

# Ernie Frey

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After the climatic excitement and picture taking subsided, a teary-eyed Ernie told reporters, "I'm very happy."

Road Runner, Ernie Frey's State Farm Show champion, had been chosen as Chianina Field Day Champion in August and Lancaster County's roundup champion in November.

According to Fred Frey, Ernie's uncle, Road Runner is an Angus x Chianina. It was born in May 1978 on the

Frey Bros. farm, south of Lancaster

Ernie bought the champion from his uncle Fred as this year's 4-H project.

Three years ago, Ernie named a 4-H project steer Road Runner.

"That steer was good for me, so I decided to try again," he explained.

Although he does not reside on a farm, Ernie's interest in beef cattle and 4-H began at a young age.

Ernie made frequent visits to his cousins' neighboring farm. As his cousins helped

with the farm chores, so did Ernie. When they joined 4-H, so did Ernie.

In preparing for the State show, Ernie walked Road Runner a mile or more each day. He also combed and brushed the steer.

The large arena was not new to Ernie. Last year he showed the reserve heavyweight champion.

In 1979, his 4-H steer was chosen as the reserve champion in the medium-weight competition.

But to Christian Herr, the large arena steer show was a new experience. He and his family are better known as Dorset sheep exhibitors.

In fact, Christian won a market lamb class championship earlier on Thursday.

The son of Robert and Betty Herr, Christian is a senior and FFA member at Garden Spot High School. His FFA projects have included sheep and swine. This year he decided he wanted to learn more about beef.

His father humorously commented, "Christian has always been the black sheep of the family," because he favors swine and beef showing over exhibiting sheep.

Christian and his father traveled to the Rally Farms in Millbrook, N.Y. Christian, himself, chose the Farm Show's reserve champion when it weighed only 300 pounds.

"I like the Houston Oilers football team, so I named the

steer Houston," commented Christian.

"I think he looks like a Houston," he added.

After graduation, Christian will attend Penn State, majoring in agribusiness management.

He shows a flair for business already. The Blue Ball National Bank lent Christian the money to purchase Houston, interest free.

In addition to the grand and reserve steer championships, Lancaster County showed the champion and reserve trios.

Seth Gruber of New Tripoli had the lightweight champion while Deb Krause took reserve honors.

In the mediumweight competition, Fritz Frey of Quarryville took the championship.

The light heavyweights were controlled by Tim Hess, another Lancaster County champion; and Janice Kaylor of Dauphin County.

Both the champion and reserve of the entire show came from the heavyweight class.

The junior showmanship contest was held immediately following the beef show.

Diane Krause, R 3 Slatington, took the grand championship in the contest, while Wayne Hess of R1 Conestoga took the reserve honors.

A complete list of the show results, champions, and



The reserve grand championship honors were awarded to Christian Herr, Narvon, and his Angus x Chianina, Houston.

showmanship honors follows.

