

## Danish Holstein and Hall of Fame 2015

At our recent Annual Meeting with 500 participants - several people and Holstein animals were awarded.

### Cow of the Year

Holstein Cow of the Year is a cow with a significant influence in breeding and her own performance. This year two very special cows known throughout the Holstein world was announce as Cows of the Year. Anderstrup Shottle Heidi and her daughter Tirsvad-Anderstrup Snowman Heaven is a unique pair of dam-daughter in their own performance and in the breeding work through numerous sons in the European AI organizations. Anderstrup P Shottle Heidi VG-89 is still the no 1 Shottle in the German ranking, and she has 5 sons in German AI and like her Tirsvad-Anderstrup Snowman Heaven VG-87 daughter with 12 sons in German AI. They have created heavy interest for them selves and their offspring. Their production are fantastic. Snowman Heaven reached in 305 days almost 19.000 kg of milk and her dam Shottle Heaven made 16.000 kg total – both in 1 lactation. They were easy to pick and congratulation to the two breeders Christian & Niels Erik Haahr from Anderstrup Holstein and Søren Ernst Madsen from Tirsvad Holstein.

### Hall of Fame

Tirsvad and Anderstrup Holstein did it again. They bred for years ago the bull D Onside and he was this year nominated to Holstein Hall of Fame. The pedigree for D Onside is T Officer x Tirsvad Manfred Cindy x Tirsvad Patron Claire. D Onside makes cows which will survive for many years in many stables – good production and good feet and legs. Holstein Hall of Fame needs to be a bull which can show good daughters and he had been used as sire of sons for next generation.

Congratulation again to the breeders Christian, Niels Erik Haahr and Søren Ernst Madsen

### Holstein person of the Years

This must be a person who has done a tremendous job in the

performance generally from his herd or during the work in organizations for the Holstein cow.

Torben Kragh at Stortoft Holstein was announced as Holstein Person 2015. He has done a tremendous job with breeding and ET work over years, - originally he bred for type and for bulls to AI. He has success in selling bulls to AI organizations in Denmark and Germany earlier, but over the later years he has turned his direction more on type. He has good prosperous females for his work, - and he bought a number of animals from Germany, Holland or Canada. He has big success on the shows over years. Going to shows is a family project as well as their daughters take part in the daily work on the farms. Stortoft Holstein is well known for their great show results, and in 2015 they won the 3 Holstein Champions and they won as well the breeders competition on best exhibitor on both the Holstein and Red Holstein on National show. The annual meeting saluted the family Tove and Torben Kragh as well as their 3 daughters – Kia, Helle and Jannie.