

Kempton Fair Winners Named

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One of Berks County's famous farm fairs opened its gates to thousands of visitors recently sporting farm and home related exhibits along with a carnival midway.

The Kempton fair held June 19-21 included not only exhibits but also invited visitors to watch a horse show, jeep rodeo and tractor pulling contests. Results of the various agriculture and home economics contests are as follows:

Tractor Pulling:

Winners in the 5,000 Lb. Class were 1st - Russel Miller, Tamaqua; 2nd -

Berlyn Troxell, Tamaqua; 3rd - Donald Zaleski, Pen Argyl. Lester Troxell also of Tamaqua, placed first in the 7,000 lb. class with Carl Miller, Tamaqua and Charles Simmons, Lehighton placing second and third respectively.

The 9,000 Lb. Class first place went to Dave Grass, Hamburg. Russel Miller, Tamaqua won second and Dick Moyer, Perkasio placed third. Winners in the 11,000 Lb. Class were David Stutzman, Kutztown, 1st, Wayne Adams, Hamburg, 2nd, and David Grass, Hamburg, 3rd. In the 13,000 Lb. class the winners were

Bruce Dietrich, Lynnport, Albert Newfield, Sr., Hamburg and Steve Hetrick, Oley, first, second and third respectively.

Winners in the Heaviest Weight class, 15,000 Lbs. were: 1st - William Spatz, Sr., Bernville, 2nd - Ray Moyer, New Tripoli, 3rd - Eugene Cellar, Limekiln.

Home Economics

The winners of the Senior Baking Division were as follows: Light Layer Cake 1st - Ruth Dieter, Kempton; 2nd - Violet Solt, Mertztown; 3rd - Betty Kunkel, Lenhartsville. Dark Layer Cake 1st - Marjorie Bond, Kempton; 2nd - Ruth Dieter,

Kempton; 3rd - Carol Shroeder, Kempton. Nut Layer Cake 1st - Adah Reigel, Kempton, 2nd - Mrs. Roy Snyder, Kempton, 3rd - Eva Treichler, Kempton. Miscellaneous Cake 1st - Delores Montagner, Kempton, 2nd - Margaret Smith, Orefield, 3rd - Barbara Baney, Kempton. The Grand Champion cake baker at the Kempton Fair this year was Delores Montagner, Kempton.

Lillian Mengel, Lenhartsville placed first in the fruit pie division with William Crumrine, Kempton and Mrs. Harold Weaver, Kempton placing second and

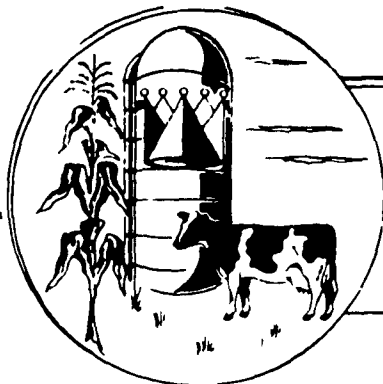
third. The Shoo Fly Pie division was won by Christine Mengel, Darlene Mengel and Lillian Menger, Getter, Kempton 2nd; Debbie Lutz, Kempton, 3rd. In the light layer cake division it was Karen Berk, Kempton in first place, second and third place went to Joan Schroeder, Kutztown and Lori Henninger, Kempton. Joan Dietrich from Lenhartsville won the Miscellaneous Cake Division with Robin Wenhold, New Tripoli, 2nd and Darrid Ritzman, Kempton, 3rd. The grand champion pie winner was Lillian Mengel.

In the bread division first went to Gloria Loch, New Tripoli and second and third went to Mrs. Elwood Follweiler, Hamburg. Mrs. Harold Weaver, Kempton won first and second places in the Bun division with Mrs. Sarah Stratton, Reading winning Third. Gloria Loch became the grand champion in the yeast division.

