

# Grumbine shows champion in Berkshire competition

HARRISBURG — The Grand Champion Berkshire hog at the 1980 Farm Show was displayed by Dennis L. Grumbine, R2 Myerstown.

He showed a January gilt, Fairview Judy 2nd. Bred by Grumbine, Judy 2nd's sire is Willes Corker Boy. The dam is Fairview Pat 19th.

Grumbine also took home a third place ribbon in the February gilt show, and placed another hog ninth in the same division.

The show judge had high praise for Judy. Judge Gale Bressner of Illinois pointed out that she was a stretchy, long hog, sound across her top with good feet and legs.

There was plenty of air under her and she moved with the ease of a hog with good breeding behind her.

The gilt was one of several farrowed by Grumbine. He runs about 25 sows on his Lebanon County operation. He farms about 68 acres.

Grumbine has been breeding Berkshires for about 20 years. He is known to farmers throughout Lebanon County as the Vice President and General Manager of Evergreen Tractors.

He has been breeding Berkshires ever since he got started in the business 20 years ago.

Grumbine's interests mainly lie in the purebred business. He is president of the Pennsylvania Berkshire Association and has played a key role in the Swine Growers Co-operative.

What makes his victory in the Berkshire show even

sweeter is the fact he has two full sisters to Fairview Judy 2nd to use for breeding at home.

Judy 2nd, like all of the other animals in the show, was sold at consignment auction.

Grumbine said he looks forward to having a good set of pigs from the coming crop.

He usually sells about 50 of the 200 hogs he farrows each year. Good breeding is not unusual from the Grumbine operation and the hogs, even those which don't sport the grand champion ribbon usually command a good price.

In turn, the buyer has the assurance he's buying a good animal to add to his breeding herd.

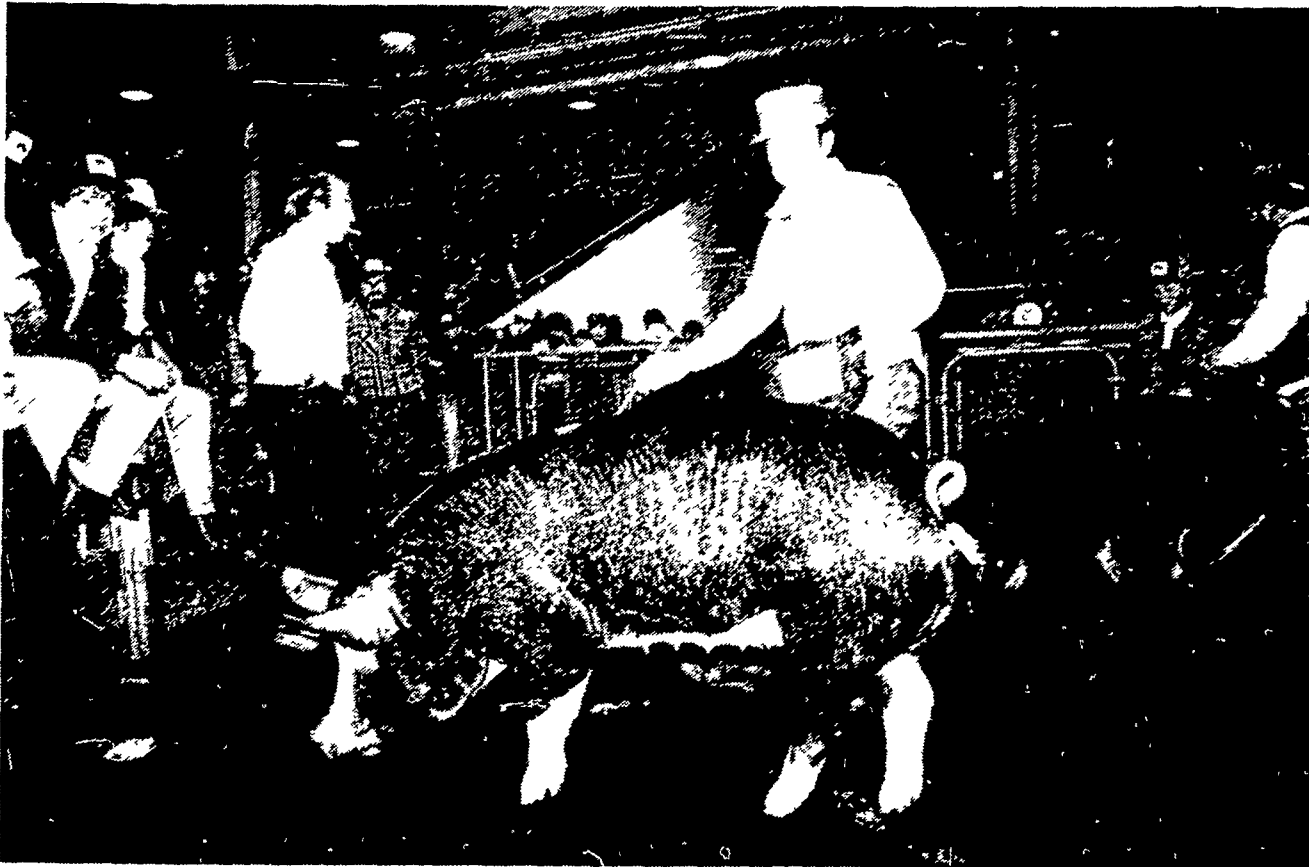
"I'd like all the pigs in my next crop to look like that, January gilt," Grumbine commented shortly after the judge announced his choice for the grand champion.

