

Youthful exhibitors step into spotlight

Holstein Show is near-family affair

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KUTZTOWN — The top spot of the Kutztown Fair Holstein show was taken by the single entry of Scott Troutman, R1, Myerstown as he bested over 150 entries.

Troutman exhibited his six-year-old, Y-Brookside Big Valley, a "VG-88" daughter of Peach View Big Valley.

"I feel the aged cow deserves this championship," Judge David Hill, Emmetsburg, Md., stated. "She has worn a little bit longer than this two-year-old." The judge, a VPI graduate, also stated that she was "the most correct."

The Grand Champion boasts records over 23,000 pounds milk and 900 pounds fat. The 18-year-old Troutman had purchased his champion as a yearling and the pair are veterans of many shows. This was his first championship in breed competition, however, and he bested the entries of his fiance, Constance Ohlinger and her sister, Cathleen, of Reu-Hel Farms, R1, Mohrsville.

The Ohlinger sisters dominated the rest of the Holstein competition as they took the three other championship rosettes. Reserve Grand Champion went to Constance Ohlinger with her Senior Two Year Old, Reu-Hel Farms Sexy Smurfette, a "VG-85" daughter of Ocean View Sexation. Although her first record is projected over 18,800 milk and 600 fat, "Smurfette" needed more maturity to go over the champion according to the judge.

Junior Champion went to Cathleen Ohlinger and her intermediate daughter of Leadfield Columbus-ET. Constance Ohlinger again took the reserve spot with her senior yearling, an S-W-D Valiant daughter.

The Fitting and showing championships in the Holstein breed were also captured by these "soon-to-be related" 4-H'ers as Constance Ohlinger won champion showman honors and Troutman earned the reserve spot. Junior champions were Kirk Sattazahn, R1, Womelsdorf, and Amy Richard, R2, Oley.

Fitting championships went to Cathleen Ohlinger, "a handy winner", according to the judge, and Scott Troutman took this reserve spot. Junior fitting honors went to Kirk Sattazahn again and Dean Wagner, R1, Oley. The winners received halters sponsored by Atlantic Breeders, who also took complimentary pictures of any 4-H'er and his animal at their request. Trophies were also sponsored by the Lester W. Seidel Memorial fund and went to all the champion fitters and showmen.

The colored breed show began on Thursday, August 17th, with the Milking Shorthorn animals of Sam Yoder, Shoemakersville.

Ayrshire and Brown Swiss competition followed with two first time winners of the championship rosettes. Grand champion honors in the Ayrshire breed went to the senior two year old entry of James Blatt, R1, Robesonia. The homebred champion is a daughter of Oak Ridge Super Star. "The judge liked the thinner animals," 14 year old, Blatt stated. His family milks Holsteins and Ayrshires on their R1, Robesonia dairy farm.

Fifteen-year-old Michele Christman won the reserve honors with her three-year-old, Heindel B. Ana. Also her first time to place this high in breed competition, Michele stated that the animal

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Scott Troutman, R1 Myerstown, stands with Grand Champion of Kutztown Fair Holstein Show; while his fiance, Constance Ohlinger, is shown with Reserve Grand.

Dairy princess wins goat show

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KUTZTOWN — The Goat show at the recent Kutztown Fair featured a veteran 4-H'er and goat breeder. Debbie Price, Douglassville, topped all exhibitors with her champion Nubian aged doe, Cleopatra, which was crowned Best Doe in Show.

The 19-year-old, Berks County Dairy Princess is an active 4-H'er. "I like 4-H," she states and adds that she is now the leader for the Berks County Goat Club. She has been breeding and showing goats for over five years and in addition to breeding her own winners, the Reserve Champion Alpine who also was second to the Best doe in the show was bred by Price. She is owned and shown by Kent Fisher.

Debbie is currently attending Penn State and majoring in Dairy Science. She owns 13 goats and

three Guernsey cows. Seeking good conformation in her animals and showing them to their best advantage also helped Debbie as she was also named Champion Showman and Reserve Champion Fitter of the goat showing and fitting competitions.

The show was judged by Ricky Stonebech, Oxford, who selected the winning Best doe in Show on her "general appearance" and "advantage in mammary system."

Other results:

Showing and Fitting:
Juniors Showing - 1 Joyce Heffner, Fitting - 1 Joyce Heffner
Intermediate Showing - 1 Heath Fisher, 2 Mark Price, 3 Kent Fisher, Fitting - 1 Kent Fisher, 2 Heath Fisher, 3 Howard Schneider
Seniors Showing - 1 Debbie Price, 2 James Heffner, 3 Kirk Fisher, Fitting - 1 Debbie Price, 2 Kirk Fisher, 3 James Heffner

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Carol Dreisbach, Hamburg, poses with two of the family's top Jerseys in competition at Kutztown Fair.



Berks County Dairy Princess Debbie Price with her Best Doe in Show at Kutztown Fair Goat Show.

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