Lass leads 'Cass' to top of class



Tina Rutter and her champion.

HARRISBURG - Alisa Marie Fava, a Washington County lass, showing her 4year old cow, "Apple Brook Corporal Cass," captured the grand and senior championships in Guernsey judging competition at the 61st Farm Show, repeating a performance of the 1976 Farm Show.

Reserve grand champion was "Honey Crest Favor Harriett," a 5-year old cow owned by Brian Lehman, of York. The same animal also was judged reserve senior champion.

Junior champion was "Pen Col Darling Poppy," a senior yearling exhibited by Dennis Wolff, of Millville, Cclumbia County.

Tina Rutter, of 53 Lightner Road, York, showed the reserve junior champion, "Rutter Bros Laddies Wini," a senior yearling.

Snider Homestead Farm.

of New Enterprise, Bedford County, won both premier exhibitor and premier breeder awards.

GUERNSEY (JUNIOR)

In the youth division, Alisa Marie Fava, won the championship, while reserve junior champion honors went to "Honey Crest Favor Harriett," a 5-year old cow shown by Brian Lehman.

Alisa is a member of the Pike Run 4-H Club and Brian is a member of the York

County 4-H Dairy Club. Results of the show are printed below:

HEIFER CALF

1. Celestine & Karpa & Clem, Avella; 2. Witmer, Maryann, Willow Street; 3. Benedict, Michael M. Waynesboro; 4, Rutter, Timy, York; 5. Andrien, Denise K. West Chester

YOUTH CLASS 1. Benedict, Michael M, Waynesboro, 2. Rutter, Timy, York JR YR HEIFER

1. Snider, Bernard F, N Enterprise; 2. Witmer, Peter C. Willow Street: 3. Snider. Bernard O, N. Enterprise; 4. Rutter, Cindy, York

YOUTH CLASS 1. Rutter, Cindy, York; 2. Rohrbaugh, Darryl, New Freedom

SR YR HEIFER

1. Wolff, Dennis C, Millville; 2. Rutter, Tına, York, 3. Fava, Renee Anne, Scnery Hill; 4. Witmer, Raymond F & L A, Willow Street; 5. Rutter, Cindy, York; 6. Rohrbaugh, Darryl, New Freedom; 7. Andrien, Denise K, West Chester

YOUTH CLASS 1. Rutter, Tina, York; 2.

Andrien, Denise K, West Chester; 3. Monk, Harold. Allentown JUNIOR GET OF SIRE

1. Wolff, Dennis C, Millville; 2. Rutter, Cindy, York; 3. Myers, Mervin K, Littlestown

3 OR 4 DRY COW 1. Snider, Bernard O N Enterprise: 2. Rutter Bros

YOUTH CLASS

1. Benedict, Michael M, Waynesbooro; 2. Myers, Harlan R. Littlestown 5 OR OVER

DRY COW 1. Snider, Berneta Kay, N

Enterprise; 2. Benedict, D Marion, Waynesboro 2 AND UNDER 3 HEIFER

1. Rutter Bros, Wolff, Dennis C; 3. Callihan, Kevin; 4. Leman, Deborah; 5. Witmer, Peter C; 6. Rutter, Timy

YOUTH CLASS 1. Callihan, Kevin; 2. Lehman, Deborah

3 AND UNDER 4

COW 1. Lehman, Brian

YOUTH CLASS 1. Lehman, Brian; 2. Fava, Renee Anne; 3. Benedict, Jeffrey D; 4. Myers, Jane E

4 AND UNDER 5 COW 1. Snider, Bernard O: Witmer, Raymond F & L A YOUTH CLASS

1. Fava, Alisa Marie **5 AND OVER COW** 1. Fava, Alisa Marie; 2.

Snider, Bernard O: 3. Benedict, D Marion

YOUTH CLASS 1. Fava, Alisa Marie **CHAMPIONSHIP UDDER** 1. Fava, Alisa Marie

YOUTH CLASS **COUNTY GROUP of 5**

1. Rutter, Cindy, York; 2. Benedict, Michael, Franklin; 3. Myers, Harlan,

Adams; 4. Frankfield. Joani.

OPEN GET OF SIRE 1. Snider, Bernard O; 2. Witmer, Raymond

DAIRY HERD 1. Witmer, Raymond

BEST 3 FEMALES 1. Snider, Bernard O; 2. Rutter Bros.

PRODUCE OF DAM 1. Fava, Alisa Marie; 2. Benedict, Jeffrey D; 3. Myers, Mervin K; 4. Myers,

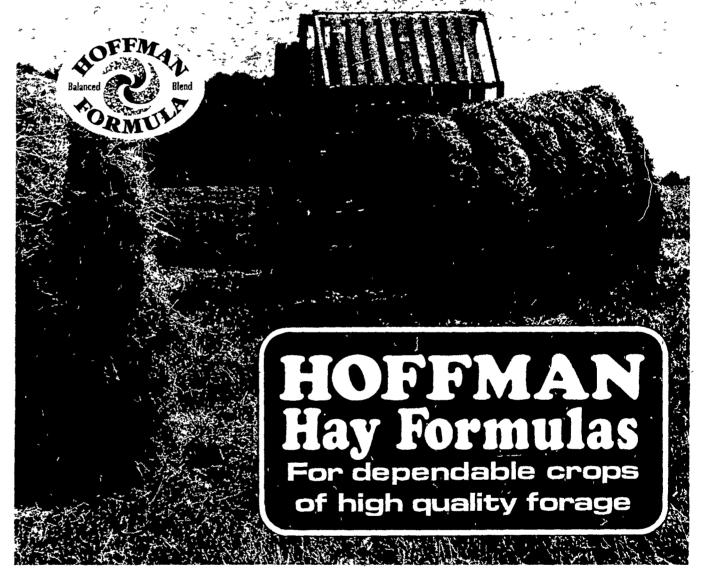
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