Grumbine said the judge's comments covered just about everything he looked for in a fine hog, too. He said he looked for the long animal with plenty of breed characteristic.

Judge Bressner said in his evaluation that Grumbine's animal was one of the best Berkshire gilts he had seen in the past year.

That was quite a compliment from a judge who himself had shown a Landrace hog to the grand championship of the Illinois State Fair this past summer.

Reserve Championship went to C.D. Winebark and



As the railbirds watched, Dennis Grumbine of Myerstown showed Fairview Judy 2nd to the

Grand Championship of the Berkshire show. The January gilt shows good strength and sound legs.

Sons of - Rochester Mills, Indiana County.

Grumbine said he intends to breed Judy 2nd's full sisters and that he hopes to have a couple more fine looking hogs for next year's Farm Show.

By that time his son Darrin may be showing in the ring. It's a potential double threat to keep other Berkshire breeders on their toes.

BERKSHIRE JANUARY GILT  
1 Dennis L. Grumbine R2 Myerstown

2 C.D. Winebark & Sons R1 Rochester Mills 3 & 4 Todd Bennecoff R2 Kutztown 5 Arlie Cornbower R1 New Freedom

BERKSHIRE FEBRUARY GILT  
1 C.D. Winebark & Sons R1 Rochester Mills 2 Terry Bennecoff & Son R2 Kutztown 3 Dennis L. Grumbine R2 Myerstown 4 C.D. Winebark & Sons R1 Rochester Mills 5 Russel Cornbower R1 New Freedom

BERKSHIRE MARCH GILT  
1 2 3 4 5 C.D. Winebark & Sons R1 Rochester Mills  
Berkshire Grand Champion Dennis L. Grumbine R2 Myerstown  
Berkshire Reserve Grand Champion C.D. Winebark & Sons R1 Rochester Mills

## Goat breeders co-op sets meeting programs

DORNSIFE — Members and friends of the Heart Of Penn Dairy Goat Breeders Co-op will celebrate with a Valentine's party at their February meeting on Sunday, the 3rd.

After the short business meeting and a brief educational presentation those attending will partake of a covered dish luncheon. Anyone interested in dairy goats is invited to attend this meeting.

Please call hostess, Roberta Molaro at 717/758-8359 for directions to Sometown Hill Alpines, near Dornsife, where the February meeting will be held.

