

Strauss trio takes hog title for second year

MANHEIM Pa. A three brother partnership, the Strauss brothers sons of Mr. and Mrs. Robert D. Strauss, Ephrata R1 took the grand champion individual market hog at the Manheim Farm Show on Wednesday afternoon. They are the same trio that took reserve champion individual at the Ephrata Fair last month, and were the grand champions of the Manheim Farm Show last year, also.

Although they own their animals together, Richard, 17, showed this year's champion and Bob, 20, showed the reserve Steve, 16, had the champion sow of the show. The champion was a Hampshire-Yorkshire-Duroc cross, bred at Dutch Valley Farm, Manheim R5, where Richard is a swine herdsman for Mark Nestleroth, this year's Manheim Farm Show president.

The champion hog was chosen for its thicker ham area, meatiness, and freer walking ability. To get the animal in top shape, the boys exercised it every day for two weeks.

The brothers' track record is fairly good for the three years they have now been showing. In '74 when they first began, they took a first and second place at the Harrisburg Farm Show, then in '75 they had two third



The Strauss brothers, Steve (left), Bob (middle) and Richard (right), pose with their champion Hampshire-Yorkshire-Duroc cross. The animal

was grand champion individual market hog of the Manheim Farm Show.

place titles, and last year they took grand champion for which they received \$10 per pound. They also had the grand champion at the Ephrata Farm show last year.

"We do this as a sort of hobby," they said, mentioning that they come from a small, 10 acre farm on which they built all their pig facilities themselves. These buildings were not pre-

fabricated, either, but made from sawed lumber and put together by the boys' planning.

This year the Strauss' plan to go to both the Keystone International Livestock Exposition and the Pennsylvania State Farm Show. They now have eight pigs on feed for the Farm Show, and three carcass barrows for Expo.



Bernie Gish, 593 East Hummelstown St., Elizabethtown, was senior showman of the hog judging contest at the Manheim Farm Show.

Showman This year's senior showman, Bernie Gish, 593 East Hummelstown St., Elizabethtown, is an oddity of sorts. "Bernie" is really the shortened version of the name "Bernadine," so Bernie is a girl - and one of the few girls to place in hog shows at the Lancaster County fairs this season.

This 16-year-old brunette, who is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. H. Eugene Gish, has been showing her animals for three or four years now with

her first big Manheim win coming this year. Prior to this she has won champion showman at 4-H round-up for three years.

Bernie's secrets to showmanship are keeping her pig clean, keeping the pig between herself and the

judge, and keeping a close eye on the judge at all times. "Mostly, I just try to do my best," she says.

A member of the Elizabethtown Pig Club Bernie got started raising pigs about three years ago

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Waynesburg (1) Fairground	Oct 27	1 00 PM	800	Dorothy Gildow R D #2 Prosperity PA 15329
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Keystone International (1) Farm Show Building Harrisburg	Nov 8	6 30 PM	125	Charles A Hile Mgr Farm Show Building Harrisburg PA 17128
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