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#### THOUGHTS FROM DAVE

I'm hoping that everyone has had a great start to 2012. I'm excited to hear how everyone's farrowing is going. I would like to thank those who attended the 2011 National Show and Sale. If you haven't been able to join us in the past, I hope that you'll make plans to attend in 2012. The show and sale will be held in Greencastle, Indiana. The banquet will be held Saturday September 1st with the show and sale held on Sunday, Sep. 2nd.

We will again have a junior show on September 2nd. Prize money will be awarded to the top 3 placing gilts in each class with additional money awarded to the Champion and Reserve Champion overall. We will also offer showmanship classes starting with Pee Wees up to Seniors. Gilts shown in the Junior Show cannot be shown in the Breeding Show and will not be eligible for the sale.

Exciting news for the Junior members in 2012. The Tamworths have been asked to join Team Purebred at their Summer Type Conference National Jr. Summer Show, held June 27 to June 30 in Springfield, Illinois. This is a FUN and EDUCATIONAL experience for our youth. Watch the Tamworth website, www.TamworthSwine.org and the Team Purebred website, www.TeamPurebred.com for more information.

I look forward to seeing everyone at sales this spring and shows this summer.

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In 2011 Tamworth Registration had 1535 Registrations and 422 Transfers



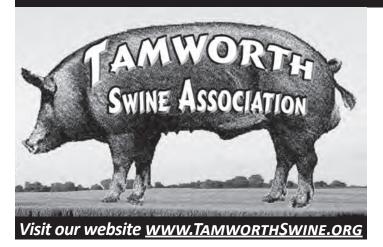
# **TAMWORTH NEWS**



#### TAMWORTH QUEENS

This year we are once again lucky to have two Tamworth Queens. We appreciate having these young ladies to inform the public about the Tamworth Breed of pigs. They both exhibit their Tamworth pigs at their County Fairs and also at the Indiana State Fair. They also help with the acticvities of the Tamworth Breed. — "Thanks" girls!

## 2012 Tamworth Association NATIONAL SHOW & SALE



ANNUAL MEETING & BANQUET
SATURDAY SEPTEMBER 1ST
PUTNAM INN RESTAURANT

SHOW & SALE
SUNDAY SEPTEMBER 2ND
PUTNAM COUNTY FAIRGROUNDS
US 231 North, GREENCASTLE, IN

The Tamworth Swine Association will hold the Annual Meeting & Banquet on Saturday, September 1st at the Putnam Inn Restaurant with Social Hour 6:00—6:30pm, followed by Dinner at 6:30pm. The following day, the Show & Sale will take place beginning at 12 noon concluding with the sale at 5:00pm. The Show & Sale will take place at the Putnam County Fairgrounds, US 231 North, Greencastle, Indiana.

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Look for the latest news and updates at www.TamworthSwine.org

If you plan to attend, please let us know if you are coming by August 15th so we may have a pen room available.

Remember, the gilt you show in the Junior Show may not be shown in the regular Type Conference Show. Pigs shown in the Junior Show are not to be sold.



# **TAMWORTH NEWS**



**COURTNEY GULICK** 

SAMANTHA PIGG

Samantha and I decided to put together a float in the Lafayette Christmas Parade, the largest Christmas parade in the state of Indiana. We won place in catagory. Everyone came up to us asking us about the breed **Tamworths** and we were very happy to tell them about the



Lafayette Christmas Parade

breed and the Tamworth Association that we have. This year Samantha and I have had a lot of fun times and we are very proud to represent the Tamworth Association and we hope that we can do it again and keep promoting the breed to other people so that our breed will become the best that it can be. We hope to see many of you at the National show this year as well!

— Courtney Gulick

# Thanks to Our Buyers at the farm and the 2011 National Tamworth Type Conference.



Special thanks to David Rains and John Littlefield of Missouri who purchased the Reserve Grand Champion Boar at the Type Conference. This Reserve Grand Champion stretches our record to four consecutive Champions or Reserves at the Type Conference.

