

Young women dominate 4-H Dairy championships

BY SHEILA MILLER HARRISBURG — Four young women dominated the Fitting and Showmanship championships at Wednesday's Dauphin County 4-H Dairy Roundup, held at the Farm Show Complex.

The County's Dairy Princesses reigned supreme in the Showmanship competition, with Tammy Yost, the alternate Dairy Princess, taking the grand championship honors. Cindy Lupey, this year's Dauphin County Dairy Princess, was selected by Judge Neil Jones as the reserve champion.

This year's champion fitter was 10-year-old Kim Boyer, R1 Millersburg. In her second year of 4-H Dairy Club, Kim said she's "pretty happy" about her first championship.

Her partner in the competition was her senior yearling, "Elsa", one of the 42 head of Holstein cattle on Mr. and Mrs. Larry Boyer's farm. Kim confessed that the best part of growing up on a dairy farm was the cows — the worst part was "cleaning out the cow's troughs".

The reserve champion fitter at this year's Roundup was Karen Brandt, R1 Hershey. Karen's entry was her 2-year-old Holstein, "Spring Nook Bettina Star",

the reserve grand champion in the Holstein show.

The grand champion Holstein was shown by Tammy Yost, adding another purple ribbon to her collection. Actually, Tammy explained, this is the first time her 8-year-old Holstein cow was tagged the grand champion at the County Roundup. Last year "Javin Apollo Etta" was the State Grand Champion and in 1976 she was the reserve grand champion at States.

Two brothers captured the grand champion and reserve grand championship in the Jersey show. Tony Williams, 15, exhibited his 3-year-old Jersey, "Jeans", for the grand honor while Craig, 16, and his 2-year-old "Bluegirl" stepped in for reserve.

Both brothers are the sons of Mr. and Mrs. Tom Williams, R1 Middletown. The Williams' sons, however, don't always get the "cream of the crop" to exhibit, as their father explained.

As a 4-H leader in the Lower Dauphin Club, Williams has made it possible for urban and suburban 4-H members to become active in the dairy club. So far, six young people from Middletown and

Harrisburg have taken on the responsibility of a dairy project at the Williams' farm.

"The kids come to us and ask us to keep a calf at the farm for a project. They get to pick a calf out of the bunch they feed it, groom and clip it, and they learn how to milk," Williams said.

When asked if his own kids get to pick their calves first, Williams replied, "No, as a matter of fact, my one son picked fifth this year and stood fourth in his class. But that's not important because that's judging the animal. Fitting and showmanship — that's what 4-H is all about — that's where the kid is judged on his own accomplishments."

What does 4-H Dairy Club do for the non-farm kids? According to Williams, it teaches them responsibility and how to get along with other people their own age.

When it comes to getting their chores done, Williams said, "They're more reliable than kids from a farm — it's something new for them to feed and lead calves. It's exciting."

In the rest of the colored breed show, Tracy Buffington, 11, from R1 Millersburg showed the grand champion Guernsey, while April Lafferty, 13, was tagged reserve grand champion.

Nine-year-old Sherry Keefer, Millersburg, exhibited both the grand and reserve grand champions in the Ayrshire show.

David Feidt, 15, Millersburg, showed the top two Brown Swiss entries in Wednesday's show.

Feidt, who has been a member of the 4-H club for 8 years said he owns 11 Brown Swiss. His Brown Swiss share stall space at father Eugene's barn with a herd consisting of Holsteins and Brown Swiss.

When asked why he elected to show the Brown Swiss rather than the Holsteins, Feidt remarked, "I have more luck with Brown Swiss — there's not as much competition."

Judging the type competition was Jed Beshore, New Cumberland.

The following are the class results

AYRSHIRES JUNIOR CALF

1. Sherry Keefer, Millersburg, reserve grand champion; 2. Lisa Keefer, Millersburg; 3. Linda Buffington, Millersburg.

INTERMEDIATE CALF

1. Deborah Shetterly, Millersburg

SENIOR CALF

1. Steven A Shetterly, Millersburg.



Dairy princesses took both championships in the Showmanship competition. At right, Tammy Yost, the alternate Dairy Princess, was chosen as the top showman at the Wednesday Dauphin County Dairy Roundup. Cindy Lupey, the 1980 Dauphin Dairy Princess, was named reserve champion Showman.

