



Ayrshire Empire News

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Caring For Kerry - What a Story!!

One of our local farming friends needed and still needs your Help!

Kerry & Darrin Nesbitt
DarKer Ayrshire Farm
Mt. Upton, New York

On April 15th, Kerry Feiss Nesbitt had an aortic aneurysm, which resulted in major open heart surgery. She faces a long rehabilitation process with partial paralysis at this time.

Thank you to all that contributed to the Caring for Kerry Fund. The monies collected from private (ranged from \$5.00 to over \$200) donations as well as business (ranged up to \$500) was used to purchase a calf at the Otsego County 4-H Calf Sale. The calf was resold for a total of 4 times.

1st Buyer ~ \$2550 from Ayrshire Breeders & Friends from across the US

2nd Buyer ~ \$2350 Caring for Kerry, friends, neighbors and supporters

3rd Buyer ~ \$2100 Nesbitt Family and Friends

4th Buyer ~ \$1100 The Nunemacher Family purchased the calf, Montrose, PA

A grand total of \$8100 was generated from the calf sponsored by Scott and Kelly!!

A tremendous thank you goes to Scott Haynes and Kelly Driver for donating the calf, Haynes-Farms Loaded Tasha, a very special calf because of its purpose to help Kerry, the thoughtfulness of Scott & Kelly and it was a super calf.

The New York Ayrshire Club, from the Convention Fund, donated \$500 towards the fund/project.

Kerry currently is in Sunnyview Rehabilitation Hospital
1270 Belmont Ave
Schenectady, NY 12308

Kerry will be moving to another facility closer to home in the near future.

Kerry remains enthusiastic and optimistic about herself and her love for Ayrshire cattle has not decreased. We as fellow Ayrshire breeders, supporters and friends of the Nesbitt Family still need to show our assistance. The cost of her care, remodeling of their home, a vehicle for her transportation is tremendous. **A CASH RAFFLE has been started and tickets will be available at the Shamrock Hill Dispersal on July 11, 2009. There is a \$10.00 donation, 6 prizes offered with the first prize being \$1000. (You may also call Jim Curtis for tickets to purchase). The drawing will be August 1st. Let's help the Nesbitt's as much as we can. Monetary contributions can also be made to The Kerry Nesbitt Benefit Fund c/o Karen Nesbitt Belcher, 348 Kenyon Rd, Mexico, NY 13114 or call her at 315-963-8655**

New York Ayrshire Club Picnic has been postponed for 2009!!!!!!!

It was scheduled for Sunday July 19, 2009 at DarKer Farm - Darin and Kerry Nesbitt's. Kerry had started the planning of a great event. She was enthused about hosting the picnic, meeting new fellow Ayrshire breeders/friends and showing off her cattle. We are planning to have the 2010 picnic at Kerry and Darin's!!!!!!!!!!!!!! The St Lawrence Valley Ayrshire club is having their annual picnic on Saturday July 18, 2009. They have invited everyone to attend. Please bring a dish to pass and contact Frank & Sharon Graves at 315-232-3528, 19202 Marsh Hill Rd., Adams Center, NY 13606.



The New York Ayrshire Club announces winners of the 2008 Ayrshire Youth Production Awards.

Recognition was made at the New York State Junior All Breeds Convention held at the Radisson Hotel, Corning, NY. Congratulations to all the winners.

2 year old winners,

1st in milk, fat and protein: Sunny Acres Ripken Piper, GP-84,

2-8 305D 23,649M 3.7% 878F 3.3% 776P

Owner – Gregory Evans, Georgetown, NY

2nd in milk, fat and protein: Cedarcut Wilton Cass Caye, VG-85

2-6 305D 20,726M 3.8% 791F 3.0% 629P

Owner – Tylor McCaulley, Cazenovia, NY

3rd in milk, fat and protein: Cedarcut Wilton Cleo Tornado

2-2 305D 18,202M 3.7% 677F 3.1% 576P

Owner – Tylor McCaulley, Cazenovia, NY

4th in milk, fat and protein: Sunny Acres Harmony's Kansas VG -86

2-5 305D 17,679M 3.8% 668F 3.3% 575P

Owner – Gregory Evans, Georgetown, NY

3 year old winners:

