

Polled Hereford sale came east for first time

YORK - The First Annual Winner's Way Sale of the Pennsylvania Polled Hereford Association, held here last Saturday at the York Fairgrounds, marked the beginning of a series of sales to be sponsored by the Association in eastern portions of Pennsylvania.

Thirty-eight head, averaging \$336, were consigned by 15 Polled Hereford breeders from all across the state. Tony Dobrosky, York County Extension agent and an acknowledged specialist with beef cattle, graded the animals and picked champions prior to the sale, which was attended by an estimated 150 people.

The top brood cow and top female, consigned by ABC Farms of Mount Airy, Md. was sold for \$775 to Spring Bottom Farms of Fairfield. The cow is sired by Domestic Anxiety 3610. Spring Bottom Farms, whose owner - Frank Darcey Jr. - served as sale chairman, also had the high bid for a 709-pound bull calf which topped the sale at

\$860. The young bull was out of a first calf heifer which was given to Junior Association member Joseph Reed, Jr. of Ligonier. Reed raised the bull and was obligated to return it to the Association so that the program can be perpetuated. The \$860 paid by Darcey was turned over to the Junior Association.

The top senior heifer of the sale was FLF Victoria 81 148, by Victorious K47 U81, owned by Falkland Farms of Schellsburg. Ral Mar Farm of Mount Pleasant paid \$530 for the animal. The top junior heifer brought \$460 to Huckleberry Farm of Smithsburg, Md. Jeff Claycomb of Osterburg, Md. purchased the Progressor daughter.

The top steer of the show, weighing 470 pounds and just 7½ months of age, was consigned by Schochary Ridge Farm of New Tripoli. Jeff Golden of York Springs purchased the winning animal for \$320.

Averages of the sale were

as follows: 27 females, \$337; 10 steers, \$280; 1 bull calf, \$860; for a total of 38 head selling for an average of \$336 per head.

Other buyers at the sale included Kim and Kathy Knepper, Markleton, Pa;

Dale and Max Curfman, Three Springs, Pa.; Elwood P. Rill, Lineboro, Md.; Ral-Mar Farm, Mt. Pleasant, Pa.; Bolinvar Farm, Middleburg, Va.; Frank and Linda Darcey III, Fairfield, Pa.; Stan Musser, Man-

chester, Pa.; Troy, Kristy and Becky Roadcap, Halifax, Pa.; John Shearer, York, Pa.; Glen Cary Farms, Damascus, Md.; Ralph Danner, East Texas, Pa.; Rulless Bryant, Worcester, Pa.; James Miller,

Sr., Halifax, Pa.; Harold Mullhausen, Jr., Taneytown, Md.; C.J. Furlong, Portage, Pa.; Adams Land & Cattle Co., New Oxford, Pa.; Gail Snyder, New Tripoli, Pa.; Alan Schmidt, Monkton, Md.



The four class champions of the Polled Hereford Association pose with their queen, Gail Snyder of New Tripoli. The occasion was the First Annual Winner's Way Sale, held last Saturday at the York Fairgrounds. Left to right are Kent Scates from

ABC Farm, Damascus, Md.; C.J. Furlong from Falkland Farms, Schellsburg; Sam Hunter from Huckleberry Hall Farms, Smithsburg, Md.; and Greg Snyder from Schochary Ridge Farm, New Tripoli.

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4-H sponsors horse-a-thon for epilepsy

by KENDACE BORRY LANCASTER - On October 23, the Silver Spurs 4-H Horse and Pony club teen leaders are sponsoring a horse-a-thon ride for epilepsy. Horsemen will ride for a period of time up to four hours, with sponsors backing them for their time in the saddle.

The idea originated about a year and a half ago, according to 4-H leader, Mrs. Jane Baker, Lancaster. The teen leaders were looking for a project that would be of community interest. Mrs. Baker was also involved in a project with other people in the Lancaster area concerning a Service Unit of the Epilepsy Foundation of America which had a need for funds. The two groups came together and worked out the idea of the 4-H'ers

having a ride for epilepsy to help raise funds for the newly formed service unit.

Sponsors were gathered, the horses trucked to the starting point, and for up to the full four hours, twelve riders hit the trails. Even though the weather was "miserably cold and wet", as one 4-H'er put it, some of the involved riders stuck out the time, and managed to raise \$960 for the service unit.

This year the club teen leaders are hoping for better weather and a ride in a different area of the county. While they're still riding for a time of up to four hours, they plan to follow the Horseshoe Trail, using the Spring Lake area in Lancaster County as their starting point.

So far, nine riders have

signed up to ride, but Mrs. Baker pointed out that anyone interested in riding with the group and has a horse, can still get sponsors and become involved. The ride is open to all 4-H members and any other interested person that would like to join working for the cause.

Mrs. Baker, an EEG technician at St. Joseph's Hospital, Lancaster, estimates that there are around 3500 epileptics in Lancaster County. The money raised for The Service Unit is used to help the needs of these people. Open meetings are sponsored for the patients in which they can air problems that face them. The unit also helps in finding jobs, handling school problems, and doing general work to help support the epileptics.

The unit also sponsors an educational program for schools, service clubs, colleges, and nursing schools. It has put out a paper concerning procedures if an epileptic has a seizure, and also has printed a pamphlet concerning epilepsy. The unit believes its main function is to support the epileptics and their problems.

Anyone who is interested in making a contribution to the Lancaster Co. Service Unit of Epilepsy should contact Rev. Barry Stahl, 165 Church Street, Landisville, Pa. 17538.

For anyone who would like to know more about the horse-a-thon, they can contact Mrs. Jane Baker for further information at 731 Stony Battery Rd., Lancaster, Pa. 17601. Her phone is 717-285-4944.

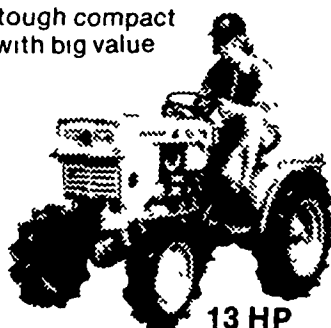


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