JUNIOR YEARLING

1. Sherry Keefer, grand champion; 2. Deborah Shetterly.

2 YEAR OLD

1. Tracy Buffington, Millersburg.

3 AND 4 YEARS OLD

1. Tracy Buffington.

BROWN SWISS SENIOR YEARLING

1. Karen I. Feidt, Millersburg.

3 AND 4 YEARS OLD

1. David E. Feidt, Millersburg, reserve grand champion.

5 YEARS AND OVER

1. David E. Feidt, grand champion.

GUERNSEYS SENIOR CALF

1. April Lafferty, Lykens.

SENIOR YEARLING

1. April Lafferty, reserve grand champion.

3 AND 4 YEARS OLD

1. Tracy Buffington, Millersburg, grand champion.

HOLSTEINS JUNIOR CALF

1. P. Edward Clugston, Halifax; 2. Karen I. Feidt; 3. Linda Buffington, Millersburg; 4. Calvin N Dumpsey, Halifax.

JUNIOR YEARLING

1. Cindy Lupey, Linglestown; 2. Linda Buffington; 3. P. Edward Clugston; 4. Keith Dumpsey, Halifax; 5. Sharon Huntzberger.

SENIOR YEARLING

1. Kim M Boyer, Millersburg.

2 YEAR OLD

1. Karen J Brandt, Hershey, reserve grand champion; 2. Kenneth J. Brandt, Hershey; 3. Calvin N. Dumpsey.

3 AND 4 YEARS OLD

1. Tamara Yost, Hershey.

5 YEARS AND OVER

1. Tamara R. Yost, grand champion; 2. Karen J. Brandt.

JERSEYS JUNIOR CALF

1. Danielle Kell, Middletown; 2. Tina Campbell, Middletown; 3. Michelle Mock, Middletown; 4. Sam Williams, Middletown; 5. Cheryl Miller, Middletown.

SENIOR CALF

1. Faith Lafferty, Lykens.

JUNIOR YEARLING

1. James Craig Williams, Middletown; 2. Michael

Eugene vonKeyserling, Millersburg.

SENIOR YEARLING

1. J. Anthony Williams, Middletown; 2. Patrick H. vonKeyserling, Millersburg.

2 YEAR OLD

1. James Craig Williams, reserve grand champion; 2. Faith Lafferty; 3. Gary Lynn Smalls, Harrisburg; 4. Kevin T. vonKeyserling.

3 AND 4 YEARS OLD

1. J. Anthony Williams, grand champion; 2. Faith Lafferty.

5 YEARS AND OVER

1. J. Craig Williams.



Nine-year-old Sherry Keefer, Millersburg, swept the Ayrshire championships "Bobbi", her Junior Yearling entry, took the grand champion honors Friend Steven Shetterly is at halter. "Mary", the reserve grand champ was Sherry's Junior Calf entry.



Tammy Yost, R1 Hershey, exhibited the grand champion Holstein, while Karen Brandt, left, took the reserve grand champion honors.



Brothers Craig and Tony Williams, from left, exhibited the reserve grand and grand champion Jerseys respectively at this year's Dauphin Dairy Roundup.



David Feidt, at the halter of this grand champion Brown Swiss "Rainy", took the top two placings in Wednesday's show. At halter of the reserve champion is father Eugene



Tracy Buffington, right, exhibited her 3-year-old Guernsey, "Keystone C Kelly" for the grand champion ribbon. The reserve grand champion Guernsey, "Brooks" was the Senior Yearling entry for April Lafferty, R1 Lykens.



This year's champion fitter is Kim Boyer, 10, from R1 Millersburg. Karen Brandt, 16, was selected as the reserve grand champion fitter.

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