



Tensions were high early Saturday afternoon as the parade of champions passed before the flower bedecked official's table in the Timonium livestock arena. The grand champion was shown by Jody Martz of Lanark, Ill.

10 states represented at Timonium Show

TIMONIUM, MD - The Eastern National Livestock Show at Timonium got underway this week on Wednesday, and was due to close today, Saturday, with a 4-H

and FFA competition in beef and heifers.

Thursday's competitions included a 4-H and FFA steer show, barrow futurity and pair show, production

tested barrow show and market hog and lamb contests for 4-H and FFA.

In the steer show, both

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Sheila Miller joins staff



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LITITZ - Sheila M. Miller, Hershey R1, has joined the staff of Lancaster Farming as an associate editor.

A native of Hershey, Sheila is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Vernon J. Miller. She is currently residing at her parents' farm near Hershey, along with her husband Michael L. Miller. Michael is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Charles B. Miller of Gettysburg R5.

Sheila has come to Lancaster Farming after having been employed by the Soil Conservation Service

(USDA) for over five years. She was the first woman District Conservationist for SCS in Pennsylvania, and the second woman to hold that position in the nation. Sheila was stationed in Lackawanna County for three years, and served in Berks, Adams, and Dauphin during her employment with SCS.

A 1974 graduate of Penn State, she received her degree in general agriculture. While at Penn State, Sheila was a member

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Anderson wins at New Holland hog show

By SHEILA MILLER

NEW HOLLAND - The grand champion market hog was exhibited by Scott Anderson, New Holland R2. The hog, Sniffy, was the winner of the lightweight division of the New Holland 4-H club's livestock show, on Thursday.

In judging the market hogs, judge Henry Gruber of A & B Packing, Allentown, selected the animals that showed more roundness of ham, but slightly looser hams for better shipping and marketing. He described the champion hogs as being modern with large frames and no excess finish.

The reserve champion market hog was shown and owned by Jim Martin, New Holland R2. Jim's hog was the top placed hog in the heavyweight division. Jim also won the top honors in fitting and showmanship.

Scott Anderson, 8, is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Robert Anderson. This is Scott's first year in 4-H. When asked why he chose to show a hog in 4-H, Scott remarked, "Because they aren't as big as horses and cows". It was a decision Scott's parents were probably happy about since the Anderson's do not live on a farm.

Jim Martin has been in 4-H for five years. He has earned the reserve grand champion honor only once before. Jim is the son of Mrs. Mary Martin.

The classes of the 4-H market hog show were placed as follows:

- Lightweights
1. Scott Anderson, New

- Holland; 2. David Fisher, East Earl; 3. Mike McCauley, Gap; 4. Michelle McCauley, Gap.

Heavyweights

1. Jim Martin, New Holland; 2. Jim Martin, New Holland; 3. Dave Fisher, East Earl; 4. Brian McCauley, Gap.

Fitting

1. Jim Martin, New Holland; 2. Heidi Fisher, East Earl; 3. Dave Fisher, East Earl; 4. Scott Anderson, New Holland.

Showmanship

1. Jim Martin; 2. Dave Fisher; 3. Heidi Fisher; 4. Scott Anderson.

Attack on shatter cane

The New Holland area adult farmer program has picked up an unlikely ally in their battle against a pesky weed that seems to take over more and more corn ground every year.

The weed is shattercane, an intentional cross between Johnsongrass and sorghum. It was originally meant to be used as a feed crop, but its impact as a weed has more than outweighed its value in the feed bunk.

Some of the corn ground around New Holland this year looked more like shattercane fields than corn fields, according to Donna Marion.

Miss Marion is the young lady who's trying to help the area farmers develop a program to wipe out the shattercane in their fields. She is a senior at Penn State, and will be graduating next month with a double major in agricultural education and dairy science.

While her interests might indicate that she spent most of her life on a farm, she didn't. She grew up around the world, in fact, in places like Norway and San Diego, as her father, a Navy career man, moved between naval bases.

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Eight year old Scott Anderson, New Holland R2, exhibited the grand champion market hog at the New Holland Fair on Thursday. This was his first year in 4-H competition.