

Great depth exhibited at Lancaster 4-H Pig Show



Laura Folker, R2 New Holland, with her Grand Champion of the Lancaster 4-H Pig Show.

BY DICK ANGLESTEIN
LANCASTER — In addition to capturing the championships of the Lancaster County 4-H Pig Show on Thursday, the winning exhibitors displayed an amazing depth of livestock expertise in their entire strings.

Out of four pigs in the show, Laura Folker, who exhibited the Grand Champion, and her younger brother, Chad, recorded three class winners, including the Heavyweight and Grand Champion and the Reserve Heavyweight Champion. The fourth entry took a class second.

And Andy Groff, with a string of six pigs, took the Reserve Grand Championship with his Mediumweight Champion, as well as the lightweight champion. Other entries took a second and two thirds, including his pair.

Also, Andy finished first in the Junior Division of the Fitting and Showing competition.

So, all in all, it was a full and successful day for the Folker and Groff families.

Both Laura, 12, and Chad Folker, 10, are veterans of the showing ring. This marked the highest finish for Laura, who has had a reserve champion. Chad had the Farm Show grand champion a few years back.

The Folker pigs, purebred Hampshires, came from Lyle Bidner, of Mohammed, Il.

"We know Bidner and like his type of pig," explains Tony Folker. "These pigs will now go to help buy several for the Farm Show."

Half of the Groff entries came off the family breeding operation at 1218 Lampeter Road, while the others came from Larry Arnold, Rehersburg. The reserve champion, a Landrace-Duroc, was from Arnold.

Both the champions were bought by Ezra Good, of Hatfield Packing. The 255-pound heavyweight grand champion brought \$2.00 a pound and the 255-pound mediumweight brought \$1.90.

Sale of the 92 head shown by 25 exhibitors grossed \$12,847.35 Sale

Heavyweights

Class 9 — 1. Laura Folker; 2. Fred Weaver; 3. Andy Groff.

Class 10 — 1. Dave Fisher; 2. Heidi Fisher; 3. Sharon Heisey.

Class 11 — 1. Chad Folker; 2. Michelle Dean; 3. Heidi Fisher.

Class 12 — 1. Laura Folker; 2. Heidi Fisher; 3. Dave Fisher.

Heavyweight Champion (Grand Champion) Laura Folker; Reserve Champion, Chad Folker.

Pairs

Lightweight pairs — 1. Gwen Myer; 2. Tim Pfautz.

Heavyweight pairs — 1. Duane Sauder; 2. Kevin Hess; 3. Andy Groff.

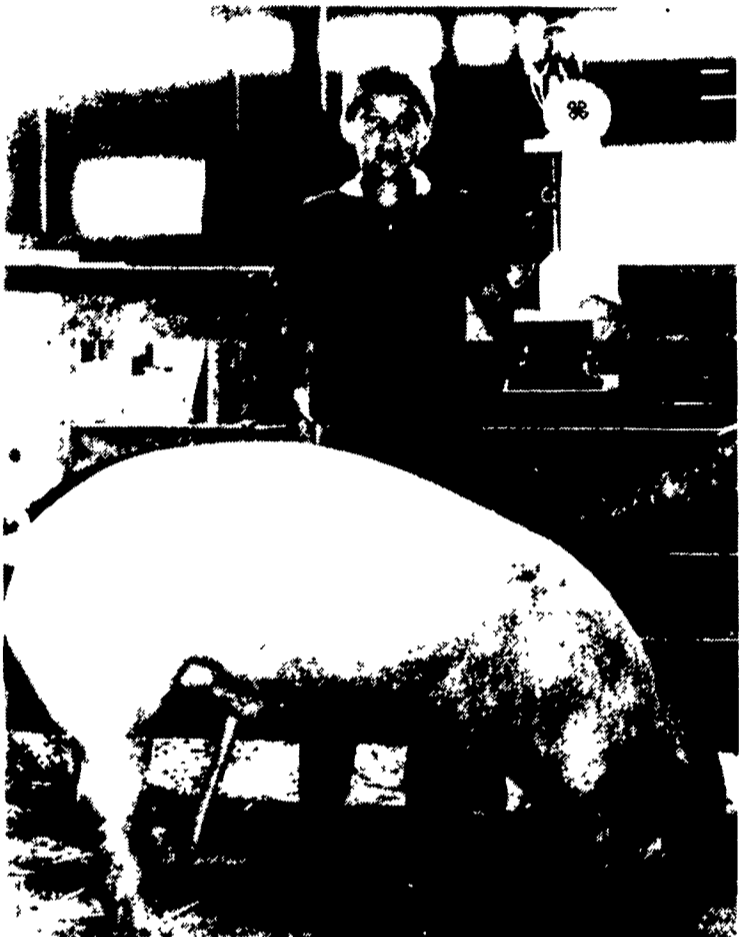
Champion pair — Gwen Myer; Reserve, Duane Sauder.

Fitting and Showing

Senior Division — 1. Floyd Huber; 2. Dave Fisher; 3. Sharon Heisey.

Junior Division — 1. Andy Groff; 2. Chad Folker; 3. Karen Becker. average with champions was 66.32 cents and without, 63 cents.

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Andy Groff, Lancaster, with his Reserve Grand Champion of the 4-H Pig Show.

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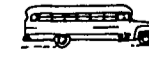
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