

4-H'ers take honors at Maryland Horse Jamboree

WESTMINSTER, MD. — Western Maryland's Allegany county emerged as an upstart contender in junior competition during the state 4-H horse jamboree held July 17 and 18 on the grounds of the Carroll County Agriculture Center at Westminster.

But traditionally strong teams from Harford and Montgomery Counties dominated in the senior 4-H horse judging contest, repeating their 1982 placings. Members of the 1984 state champion junior and senior 4-H horse bowl knowledge teams from Howard and Carroll Counties did well in this year's jamboree placings.

Top teams and individuals in the statewide 4-H horse judging

competition, and the team point totals, were as follows:

Junior teams—1. Allegany County, 1171; 2. Washington County, 1156; 3. Howard County, 1124.

Junior individuals—1. Carrie Olson, 2. Furan Atay, Charity Shankle and Joyce Brinsfield tied for third with identical scores of 394.

Senior teams—1. Harford county, 1551; 2. Montgomery county, 1521; 3. Carroll county, 1443.

Senior individuals—1. Nancy McHugh, 2. Adrienne Houzouris, 3. Christina King, 4. Carrie Foster.

The top four senior individuals are eligible to represent Maryland in national judging competition on October 10 at Denver, Colo., during

the National 4-H Horse Roundup.

Allegany county teen-agers won three of the top four placings in the Maryland junior 4-H horse public speaking contest during last month's state 4-H horse jamboree at Westminster. And they captured runnerup honors among 11 contestants in the senior contest. Top public speakers were:

Junior individuals—1. Charity Shankle, 2. Samantha Adams, 3. Joyce Brinsfield.

Senior individuals—1. Karen George, 2. Kellie Humbertson.

Tracey Scott, 13, of Dayton was junior champion among 14 individuals in the state 4-H horse demonstration contest. Another Howard county contestant, Stephanie Scoville, 12, of Dayton

shared reserve champion honors with Susan Graham, 13, of West Ocean City.

In the senior event, Brenda Godfrey, 17, of Ruhl won championship honors in a field of 15 contestants. Sheila Donaldson, 17, of Bridgeport was the reserve champion.

Joyce Brinsfield, 14, of Cumberland won the junior horsemanship event, and Charlotte Dunigan, 13, of West Friendship placed second.

In senior competition, Sharon Elliott, 18, of Centreville was first, and Bonnie George, 17, of Bloom finished second.

Bonnie was also the winner of a quarter horse weanling colt to be presented later this summer by

Bob Evans Farm of Rio Grande, Ohio. Bonnie's selection was based on her combined scores in the 4-H horsemanship and demonstration cvontests, plus a personal interview with the selection committee.

Allegany county's Joyce Brinsfield of Cumberland was runnerup in the selection process. She won a thoroughbred filly donated by Sunset Hill Farm of Daisy.

Finally, in a grooming contest involving totally ungroomed horses, a Carroll county 4-H team placed first, and Allegany county was second.

This year's state 4-H horse jamboree involved 127 participants from 15 of Maryland's 23 counties, according to James B. Arnold, an Extension 4-H state program leader at the University of Maryland in College Park.



Senior alternates in the competition are in back from left: Sylvia Royer, Lorri Rutt, Stacy Baldwin and Jill Calpsadi. In center from left are Elaine Clark, Yvonne Stoops and Tammy Orner. In front from left are Denise Haldeman, Daphne Shenk and Karen Eckerd.



Junior alternates at the Capital Region Fashion Revue are from left: Lisa Romberger, Lisa Shenk, Gretchen Hoffman, Kathleen Grim and Andrea Ebersol.

Eliminate standing water to get rid of mosquitoes

MEDIA — It's time once again to break out the fly swatters and insect repellents, because mosquitoes will most likely reappear soon. The rainy spring season left plenty of extra water in Pennsylvania, providing an ideal new breeding place for the insect.

Mosquitoes come from two main sources: local breeding in standing water, and flying in from nearby breeding areas. The most effective way to control local breeding is to eliminate standing water, says C.R. Bryan, Jr. Delaware County cooperative extension service director. He suggests removing any water-catching objects from the property. Most problems with mosquitoes can be traced to backyard containers of water such as children's toys, pots and cans, tire swings, urns and plugged rain gutters.

Mosquito eggs are laid in or near water and hatch into larvae, or wigglers within a few days. The wigglers feed on microscopic plant life and become tumblers, (pupa) which turn in to adults. In mid-summer, it may only take seven days for the whole process to occur.

Although certainly annoying, mosquito bites are rarely a serious health problem. The female mosquito must have a blood meal before laying eggs. That's why they invade homes and yards. Since people vary in their attractiveness to mosquitoes, the effectiveness of any repellent depends somewhat on the individual.

To eliminate mosquito breeding places on the property, Bryan also suggests that you:

- Examine rain gutters to see that the water runs freely.
- Check flower pots and drain for excess water.
- Change water in bird baths by flushing with a hose at least once a week.
- Keep swimming pools covered when not in use and change the water in small wading pools often.

If chemical control is necessary, contact your county Cooperative Extension Office for recommendations on the proper pesticides and their application. Penn State is an affirmative action, equal opportunity university.



David Roth, Loysville, Pennsylvania

herd average is 19,476 lbs. "I tried to increase milk production with another feed," he says, "but it didn't work — so I went back to Purina. It's a lot better feed."

has been fed Purina since," Muller says. "We have always been satisfied with the results and felt that Purina has done more research than other companies."



Richard Muller, Washington, Illinois

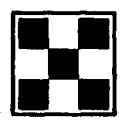
Another third generation dairyman is Arnold Oechsner, Jr. of Brownsville, Wisconsin. He feeds his 115 head herd both Purina High Octane brand 36% concentrate and Purina Milk Generator® brand 1056 complete ration. Oechsner, who has a DHI rolling



Arnold Oechsner, Jr., Brownsville, Wisconsin

herd average of 20,309 lbs., says he has fed Purina milking ration for more than five years because it "has given me the most milk production per cow per year."

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