## Berks Co. 4-H beef roundup held

LEESPORT, Pa'. - Lori Hass, Douglassville R2, had the grand champion steer at the Berks County 4-H Baby £ Beef Roundup and Sale at the Leesport Market and Auction last month. Her steer was also the first place steer in the heavy - heavy class and weighed a total of 1180 pounds. Lori received .54 a pound for the animal which added up to a total of \$637.20. The animal was purchased by R. Zettlemoyer Action Co.

The second ranking animal at the roundup and sale was owned by Darlene Dietrich, Hamburg R1, and was a 1105 pound animal that also took first place in the light - heavyweight class. E. K. Black and Son, Skippack, purchased the animal for .52 a pound or a total of \$574.60. Fir Ronald Heffner, Fleet-

wood R2, had the first place light-lightweight animal which sold for .44 a pound. The second placed lightlightweight steer belonged to

James Heffner, Fleetwood Hoffman, Steve Bashore, Balthaser Meat Market, R2, and sold for  $.42-\frac{1}{2}$  a pound.

Kennianne Rarick, Reading R2, had the second ranking heavy-lightweight steer which sold for .45 a pound, and Elaine Heffner, Fleetwood R2, and the second placing light-mediumweight which sold for .43 a pound. The second placing heavy-medium weight belonged to Scott Rabenold, Kutztown R2, and sold for .43 a pound. Other prices for the second ranking animal in each class were .45-1/2 per pound for the second ranking lightheavyweight, and .43 for the heavy-heavyweight second place steer.

Also chosen at the roundup were those steers which will be going onto the Farm Show in Harrisburg this coming January. Those picked to attend were: Ann Holcombe. Sandy Kohl, Michel Strause, Dennis Dietrich, Christina Perkiomenville Sales;

and Nedra Yoder.

Showing and fitting honors were also bestowed on the 4-H'ers at the roundup. First place senior showman was Dean Kirkhoff, and first place junior showman went to Darlene Dietrich. First place senior fitter went to Dennis Dietrich and first place junior fitter went to Liane Hass.

Other buyers for the sale were Schobber, Denver R1: Leesport Market and Auction, Leesport; Reading Kiwanis Club, Reading; Fleetwood Grange, Fleetwood; Mar-Ray Farm, Bechtelsville R1; Gilbert's Meats, Lehighton R1; Meller Cattle, N.J.; A. F. Moyer Meat, Souderton; T. M. Landis, Inc., Mainland; Reichstadter Meats, Lehighton R3; L. Richards. Boyertown; Raymond Long, Bechtelsville;

Temple; Kipp Meat Co., Bethlehem; Harold Loffiette; and Kipp Meat Co., Bethlehem.

## Hunting

## land expanded

HARRISBURG, Pa. - The Pennsylvania Game Commission has approved the purchase of an additional 4,423 acres of land to be used

for public hunting. Tracts totaling 4,423 acres were approved in Bedford, Bradford, Dauphin, Erie, Greene, Juniata and Lawrence Counties. Expenditure of \$664,500 for the acquisitions of land was authorized. Most of the monies will come from the Game Fund, which has as its primary source of income the sale of hunting licenses.

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**Beef comments** due Nov. 15

close of a public hearing on a proposed national beef research and information order, U.S. Department of Agriculture Administrative Law Judge Victor W. Palmer announced a Nov. 15 deadline for filing briefs on evidence received during the

hearing. The U.S. Department of Agriculture published an industry-proposed order outlining procedures to guide program operation under authority of the Beef Research and Information Act. The proposal would authorize a Beef Board, composed of producers, to collect assessments on the sales of cattle and to use the funds for cattle and beef research and information activities.

During hearing sessions in six cities across the country, more than 150 cattle industry representatives and other interested persons testified on the need for a national beef research and information program and on provisions the order should contain.

Any interested person may now file written arguments or briefs based on evidence received at the hearing, and should cite, when possible, the page or pages where the evidence appears in the hearing transcript. After

and completeness, the transcript and exhibits from the hearing will be available for examination in the USDA Hearing Clerk's office during normal business hours. Briefs must be limited to factual material received at the hearing and five copies should be submitted by Nov. 15 to: Hearing Clerk, Room 112-A, U.S. Depart-ment of Agriculture, Washington, D.C. 20250.

USDA will formulate a recommended decision on the order based on evidence from the hearing and public comment will be invited on the decision. After full evaluation of the comments and other relevant material in the record, the secretary of agriculture may then issue a final decision. The next step would be registration and voting by producers in a nationwide referendum. The order would become effective only if at least 50 per cent of the producers who register vote, and if two-thirds of them vote in favor of the order.

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