

Grube's Hogs Top FFA Show

A Hamp-York Crossbred won the Grand Championship and a Yorkshire won the Reserve Grand Championship in the Eighth Annual Lancaster County FFA Market Hog Show and Sale held at the Lancaster Stockyards on Tuesday.

Both the Grand Champion and Reserve Grand Champion were exhibited by Mike Grube, a sophomore in the Warwick Chapter of FFA. Mike won three breed championships and one second place. In all, the four hogs Mike entered won six awards.

The Grand Champion, a 225 pound barrow, set a record price for the FFA Sale. The pig went to Penn Packing for \$117 per pound. The best any Grand Champion had brought before was \$81. Mike received \$263.25 for his Grand Champion.

The Reserve Grand Champion, a 215 pound gilt, also drew a record price, \$64 per pound. It went to E. W. Martin Packing Company for \$137.60. The previous top price had been \$60 per pound.

The contest was the first FFA hog competition for Mike. He has been raising pigs for three years and has exhibited in 4-H contests. The highest Mike ever went in the 4-H competition was breed reserve champion.

The Warwick Chapter made a fine showing in the competition, taking the Grand and Reserve Championships, four Breed

Championships, and one Reserve Breed Championship. Ephrata and Garden Spot both had two breed champions and two reserve breed champions.

Fitting, Showmanship

Eric Zeiset of New Holland, Garden Spot High School, won the fitting contest in the competition. The award for showmanship went to Clark Stauffer of Ephrata.

Second in the fitting contest was Clark Stauffer, and third was Frank Ruoss of New Holland.

Donald Bollinger from Ephrata was second in the showmanship contest and Jesse Balmer of Warwick was third.

A total of 319 head were sold in the sale which followed the judging of the hogs. The average weight of the pigs was 209 pounds and they brought an average price of \$26.13 per hundredweight. These averages included the sale price for all the Champion and Reserve Champion hogs.

The total weight of the hogs sold was 66,770 pounds and the total sales amounted to \$17,445.74.

Eight Buyers

Eight buyers were present at

the sale on Tuesday afternoon. Represented were Penn Packing Company, E. W. Martin, Kunz-Championships, four Breed



FFA Grand Champion and Reserve Grand Champion were shown by Mike Grube from the Warwick FFA Chapter.

Mike holds the Grand and Reserve Champion trophies above each of his prize winning pigs.

Packing, John Hooper, J. P. Waisel, and Charles Poor.

Mr. Henry Gruber from A & B Packing was the judge for the morning competition.

This year's show was the largest every to be sponsored by the County FFA. Mike Grube said the hogs were good and seemed to have more ham than usual. The good showing came about despite the recent epidemic of hog cholera in the County.

Sale Chairman Mark Campbell said he knew of only one boy who could not show his hogs because of the disease. Campbell further stated that the boy involved only had stock under observational quarantine.

Breed Champions

The breed champions and reserve champions were Yorkshire—champion, Mike Grube of Warwick, reserve, Joe Lefever of Manheim, Hampshire—champion, Mike Grube reserve, Jesse Balmer of Warwick, Poland China—Melvin Goff of Manheim, reserve, David Brandt of Manheim, Spotted Swine—Linford Weaver of Ephrata reserve, Alvin Redday of Garden Spot.

Landrace — champion, Ivin Saylor of Elizabethtown reserve, Glenn Oberholtzer of Elizabethtown, Duroc — champion, Frank Ruoss of Garden

Yost Not In State Contest

The report from the Conservation District office last week that Ivan Yost, Christiana RD1 would be eligible for the state plowing contest at Heishev was in error, officials said this week.

Yost finished second in the contour plowing contest at New Holland and would be eligible only if the first place winner did not attend, officials said.



Showmanship Award—Clark Stauffer from the Ephrata Chapter was judged the best showman at the FFA Hog Show and Sale on Tuesday. Clark is seen showing one of his hogs in an earlier competition. Stauffer was also second in the fitting contest.



Mr. and Mrs. Paul Livengood and daughter Nancy watch closely as their son participates in the hog show competition. With the Livengoods is Miss Raye Jean Shields. The Livengoods live at Manheim RD3.



Frank Ruoss, one of the competitors in the FFA Hog Show, watches the judging along with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Ruoss, of New Holland. Frank was one of the successful exhibitors in the show, winning the Duroc Breed Championship and placing third in the Fitting Contest.