

Parlett's Chester White wins top market hog honors

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FARM SHOW — Gus Parlett, 12, displayed an ear-to-ear grin, Thursday, when show judge Buell Gunderson, selected Parlett's 220 pound Chester White barrow as the 1982 Farm Show Grand Champion Junior Market Swine.

Parlett's hog, which previously won its light heavyweight class, scored another champion notch for Gus earlier this year during the Airville 4-H round-up.

The York County youngster is the son of Mr. and Mrs. James Parlett of Airville. Gus chose his champion from the home breeding stock which includes 300 head of purebred Chester Whites and Spotted Hogs.

Judge Gunderson went with the Kurt Brown's reserve light heavyweight champ for his reserve grand champ. The Northumberland County youth is a member of the Leck-Kill 4-H club. His family's feeder pig and farrowing operation includes Yorkshire, Duroc and Spotted Swine.

Two Lancaster County youths exhibited their hogs to a weight class championship.

Chris Chapman, 14, of Manheim captured the lightweight championship with her Yorkshire x Duroc x Landrace gilt. Chris is the daughter of John and Claudette Chapman.

New Holland 4-H'er Laura Folker, 14, collected a Champion plaque in the heavyweight division with her Chester White x Duroc x Hampshire barrow. Laura is the daughter of Edith and Tony Folker.

Middleweight Champion honors went to 11-year-old Susie Burkhart of Mohnton. The Chester County youth scored the victory with her Yorkshire gilt. Susie, a member of the Chester County Swine Club, is the daughter of Nancy and Richard Burkhart.

Washington County youth Rod McConn was selected as junior showman during the all-day competition.

Brian Bankert, 15, of Hanover was named the intermediate showman, an award he claimed at two previous Farm Shows. Bankert is the son of Darlene and Rodger Bankert.

Senior showman honors went to Mike Pfautz, 17 of Lancaster County. With seven years of showing experience, the win marked Pfautz' second Farm Show showman award. Mike is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Leroy P. Pfautz of Stevens.

Watch next week's Lancaster Farming for complete junior market swine results.

Majeskie to speak at dairy goat meeting

ORTANNA — On Wednesday, Jan. 20, the South Central Pennsylvania Dairy Goat Association will host a talk on ways to accomplish genetic improvement in dairy goats.

The speaker, Dr. J. Lee Majeskie of the Cooperative Extension Service at the University of Maryland, works closely with the Maryland Goat Dairy Herd Improvement Association program.

In a similar presentation made recently at the USDA's Eastern Regional Research Center Goat Milk Seminar, Majeskie stressed the need for a "structural program for improving genetic gains."

The public is invited to this free presentation which begins at 7 p.m. at the offices of the Adams County Extension Service on Rt. 30 West of Gettysburg.



Mike Pfautz, 17, of Stevens captured the senior division showmanship title, while 15-year-old Brian Bankert of Hanover claimed champion honors in the intermediate division.



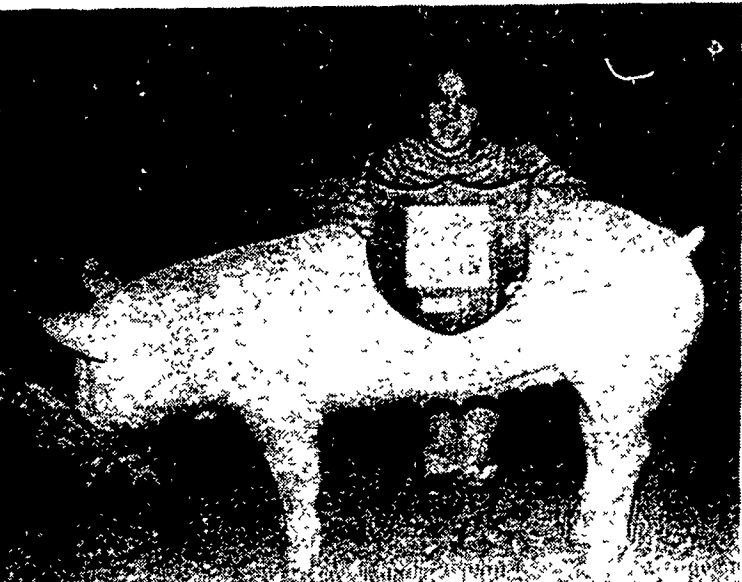
The Grand Champion Junior Market Hog is joined by exhibitor Gus Parlett, 12, and Deputy Secretary of Agriculture E. Chester Heim. The York County youth's Chester White weighed in at 222 pounds and also took champion honors in the light heavyweight class.



This three-way cross barrow - Chester White x Duroc x Hampshire - scored a big win for Laura Folker, of New Holland. Folker's hog was named heavyweight champion.



Kurt Brown, 12, is all smiles following his reserve grand champion win with his Duroc gilt. Kurt is a member of the Leck-Kill 4-H Club of Northumberland County.



Middleweight champion honors went to Susie Burkhart's Yorkshire gilt. The 11-year-old Chester County 4-H'er is the daughter of Nancy and Richard Burkhart of Mohnton.



Rod McConn scored a big victory during Thursday's junior market swine competition. The Washington County youth was named champion showman in the junior division.



Chris Chapman, 14, displays her lightweight champion, a crossbred Yorkshire gilt. The Lancaster youth is the daughter of John and Claudette Chapman of Manheim.