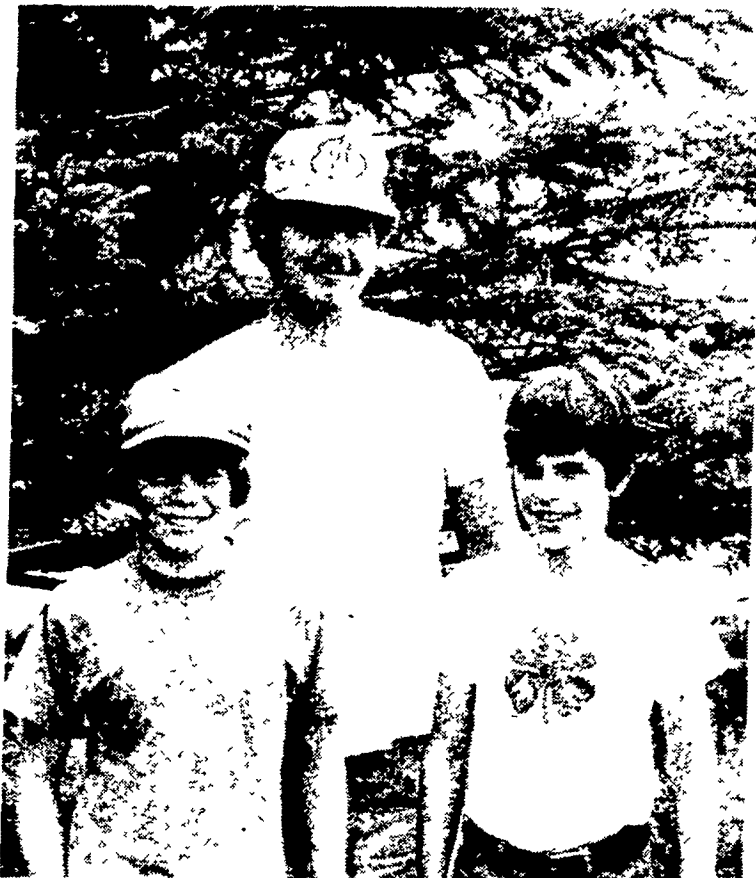


Juniors sharpen fitting skills at field day



The three first place winners in fitting at the Holstein Field Day are: Jim Younker, Daryl Harnish and Lynn Krick.

Sheep, fleece numbers growing in state

HARRISBURG — Pennsylvania's 1981 lamb crop is estimated to be 87,000 head, an increase of five percent from the 83,000 lambs born in 1980. The lambing rate is 110 per ewes one year old and older, compared with 106 in 1980.

Pennsylvania wool production for 1981 is forecast at 690,000 pounds, an increase of two percent from 1980. The number of sheep shorn in the Commonwealth is estimated to be 100,000, up 2,000 head from last year. Average

fleece weight is unchanged at 6.9 pounds.

The 1981 US lamb crop is estimated at 888 million head, eight percent more than 1980. The national lambing rate is 101 per ewe one year old and older compared with 97 last year.

U.S. wool production during 1981 is estimated at 109 million pounds, four percent more than in 1980. The number of sheep and lambs shorn and to be shorn is estimated at 13.4 million head, one percent more than a year earlier.

BY LAUREL SCHAEFFER
Staff Correspondent

RICHLAND — Members of the Berks County Junior Holstein Club held their annual field day in preparation of upcoming shows and county fairs.

Intended to sharpen fitting and showmanship skills of the younger members, the field day is conducted by the senior members who help the junior members fit a young heifer and then show the heifer in a showmanship class. The

members are broken up into teams consisting of one senior member and two or three junior members of different ages.

This year the field day was held at the farm of Ray Bickler, Richland. Judging the show as Richard Muller, professor of Dairy Science, Penn State University following are the results:

Fitting
1 Lynn Krick Lenhartsville Jim Younker Fleetwood and Daryl Harnish Richland
2 Gary Bickler Richland Chris Blatt Robesonia Scott Miller Hamburg

3 Charles Seidel Lenhartsville Kirk Sattazahn Womelsdorf and Penny Bickler Richland
4 Brian Blatt Robesonia Doris Stump Bernville and Jay Bickler Richland
5 Tracey Schlapich Bernville Steve Rohrbach Shoemakersville Connie Ohlinger Mohrsville
6 Naomi Herbert Kutztown Tammy Balthaser Bernville Donna Stump Bernville

Showmanship
1 Kirk Sattazahn 2 Duane Stump Bernville 3 Chris Blatt 4 Tracey Schlapich

Showmanship
1 Gary Bickler 2 Brian Blatt 3 Steve Rohrbach 4 Denise Stump Bernville 5 Jimmy Blatt Robesonia 6 Dwain Schlapich Bernville

Showmanship
1 Cathie Ohlinger Mohrsville 2 Charles Seidel 3 Jim Younker 4 Doris Stump 5 Ann Kopfer Fleetwood 6 Naomi Herbert



Standing with Judge Muller at the Berks Junior Holstein Field Day are, l-r, Gary Bickler, first, 11-12-year-old showman; Cathie Ohlinger, first, 13-14-year-old showman; Kirk Sattazahn, 8-10-year-old showman.

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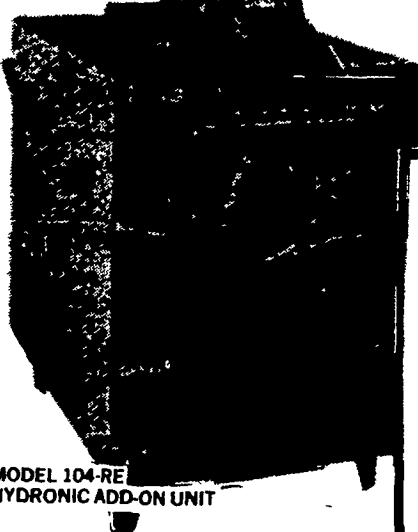
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