

Halton 4-H Sheep Club meetings are underway

By Hugh Cook
The organization meeting of the Halton 4-H Sheep Club was held on Wednesday, Feb. 10 in the Agricultural office, Milton. There were six members and two leaders in attendance. The meeting opened with Janet Hunter leading the group in reciting the 4-H pledge. The

members were then asked to introduce themselves and give the breed of sheep they are raising. Program planning was the first

item to be discussed. The date for the year's meetings was set as the second Wednesday in every month. This may vary if certain tours won't fit into one evening. Discussion then took place on what each meeting would consist of and tentative plans were drawn up for the year's program.

Record books

The Performance Testing Program offered by the Livestock Branch was briefly outlined as a suggested project for any interested members. There were five members interested in putting their flock on a similar testing program. First year members are required to keep the Record Book for 4-H Sheep Clubs and may or may not keep performance records besides.

The election of officers was left to the next meeting in the hope that more members would be present.

A suggestion came from the group that the members make a short talk or demonstration at various meetings throughout the year. Janet Hunter, Dave McKinnon and Nancy McKinnon are responsible for preparing something for the next meeting.

—Use Champion classifieds.

—Country residents have been skating — on their roads.

—Earl Osborne, Rockwood has been named a director of the Holstein-Friesian Association of Canada for 1971.

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Peel, Halton pork producers merge

By Henry Stanley
The annual meeting of the Halton Pork Producers was held at the Milton Inn on Wednesday, Feb. 17, following a pork dinner. The members approved the amalgamation of the Halton and Peel Clubs to form the Halton and

Peel Pork Producers Association.

Those elected from Halton were Tom Foster, Delmar Ford, Allan Brownridge, Tom Broughton, Charles Martin, Ernie Alexander, Harold Middlebrook and Klaas Kamanga. Charles Martin is the director of the Halton Federation of Agriculture, with Merle Gunby as director to the Halton Farm Safety Council.

Promote pork

Guest speaker John Badger, Information Officer for the Ontario Hog Producers' Association discussed the advertising of pork. Attractive signs and recipes are being placed in supermarkets. Close liaison is carried on with the food editors of all the large papers, with new recipes and advertising ideas sent to these editors in the hopes that they will be used in the papers.

Mr. Badger stated advertising is good if it is truthful, original and attractive. He suggested the way to greatly increase the sale of pork would be to establish a chain of restaurants specializing in pork products, similar to those now specializing in poultry.

"Greatest year" Holstein Assoc.

In his report to the annual meeting of the Holstein-Friesian Association of Canada held in Toronto last week, president Bruce M. Trenholm of Grand Pre, Nova Scotia, said: "By standard of measurement, 1970 has to be the greatest year in the history of the Association. We slightly surpassed our previous high level of registrations, while our export numbers reached a new high. More significantly, the distribution of our exports is well worth noting.

that butterfat is probably not the culprit that some would have the public believe. World markets and prices for export dairy products are stronger, and recent events in Canada indicate that market-sharing agreements by the provinces are closer to a reality.

"Lastly we recognize the fact that in the Ontario Milk Marketing Board we have a model organization for milk marketing and handling that is tops in North America."

"During this past year Canadian Holsteins moved to 21 countries other than the U.S.A. with approximately 15,000 head for 48 per cent of total exports. The U.S. volume was 17,500 for 52 per cent. This is in contrast with our previous high export year 1948 when 96 per cent of cattle moved to the U.S.A. and only two per cent to other countries. Our largest markets, other than the U.S.A. are Cuba, Mexico, Korea and Italy. The largest sale to a country in Eastern Europe was 336 head to Hungary while two first-time customers were Belgium and Honduras.

Exports important

"This wide spectrum of markets does much to maintain competition among the buyers and is a major factor in the satisfactory price level enjoyed by our breeders. Export business is most important to us all as Holstein breeders. It has the desirable effect of injecting a considerable amount of money into the whole economy in general, and the dairy sector in particular, without the problems inherent in marketing dairy products. On the contrary, it tends to ease the situation in this regard."

Secretary-Manager G. M. Clemons, Brantford added: "Transfers of ownership broke all previous records with a total of 72,440. This represents an increase of 1,940 or 2.75 per cent over the previous high year of 1969. Credit for the increase must go to the exceptionally heavy export trade. A total of 32,464 animals were exported, 20 per cent more than in 1969, and 14 per cent above the previous high of 28,534 head established in 1948. Buyers from 37 states in the U.S.A. accounted for 17,541 head, over 12 per cent more than in 1969. No less than 21 other countries made purchases in Canada totalling 14,922 head. This is a 31 per cent increase over the previous high of 11,425 head purchased in 1969."

