

# PINEHURST FARMS

## Wisconsin's Number 2 Breeder of Excellent



Pinehurst a obtenu le prix « Reserve Grand Champion » à la World Dairy Expo en 1986 avec Hepp-Haven-Lisa EX 96-3E. Cette même année, elle fut All-American des vaches âgées.

**Hepp-Haven-Lisa EX 96-3E from Pinehurst Farms was Reserve Grand Champion at World Dairy Expo in 1986. She was All-American Aged Cow the same year.**

**P**inehurst Farms is located just south of the small town of Sheboygan Falls, Wisconsin. It is almost midway between Green Bay and Milwaukee, very close to Lake Michigan. It has a long history, being established by the Giddings family in 1845 when Wisconsin was still a territory. By 1900 it was a well established farm with a dairy herd.

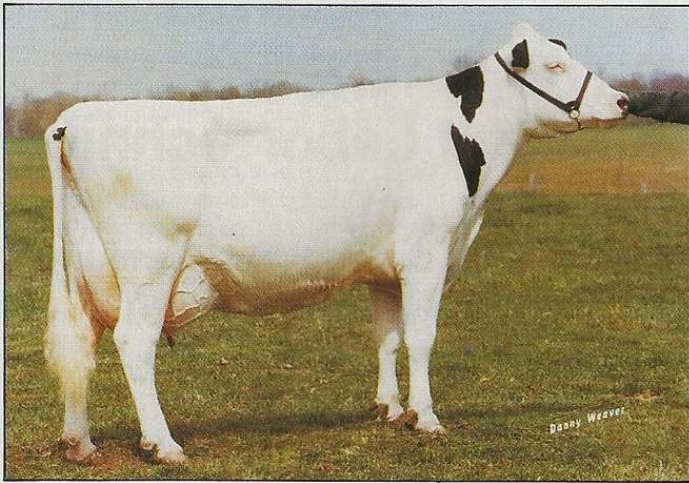
### The Reiss and Bachmann families

In 1910 the farm was purchased by Peter Reiss of Sheboygan. He was determined to make Pinehurst a showplace of agriculture. New and modern buildings were constructed which were filled with purebred dairy cattle, swine and horses. The farm continued to be operated by Mr. Reiss and his family until 1950. At that time it was purchased by his grandsons, Peter and David Bachmann.

The Bachmann brothers were "city boys" from Chicago, but their mother was a Reiss. They were finished with school and World War II had just ended when they moved to Sheboygan County. They soon had an opportunity to buy a farm implement business in Sheboygan Falls. There was a huge demand for new farm machinery since none had been on the market for several years. Business was good, so when Pinehurst went up for sale in 1950, they were able to buy it. The farm was operated as a partnership for 5 years. David was in charge of the dairy, and Peter was in charge of selling machinery. One of the first items of business was to disperse 90 head of the herd for \$ 38,000. They then sold the new farm machinery and replaced it with usable trade-ins. Thus, money became available to purchase a new foundation herd, and the partnership was terminated with David getting the farm and Peter the machinery business.







**Jan-Com-Fond-Matt-Matilda EX 97-5E-GMD. 365 - 10.10 - 3X - 16 176 kg - 3,9%. Matilda a donné 5 filles également classées EX / Matilda has 5 Excellent daughters.**

## Pinehurst today

Pinehurst is still managed by David Bachmann with the help of his son, David, JR. There are 4 full-time employees and 3 foreign trainees — 2 from Japan and 1 from the Netherlands. David Bachmann, Sr. also works as a pedigree man and sale manager in addition to owning and operating his own sale catalog company as well as his own motel in Sheboygan Falls. Mr. Bachmann has also been a national director of the Holstein Association for the past 5 years.

Over the years more land has been purchased by Pinehurst. Today it consists of 1,288 acres at 2 locations. Alfalfa, hay, corn and oats are raised. There is a total of 350 registered animals at Pinehurst: 110 milking cows, 180 heifers and 60 bulls. The current lactation average on 3 times a day milking is 25,481 milk at 3,9% fat, 982 pounds of fat and 3,2% protein, 815 pounds of protein. The cows are fed 4 times each day with a ration that consists of baled hay, haylage, high moisture corn, cotton seed and roasted soy beans.

## Over 450 excellent cows

This high milk production is impressive, but it is also accomplished by excellent type cows. Among the 110 milking cows are 73 classified Excellent, 48 Very Good and 9 Good Plus. The BAA is 111.7. Pinehurst has bred 200 Excellent cows, and they have developed 254 more Excellents! In the present herd, one cow completes 9 generations of Excellent. Another cow completes 8 generations of uninterrupted Excellents.