1st in milk, fat and protein: Sunny Acres Ripken Khazi, EX-91

3-7 305D 24,713M 3.6% 894F 3.5% 825P

Owner – Gregory Evans, Georgetown, NY

2nd in milk, fat and protein: Sunny Acres J.J. Saltine, VG-87

3-2 305D 20,103M 3.7% 745F 3.2% 652P

Owner – Gregory Evans, Georgetown, NY

4 year old winner:

1st in milk, fat, and protein: Sunny Acres Snapple Kin, VG-87

4-11 305D 19,212M 3.2% 612F 3.1% 595P

Owner – Rachel Evans, Georgetown, NY

5 year old and over:

1st in milk, fat and protein: Sunny Acres Bean Silk, EX-91

5-10 305D 24,089M 3.8% 925F 3.2% 773P

Owner – Gregory Evans, Georgetown, NY

2nd in milk, fat and protein: Sunny Acres Skittles Kin, EX-94

7-7 305D 21,060M 3.6% 759F 3.2% 672P

Owner - Rachel Evans, Georgetown, NY

2009 Applications are available on the web page and are due December 31, 2009

New York Ayrshire Calf Scholarship

There were 19 applications from individuals across New York State. Three judges independently as well as a group evaluated them carefully. The application pool was divided into two groups, the 11-15 year old bracket and the 7-10 year old bracket.

Micaela Brandt, 14, from McDonough, NY was the winner in the older group. Erin Curtis Szalach, 7, from Cazenovia, NY was the winner in the younger group, each will receive a \$500 award. Congratulations to both girls. Micaela was successful in purchasing a December calf, Gold-N-Ayr TRD Lavender, from Dylan Walley at the Otsego County Calf Sale.

The other applicants include:

Alicia Chisholm, Carthage
Marissa Chisholm, Carthage
Dalton Gerhardt, East Aurora
Sonya Helms, Cortland
Oliver Knapp, Lafayette
Jenna Primo, Constable
Samantha Schon, McGraw
Kaitlyn Stoltman, Georgetown
Owen Stoltman, Georgetown

Joshua Chisholm, Carthage
Chase Gerhardt, East Aurora
Leih Glezen, Lisle
Kristopher Hicks, Rhinebeck
Kayla McCaulley, Manlius
Robby Schon. McGraw
Eli Stoltman, Georgetown
Logan Stoltman, Georgetown

New York Ayrshire Princess Contest

The New York Ayrshire Club is seeking individuals for Royalty to promote the Ayrshire cow, their benefits and their activities. The NY Ayrshire Princess Contest will be held during the NY State Fair (date, time TBA), applications are due August 1, 2009. We are encouraging all Ayrshire girls to apply. What a great learning opportunity. Applications are available from the web page or by emailing nyayrshire@yahoo.com. These are the same applications that are used for the national contest.

2009 New York State Fair

Friday September 4, 2009 4-H Ayrshire Dairy Show
Saturday September 5, 2009 Open Ayrshire Dairy Show
Thursday September 3, 2009(pm) Youth Ayrshire and
Brown Swiss Fun Night and Dairy Olympics
Friday September 4, 2009(pm) Little Britches Showmanship

2009 Changes:

No Intermediate Champion
No Dam Daughter Class
No Produce of Dam Class -

Monies from these 2 classes will be divided between the individual classes. The proposed change for 2010 is to eliminate the Dry Cow Classes.

This will be discussed at our Fall Meeting in November.

2009 Dates to Remember

July 11, 2009 - Shamrock Hill Farm Dispersal

July 11, 2009 - River Valley Farm Tag Sale Vermont/New England Ayrshire Picnic

July 11, 2009 - NY State Holstein Picnic/Sale – hosted by Tom and Jane Gillette

July 18, 2009— St Lawrence Valley Ayrshire Club Picnic hosted by
Frank & Sharon Graves

Aug 27 – Sept 7 – NYS Fair, Syracuse, NY

September 21, 2009 – Mid Atlantic National Junior Show, Harrisburg, PA

September 22 -23, 2009 – Mid Atlantic National Show, Harrisburg, PA

September 24, 2009 – Eastern States National Show, West Springfield, MA

September 29, 2009 – Central National Show, Madison, WI

October 17, 2009 – New England Quality Sale, Rutland, VT

November 7-10, 2009 – Southern National Junior and Open Show, Louisville, KY

November 14, 2009 – NY Ayrshire Club Fall Meeting, (Location TBA)

