

Sueann back in Brown Swiss winner's circle

BY WENDY WEHR

HARRISBURG—Wayne Sliker wasn't new to the winners' circle and neither was his grand champion at the Eastern National Brown Swiss Show, held Tuesday during the All-American Dairy Show in Harrisburg.

Grand champion of the show was Alfalfa Meadows Sueann S, owned by Sliker of Top Acres Farm, St. Paris, Ohio. Sueann also earned the top honors in the total performance class. She had 24,620 lbs. milk, 1007 lbs. fat, and 4.1 percent test in her most recent lactation.

These are repeat honors for Sueann. This is her second grand championship from the Eastern National show and her third first place win in the total performance competition.

Sueann S, sired by Welcome in Stretch, is an 11-year-old with a string of show and production honors to her name. In 1981 she was named All-American aged cow. Her dam is Alfalfa Meadows Sandra G, and she was bred by Donald E. Miller.

Judge Steve Blessing remarked that he really admired Sueann, especially for having held up so well and for milking the way she has.

Slifer, of Top-Acres, swept the show by exhibiting the reserve grand champion cow as well, and by taking first place wins in all of the cow and group classes, which easily earned him the premier breeder and premier exhibitor banners. He also earned the annual Ira Irman Trophy for the premier breeder of each National Brown Swiss Show.

But the premier honors aren't new for Slifer either. This is the

ninth year that he has captured the breeder and exhibitor honors. But Slifer did describe this year's show as "overall the best day we've ever had."

Slifer's reserve grand champion was Top-Acres Stretchy Snowbird ET, also a Welcome in Stretch daughter. Snowbird's dam is Kilravock's Midnight Snow.

Blessing, of Fort Wayne, Indiana, described Snowbird as having a tremendous udder, and he speculated that she will do as good or better than Sueann with maturity.

Another Ohio farm had the only Brown Swiss champion that didn't come from Top Acres. R Hart Farm, Wapakoneta, Ohio, showed the junior champion female, R Hart Stretchy Dora Dee.

Premier sire of the show was Welcome in Stretch, another repeat winner from 1983.

The 202 entries in the 1984 show were shown by 78 exhibitors. In his overall comments about the show, Blessing remarked that he was impressed with the top end of every class and that the entries in this show compare very well with the animals shown at the Central National competition in Wisconsin.

Following are the results from the 1984 Eastern National Brown Swiss Show.

- Eastern National Brown Swiss Show Results**
- Junior Heifer Calf**
1 Burnt Mills Farm Hollywood Md
- Senior Yearling Heifer**
1 Long View Farm Thrumont Md
- Junior Champion Bull**
Top Acres
- Reserve Jr. Champion Bull**
Top Acres
- Senior Bull Calf**
1 Top Acres St. Paris Ohio 2 Top Acres 3 El A Ray Farm Inc Cattaraugus N.Y.
- Grand Champion Bull**
Top Acres



Wayne E. Sliker of Top-Acres, St. Paris, Ohio, swept the Eastern National Brown Swiss Show. Left to right are Ellen Cole, Pa. Swiss Miss, Sliker with his grand champion and total performance winner, Gordon DeMay holding the reserve grand champion that was also from Top-Acres, and Steve Blessing, judge.

- Reserve Grand Champion Bull**
Top Acres
- Junior Heifer Calf**
1 Top Acres 2 Wind Mill Farm Pine Grove 3 Michael Kunkle Jonestown
- Intermediate Heifer Calf**
1 Maple Cove Farm Manlius NY 2 Top Acres 3 Wind Mill Farm
- Senior Heifer Calf**
1 Beech Hill Farm Winsted Ct 2 Meadow Hill Lebanon 3 R Hart Farm Wapakoneta Ohio
- Junior Yearling Heifer**
1 Top Acres 2 Top-Acres 3 Brownschwiss Swiss Rising Sun Md
- Senior Yearling Heifer**
1 R Hart Farm 2 Top-Acres 3 Welsh Ponderosa Farms East Berlin
- Junior Champion Female**
R Hart Farm
- Reserve Jr. Champion Female**
Top Acres
- Jr. Get-of Sire**
1 Sand Rock Farm Rocky Ridge Md 2 Burnt Mills Farm 3 Welsh Ponderosa Farms
- 2 Year Old**
1 Top Acres 2 Top Acres 3 Top Acres
- 3 Year Old Cow**
1 Top Acres 2 El A Ray Farm Inc 3 Top Acres
- 4-Year Old Cow**
1 Top Acres 2 Top Acres 3 Top Acres
- 5-Year Old Cow**
1 Top Acres 2 Storm E Acres Southampton MA 3 Don A Jon Farm West Salem Ohio
- Aged Cow**
1 Top Acres 2 Hill's Valley Farm Cattaraugus NY 3 Theresa Tkaczuk Elverson
- Dry Cow, 4 Years & Over**
1 Top Acres 2 Top-Acres 3 Sand Rock Farm
- Senior Champion Female**
Top Acres
- Reserve Sr. Champion Female**
Top Acres
- Grand Champion Female**
Top Acres
- Reserve Grand Champion Female**
Top Acres
- Total Performance Winner**
1 Top Acres 2 Four Seasons Farm Butler Produce of Dam
- Produce of Dam**
1 Top-Acres 2 El A Ray Farm Inc 3 King & Queen Farm
- Dam and Daughter**
1 Top Acres 2 Sand Rock Farm 3 Burnt Mills Farm
- Best Three Females**
1 Top Acres 2 Sand Rock Farm 3 King & Queen Farm Allentown N.J.
- Dairy Herd**
1 Top-Acres 2 Sand Rock Farm 3 Four Seasons Farm
- Sr. Get-of Sire**
1 Top Acres 2 Victory Acres Bernville 3 Wind Mill Farm
- Premier Breeder**
Top Acres
- Premier Exhibitor**
Top Acres
- State Herd**
1 Ohio 2 Pennsylvania 3 New York

Yoder wins stretch from Big E to Harrisburg

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HARRISBURG—Sam Yoder is on the show circuit again this year, and again, it's paying off. From the Eastern States Exposition in Massachusetts on Friday to the Harrisburg All-American Dairy Show on Tuesday is a hectic pace, but Yoder and his Milking Shorthorns held up well.