**5 vaches de la famille Matilda. En plus de Fond-Matt-Matilda placée à droite et présentée également en photo, nous avons: / 5 cows from the Matilda line. Fond-Matt-Matilda is pictured on right. The other cows are:**  
 Pinehurst-Precious EX 95-4E-GMD 365 - 9.05 - 3X - 16180 kg - 3.5%.  
 Pinehurst-Pleasure EX 95-4E-GMD 365 - 8.09 - 3X - 16240 kg - 3.6%.  
 Pinehurst-Coquette EX 95-3E-GMD 365 - 4.07 - 3X - 18337 kg - 3.6%.  
 Pinehurst-Serenade EX 92-2E 365 - 4.05 - 3X - 15650 kg - 3.9%.

In the show ring Pinehurst herds have won the Premier Breeder Award 21 times at the National Shows. They have been named Premier Exhibitor 14 times. They have done this at all 3 National Shows and the International Red and White Show, in addition to the State Fairs of Wisconsin, Iowa and Minnesota. In 1976, they became the first herd to be named Premier Breeder and Exhibitor at all 3 National Shows. The repeat this feat in 1980. Pinehurst was the leading exhibitor of All-American nominees from 1975 through 1981.

This outstanding success is a tribute to the skills of David Bachmann and his son. Over

the years they have purchased many good cattle. Their selection has always been based on the desire to establish new cow families within the herd. These purchases represent numerous combinations of 2, 3, 4 and 5 generations of females who have classified Excellent.

## Two 97 Point Brood Cows

Pinehurst has been home to some of the great brood cows of the breed. They have owned 15 animals scored 95 points or higher. They have owned 55 All-American or Reserve All-American cattle. Two cows have scored 97 points, Dolvic Fury Bubaleah and Jan-Com Fond Matt Matilda.

## Dolvic Fury Bubaleah

Dolvic Fury Bubaleah, 2E-97, 365 d - 6.06 - 3X - 27, 630M - 3.8% - 104 F was purchased by Pinehurst in 1972. She became All-Wisconsin in 1972 and Reserve All-American in 1973. Bubaleah was First Aged Cow at the Central National Show in 1973 as well as the Reserve All-American Aged Cow for the same year. Dolvic Fury Bubaleah produced 2 Excellent sons while at Pinehurst — Pinehurst Copyright and Pinehurst Passport. Copyright is the most influential sire ever used at Pinehurst. His progeny became a major factor in Pinehurst's show ring success. His Junior Get became the first ever to win its class at all 3 National Shows. This was repeated by his Senior Get which became All-American in 1980, 1981 and 1982. Copyright's progeny have won 10 All-American and 5 Reserve All-American Awards.

## Jan-Com Fond Matt Matilda

Jan-Com Fond Matt Matilda, EX - 5E - 97 - GMD, 365d. 10 - 10 - 3X - 35, 631M - 3,9% - 35,631 - 243,580 - 1391 F was All-American in 1977. Her lifetime production is 243,580M - 3.6% - 8775 F. She came to Pinehurst in 1974 and was already classified Excellent 90. Over the next few years she was raised in score, until she became the 14th cow in Holstein history to score 97 points. Matilda and her progeny account for 13 National Show Class wins. She also heads a 3 generation group of winners in Milking Form at the Nationals. One could not expect more from a brood cow than Matilda. She has had 4 progeny that are classified Excellent. They include 2 All-Americans, a highly proven AI sire, and two 1,000 pound fat daughters. Her son, Pinehurst Blueprint, was classified Excellent 96 and was All-American Aged Bull in 1981. He was exported to Japan for \$ 400,000. One granddaughter, Pinehurst Pleasure, 3E-93-GMD is a National Show Class Winner. Pleasure has 4 Excellent and 7 Very Good daughters.

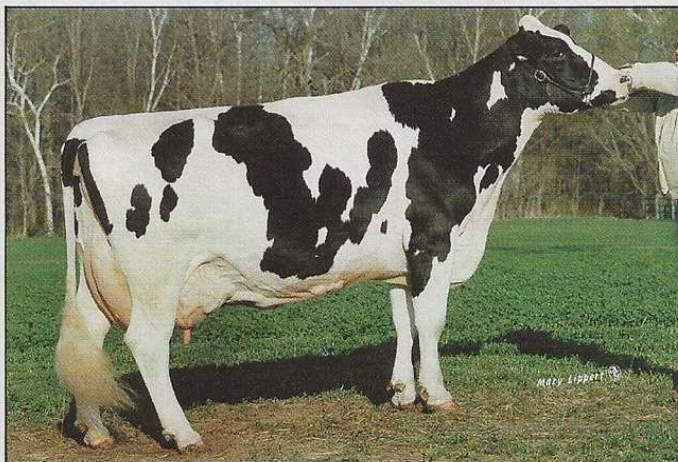




Dolvic-Fury-Bubaleah EX  
97-2E  
365 - 6.06 - 3X -  
12 544 kg -  
3.8%. Elle est la  
mère de Copyright  
/ she is dam of  
Copyright.



