

MD Junior Holstein Club Newsletter
December 2019

Future Dates:

- ◆ January 15 - Scholarships due to Kelly Zepp or Dee Shafer
- ◆ January 15 - Dairy Shrine scholarship due
- ◆ January 15 - Production Awards postmarked and sent to Kelly Zepp (or may be sent with your DJM book)
- ◆ January 22 - Deadline for DJM books to be turned in
- ◆ February 8 - Maryland 4-H Dairy Skillathon Contest – Carroll County Extension Office
- ◆ February 29 - Deadline to sign up for Junior Jamboree
- ◆ March 7 - Junior Jamboree 10am at Frederick County Ext. Office
- ◆ April 4 - Maryland Spring Show
- ◆ June 13-14 - Show Like A Po Workshop
- ◆ June 20 - Combined All Breeds Show, Frederick Fairgrounds

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*******YDJM and DJM Books!*******

We encourage more juniors of all ages to be completing a DJM book! It's a great way to record your achievements and reminisce about the past year's Holstein project. Please take note of our changes for this year's DJM book. Other than the changes noted below, please follow the National guidelines. If you have any questions regarding the guidelines please contact a Junior Committee member for help. You can retrieve the YDJM and DJM applications off of the following website: www.holsteinusa.com (then go to junior members-> Distinguished Junior Member or Young Distinguished Junior Member-> 2020 DJM application)

For everyone (following national guidelines):

- ❖ 12 point font with one inch margins and double spaced. Pages do not have to be numbered. Divider pages should be used to demonstrate creativity and personality. Limit to one side only.
- ❖ Only one professional picture is required; however, that one picture may be pulled and used in the Maryland Holstein Annual if needed.

Juniors – ages 8-12

Follow the 2020 Young Distinguished Junior Member (YDJM) Application guidelines except:

- ❖ You **do not** have to answer any of the four personal view questions.

Intermediates – ages 13-16

Follow the 2020 Young Distinguished Junior Member Application guidelines except:

- ❖ You only have to choose and answer two of the four personal view questions.

Seniors – ages 16-21 (We will send the best two senior books regardless if they are resubmitted or new)

Follow the 2020 Distinguished Junior Member (DJM) Application guidelines except:

- ❖ You only have to choose and answer two of the four personal view questions.

- ❖ **You do not have to complete the presentation portion!**

Everyone

You may include appropriate material (i.e. photos, clippings, certificates) related to the section in the book. You can use the backs of title pages, etc., but do not add any additional pages. You may also make your own charts on the computer where applicable, just be sure to provide all the information that is required.

DJM Books are due on Monday, January 22, to a Jr. Committee member. If you do not know of a member close to you please contact one of the chairpersons noted above. As most of you know, the MD Holstein Junior Committee does not accept the 4-H dairy format in record books anymore. To compete in the Holstein breed competition, you must use our DJM materials. Most 4-H offices have accepted the books as a

unit completion. It is up to the individual to contact their 4-H office to find out if their counties will accept the DJM book for 4-H

National Convention

This year's national Holstein Convention will be held June in Lancaster, Pennsylvania. We will be sending Dairy Bowl, Dairy Jeopardy and Speech contestants. Selection will be made at our Jamboree on Saturday, March 7, at the Frederick County 4-H office.

ATTENTION JUNIORS – THERE WILL BE A 2020 JUNIOR JAMBOREE!

The Junior Jamboree will be held on March 7 at the Frederick County 4-H office. You need to register with Carole Doody by February 29 if you want to participate. If you are interested in trying out for the Jr. or Sr. dairy bowl team, dairy jeopardy contest, or speech contest, you must attend. Dairy Bowl team members, jeopardy contestants and speech winners will go on to compete in Pennsylvania at the National Holstein Convention which will be held from June 22-26. **TO TRY OUT FOR MD HOLSTEIN TEAMS, YOUTH MUST BE A NATIONAL JUNIOR HOLSTEIN MEMBER AND CARRY A HOLSTEIN PROJECT.** Holstein membership forms can be found at www.holsteinusa.com. The one-time membership fee of \$20 is good until you turn 21. Other youth recognitions & scholarships are available to National Junior Holstein Members.

