

Kauffman's make a grand showing in dairy classes

BY TRISH WILLIAMS

ELIZABETHTOWN — A grand old cow, Homehurst Astronaut Winner, won the grand championship in the open Holstein show at the Elizabethtown Fair on Thursday. It was the second consecutive year this six-year-old won the Grand Champion at the fair for her owner, Robert Kauffman of RI Elizabethtown.

The Winner cow is classified 2E at 92, and has production records of 28,000+ milk and 1100+ fat. Winner recently won first place in the aged cow class at the South-central District Show in Carlisle.

And in his last year of competition in the junior show, Steve Kauffman, 21, took the grand champion with his 4-year-old cow that last year won the grand champion of the junior show and the reserve champion of the open

show at the fair.

Steve's winning entry, Penn Springs Milestone Ada, was a homebred heifer on the Kauffman's Penn Springs Farm. She rated VG-89, and as a 3-year-old made a record of 23,000+ milk and 940 fat.

In a fashion similar to the father-son combination of Bob and Steve Kauffman that took the grand champions, the reserve honors were won by a father-daughter combination. Joe Wivell won the reserve grand champion in the open Holstein show. His daughter, Nikki, won the reserve grand champion in the junior show.

The junior champions, both the grand and the reserve, of the open Holstein went to Allan McCauley of Elizabethtown.

Judge Alan Hostetter, vice president of the Lebanon County

Holstein Club, selected a junior calf, VT-Pond Vie Chris Selma, exhibited by McCauley as junior grand champion. The junior reserve champion was a senior yearling, Mun-Cre Valiant Pretend-ET, also exhibited by McCauley.

The junior grand champion of the junior show went to Ken Long for his senior yearling entry, Penn

Springs Sooner Dona.

In the Ayrshire youth show a brother and sister team won the championships. Angie Spickler, 12, of Mount Joy, won the junior grand champion, with her junior yearling heifer, Penn-Bell TC Nova. Angie's brother, Anthony, won the junior reserve grand champion with his junior calf, HC Sprites Alicia.

The master showman trophy

was awarded to Thomas McCauley. Judge Alan Hostetter placed the class with McCauley at the top, then moved the 12-year-old showman to last place to study his reaction. "He (McCauley) never stopped trying to show his heifer to her best advantage," said Hostetter, "even when I put him at the bottom of the class."



Winning the Junior Champion in the Ayrshire breed, was a junior yearling heifer exhibited by Angie Spickler, left. Anthony Spickler won the Reserve Jr. Champion with his junior calf.



A grand showing, Judy Zimmerman Kauffman, poses with her father-in-law's Grand Champion of the open show. Steve, her husband, stands with his 4-year-old that won the Grand Champion for him in his last year of competition in the junior show.

Musser earns second Elizabethtown beef championship

BY LAURA ENGLAND

ELIZABETHTOWN — A balanced and stylish animal with a good amount of frame and muscling thickness is what cattle judge Brenda Walters looks for and is what she found in the champion steer at the Elizabethtown Fair, Wednesday night.

Walters, Airville, selected a mediumweight Chianina-Angus Cross as the show's grand champion. The 960 pound steer, owned by Greg Musser, Elizabethtown, won over 14 entries.

This was the second fair championship win for Musser, 16, a

member of the Lancaster Red Rose 4-H Club. Musser won the Elizabethtown title last year and went on to win the county trio championship.

Winning the lightweight honors was Jim Landvetor, Hershey, and his 830 pound steer. Doug Musser, Elizabethtown, and his 1130 pound steer won the heavyweight division.

A class of FFA animals was shown in a selling category. Barry Geib, Manheim, took first place with his 1195 pound steer, and Phillip Nissley, Manheim, was second with his 1050 pound steer. From the show, these two animals were the only sold at a sale

Thursday night. The remaining steers will be sold at county round-up.

Named the show's master showman was Tim Foreman, Hershey. Foreman won the 12-14 age class with Brenda Landvetor, Hershey, placing second and Tammy Baker, Elizabethtown, third.

Winners in the 8-11 category were: Diane Musser, Elizabethtown, 1st; Dan Baker, Elizabethtown, 2nd; and Doug Musser, Elizabethtown, 3rd.

The 15 and over showmanship winner was Jim Landvetor. Placing second was Barry Geib, Manheim, and third was Cindy Baker, Elizabethtown.

BEEF SHOW RESULTS

- Lightweight**
1 Jim Landvetor; 2 Dwayne Coble, 3 Dave Coble
- Mediumweight**
1 Greg Musser; 2 Cindy Baker, 3 Diane Musser
- Heavyweight**
1 Doug Musser; 2 Joe Garber, 3 Dan Baker
- Selling Class**
1 Barry Geib; 2 Phillip Nissley
- Grand Champion**
Greg Musser
- Master Showman**
Tim Foreman



Barry Geib's 1195 pound steer sold for \$1.26 per pound at the Elizabethtown Livestock sale Thursday night. Earlier in the week, the animal placed first in the beef show selling class.



Winning his second consecutive championship title at the Elizabethtown Fair was 16-year-old Greg Musser. Musser won the honor this year with his 960 pound medium-weight steer.