations in Region 4 and 4-H Ontario and responsible for supporting local 4-H associations and volunteers in delivering 4-H programs and opportunities to members and volunteers. Nicole resides in Guelph and can be reached by (phone) 519-767-9714, (fax) 519-767-9793 or email at nmunroe@4-hontario.ca.

Beef Up Your Knowledge

The 4-H Ontario On Line Beef project is filled with exciting online learning activities. Check out the 4-H website for additional information (www.4-hontario.ca).

Rotary Career Edge

Rotary Career Edge, Ridgetown College, August 25-28, 2002. An exciting 3.5 day event for students in grades 11, 12, and OAC who are interested, or maybe considering, a career in horticulture and agriculture. Registration fee is \$249.00 and deadline for registration is July 25. For more information contact Sarah DeFrancesco at 519-674-1597 or email sdefranc@ridgetownc.uoguelph.ca.