- ◆ **Dairy Bowl Contestants - You must be 13 years old to participate on the Jr. Team! (MD rule)**
 - ◆ The contest is based on 4-H Dairy Bowl material, general Holstein knowledge and questions from the Holstein Foundations practice questions.
 - ◆ Those of you who are interested in trying out for the Junior (ages 13-15) or the Senior (16-21) dairy Bowl team must take the written test and will go through a round or more of questions. Top 4 scores make the team.
- ◆ **Jeopardy contestants – Review Changes** - The committee has decided to financially support the top Dairy Jeopardy contestant in each of the three age groups. MD Juniors interested in participating at the National Holstein convention must attend the Jr. jamboree and try out for Dairy Bowl. We will be holding the Dairy Bowl contest first. If you are interested in jeopardy, you must compete in the DB contest and the fifth placed Jr. (or next eligible based on age) will serve as our Dairy Jeopardy contestant for the national convention. The same for Int and Sr. This allows us to send our four strongest juniors in Dairy Bowl with the 5th ranked one in jeopardy. We will provide a ranking of MD contestants to National based on our jeopardy contest. If you aren't ranked first in MD but you are selected by National Holstein to compete in the Jeopardy contest, it will be at your own cost if you choose to go. Age groups for jeopardy are: Jr. Division Jeopardy (9-13 as of January 1st) an Intermediate Division (14-17), and Sr. division (18-21).
 - ◆ Visit www.holsteinfoundation.org for practice Dairy Bowl questions and rules.
- ◆ **Speech Contestants**
 - ◆ **The 3 best speeches, regardless of age, will be picked at the judge's discretion to compete at the National Convention.**
 - ◆ The speech must be based on a topic related to the Holstein dairy industry.
 - ◆ Please see www.holsteinusa.com (then go to junior members -> junior prepared public speaking contest)
- ◆ **National Convention Costs/Fundraising**
 - ◆ We are asking that each junior cover any costs that are not raised this spring.
 - ◆ Convention activities - Junior Committee & coaches will pick the activities for the group to attend together.
 - ◆ You may participate in any contest 2 times within each age group. However, if you are on a winning team, you are no longer eligible to compete in that age division. You must be a National Junior Holstein member.
 - ◆ **Fundraising** – There will be several fundraisers that juniors participating at the convention will be expected to help with.

Maryland 4-H Dairy Skillathon Contest

The Dairy skillathon contest will be held on Saturday, February 8, 2020, at the Carroll County Extension Office in Westminster. Check in begins at 9:30 am and the contest begins at 10 am. Registration for the contest will be through your local 4-H office. The cost for participation is \$5 per 4-H participant. Sample skillathon materials will be shared with your local 4-H office or can be requested from April at adhall@umd.edu.

2020 MD Spring Show

Please note that the spring show will be held on Saturday, April 4, at the **Howard County Fairgrounds**.

Production Awards

Again this year we will honor production awards based on Junior National guidelines. This enables us to recognize many juniors for accomplishments with their cattle. These awards include:

- ◆ Junior Breeder of an excellent cow
- ◆ Junior Progressive Breeder;
- ◆ 30,000lb cow award
- ◆ 150,000lb Lifetime Milk production award
- ◆ 200,000lb Lifetime Milk Production award

You may retrieve these requirements off the website: www.holsteinusa.com ->junior -> Junior Awards-Cows.

*Please send a copy of the registration paper and most recent production paper along with a note of which award you are submitting for!

Production awards are due (postmarked) by January 15, 2020 to Kelly Zepp or sent with a DJM book to judging: Kelly Zepp 2700 Rowe Rd. New Windsor, MD 21776

The Maryland Holstein Association presents production awards based on the following criteria:

- ◆ To be eligible for a production award, a junior member must be at least 8 years old as of January 1st in the year the cow's record was completed (2019).
- ◆ Anyone receiving production awards must have been a junior member during the year in which the cow's record was completed (2019).