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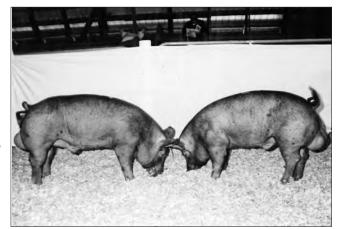
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2011 — Indiana State Fair Grand Champion Boar 2011 — National Type Conference Grand Champion Boar 2010 — National Champion Boar

2010 — Reserve National Champion Boar

2010 — National Champion Gilt

2009 — National Champion Boar

2009 — Littemate put in stud at Prairie State

2008 — National Champion Boar

2008 — Reserve National Champion Boar

2008 — Indiana Swine Circuit Champion Tam Gilt,

1st place Indiana State Fair

2008 — Indiana State Fair Open Champion

2006 — Indiana State Fair Jr. Champion Tam Barrow

(shown by Wethington family)

2005 — National Champion Tam Boar

2002 — Indiana State Fair Jr. Champion Tam Barrow

(shown by Wethington family)

Several County Fair Champions and Reserves



### 2011 TUNBRIDGE WORLD'S FAIR SWINE SHOW



In September of 2011 the fourth annual swine show took place at the Tunbridge World's Fair in Tunbridge, Vermont. Fifteen exhibitors brought approximately twenty five hogs with two litters of piglets. A third litter made its debut Saturday night, and yes her pen was popular on Sunday! Of the twenty five entries seven were Registered Tamworth. This show is still the only show in Vermont and one of three or four in New England. Our judge this year was Mr. Marshall Brattain from Greencastle Indiana. Again, this year, the junior entries were way up with a young 4H group participating for the first time. Also, for the first time an obstacle course competition was held on Sunday with all participating and a large crowd enjoying the fun. This was likely the highlight of the show for all involved, including Marshall

The Grand Champion for the Junior division was a Berkshire gilt, owned by Fred & Jacci Merriam of Braintree, VT and shown by Michelle Poulin of Brookfiled, VT. The showmanship Grand Champion was Daniel Caterino of Weir, New Hampshire. In the Open division the Champion Commercial gilt was a Tamworth cross owned by Matt & Michelle Whalen and family of Chelsea, VT. The Champion Registered gilt was a Berkshire owned by Fred & Jacci Merriam of Braintree, VT and shown by Michelle Poulin of Brookfiled, VT. Light Champion Market Hog was won by Matt & Michelle Whalen and family of Chelsea, VT. Heavy Champion Market Hog was won by Fred & Jacci Merriam of Braintree, VT. The Champion Sow and overall Grand Champion of the Open division was a registered Tamworth sow owned and shown by Michael and Diana Whalen of Tunbride, VT. This same sow was awarded the first annual Champion Tamworth Award. This award, "The Brattain Farm Award,"

was awarded to Michael and Diana Whalen's sow by non other than Marshal and Shirley Brattain. This award is in recognition to Shirley and Marshall for all the help and assistance they have given us in getting and keeping this show going.

The addition of the 4H show was a significant step this year. Eleven of the fifteen exhibitors were juniors. It was very enjoyable having a bunch of kids around with the same enthusiasm as the adult exhibitors. Once again we drew a substantial crowd. We had a set of bleachers this year that was full with people with some standing around to watch. We still had a devoted following from the Fair's administrative office. Without a doubt the most popular class of the entire fair was the obstacle course that we ran on Sunday. The Open winner was Diana Whalen of Tunbridge, VT. The Junior and overall winner was Mikayla



Caterino of Weir, New Hampshire. Since the fair, we have heard many comments about how much fun people had watching the handlers trying to maneuver their pigs through the course. Diana Whalen's entry comes up over and over again. Is was a sow with 12 piglets that Diana guided through the different gates. (She had a little help from her husband and a friend) How much fun it was seeing this 2 week old litter follow its mother through the different gates while on their way to victory. This "competition" was definitely a way to relax and have fun on the last day of our Fair. I think Marshall and Shirley would agree.

The Fair and all the exhibitors wish to thank Marshall for coming out and judging our show and for all the advice he had to offer while here. Once again we would like to thank Shirley for coming to Vermont to see the results of her help and advice on a small country fair.

