

County 4-H'ers Take Two Breed Reserve Titles At District Show

Lancaster County 4-H youths captured reserve champion titles for two breeds at the Southeastern Pennsylvania District show held at Hershey last Friday. This was a repeat of last year's performance, but with Ayrshire and Guernsey breeds exchanging places. An added junior champion title in the Holstein division helped improve the over-all county 4-H performance this year.

A veteran show heifer, Harlen Heroic Rosanna, owned by J Nelson Landis, 1804 Hempstead Rd, Lancaster, shared top local Guernsey honors, winning the reserve senior title. She was grand champion 4-H county Guernsey at the recent local roundup, and placed junior champion and reserve grand champion at last year's 4-H district show.

Reserve junior Guernsey champion was a senior yearling entry, Penn-Del Hero Anita, shown by Mark Z Wimer, Willow Street.

Top county scorer in the Jersey division Friday was a six-year-old cow shown by Stephen R Arrowsmith, Peach Bottom R1. She was Hillacres Milkboy Penny, and took reserve senior and reserve

Farm Prices In August Highest Since 1953

The August index of prices received by Pennsylvania farmers for nearly all crops and livestock reached its highest level since November, 1953, according to the State Crop Reporting Service.

The slight drop in prices received for steers, heifers and slaughter cows was more than offset by otherwise generally strong livestock prices. Milk cow prices, averaging \$315 per head, were \$5 above the July price and were the highest on record. The mid-August prices received for broilers and roasters, eggs, and milk were also important factors in the high price level.

With the exception of oats all grain prices showed moderate increases over previous levels. Most active were corn and soybean prices, which gained 9 and 15 cents per bushel respectively. The soybean price at \$2.75 per bushel, was the highest since September, 1954.

The rise in prices received reflects decreased production and tight supplies of feed grains and dairy products, the crop reporting service said. The fifth year of drought has cut sharply into quantities available for sale, and has also increased expenditures for feed and roughage to replace losses because of the drought.



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James R. Esbenshade, Quarryville R2, showing in his last year of 4-H eligibility, joined this year's circle of county winners by taking junior and reserve grand champion titles with his senior Ayrshire calf Unicorn Royal Queen Isabelle.

In the Holstein division, county showmen improved their last year's standing by taking the junior championship. Winning that title was an intermediate calf, Ray-Line Senator Satin, shown by Mari-

lyn Harbold of Elizabethtown R1. A total of 20 blue and 10 red ribbons went to Lancaster County youths, plus 15 ribbons for master showman, and 13 for master fitter performances.

Grand champion awards in the major four breeds in the 14-county show went to: Ayrshire, Lebanon County; Guernsey, Dauphin County; Jersey, Cumberland County; and Holstein, Chester County.

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