Million-Heir-Prestige-Charo  
EX 96 - 5E - GMD  
365 - 11.09 - 3X -  
15 313 kg - 4.3%.  
Elle a produit  
jusque là un total  
de 129 173 kg de  
lait à 4,2%; charo  
a maintenant 9  
filles classées EX  
ou VG et ayant  
produit plus de  
500 kg de gras. /  
Her lifetime  
production stands  
at 129,173 kg  
milk at 4.2%. She  
now has 9  
Excellent or Good  
daughters with  
over 500kg F.



Pinehurst Rapture  
EX 96-4E -GMD.  
365 - 8.02 - 3X -  
13787 kg - 4.2%.  
Cette vache  
représente la 7<sup>e</sup>  
génération d'une  
famille de vaches  
toutes classées  
EX. On apprend  
qu'elle a aussi une  
fille EX et déjà  
une petite fille EX.  
Neuf générations  
EX à suivre! Il  
s'agit peut-être là  
d'un cas unique  
dans l'histoire de  
la Holstein.

**Rapture is backed by 6 generations EX. She has an EX daughter and an EX grand-daughter. 9 generations EX in all! This is probably a unique case in Holstein history.**

## Pinehurst Precious

Another daughter, Pinehurst Precious, EX - 4E - 95 - GMD, 365d - 9.05 - 3X - 35,640M - 3.5% - 35,640 - 1257 F was the All-American 5 year-old in 1982, the Reserve All-American in 1979, 1980 and 1981. Precious is the dam of 7 Excellent and Very Good offspring. She combines the blood of Bubaleah and Matilda, being the daughter of Pinehurst Copyright. In National Show competition, Precious has won her class 7 times in Milking Form. Pinehurst Avant Garde, EX-93, is the son of Precious and Puget Sound Sheik. He is All-American Aged Bull.

It would be impossible in this article to list all the great show cattle at Pinehurst Farms. Among them are Million-Heir Prestige Charo, EX-4E-96-GMD and her son, Pinehurst Checkmate, EX. Charo has had 7 Excellent and Very Good daughters. To date, her lifetime production is over 250,000 M and 11,000 F. Pinehurst Rapture, Pinehurst Charity and Hepp-Haven Lisa of Pinehurst are all excellent 96 points and need to be recognized for their outstanding successes. With this tremendous success in breeding and developing high production and type animals it is no surprise to learn that

Pinehurst enjoys a strong demand for its cattle. Current export markets for live animals include Japan and South America. Embryos and semen are exported to Europe, South America and Africa. There is also a large domestic demand for the Pinehurst prefix.

## Breeding philosophy

The Pinehurst herd is based upon the philosophy that cows must produce and reproduce consistently over a period that allows their reproducing ability to be properly evaluated during their lifetime. In order to accomplish this, emphasis in selection has been placed on longevity and on the ability to produce milk economically over many lactations.

The Pinehurst breeding philosophy is based on its own index or number system. They pay more attention to actual values and accomplishments than they do to the theoretic and predicted values in common use today.

"High levels of production and type, when packed into a pedigree are a better guarantee of future performance than a group of numbers of dubious origin," says Bachmann. "Therefore, we presently want every female at Pinehurst to have an average production of the nearest 7 dams of over 1,000 pounds of butterfat. Currently we can adjust these numbers to also include a high level of protein. By using a high percentage of Pinehurst sires we find this criterion easy to reach.

## 50% use of own sires

The current breeding program at Pinehurst consists of 50% Pinehurst sires, 35% Canadian sires and 15% American AI sires. This does not lead to many high indexing cows or bulls acceptable to major AI companies. Therefore, you will not see many Pinehurst prefixes in the young sire proving programs from these organizations. But, if you believe that mating high type and production animals to each other will result in more high type and production animals you may want to check out the Pinehurst program for yourself.

There are many breeders around the world who agree with Bachmann's assessment. Currently, there are 20 independent distributors for semen from Pinehurst-bred sires. The Bachmanns will promote bulls from their best cow families and top cows. These are the bulls that Pinehurst has the confidence in to use on their own cattle. Confidence, it would seem, that is justified by the success of Pinehurst, both in the show ring and their herd's lactation averages.

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