Submitted by: Matt Whalen

Superintendent of Swine Tunbridge World's Fair





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All-in-one litter registration animals after 90 days (Non - Members)	40.00
Each transfer (any sale, except pigs in dam) including all transfers on original ap	plication3.00
Duplicate Certificate of Registration	3.00
Changing name of recorded animal	3.00
Transfer forms - (Can download on-line)	25 for 2.00
All-in-one litter registration Form - (Can download on-line)	20 for 5.00
Life Membership Fee	10.00
Transfer of Membership	1.00
Annual Maintenance Fee (due January 1st every year)	25.00

#### ANY RUSH WORK NEEDED WITHIN 7 DAYS, FEES WILL BE DOUBLED

Junior membership free to a bona fide 4-H and FFA member up to age 21. Application blanks available from Association Office. Must be signed by Advisor or Leader.

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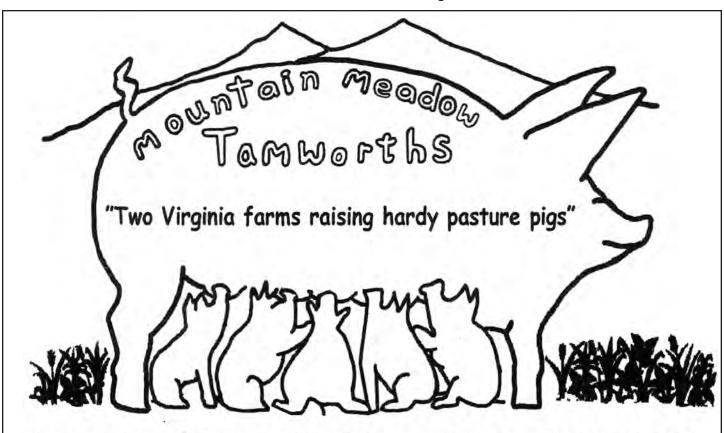
- The National Tamworth Association is busy promoting our great grazer hogs and they are the best tasting meat for the Farm Markets. They are recognized for their great taste at these markets.
- Tamworths are super hogs for the small scale farmer, as they don't require an expensive set up and can make do with older facilities. They can farrow outside except in extreme cold. Some bedding and a shed will do.
- Tamworths have a really nice temperment and like being around people and the little pigs are lots of fun to watch as they run and play.
- We registered over 200 litters and 1535 pigs this past year—many of whom went to 4-H club members for county shows and state fairs. Tamworths have breeders in several states.
- The National Tamworth Type Conference will be held September 1st & 2nd this year at Greencastle, IN. We have attendees from several states.
- There were approximately 100 head entered in our last National Show & Sale.

## If you are thinking of buying some pigs for the family farm, to do Farmer's Markets with good tasting meat—BETTER GIVE TAMS A TRY!

The show this year will be at 12:00 noon on Sunday to give more time between the end of the show and the start of the sale. Entries must be at the fairground by 5 p.m. on Saturday.

If you can't make it by Noon on Sunday, please call David LaFollette and let him help you to make plans. Remember January pigs can be in the Jr. Champion classes if they were so shown at their State Fairs. Motion made that if you are selling a boar in the sale that isn't a Junior Champion, you must bring a gilt to sell also. — You do not have to bring a boar to sell a gilt in the show or sale. Junior members may sell a gilt without selling a boar. Each member may sell 10 pigs—2 boars and 8 gilts. We wanted everyone to know we would like to have you join us for the National Tamworth Type Conference show and sale this year. **REMEMBER—SEPTEMBER 1st &2nd—Greencastle, Indiana. Banquet at 6:30pm this year.** 





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Reserve Grand Boar, WI State Fair
Grand Gilt, IL State Fair
Reserve Grand Gilt, IN State Fair
Grand Gilt, National Tamworth Show
Grand Gilt, Junior National Tamworth Show
Grand Bred Gilt, National Tamworth Show



Grand Champion Gilt at the 2011 National Tamworth Show and Reserve Grand Gilt at IN and WI State Fairs. Special thanks to Tom Rake and Family for their purchase.

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Don't forget the Summer Type Conference, National Junior Show, June 27-30<sup>th</sup> in Springfield, IL. Help represent the Tamworth breed!