Holstein Scholarships

The MD Holstein Association provides up to 4 scholarships to college students based on their Holstein activities, academic achievement, 4-H and college activities, and future plans. You do not have to be majoring in a dairy related field to compete for one of the \$750 scholarships. Applications are due postmarked by January 15, 2020. No late application will be accepted. **MAKE SURE YOU COMPLETE APPLICATION CORRECTLY AND THOROUGHLY.** You may visit the University of MD website @ www.dairy.umd.edu or the Maryland Holstein Association website and click on dairy scholarships to get applications. Contact Dee Shafer 301-401-0646 or Kelly Zepp 410-635-3922 if you have questions.

The National Holstein Women's Scholarship is due February 15, 2020. Information can be found at <http://www.nhwsoscholarship.com/> One important rule change is that finalists will be able to skype for the interview process if they are unable to make it to the convention

Congrats to our 2019 Scholarship Winners

MD Holstein Scholarships-Todd Allen, Shelby Iager & Catherine Savage
MD Holstein Gene Iager Scholarship-Todd Allen
Marlin Hoff State fair Scholarship- Autumn Lippy

Animal Ownership Dates – All animals must be owned by July 1st

Maryland Show Rules

We encourage every junior to show his/her own animal. In situations that a substitute leadsman is needed, the substitute must be the same age or younger as the exhibitor and must have received approval before the show with a legitimate excuse approved by the show chairman.

Maryland Leasing Rules

For those of you involved with the MD leasing program and interested in competing on the National Level, please consult the following National Holstein website and take notice of any rules to be eligible. One thing to note is the difference of leasing dates compared to MD. The national ownership date for leasing is January 1st of the project year. See the following for more info: www.holsteinusa.com ->juniors->Jr. national shows->Jr. leasing program

Maryland Holstein Junior Jamboree

Saturday, March 7, 2020

Frederick County Ext. Office

10:00 a.m. (estimated)

OPEN: To all Maryland Holstein Junior Members – and parents too!

EVENTS: Selection of State Holstein Dairy Bowl Jr. and Sr. Teams
Selection of Maryland Jeopardy Participants after the Dairy Bowl competition
Selection of Public Speaking Winners

These teams/individuals will represent Maryland at National Holstein Convention.

TENTATIVE SCHEDULE: Times may vary due based on final registrations

10:00 a.m.	Registration
10:15	Dairy Bowl Written Test
10:15	Public Speaking Contest (starting with those contestants not trying out for Dairy Bowl)
12:00	Lunch – pizza provided by Jr. Holstein Committee
12:30	Remaining DB competition and Jeopardy Selection

A score sheet for the Public Speaking Contest and a summary of Dairy Bowl rules can be found at www.holsteinusa.com

Please complete the bottom half and return by February 29th ~ Carole Doody 13202 Coppermine Rd., Union Bridge, MD 21791

Questions – Call Carole Doody 301-898-7564

Holstein Dairy Bowl Rules

Ages: A junior member must be 13 as of Jan. 1st, but not have reached their 16th birthday by January 1st in the year competing. Senior age member must not have reached their 21st birthday by January 1st in the year coming.

- ◆ Each entrant will take a written test to begin the competition. Scores will be graded and accounted for seatings.
- ◆ ◆ Individuals will make up appropriate teams for competition in buzzer rounds. Each individual will be asked 4 general dairy questions in rotation. Correct answer worth 10 points, no deduction for incorrect answer.
- ◆ ◆ Individual scores will be recorded as you compete in buzzer rounds. 32 questions in all. 15 points for correct answer and 10-point deduction for wrong answer. (no deduction for wrong answer in Jrs. first round)
- ◆ ◆ NO Bonus questions

◆ ◆ When a signal is pushed before the question is completely read, the moderator shall stop reading the question when the light goes on...that person may answer the question. If correct, 15 points awarded; if wrong, 10 points deducted and a new question will be read.

◆ ◆ Highest top 4 of each division will make the Maryland state team

Name: _____ Date of Birth: _____ Age as of Jan 1: _____

Address: _____ JUNIOR MEMBERSHIP

Phone: _____ Email: _____

Dairy Bowl Competition: _____ Speech Contestants: _____ Age Group: _____ Check here if you are interested in Jeopardy: _____