

# Guernsey field day

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judging contest was Fred Crider, Nottingham R2, who also led the men's division. Tina Bucher, 16, Quarryville R1, won the women's division and Kevin Devine, New Holland R2, topped the youth class.

Other winners in the men's class were: Andy Witmer, Willow Street, second; Allan Crider, Nottingham R2, third; Robert McSparran, Peach Bottom, fourth; and Barry Hostetter, Oxford R1, fifth.

In the women's division Mary Kirk, Peach Bottom R1, was second followed by: Joyce Wagner, Quarryville R2, third; Debra Crider, Nottingham, R2, fourth; and Thelma Garber, Willow Street R2, fifth.

Winners in the youth division were: Gerald Martin, Blue Ball, second; Kerry Breneman, Willow Street, third; Leonard Snader, East Earl R1, fourth; and Lisa Russell, New Holland, fifth.

Judge for the event was Guernsey breeder Donald Brown, owner of Applebrook Farm in Oxford, Chester County. There were two regular classes of cows and one dam-daughter class for consideration.

Lancaster County Dairy Princess Joyce Stoltzfus gave her 30-second radio commercial which she had prepared for the Dairy Princess contest, encouraging people to try a refreshing glass of milk for a nutritious change of pace.

Joyce said, "Milk is our life's income and a necessary part of our food." She encouraged dairymen to drink milk in public and "do your best to promote your product."

Lancaster County Extension Agent N. Alan Bair told dairymen to culture their cows if there is any question about the kind of mastitis they may have. He said he has handled many calls about coliform mastitis, which he called "rather, serious and almost untreatable." If they are suffering from coliform mastitis, Bair said the whole herd should be taken out of their present environment

and put in a clean area on the farm. He encouraged breeders to use teat dip, but added, "It's really tough to control once it gets going."

Bair also noted that there are still active outbreaks of tuberculosis in the state, and said, "We can't let our guard down as far as contagious diseases are concerned." He said, "If you're moving cattle, don't accept cows without health charts, and even that can be no guarantee." He urged dairymen to mind their manners and watch the manners of others in order to prevent the spread of disease.

Raymond Witmer, president of the state association, discussed its young sire program and said that semen is available for testing in herds. "We can make breed progress by testing young sires."

County Association President Peter Witmer conducted the business meeting. Committee members who helped plan the day's event included Robert McSparran, Donald Breneman and K.D. Linde.

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