

York 4-H dairy roundup announces winners

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YORK — Thursday was a full day for York County 4-H dairy exhibitors, with their annual roundup staged at the York Fairgrounds.

Over one hundred animals paraded before type judge Thomas Dum III, of Landisburg, and fitting-showmanship official Bob Eckstine of Clearsprings, Maryland.

As dozens of mostly red and blue ribbons were awarded, several repeat winners and a few newcomers to the showing scene were pulled out to receive top honors in five separate breed categories.

Guernseys headed up the parade of dairy entries, with the top spot going to Todd Rutter's three-year-old "Rutter Bros. Nelsons Eager," taking both senior and grand champion ribbons.

Reserve grand champion was the senior yearling junior champion entry shown by Larry Amspacher. Reserve senior and junior champions went to Brian Lehman's four-year entry, and his intermediate calf.

"Ann-Ayr Fortune Strawberry," a three-year-old, won the senior and grand championship of the Ayrshire division for Scott Cooper.

Evelyn Lehman's senior calf won the junior championship and the reserve grand placing, while Barry Lehman took the reserve junior honors with his senior yearling entry.

Senior and grand champion

Brown Swiss honors were captured by Mike Welsh with "McCoy Delegate Princess," a three-year-old entry. Her junior calf daughter also took the reserve junior championship for Mike.

Junior champion was the junior yearling exhibited by Steve Eisenhart and Jana Beth Fantom earned the reserve senior honors with her two-year-old.

Pat Anderson headed up the Jersey category with his senior and grand winner, two-year-old "Silver Maple Survive Pride." Reserve senior champion was also a two-year-old exhibited by Andrea Kauffman. Reserve grand and junior champion was Kathy Rauhauser's senior yearling entry.

Holsteins was the final category, with David King capturing the senior and grand champion ribbons with his four-year-old "Kingstead Ari Tara." Reserve senior and grand was the 5-year-old Kit Builder daughter exhibited by Roy Thompson.

Junior champion was a senior calf exhibited to Dana Doll, and Debra Wolf's intermediate calf took the reserve junior placing.



York 4-H Roundup official, Tom Dum at right, wrapped up a full day of placings by pulling out these top four Holstein winners. From right are David King, senior and grand champion, reserve senior and grand winner

Roy Thompson, Dana Doll with his junior champion and reserve junior honors went to Debbie Wolf, York Dairy Princess, Candy Neufeld, handed out ribbons and congratulations.



Scott Cooper, right, took the York 4-H Ayrshire roundup senior and grand champion placing with his 3-year-old. Julie Lehman, left, exhibited the junior champion and reserve grand, with Barry Lehman taking the reserve junior honors.



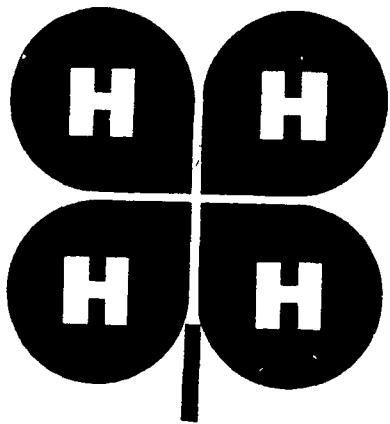
Included among the top Guernsey winnings at the York 4-H Roundup were several familiar names. From right is Todd Rutter, with the senior and grand champion, Brian Lehman showing the reserve senior champion, Larry Amspacher with the junior and reserve grand winner, and Bernie Lehman, handling the junior reserve animal for bother Brian.



Mike Welsh, right, had two of the top four winners in the York 4-H roundup's Brown Swiss show. His three-year-old, "Princess" was senior and grand winner, and her daughter by the same name, held at left by Mike Parr, earned the junior reserve ribbon. Steve Eisenhart captured the junior championship, and Jana Beth Fantom took the reserve senior and grand champion honors.



"Pride", a first-calf Jersey, lived up to her name, winning the York 4-H Roundup senior and grand champion rosettes for Pat Anderson, right. From right are other top winners, Kathy Rauhauser with the junior champion and reserve grand, Andrea Kauffman, the reserve senior winner, and reserve junior champion exhibitor Susie Eisenhart.



Dairy fitters and showmen capture top honors

YORK — After the type judge had made his placings in all the breed categories, it was time for York 4-H roundup exhibitors to head back into the ring for scoring of a different sort.

Rough shoulders on a heifer, or a bulging udder on the cow, became irrelevant when fitting-showmanship judge Bob Eckstine, of Clearsprings, Maryland, studied each entry. What counted this time

was clean feet, unwaxy ears and a spotless, shiny coat of hair, or the exhibitors ability to handle, and show off, his entry in the most correct way,

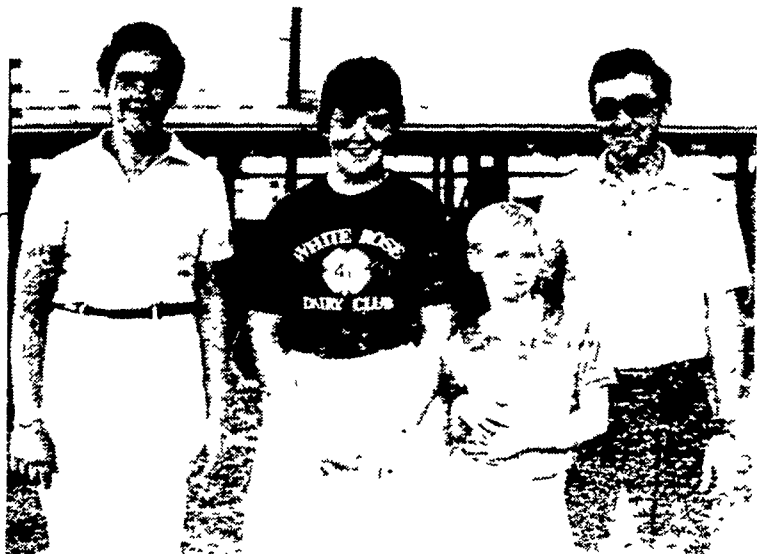
Fitting competition came first, divided into three age groups for judging.

Taking top place in the junior age, 8 to 11, group was Jeremy Weaver. Second was Bridgette Boyer and Tom Stein was third. Wendy Amspacher went to the head of the intermediate group, ages 12 to 14, with Mike Welsh in second and Lesley King in third. Senior honors went to Heidi Von Lange, while Kelly Krebs was second and Todd Warner placed third.

Then it was time to forget the animals and judge the youth on the halters and how well they responded to the judge and to maneuvering their entries in a showing situation.

Bridgette Boyer topped the junior age grouping, followed by Downa Doll and Angela Cooper. Capturing the showmanship intermediate award was Dana Doll, with Jana Beth Fantom, second, and Scott Cooper in third. Senior honors went to Kelly Krebs, first, Barb Kilgore, second and Heidi Von Lange in third.

For complete results from the York Dairy Roundup see next week's Lancaster Farming.—JB



Fitting-showmanship judge Robert Eckstine, right, singled out winning calf fitters from three age groups during the York 4-H roundup. Jeremy Weaver won the 8-11 year category, and Wendy Amspacher won her 12-14 age group. Heidi Von Lange, left, captured top fitting honors in the senior division.