Not a culprit

President Trenholm said: "This year, 1970, is one which has established a fair measure of stability in the dairy industry. Although still with us, substitutes and synthetics are not making the impact that had been feared. Recent research points to the fact

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THREE DRAMA TROPHIES were presented Saturday night at Halton Junior Farmers' drama festival, held in St. Paul's Church in Milton. Mrs. Evelyn Oates, centre displays the W. I. Dick trophy presented to Palermo Junior Farmers for the play she directed. On the left is best actor Allan Norton of Palermo with the J. E. Whitelock trophy and at right is the evening's best actress, Karen Campbell of Palermo Club with the Margaret Alice Elliott trophy.—(Staff Photo)

Palermo play wins Jr. drama festival

By Hugh Cook
The Halton Junior Farmer Drama Festival was held on Saturday, Feb. 20 in St. Paul's United Church, Milton.

Two clubs in the county put on plays this year. The Acton Juniors put on the play "Off With His Head" and the Palermo Club enacted the play "Henry's Mail-Order Wife". Both plays were comedies.

Those taking part in the Acton play were Sharon Britton, George Henderson, Rae Blyth, Doris Burt and David Ward. Mrs. Anne Roszell was the director. Those taking part in the Palermo play

were Allan Norton, Bill Sinclair, Barry Mahon, Karen Campbell, Kathy Newell and Bill Jackson. The director was Mrs. Evelyn Oates.

The adjudicator, Mrs. Vera MacDonald from the Georgetown Little Theatre, gave an excellent adjudication, pointing out the good and bad points of each play and of each member of the two casts.

Best win trophies

The Margaret Elliott Trophy for the best actress went to Karen Campbell for her role as Becky Smith in the Palermo play "Henry's Mail Order Wife". The

J. E. Whitelock Trophy went to Allan Norton for his role as Abe Smithers in "Henry's Mail-order Wife". The W. I. Dick Trophy for the best play also went to the Palermo Juniors for the play "Henry's Mail-Order Wife."

Both clubs did an excellent job and are to be congratulated for their performances. There was a good attendance as usual, and the lunch afterwards was enjoyed by all.

Doug Bousfield entertained with his guitar and Doreen Harrop and Janet Hunter led the audience in a sing song.

Bob Merry 1971 chairman Halton Farm Safety Council

Bob Merry, R. R. 5, Milton, was elected chairman of the Halton Farm Safety Council with Alfred Ford, Milton as treasurer and Mrs. Grace Webb, R. R. 1, Campbellville as secretary. The annual meeting was held on Tuesday, Feb. 16 in the Agricultural office, Milton.

Oscar Snyder of the Ontario Farm Safety Council in Guelph discussed Workmen's Compensation. This year the rate for general farming has been reduced from \$3.50 to \$3.35 per \$100 of payroll. This indicates a slight improvement in the accident rate on farms. Despite this improvement, the 27,000 farms enrolled under Workmen's Compensation in 1970 had a total of 2,000 claims for a cost of some two million dollars.

Use shields

Mr. Snyder stressed the importance of using the power take-off shields properly. In a survey he conducted, 40 per cent of these shields were off on

tractors, 29 per cent removed on mowers, and 23 per cent on manure spreaders. Running machines without the power take-off shields is inviting an accident.

Foster competitions are to be held for farm children in public school and for 4-H club members. These posters on the topic "Protection of the Senses", are to be on 18 x 24 inch bristol board.

Agriculture shifted again

At the February meeting of County Council last week, members agreed to shift responsibilities of the agricultural committee from property to finance.

Until last year matters

pertaining to agriculture were dealt with at the Agriculture and EMO meeting. Last year the agriculture matters were shifted to Property and Administration. Members felt better balance would be achieved

Prize money is to be available for all entries. Safety displays are also to be featured at the Milton Fall Fair.

Supplies of hard hats, fire extinguishers, first aid kits, goggles and respirators are to be made available to anyone wishing them, through the Agricultural office, Milton.

We goofed

A story in last week's issue about a new flag for the Esquesing township offices reported a letter was received

from Mrs. Joyce Lock. It should have been Miss Joyce Lock who wrote the letter complaining of the flag's condition.



CHAIRMAN OF HALTON Safety Council, Sam Finnie Sr. demonstrates use of fire extinguishers to members Mrs. H. Heist and Mrs. L. DeBlauw. The annual meeting was held Tuesday at the Department of Agriculture office in Milton.—(Staff Photo)

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