

# South Central 4-H dairy show

**HARRISBURG** - 4-Hers from Lancaster and surrounding counties exhibited some 226 head of cattle at the annual South Central District Dairy Show held Tuesday at the Farm Show Building.

A total of 165 Club members from Adams, Cumberland, Dauphin, Franklin, Lebanon, Lancaster and York Counties participated

in the event.

Judge for the event was Billie Joe Heath, Maryland, with Mrs. Bonnie Miller, judging the fitting and showing portion of the show. John P. Harris, county agent in Dauphin County, was manager of the dairy contest.

Blue ribbon winners in the of each breed are presented by county as follows:

**Lancaster County**

**Ayrshires**

Curtis Hamilton, Elizabethtown, exhibited the first place senior calf with Karen Schmuck, Peach Bottom having the second place animal.

Peggy Halbleib, Elizabethtown, had the first place junior yearling.

Rhonda Shope, Elizabethtown, exhibited the first place two-year old with Russel Shope showing the first place 3-4 year old which was also the senior champion and the grand champion.

**Brown Swiss**

Lois Wanner, Narvon, R2, showed the first place junior calf. Kerry Boyd, Ephrata R1, had the first place senior yearling which was also the junior champion. Robert Witmer, Willow Street, had the third place 3-4 year old and Warren Schmuck had the first place five year old.

**Guernsey**

Carol Balmer, Lititz had the third place junior calf with Thomas Kirk, Peach Bottom showing the first place intermediate calf.

Jane McSparran, Peach Bottom, had the second place intermediate calf with Mary Ann Witmer exhibiting the third place animal.

Connie Balmer, Lititz, had the first place senior calf and also the third place senior yearling which was named as reserve junior champion.

Diane Crider, Nottingham, had the first place two-year-old and the senior and grand champion. Jane McSparran also showed the third place two-year-old.

**Jerseys**

Ellen Schmuck, Willow Street, had the first place senior calf which was the junior champion and the first

place two-year-old which was selected as the reserve senior champion and the reserve grand champion.

Robert Work, Peach Bottom, had the second place two-year-old.

**Holsteins**

Joyce Denlinger, Gordonville, had the first place junior calf with Joyce Stoltzfus, Gap, having the second place intermediate calf.

Linda Akers, Quarryville, showed the fourth place senior calf with Donna Akers having the second place junior yearling.

John Frey, Lancaster, had the fourth place five-year-old. Linda Kauffman, Elizabethtown, had the first place five-year-old which was also the senior champion and the grand champion.

In County competition, Lancaster placed first in the Guernsey and Jersey group and second in Ayrshire, Brown Swiss and Holsteins.

**Dauphin County**

**Milking Shorthorn**

Jody Matter, Halifax R1, exhibited the first place intermediate calf which also received reserve junior champion honors and the reserve grand champion honors. She also exhibited the first place junior yearling.

**Brown Swiss**

David Feidt, Millersburg, R1, exhibited the first place junior yearling which was also selected as the reserve junior champion.

Donald Buffington, Millersburg R1, had the first

place 3-4 year old and also the senior champion which was later selected as the grand champion of the breed.

Dauphin County placed first in group honors for Brown Swiss.

**Holstein**

Michael Miller, Linglestown R4, exhibited the first place junior yearling which was also the junior champion.

Jeff Miller, Linglestown R4, had the third place two-year-old.

Debra Miller, Linglestown R4, exhibited the first place 3-4-year-old which was also the reserve senior champion and the reserve grand

champion.

Dauphin County placed first in the Holstein breed division for the county competition.

**Jersey**

Debra Castle, Hummelstown R2, exhibited the first place 3-4 year-old and the first place 5 year-old which was selected as the senior and grand champion.

Craig Williams, Middletown, had the first place junior yearling.

**Lebanon County**

**Ayrshire**

Elaine Maulfair, Jonestown R1, exhibited the second place senior yearling which was the reserve junior champion.

## Corn shows fast progress

**HARRISBURG** - Light rains helped improve conditions of the corn crop without interfering with fieldwork for the week ending August 25, according to the Pennsylvania Crop Reporting Service.

Statewide soil moisture is three-fourths adequate and one-fourth short. Southern counties report adequate moisture while approximately half of the central counties report moisture as short.

The corn crop is now 11 days ahead of last year's progress. Corn for grain is 20 percent in the dent stage with another 51 percent in dough. These compare to eight and 33 percent respectively in 1974. Ensilage corn harvest remains at about 11 percent with little progress in central counties last week.

The combining of oats is now 91 percent complete. Almost all oat combining is completed in southern and central counties while the north is 81 percent done. This progress is nearly 10 percent ahead of 1974.

The quality of hay made last week was rated mostly good with only one-fourth rated as fair. The second cutting of alfalfa is 83 percent complete, the third cutting is 32 percent and the fourth cutting eight percent complete. The second cutting of clover-timothy hay is 61 percent complete.

Tobacco harvest made only minimal progress last week and is still rated five percent complete statewide. Only very early plantings have been harvested so far.

Progress of potato digging is one-fifth done, which is three days ahead of last year. Few potatoes were dug last week. Reports indicate the tuber set is lighter than usual.

Harvest of fruits and vegetables is quite active. Blight problems are reported in tomatoes and there is insect damage in snap beans. Processing tomatoes are being mechanically picked with

processing plants now active.

Fall plowing is rated 17 percent done. Progress is evenly distributed over the state but lags the 1974 progress of 25 percent.

Most reports indicate an average amount of feed being derived from pastures.

In the United States as of August 17, only 91 percent of the winter wheat has been harvested, much behind last year's progress. Oats harvest was 80 percent complete in Wisconsin, 75 percent in Michigan and Minnesota and 36 percent in North Dakota.

Rains eased stress in many parts of the corn belt, but above normal temperatures kept topsoil moisture supplies short for much of the area. Prospects for this year's soybean crop are more encouraging as rain fell over much of the major growing area during the past week.

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