Yoder of Pinesedge Farm, Shoemakersville, Berks County, swept the top honors at the Pa. All-American Milking Shorthorn Show in Harrisburg on Tuesday. Pinesedge showed the grand and reserve grand champions and captured the premier breeder and premier exhibitor banners as well.

Three-year-old Pinesedge M Cheri Tart walked away with the

grand champion award and was also named the best milking female. Her sire is Cedar Valley Mario, and she is out of Pinesedge Flora Cheri 15th.

Cheri Tart has won for Yoder before. This year she was grand champion at the Maryland State Fair and just last week she was named grand champion at the Eastern States Exposition.

With first place wins in six out of the seven cow classes and all the group classes, Pinesedge easily picked up the premier breeder and premier exhibitor banners. Yoder noted that he had earned the same honors before, and that they had taken home the banners from last week's show in Massachusetts as well.

Judge John Marchezak of Bentleyville, Washington County, selected another Pinesedge cow as reserve grand champion. Pinesedge G K Kizzi, the first place aged cow, went on to take the reserve champion award. Sired by New Park Gay King, Kizzi is out of Pinesedge Melody.

Mrs. James Pratt of Mechanicsburg, Ohio, owned the premier sire, and she also had the reserve junior champion female, Spring Meadows Diamond.

The junior champion female, Three Springs B R Lil, was exhibited by James Young of Three Springs Farm, Newville.

At the conclusion of the show, top winner Yoder commented on the quality of this year's entries.

Although show numbers were down slightly this year with 91 entries, Yoder thought the quality was just as high. With more inquiries about calves lately, Yoder believes interest in the Milking Shorthorn breed is picking up, which may mean more entries and stiffer competition in next year's Milking Shorthorn show.

Following are the results of the Pa. All-American Milking Shorthorn Show.

- Pennsylvania All-American Milking Shorthorn Results Show Results**
- Bull Calf**
1 James Young Newville 2 Kuszmar Farm Batavia N.Y.
- Junior Yearling Bull**
1 Frank Reese Shippensburg
- Junior Champion Bull**
James Young
- Reserve Jr. Champion Bull**
Frank Reese
- Bull 2 Years & Over**
1 Frank Reese
- Senior Champion Bull**
Frank Reese
- Grand Champion Bull**
Frank Reese
- Reserve Grand Champion Bull**
James Young
- Junior Heifer Calf**
1 James Young 2 Kuszmar Farm 3 Mrs James W Pratt Mechanicsburg Ohio
- Senior Heifer Calf**
1 James Young 2 Mrs James W Pratt 3 Karen S Bodey New Holland Ohio
- Junior Yearling Heifer**
1 Christine Young Newville 2 Mike Ullom & Family Centerburg Ohio 3 Phyllis R Yoder Shoemakersville
- Senior Yearling Heifer**
Vista Lassie Syndicate Eaton Ohio 2 Mrs James W Pratt 3 Rachel Kline Mars
- Junior Champion Female**
James Young Sr Heifer Calf
- Reserve Jr. Champion Female**
Mrs James W Pratt Sr Heifer Calf
- Jr. Best Three Females**
1 James Young 2 Samuel G Yoder Family Shoemakersville 3 Karen S Bodey
- Jr. 2 Year-Old**
1 Nedra J Yoder Shoemakersville 2 Kuszmar Farm 3 Jessica M Whiting Edinburg
- Sr. 2 Year-Old**
1 Wendy Z Yoder Shoemakersville 2 Spring Meadows Centerburg Ohio 3 Kuszmar Farm
- 3 Year Old Cow**
1 Frederick R Yoder Shoemakersville 2 James Young 3 Bells Farm Elmer N.J.
- 4 Year Old Cow**
1 Maggie L Whiting Edinburg 2 Bruce Guckian Eaton Ohio 2 James Young
- 3 & 4 Year Old Dry Cow**
1 Frederick R Yoder 2 James Young 3 Bridget R Whiting Edinburg
- Dry Aged Cow**
1 Pinesedge Farm Shoemakersville 2 Pinesedge Farm 3 Kuszmar Farm
- Aged Cow**
1 Nedra Jo Yoder Shoemakersville 2 Kuszmar Farm 3 Guckian Farms Eaton Ohio
- Senior Champion Female**
Pinesedge Farm
- Reserve Sr. Champion Female**
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- Premier Breeder**
1 Samuel G Yoder Family Pinesedge Farm
- Premier Exhibitor**
Samuel G Yoder Family
- State Herd**
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In the Milking Shorthorn competition at the All-American Dairy Show, Sam Yoder of Pinesedge Farm captured all the top honors. Pictured left to right are Yoder, Susan Vaadi Lee, E. Chester Heim, Deputy Secretary of Agriculture, and John Marchezak, judge.

