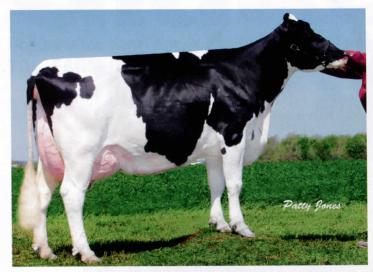
Yadda family scores via male



Milkworth Manfred Yadda VG-86 produced a strong cow family at Coyne Farms and CRI.

"Yadda: a new power-house in the breeding world". This heading that topped the first article about Milkworth Manfred Yadda in HI – today exactly 3 years ago – was no overstatement. In the meantime the Yadda family has explicitly proven its worth - via top-ranking proven bulls such as Massey, Don Juan, Duce Yen, and Sharky Yeter but also via many top-indexing female offspring. This is why the spotlights are once again focused on this strong cow family that was developed at Coyne Farms in Avon in the US state of New York.

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e milk our cows 3x per day and the milk check is our biggest source of income,' says Greg Coyne but at the same time adds that genetics form a nice additional source of income and adds fun to the daily chores. With now more than 100 cows with the Coyne-Farms prefix that have scored EX, several cow families are attracting considerable attention from sire analysts worldwide. Such as the Jell family with the sought-after donor Coyne-Farms Ramos Jelly, and the family of Coyne-Farms Bret Daffers who produced the popular proven bulls Coyne-Farms Bolton Dom and Dorcy. In this story we will focus on the other main family in Avon, the family of Milkworth Manfred Yadda.

FORTUNATE PURCHASE

The family behind Yadda has been present in New York for generations: First at Ransom Rail Farm and later at John Wadsworth (Foxworth/Milkworth). About the introduction of Yadda to the Coyne herd, Greg comments that: 'At the beginning of the 90s we decided to expand from 200 to 500 cows. In 1995 we continued to expand to 700 cows and in 1999 we were milking almost 900 cows already. We didn't see the need to buy anymore. But I had known



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John Wadsworth for years and wanted to buy something at the Milkworth Sale. I couldn't attend the sale myself so I asked John Barrett to buy something for me. He came back with the heifer calf Yadda for... \$800.' She proved to be a lucky buy. Yadda calved out at 23 months of age and made a tremendous first record of



Coyne-Farms Shottle Yeah VG-88 (Shottle x Yadda) has been in a continuous flush program for four years.

35,730 lb. (16,200 kg) 4.0% 3.1% in 365 days. In fact, she was doing so well her new owners decided to flush this Manfred two-year-old that was classified VG already.

EXPENSIVE SHAMROCK

The first ET was with Finley. Besides three bulls this combination produced only one heifer, Coyne-Farms Yarn, who proved to be an excellent contributor to the herd. Yarn's top record is as follows: 3.10 3x 365d 37,540 lb. (17,000 kg) 3.3% 3.4% and the Finley was classified VG-88. In addition, she was promoted to bull dam. And

dam of the proven bulls Coyne-Farms Sharky Yeter at Accelerated (1825 TPI) and Coyne-Farms Duce Yen at ABS (1876 TPI). At Coyne Farms she produced a several good daughters sired by Active, Sharky, and Toystory. Her daughter Coyne-Farms Buckeye Yvonne VG-86 did well for Barb Ziemba (Woodcrest Dairy) in

Lisbon, New York. She is the top gTPI Buckeye of the country and has Observer sons at Select Sires and Semex. 'We are working with high-ranking daughters sired by Shamrock, Observer, Planet, and Domain. It is a wonderful family to continue to develop,' says Barb Ziemba. Yvonne's daughter Woodcrest Shamrock Yuppy was recently sold at the Regancrest Sale for \$25,000.

"FEARSOME FOURSOME"

After Yarn at Coyne Farms eight more daughters from Yadda entered production by Lucen-

te, Best, Bret, BW Marshall and... Shottle. With the latter combination there was the factor of luck again according to Greg Coyne. 'During her 2nd lactation Yadda became sick and we quickly decided to flush her with Shottle. The result was 15 good embryos of which we implanted 10 straight away. Four heifers and three bulls were born out of these.' No AI was interested in the bulls because they had enough Shottle sons already... Greg continues. 'We implanted the remaining five embryos two years later. And four bulls were born from these. These did all end up going to AI because they had high genomics!' Yadda's four Shottle daughters are referred

and female line

- Ransom-Rail Nicki Combination EX-90 (Paclamar Combination)

 - Foxworth Tradition Nicolena VG-87 (Sweet-Haven Tradition)
 - Foxworth Secret Naples VG-86 (Thonyma Secret)
 - Milkworth Blackstar Nach GP-81 (To-Mar Blackstar)
 - Milkworth Megabuck Yen GP-83 (Meadow-Bridge Megabuck)
 - o Milkworth Manfred Yadda VG-86 (Ha-Ho Cubby Manfred)
 - Coyne-Farms Shottle Yeah VG-88 (Picston Shottle)

to by Coyne as the "Fearsome Foursome", after the four renowned defenders from American Football in the sixties. All four Shottles are being used genetically and Coyne-Farms Shottle Yeah and Yup in particular. 'Yup has been flushed for three years at Sunshine Genetics and is now recently fresh and has just returned to our farm,' Coyne tells us. 'Yeah has been flushed at Sunshine for four years and there is still demand for her bulls and embryos. Last year we sold embryos to Canada, Germany, France, the Netherlands, China and Japan. And also to clients within the US.'