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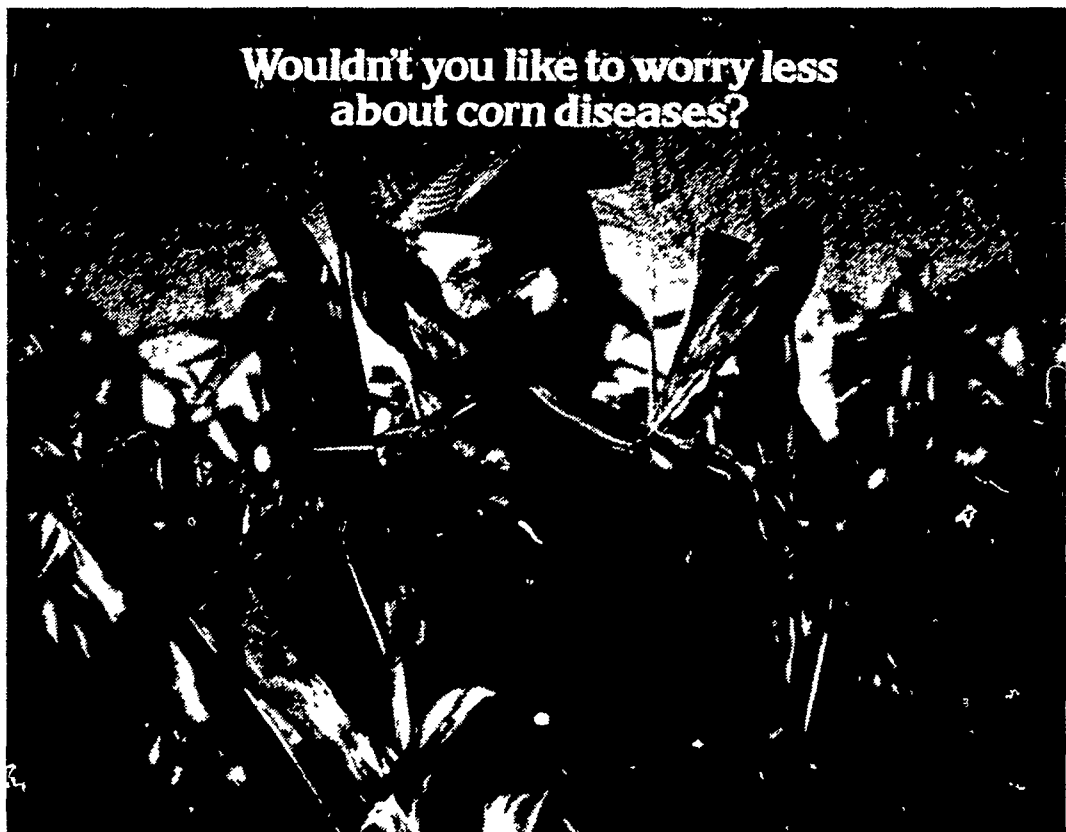
what dish you plan to bring so duplication is kept to a minimum.

Membership in the Heart Of Penn group is open to anyone interested in promoting or learning more about dairy goats. Visitors are always welcome.

Some of the educational programs planned for future meetings include: February: DHIA; March: Kidding season; April: Milk handling; May: Preparing for shows; June: fun show.

In July there will be no meeting.

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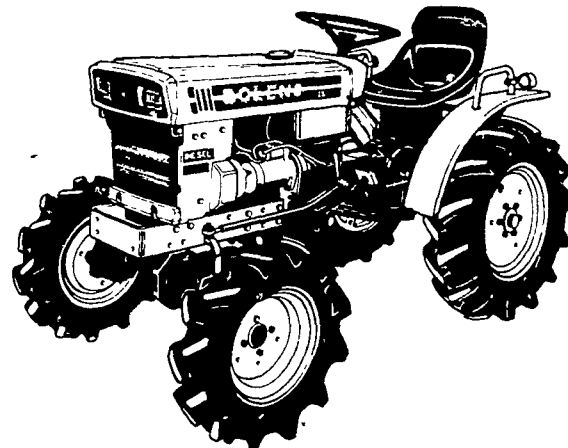
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