

# Familiar face & new face among market lamb winners

HARRISBURG — There were both a familiar face and a new face in the winner's circle of the open and junior market lamb competition at the Keystone International Livestock Exposition on Sunday.

Top winner in the Open Market Lamb competition was Barb Herr, who has been a familiar member of the Nix Besser exhibitors from R2 Narvon, which have included older brother, Chris and younger sister, Margaret.

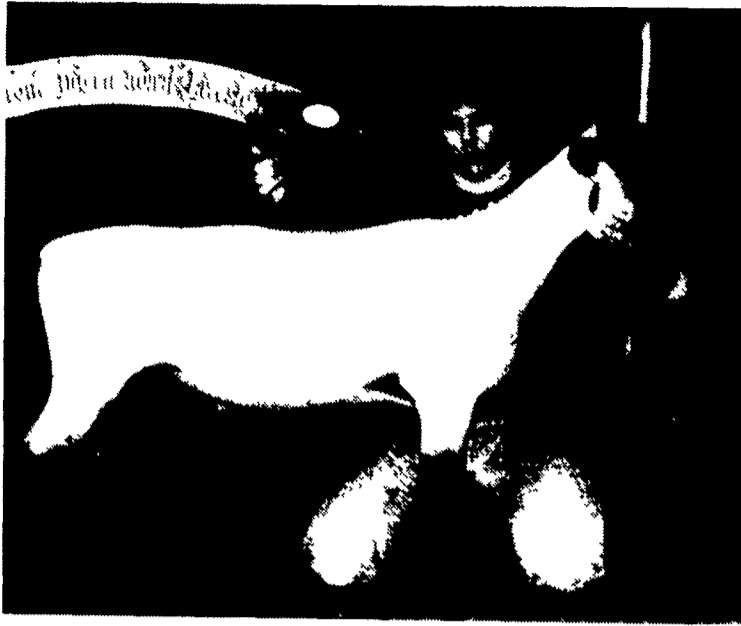
And, in the Junior Market Lamb competition, first-time winner of the reserve championship was 11-year-old Garth Sweigard, whose family at R3 Halifax, will be heard from more and more in the future in both market lamb and Suffolk breeding competition.

Barb Herr's champion open market lamb was a Hampshire wether from B and B Livestock, of Danville, Ohio.

At KILE, the Nix Besser flock also boasted the Champion Dorset sale ewe, which brought \$525, and the high selling ewe, which placed third, at \$565.

Moving into the winner's circle at KILE was another stop in the successful showing season of the Nix Besser flock this fall. The Herrs had the champion and reserve champion Dorset ewe at Eastern States and the top two also at the Ohio State Fair. They now move on to Louisville competition at NAILE.

The reserve champion market lamb of Garth Sweigard, a Suffolk,



Barb Herr, R2 Narvon, with her champion open market lamb.

also came out of Ohio.

The youthful exhibitor also had the first-place pen of three in the junior market lamb competition.

Garth is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Eugene Sweigard, R3 Halifax, who have only been in the sheep business for about a year. They purchased five ewes at KILE last year and now have a flock of about 20 ewes and lambs, mostly crossbreds. But they plan to move into a purebred Suffolk breeding operation.

Garth previously took both a

first and third in sheep showing at the Dauphin Fair as a member of the Upper Dauphin Livestock Club.

The Sweigards have a diversified livestock operation, which includes Angus and Durocs.

Exhibitor of the champion junior market lamb was Jeff Repasky, of Conesville, Ohio. It was the second year in a row he captured that title.

Other Pennsylvania placers in the top five of their classes were Kevin J. Vehovic, of Barnesboro, and Douglas Marts, of Pleasant Gap.



Garth Sweigard, R3 Halifax, with his junior market lamb reserve champion.

## Top Jr. Breeding Sheep winners listed at KILE

HARRISBURG — Exhibitors from across the Commonwealth were among top winners in competition at the 27th annual Keystone International Livestock Exposition's Junior Breeding Sheep Show held Sunday in the Farm Show Complex.

In the Suffolk division, William MacCauley, of Atglen, showed both the grand and reserve champion ram, and for the third year in a row, exhibited the grand champion Suffolk ewe. The reserve champion ewe was exhibited by Matthew McFann of Woodbine, Md.

Pennsylvania exhibitors placing in the top five were Tammy Styer, of Bedford; Margaret Arms, of Dauphin; Lisa Ann Shaffer of Hooversville; and Jeffrey Putnak of Monongahela.

Susan Falvey, of Bedford, captured both the grand and reserve champion ewe titles in the Southdown sheep division. The grand champion Southdown ram was exhibited by Roy Bruce Betts of Felton, Del., while the reserve champion was shown by Deanna Stumbo of Honeoye, N.Y.

Pennsylvania exhibitors placing in the top five were Melissa Trostle, of Red Lion, and Pegg McCrumb, of Mars.

In the Shropshire division, the grand champion ram was exhibited by Arlissa Snavelly, of Lancaster, while both the reserve champion ram and ewe were shown by Brad Heaton, of Versailles, Ohio. The grand champion ewe was shown by Jeff Bricker, of Carlisle.

Other Pennsylvanians placing in the top five of their class included Joseph Showers, of Bendersville; Matthew Snavelly, of Lancaster; and Guy McKean, of Mercer.

In the Oxford division, Amy Eshelman, of Sinking Spring, exhibited both the reserve champion ram and reserve champion ewe. The grand champion ram and ewe were shown by Ross Stoddard, of Kingston, N.Y.

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Bill MacCauley, of Atglen, with Junior Champion Suffolk Ewe - his third successive title in that category at KILE.



Arlissa Snavelly, of Lancaster, with Junior Champion Shropshire Ram.



Susan Falvey, of Bedford, with Junior Champion Southdown Ewe.



Jeff D. Bricker, of Carlisle, with Junior Champion Shropshire Ewe.