- LIGHTWEIGHT**  
Class 1  
1 Debra Krause R3 Slatington 2 Tim Kinsley York 3 Jim Anderson Pocopson 4 Harry Sawmiller Red Lion 5 Ivan Niswander R4 Chambersburg
- Class 2  
1 Wayne Hess R1 Conestoga 2 Deb Greider R2 Columbia 3 Karen Fought Carlisle 4 David Schultz R1 Nazareth, 5 Jed Hoffert R1 Lebanon
- Class 3  
1 Seth Gruber R2 New Tripoli 2 Gwen Hower R2 Nazareth 3 Kenny Peters Pa Furnace 4 Steve Peters Pa Furnace 5 Sandy Hopple, R2 Mechanicsburg  
Champion lightweight Seth Gruber, reserve champion lightweight Debra Krause
- MEDIUMWEIGHT**  
Class 4  
1 Annette Walter R2 Airville 2 Judy Zimmerman R1 Ephrata 3 Patti Shaffer R1 New Salem 4 Jesse Reichard Waynesboro 5 Kenny Ruch New Ringgold
- Class 5  
1 Michelle Dean R1 Strasburg 2 Lori Good R6 Litz 3 Ed Wylie R2 Nottingham 4 Rick Morral R3 Everett 5 David Wahl R1 Freedom
- Class 6  
1 Fritz Frey R2 Quarryville 2 Bill Wylie R2 Nottingham 3 Martha Guest R1 Nazareth 4 Monique Sweigard Halifax 5 Kathy Miller R1 Dillsburg  
Champion mediumweight Fritz Frey reserve champion mediumweight Annette Walter
- LIGHT HEAVYWEIGHT**  
Class 7  
1 Chris Hopple R2 Mechanicsburg 2 Steve Martz Millersburg 3 Emily Weaver Ephrata 4 Donald Cairns
- Class 8**  
1 Tim Hess R2 Lancaster 2 Tim Beck R2 Seven Valleys 3 John McKotch Ebensburg 4 David Grosvenoy R2 Kingsley 5 Kaye Sweigard R3 Halifax
- Class 9  
1 Janice Kaylor R3 Elizabethtown 2 Joe Messick Middletown, 3 George Metzler E Petersburg 4 LeRoy Bowles R5 Red Lion 5 Brenda Werner R2 Hanover  
Champion light heavyweight Tim Hess, reserve champion light heavyweight Janice Kaylor
- HEAVYWEIGHT**  
Class 10  
1 Bill Coyne R2 Quarryville 2 Kent Henry R1 Strasburg 3 Brian Hutt, Glenmoore, 4 Doug Shope Middletown 5 Tony Eberly R2 Ephrata
- Class 11  
1 Ernie Frey, R2 Quarryville 2 Angela Fought R6 Carlisle 3 Paul Grosvenoy R2 Kingsley 4 Chris Kinsley R8 York 5 Kevin Beck R2 Seven Valleys
- Class 12  
1 Christian Herr R2 Narvon 2 Scott Templeton Ebensburg 3 Terri Marsh R2 Honeybrook 4 Jeff Walker R1 West Chester 5 Doug Deppen R3 Halifax  
Grand and champion heavyweight Ernie Frey reserve grand and reserve champion heavyweight Christian Herr
- SHOWMANSHIP**  
11 years and under  
1 Emily Weaver 2 John McKotch 3 Wayne Glessner
- 12, 13 and 14 years  
1 Tammy Eisenhour 2 Tim Kinsley 3 Guy McKean
- 15 years and older  
1 Diane Krause 2 Wayne Hess 3 Janice Kaylor  
Grand champion showman Diane Krause Reserve champion showman Wayne Hess



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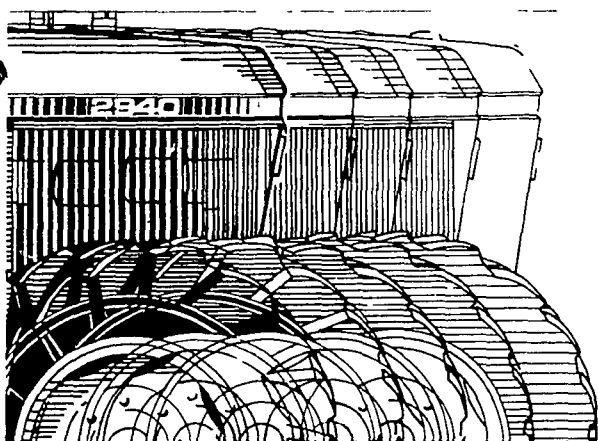
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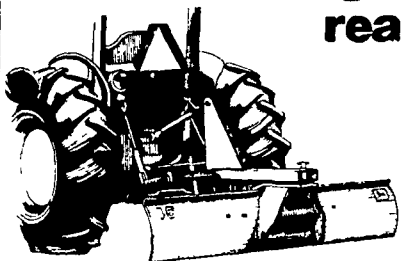
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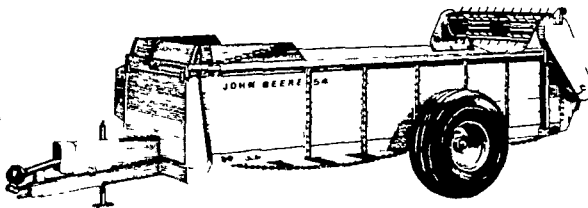
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