

Sister, brother show top Berks Co. 4-H steers



The grand champion steer was shown by Darlene Dietrich, Hamburg, seen on the right. Buyer of the steer was Ralph Zettlemoyer.

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LEESPORT - "Sherlock", a Charolais crossbred steer "proved his stuff" on October 18 as his owner, 16-year old Darlene Dietrich led him to grand champion honors during the Berks County 4-H Baby Beef Show and Sale, held at Leesport Market and Auction, here.

The daughter of Mr. and Mrs. James Dietrich, Hamburg Rt. 1, Darlene had shown her medium heavyweight steer earlier this year at the Reading and Oley Fairs where he captured both reserve champion honors but couldn't make that final step to the top until this show. Darlene also proved her skills in fitting and showmanship as she was named grand champion fitter and reserve champion showman.

Following with the reserve champion steer was

Darlene's 19-year old brother, Dennis, showing for the last time as a 4-H member. Dennis was proud that he finally had a champion in his Chianina Hereford Angus cross, purchased at the Chianina Sale, Wrightsville. "I've won showing and fitting championships before but never had a reserve or grand champion animal," he said with a smile.

Dennis has been involved in 4-H for many years and says he will surely miss it, especially showing. He has served in many positions while in 4-H, including president of County Council. Presently he is working for A.F. Moyer Packing, Bernville and spends much of his time helping on the family farm. Darlene is presently attending the 11th grade at Hamburg Area High School and is vice president of the FFA chapter there. She is

looking forward to attending college to study agribusiness.

Following the show, judged by Gary Dean, of Lancaster County, all but five county steers were sold, which will go on to the Farm Show. Ralph Zettlemoyer, auctioneer, bought the grand champion for \$1.10 per pound while the reserve champion was purchased by Reading Bone Fertilizer Company, Reading, for 68 cents per pound.

The average price paid for the 42 steers sold was 59 cents per pound without the reserve or grand champion. This included 34 show steers and eight companion steers. Following are the results of the show.

Medium Lightweight
1. Karen Rabenold, Kutztown; 2. Joe Crisafulli, Mohrsville; 3. Jim Heffner, Fleetwood; 4. Karen Palmer, Bernville.

Heavy Lightweight
1. Shannon Dixon, Kutztown; 2. Tim Riegel, Mohrsville; 3. Glenn Heffner, Fleetwood; 4. Tim Reiger, Leesport; 5. Dan Steinhauer, Bernville.

Champion Lightweight
Shannon Dixon
Reserve Champion Lightweight
Karen Rabenold

Light Mediumweight
1. Jim Esbach, Blandon; 2. Kenianne Rarick, Reading; 3. Randy Rabenold, Kutztown.

Medium Mediumweight
1. Ann Holcombe, Mohrsville; 2. Wilson Hoffman, Barto; 3. Ron Sutliff, Mohrsville; Glenn Yanos, Douglasville.

Heavy Mediumweight
1. Andy Haas, Douglasville; 2. James Leiby, Fleetwood; 3. Christine Hoffman, Barto; 4. Steve Hoffman, Barto.

Champion Mediumweight
Andy Haas

Reserve Champion Medium Weight
Ann Holcombe

Light Heavy Weight
1. Dennis Dietrich, 2. Eliane Heffner, Fleetwood; 3. Ronald Heffner, Fleetwood; 4. Liane Haas, Douglasville; 5. Tom Hafer, Douglasville.

Medium Heavyweight
1. Darlene Dietrich, 2. Marianne Yanos, Douglasville; 3. Lynn Lorah, Oley; 4. Greg Stricker, Bernville.

Heavy Heavyweight
1. Lori Haas, Douglasville; 2. Robert Bashore, Mohrsville; 3. Mike Rarick, Reading; 4. Kirk Fisher, Oley; 5. Sarah Hoffman, Barto.

Champion Heavyweight
Darlene Dietrich

Reserve Champion Heavyweight
Dennis Dietrich

Junior Showmanship
1. Kirk Fisher, 2. Kenianne Rarick, 3. Andy Haas, 4. Christina Hoffman, 5. Marianne Yanos.

Junior Fitting
1. Kirk Fisher, 2. Kenianne Rarick, 3. Andy Haas, 4. Christine Hoffman, 5. Mike Rarick.

Senior Showmanship
1. Ann Holcombe, 2.

Darlene Dietrich, 3. Dennis Dietrich, 4. Lori Haas, 5. Liane Haas.

Senior Fitting
1. Darlene Dietrich, 2. Dennis Dietrich, 3. Lori Haas, 4. Ann Holcombe, 5. Jim Esbach.

Champion Showman
Ann Holcombe
Reserve Champion Showman
Darlene Dietrich
Champion Fitter
Darlene Dietrich
Reserve Champion Fitter
Kirk Fisher.

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