

# Beef show winners repeat last year's performance

MANHEIM, Pa - Nothing came new to the winners of the 4-H and FFA beef show held at the Manheim Fair on Wednesday evening. The three top winners - grand champion over all 4-H champion, FFA champion, and champion showman -

were all repeats from the year before. Grand champion over all and 4-H champion was a Charolais-Angus cross bred to Linda Good, Lititz R2. Linda, the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Paul Good, has been showing

steers for several years now and with this title has racked up her third win at Manheim. She gives the credit for picking the top steers to her father. "My father has always said he likes to pick them but they are ours from then on," explains the 19



The champion and reserve champion of the 4-H and FFA beef show at the Manheim Fair on Wednesday were 4-H steers belonging to Linda Good, Lititz R2, and Debra Kreider, Manheim R5. Linda had the grand champion and Debra had the

reserve grand champion. While the judging was taking place, however, Debra was busy promoting milk in the Manheim parade as Lancaster County's dairy princess Gary Eberly. Denver R2, (left) showed the animal for her.

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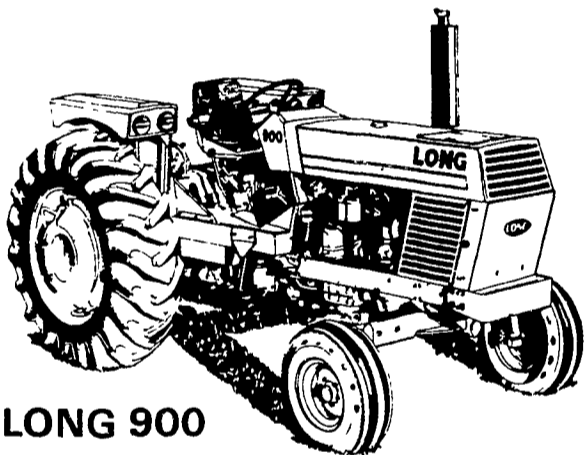
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year-old brownette. This particular animal came from a load of western steers. Her father finishes about 600-700 head a year.

Although she has showed at Harrisburg in past years, Linda doesn't know if she will go there this year or not. "I think I'll feed him for round up," she explained, "but, six weeks is about his limit, and not Farm Show." Linda's brother, Tim, was another repeat from the year before. Both times he was FFA grand champion. This year he showed a Charolais-Angus cross just as his sister did. According to Tim, the difference between the animals which gave Linda's steer the edge over his was the size - his was too large. "I picked him out of a pen of about 30," explains Tim, "and, when I picked him, he was a bigger, growier steer."

The judge, Henry Gruber, New Tripoli R2, head buyer for A & B Packing in

Allentown, explained his choice of the top animal.

"Right now we like taller cattle, and we especially like longer animals from the last rib back with a lot of length in the loin area," he said. Gruber also pointed out that he was searching for an animal with a long rump and full round. In his estimation the grand champion most nearly fit the description. The reserve champion, he said, was a little younger and not as far along as the champion, but was meaty as well.

While the eight-year showman basically repeated his performance of last year, there was one slight change. This year he did not receive reserve champion overall as he had done previously.

Instead, the reserve champion title went to Debra Kreider, Manheim R5, the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Richard Kreider. Debra, however, was not on hand to

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