"Crinkle"
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National Tamworth
Show and WI State
Fair. Congratulations
Lucas!

We hope 2012 will bring us and our customers as much success as 2011! We have breeding stock available year round.







# the 'bacon pig'



Heritage hogs have earned a mouthwatering reputation

by Marilou Suszko

Most people would rather spend their time eating crispy, smoky strips of bacon than studying the breed it came from, but when a pig has earned the nickname "the bacon pig," it deserves a closer look.

Ohio Farm Bureau members Paul and Marilyn Morrison raise this special "bacon" breed called the Tamworth on their 350-acre Darke County farm as show pigs and breeding stock for pork producers throughout Ohio, New York and as far west as Missouri and Arkansas.

"I've raised just about every breed of meat pig over the past 20 years," Morrison said. "What makes Tamworths special is that they grow slowly so they are leaner with just the right amount of belly fat." That's what you look for in good bacon: lean, finely grained meat balanced with ribbons of fat running throughout.

The Tamworth originated from central England and was imported to America in the early 1800s. Considered a heritage breed, it is the result of centuries of breeding to preserve unique and desirable genetic traits including ones that help it resist disease and tolerate local environmental conditions.

On Morrison's farm, 10 hefty Tamworth sows, between 500 and 600 pounds each, keep company with other heritage breeds like Poland Chinas and Herefords, all valued for quality meat production. Morrison and other small-scale producers regard these breeds as hardy and perfectly suited for outdoor production. Morrison routinely crossbreeds Berkshires — another heritage breed, quite fatty and a historical favorite of Britain's Royal family — with the Tamworth. The result is an animal with superior meat tenderness and palatability.

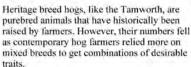
While Morrison feeds his herd soybeans and corn from his fields, he describes them as excellent foragers. "A hundred years ago, Tamworths lived on wild acorns and berries," he said. Their wiry, ruddy red coats protected them from the sun and helped them adapt to a variety of weather conditions, and strong, sturdy legs helped them walk long distances to forage for their food. Despite these ideal traits, Tamworths began to fall out of favor with some producers. "They didn't do well in confinement and put on weight too slowly," Morrison said.

Morrison points out that the Tamworth is considered a threatened breed, a concern supported by the American Livestock Breeds Conservancy (ALBC), a nonprofit organization whose mission is to protect and conserve rare and historic breeds of livestock and poultry. But the swine with a reputation all wrapped up in bacon is making a comeback. The Tamworth Swine Association reports that approximately 2,500 Tamworths exist through the world with the vast majority found in the United States. Many producers are paying renewed attention to the merits of the breed, which include good mothering skills, their ability to be efficient grazers and high meat to bone ratio.

Consumers have also played an important role in the revival of heritage breeds including the Tamworth as they experience the rich genuine flavor of the meat, especially the bacon, which when cooked is lean, distinct and delicious. But then, it's bacon. What's not to love?

Marilou Suszko is a food writer from Vermilion. She is the author of Farms and Foods of Ohio: From Garden Gate to Dinner Plate and hosts From My Ohio Kitchen to Yours on the Our Ohio TV series.

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Paul and Marilyn Morrison raise hogs in western Ohio.

"Fairs are like beauty contests for pigs — it has a lot to do with looks." ~Paul Morrison