YUP & YEAH

Yup scored VG-87 and completed a first record of 34,520 lb. (15,650 kg) and already has VG daughters sired by Toystory (2x), Socrates, Auden and Million. In addition, she has young daughters with high genomics sired by Planet, Man-O-Man, Super and Freddie. Sister Yeah



Coyne-Farms Shottle Yup VG-87, one of the



Coyne-Farms Toystory Yadirah VG-88 displays the tremendous breeding potential of her dam Yup.

went VG-88 and produced 32,830 lb. (14,900 kg) as a two-year-old and at Coyne Farms she has sought-after daughters sired by Goldwyn, Planet, Freddie, and Observer. Her Bolton daughter Coyne-Farms Yadir recently went EX at Roll-N-View Farm, Todd Galton's farm, also in New York. 'Yadir is a beautiful cow. She is now in her third lactation and has a nice dairy frame with a great udder.' Galton's operation has 1200 dairy cows including 100 registered Holsteins. 'Yadir certainly is one of the very best cows in our herd and we are trying to breed a nice family from her,' explains Todd who already has a few good Millions from Yadir milking and younger daughters by O-Style and Spearmint in the heifer pens.

YELENA & YASMINE

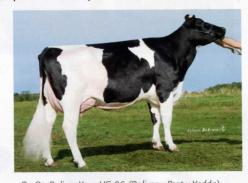
Yadda produced 10 VG daughters and one EX (BW Marshall daughter Yak). Two of them are in the donor test herd of Genex-CRI. Why did CRI invest in embryos from this family at the time? 'Yadda's indexes drew attention and were entirely supported by the pattern of what we saw in the field,' explains Angie Coburn of CRI. 'Yadda has to compete in a large herd with a commercial environment and this gave the numbers much credibility.' From the purchased embryos two heifer calves were born: Coyne-Farms Yelena CRI (by Bret) and Coyne-Farms Yasmine CRI (by Lucente) who both easily graduated for the donor test. As bull dams they did splendidly as well. Yelena is the dam of Co-Op Bosside Massey who was the top newcomer in the official TPI list of daughter-proven bulls last April. At 2244 TPI the Mascol son is in 3rd place while his score of 720 NM is good for the 4th place of the Net Merit ranking. You will find more details about him in his sire report elsewhere in this HI. Sister Yasmine produced the popular proven bull and outcross source Co-Op Don Juan (by Gem-Hill Amel Don). 'Don Juan does not meet Massy's index level, but as a bull that stamps his daughters without any weaknesses,

he satisfies many dairy farmers,' remarks Coburn, and adds that the influence of Yasmine within CRI's breeding program almost dried up. Yelena's hasn't; on the contrary in fact! Of the 150 Holsteins in CRI's Genesis program to be flushed in a time span of four months, no less than 15 trace back to Yelena! One of the most prominent Yelena daughters is Co-Op Encino Yancie – with top indexing daughters sired by Planet, Trigger, and Robust – and Co-Op Boliver Yoyo in particular. The latter is the former Nr.1 index cow of the US and has daughters with more than 2300 gTPI by Clark, Robust, Bookem, Jives, and Shamrock.

What is the overall pattern of the Yadda family according to Coburn? 'The strong udders and the low cell count. In that pattern the family is very consistent. In addition, each and every one is a very strong cow with very good feet and legs. They are cows that maintain their body condition throughout lactation and are long-lasting.'

HARD-WORKING

Finally we of course ask Greg Coyne to characterize the extensive Yadda family, which, besides 14 Yadda daughters, already has more than 130 registered granddaughters, 140 great-granddaughters, and 40 great-great-granddaughters. His reply: 'The Yadda family makes cows that produce heavily and handle themselves very



Co-Op Boliver Yoyo VG-86 (Boliver x Bret x Yadda), former Nr.1 index cow of the US.

well in a commercial environment. They are all strong and don't require special care, and without exception they all produce lots of milk. We never had a family in which every two-year-old produces at least 100 lb. (45 kg) of milk per day with records totaling 30,000 lb. (13,600 kg). As I mentioned, the milk check is most important to us. And the Yaddas are a hard-working family for this purpose!' ●