The winners in the Junior Baking Contest at the

Kempton Fair were: Linda Long, Kempton, 1st; Laurie Getter, Kempton 2nd; Debbie Lutz, Kempton, 3rd. In the light layer cake division it was Karen Berk, Kempton in first place, second and third place went to Joan Schroeder, Kutztown and Lori Henninger, Kempton. Joan Dietrich from Lenhartsville won the Miscellaneous Cake Division with Robin Wenhold, New Tripoli, 2nd and Darrid Ritzman, Kempton, 3rd. The grand champion cupcake division put Sheila Rauch, Kempton in first place, Nina Handwerk, Kempton in second place and Jaonn Reaser, Neffs in third place.

The dark cupcake division was won by Sherry Beers, Schnecksville, Second place went to Lori Wessner, Shoemakersville and third to Debbie Lutz, Kempton. The grand champion in the junior division was Karen Berk of Kempton.



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Statewide Agronomy Field Day July 1

Varieties and management of small grains and forage crops - plus demonstrations of weed control and no-tillage methods - will be featured July 1 during a field day for Pennsylvania farmers at the Rock Springs Agronomy Research Farm of Penn State, 3 miles west of Pine Grove Mills on Route 45.

The July 1 crop demonstrations will get underway at 9:30 a.m. Farmers wanting to take in all events should plan to arrive by 9:30 a.m. and spend the day at the farm, suggests Lynn D. Hoffman, field day chairman and superintendent of the Agronomy Research Farm. He says that items to be shown will be handled in greater depth than at previous field days.

Lunch will be available at the farm at noon. A brief program from 1:00 to 1:30 p.m. will feature James L. Starling, head of the Department of Agronomy, and James M. Beattie, Dean of the College of Agriculture.

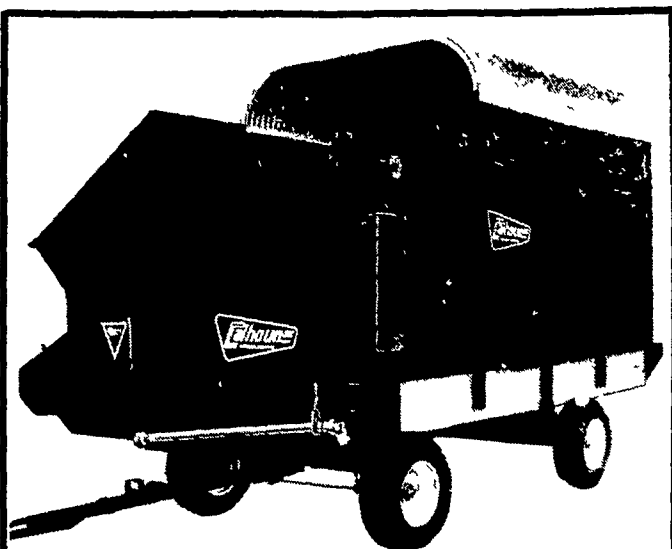
Among the new forage legumes on display will be Arc, WL311, Saranac-AR, and Spredor alfalfa, Leo and Dawn birdsfoot trefoil, Kenstar red clover, and

Lathco flat pea. These forage varieties are being tested for productivity, persistence, and forage quality.

Arc, Saranac, and WL311 are alfalfa varieties carrying resistance to Southern anthracnose, a relatively new alfalfa disease. Leo birdsfoot trefoil is a new variety from Canada and Dawn is from Missouri, whereas Kenstar is a new red clover variety from Kentucky. Lathco flat pea is a new legume particularly adapted for ground cover to control soil erosion.

Similarly, red clover plots harvested at different periods in the late summer and early fall during the seeding year will be seen. These plots demonstrate that hay yields can be increased by over 1 ton per acre by using a pre-emergence chemical and early August clipping during the seeding year.

A new warm season perennial grass commonly grown in U.S. western range country, switchgrass, will be seen in comparison with such cool season grasses as timothy, orchardgrass, smooth brome grass, and tall fescue.



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