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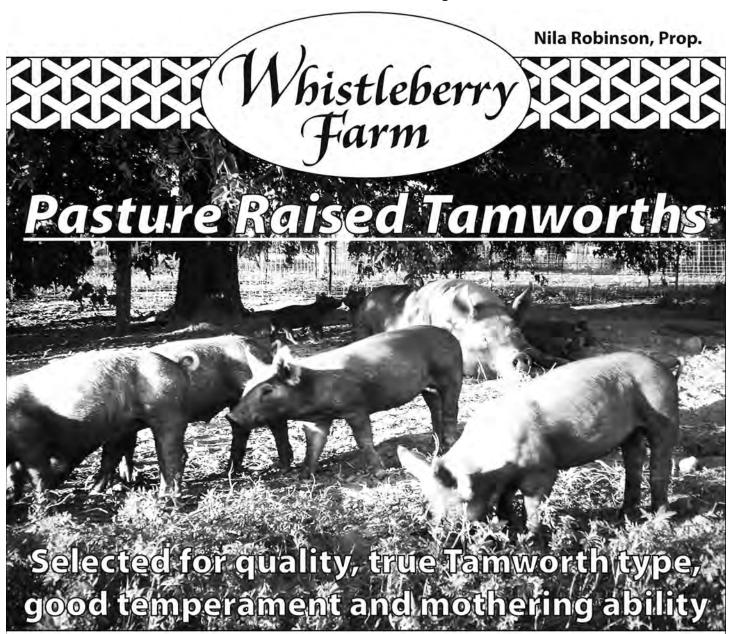
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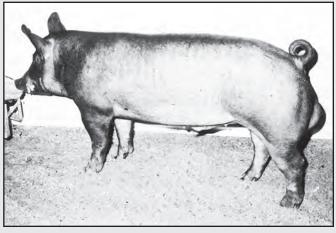
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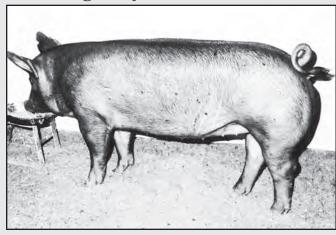
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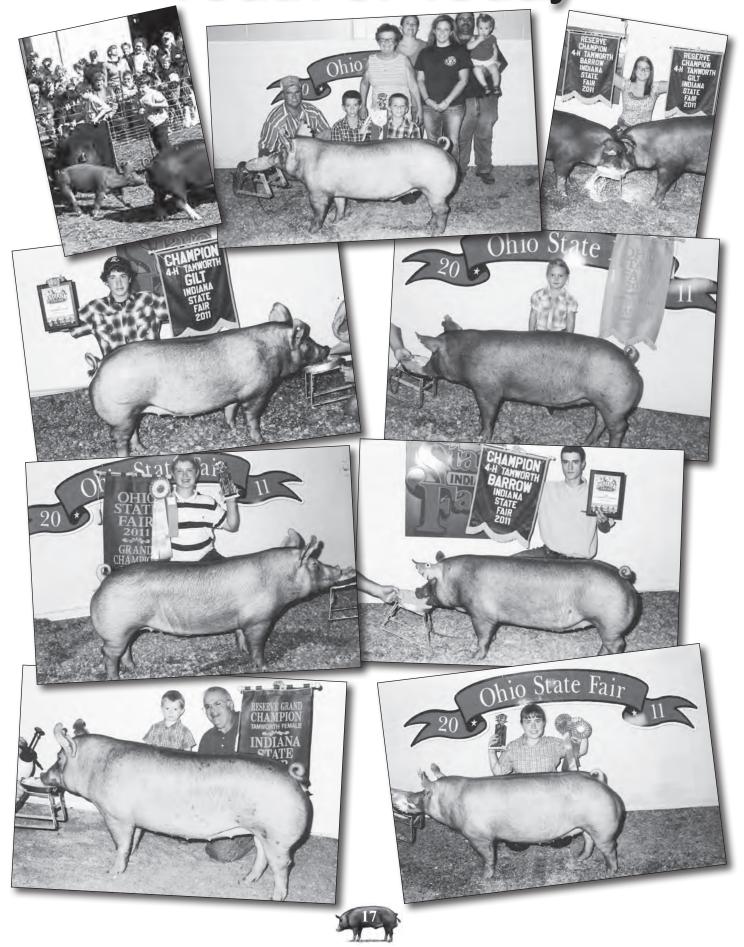
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#### **TAMWORTH ORIGIN AND HISTORY**

The Tamworth originated in Ireland where they were known as "Irish Grazers", being given that name due to the fact that they were such wonderful foragers. About 1812 Sir Robert Peel, being impressed with the characteristic of these hogs imported some of them to his estate at Tamworth, England. It is from this place they derived their name.

An English authority, who calls it the "Mahogany" or "Grizzly" pig, says it was extensively bred in several of the midland counties of England early in the nineteenth century. When the droves were mainly kept in the woods and forests. They are not a composite breed, and are thought by many to be one of the oldest and purest breeds in Britain.

