

Hauseman takes grand Brown Swiss honors for third year

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OLEY — The 35th annual Oley Valley Fair, held last Thursday, Friday and Saturday, was greeted by the usual rainfall which seems to accompany the fair. But by the time the livestock judging ended Thursday afternoon, the sun was out, if only in short spells.

Coming out on top in dairy showing was Gary Hauseman, 16 of Boyertown. Hauseman took Grand Champion Brown Swiss honors for the third year in a row with his five year old DM Design Itch sired by Rancho Rustic My-Design.

This junior at Oley Valley High School also was named best showman and fitter during the show. He is presently serving as chapter FFA President at Oley Valley and also holds the president's office for Eastern Berks 4-H Club. The son of Mr. and Mrs. David Hauseman, Gary has been showing in 4-H for the past eight years.

The Hausemans farm 250 acres and are milking about 50 cows, consisting of 25 Holstein and the remainder being Brown Swiss under the name Jan-Da Farm. Gary noted that they are working towards an all-Brown Swiss herd. The Brown Swiss are more con-

tented, he says, and above that, this dairyman says he just likes them better.

Hauseman was not concerned about a probable decrease in milk production either. "The butterfat will make it up," he added in an unconcerned tone.

Showing the youngest animal in Brown Swiss show and placing first in the Intermediate Calf class was Mike Spayd, Fleetwood. Tom Galloway of Bechtelsville followed suit by showing his junior yearling to a blue ribbon in that class. Next Robert Russell, Boyertown took a red ribbon, behind one of Gary Hauseman's two year olds of Jan-Da Farm.

The Hauseman's of Jan-Da farm also had the third and fourth placings of the 2 Year-Old class. Gary showed his senior yearling to first place and had the top four placing 3-year-olds, top three 4-year-olds, top four aged cows, the five best udders of the show, the first place senior get and best three females and the top four placings in the Dairy Herd class.

In the Guernsey show, Ann Kopfer of Fleetwood showed her intermediate calf to first place. Richard Hartz, Oley placed first in junior yearlings, followed by Debbie Price, Douglassville, whose junior yearling placed

second and Heidi Schelegel, Boyertown, who took third place.

In the senior yearling class, Richard Hartz, Oley placed first followed by his brother, Robert in second place. Heidi Schelegel also received a blue ribbon for her 2-year-old followed by Kevin Schelegel and Richard Hartz. Richard Hartz went on to place first in 3-year-olds while Clayton Snyder, Oley took second place.

Best udder was awarded to Clayton Snyder's cow followed by Richard Hartz, Heidi Schelegel, and Kevin Schelegel who placed fourth. First place dam and daughter was awarded to Richard Hartz.

Grand Champion of the show was won by Richard Hartz and Reserve Grand went to Clayton Snyder.

In the Jersey show, Stephanie Galloway, of Bechtelsville showed her senior yearling to first place. Tom Galloway, also of Bechtelville, had a long list of winners for this breed. His placings included: firsts in Intermediate Calf, Junior Yearlings, 3 Year Olds, 4 Year Olds, and Dam and Daughter classes. He placed third in Senior calf, second and four in Junior Yearlings, fourth and fifth in 2 Year Olds, third in 3 Year Olds, third, fourth, and fifth

in Best Udder, second in Dairy Herd and also a third place in Dam and Daughter classes.

Tom also showed the Grand Champion of the show.

Ronald Kurtz, Fleetwood showed the following: first place Junior Calf and Senior Calf, second place Senior Yearling, and second and

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Gary Hauseman, Boyertown, captured the grand champion ribbon in Brown Swiss competition at the Oley Valley Fair for the third consecutive year. This top dairyman earned the champion's award in showmanship.



Kenianne Rarick showed her Limousin x Hereford crossbred steer to the grand championship during the steer competition.



The Champion Fitter ribbon went to Clayton Snyder, Oley, posing here with his reserve grand champion Guernsey.



Elaine Heffner, Fleetwood, exhibited her Hampshire x Dorset crossbred market lamb to championship honors in the market lamb class. Elaine was chosen Champion Sheep Fitter; Val Ernst, right, Sinking Spring, showed her Hampshire to the reserve champion slot.



Lisa Bube, Robesonia, was picked as Champion Sheep Showman.