

## **YOUTH AWARDS**

### **Royal Jersey Ambassador**

The RAWF Jersey Ambassador Contest is a prestigious competition to select a representative who is at least 17 years old by November 1<sup>st</sup> of the current year. The Ambassador will represent the Jersey breed at the Royal Jersey Futurity, Royal Sale and the Royal Jersey Open Show. As well, he/she will meet the public and help in the Jersey Canada booth.

In order to qualify, you must send a resume to Jersey Canada by September 1<sup>st</sup>. The resume should include the applicant's participation in Jersey activities and other community/school activities, work experience and other interests and hobbies. Up to \$500 will be available from Jersey Canada's Youth Fund to assist with the Ambassador's transportation and accommodation expense.

### **Youth of Distinction**

The recipient will be a well-rounded individual who participates in agricultural and community events, showing strong signs of enthusiasm and leadership in these areas. The recipients are nominated by members and must be related to the Jersey breed through family, place of employment or any other involvement they have with the Jersey cow. Resumes accompanied by a photograph are passed on to a National Director or Provincial Executive for decision by Sept. 15<sup>th</sup>. The Jersey Canada Youth Committee will do its best to assist in transportation cost to have the recipient attend the Annual Meeting to receive the award.

### **Rock Ella II Judging Challenge-**

Published in the July/August Jersey Breeder and on the Website.

## **JERSEY CANADA AWARDS:**

### **Annual Class Leader**

The highest record for milk, fat or protein in each of the nine age classes in any given year. The awards are based in kilograms of milk, fat or protein yield and recognize production in 305 days or less.

### **All Time Class Leader**

The highest ever record for milk, fat or protein, in each of nine age classes, listing reviewed annually. The awards are based on kilograms of milk, fat or protein yield and recognize production in 305 days or less.

### **Hall of Fame**

The award recognizes cows that have on any one completed lactation produced 10,500 kgs of milk, or 525 kgs of fat or 420 kgs of protein or more in 305 days or less. There are single, double and triple awards based on how many of the standards the individual cow's production has exceeded.

### **Hall of Fame Trophy**

This award recognizes the Hall of Fame cow with the highest composite BCA.

### **President's Cup**

For the cow with the leading living lifetime milk, fat and protein production record. One award is presented for each trait - therefore there could be three different winners or the awards could be won by the same cow.

### **Platinum Production Award**

Platinum production award certificates are awarded to cows with a composite BCA greater than 950 (75% above breed average). These certificates are available on request from Jersey Canada.

### **Gold Production Award**

Gold production award certificates are awarded to cows with a composite BCA greater than 850 (55% above breed average). These certificates are available on request from Jersey Canada.

### **Silver Production Award**

Silver production award certificates are awarded to cows with a composite BCA greater than 750 (40% above breed average). These certificates are available on request from Jersey Canada.

### **Star Brood Cow**

Recognizes outstanding brood cows, awarding stars by calculating production and conformation qualifications on progeny that are classified and have completed records. Points are calculated on minimum deviations above herd mates for production and on classification points for conformation. One star is awarded for each 6 points earned. Star Brood Cows are calculated upon request only.

Qualifications & Rules:

- 1) There must be a minimum of 3 classified progeny and at least 2 daughters with completed records.
- 2) All classified progeny must average 85% or better.
- 3) Each Very Good daughter earns 1 point.
- 4) Each Excellent daughter earns 2 points.
- 5) Each son with a Confirmation Proof of +4 or better on 10 or more daughters earns 1 point.
- 6) The average deviation on all records of all recorded daughters must be a plus for milk, fat & protein. (Daughters with minus average deviation would have to be compensated for by other daughters with plus average deviations in order to qualify the dam to win the award).
- 7) Each daughter with a +30 composite (or total) deviation on milk, fat and protein from the herd average on the average of all her records earns 2 points. In addition, each daughter with a composite of +90 or better earns an additional point.
- 8) Each son with an ETA earns 1 point if his milk proof is breed average or better, 1 point if his final type proof is breed average or better and 1 point if his protein proof is breed average or better or he earns 2 points if his milk proof is +350kgs, 2 points if his fat proof is +20kgs and 2 points if his protein proof is +15 kgs or better.

### **All Canadian Competition**

For animals that have been highly successful at Canadian shows throughout the year. Winners of these awards are selected through voting by the judges of the All-Canadian designated shows throughout the current year. See Page 73 for full contest rules.

### **Young Jersey Achievers**

This award is initiated in 1990 to recognize the accomplishments of Jersey breeders under the age of 40. Nominations are to be received by January 1<sup>st</sup> prior to the year of presentation and must be accompanied by the resume of the accomplishments of the applicants. Resumes must outline Jersey, community and family involvement. Nominations are open to any individual. The award is presented at the time of the Annual Meeting. Recipients need not be the owners of a Jersey farm if they are actively involved with Jerseys.

### **Constructive Breeder**

Recognizes herds that are well above the breed average for production and confirmation. Applications are approved based on an extensive list of requirements covering a two year period immediately prior to presentation of the award. Herds receiving this award represent the pinnacle of Canadian Jersey breeding and are honoured accordingly. The award is presented each year at the Annual Meeting. Application forms are available upon request. Applications are usually due in early March.

### **Master Breeder**

The award recognizes long-term excellence in breeding Jersey cows. Nominations must be accompanied by a resume highlighting the breeder's accomplishments. All nominations should be received by January 1<sup>st</sup> of the current year.

### **Honorary Life Member**

The award recognizes long-term leadership contribution to the Jersey breed. Nominations must be accompanied by a resume outlining the nominee's Jersey involvement through the years. All nominations should be received by January 1<sup>st</sup> of the current year.

**Ralph J. Barichello Memorial** (provincial club nominations)

This award recognizes an outstanding long-term contribution to the agricultural industry in Canada with particular emphasis on the accomplishments made in the year prior to selection. Nominations must be accompanied by a resume outlining the nominee's accomplishments in the Canadian agricultural arena. All nominations should be received by January 1<sup>st</sup> of the current year.

**Distinguished Service Award**

Periodically the Association will present a Distinguished Service Award. This award recognizes a unique long term commitment to the betterment of the Jersey cow in the areas of leadership, promotion, genetic improvement, marketing - open to any member of the Jersey fraternity - few such awards have been given in the history of the Association. This is the highest honour given by Jersey Canada and is therefore given when deemed appropriate. Selections are made by the executive committee of Jersey Canada.

**Certificate of Appreciation**

A Certificate of Appreciation is awarded periodically to people within the agricultural industry who render a particular service above and beyond the call of duty to the goals and the objectives of the Association. Recipients have often been employees of industry partner companies. Selections are made by the executive committee of Jersey Canada.