#### THE TAMWORTH BEFORE IMPROVEMENT

They were long of limb, long in the snout and flat in the rib. They were active, hardy, good rustlers, and very prolific, but they were slow feeders and late in maturing.

#### THE IMPROVEMENT OF TAMWORTHS

This has been almost entirely effected through selection, judicious breeding, and management. It is now pretty generally conceded that the blood of other breeds has not been used to any extent in the improvement of Tamworths. Tamworths have been used in developing other breeds in the United States.

#### WHEN IMPROVEMENT WAS EFFECTED

They appear to have been improved to a considerable extent before the middle of the 19th Century, as they were given First Honors at the Royal Agricultural Society's Show when competing with large breeds as early as 1847. But subsequent to this period they sank into obscurity, and were only known in some local districts. About 1877 a demand grew up for more hogs of the bacon type, and breeders of Tamworths brought their favorites to the front in England.

#### THE FIRST TAMWORTHS IN THE UNITED STATES

The first Tamworths in the United States were those imported by Thomas Bennett of Rossville, Illinois in 1882. In the following decade, Tamworths were also imported into Canada and the breed gradually became known in both countries. The Tamworth has two characteristics for which it was entitled to preeminence; i.e.; an unusual proportion of lean meat, and large litters of pigs; also that Tamworths will make as many pounds of gain, largely lean meat, from a given weight of feed as will hogs of any other breed. From these early imports, the Colorado agricultural College's three year farm average for all sows was ten live pigs to a litter. A two-year old sow weighing 750 pounds had 18 live pigs at one farrowing, and a Tamworth at the lowa Agricultural College raised 33 pigs in one year.

#### **ORGANIZATION**

Tamworth Swine are protected by registration in Great Britain, the United States and Canada. The American Tamworth Swine Record Association was organized in 1897.

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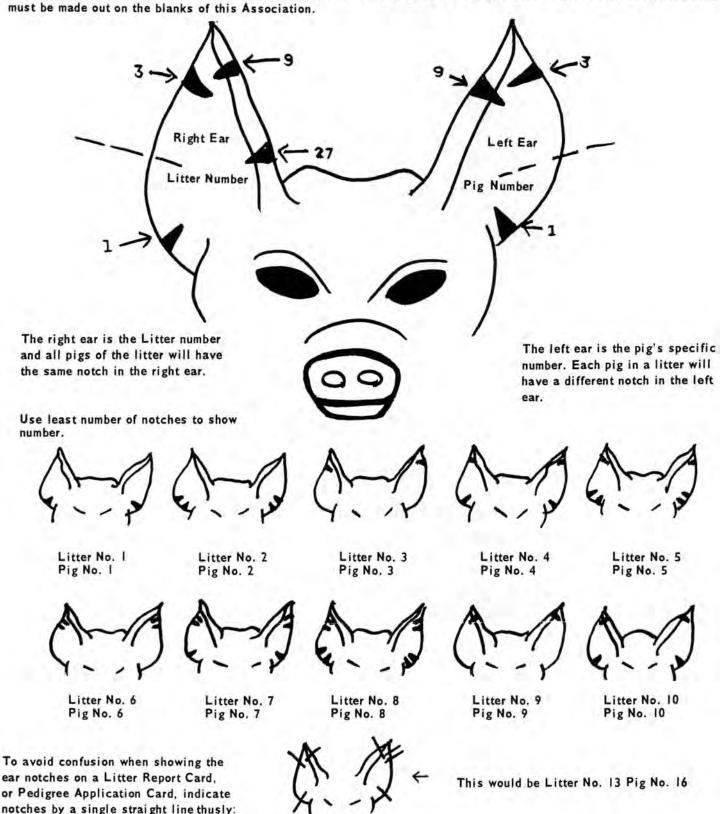


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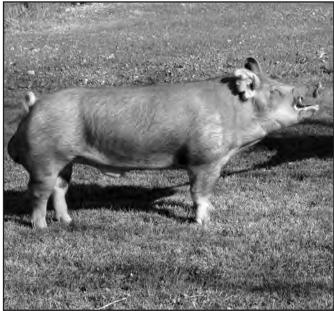
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