Martin, Herr share Lancaster FFA roundup honors

BY JACK HUBLEY

NEW HOLLAND - A pair of Garden Spot High School FFA'ers found themselves sharing top honors at Lancaster County's FFA market lamb roundup held on Wednesday at the New Holland Sales Stables.

The event consisted of two shows, one for those lambs going on to the Farm Show and a second for lambs being sold following the roundup.

Named champion among the lambs bound for Farm Show was a Suffolk-cross wether exhibited by Margaret Herr of Narvon. The daughter of Dr. and Mrs. Robert Herr, she purchased her winning lamb from Mark Bambury of Ohio. Lisa Martin, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Aaron Martin of New

Holland, took home reserve honors in this class with her Hampshirecross, bred by Bill Wade of Va. The immaculate black lamb had been named grand champion market lamb at the Manheim Farm Show only a week earlier.

In the sale class, judge Gail Post stayed with her winning duo, this time naming Miss Martin for champion honors, and placing Herr in the reserve position. Martin's blue-ribbon sale lamb was a purebred Hampshire wether purchased at Manheim's Supreme Club Lamb Sale this spring, and bred by Tim and Sarah Fleener of Lancaster.

Both Miss Martin and Miss Herr were pleasantly surprised again on Thursday, when their winning lambs brought record-setting bids

at the roundup sale.

Dane Fine, of David Fine Meat Packing in Pittsburgh, went home with both the grand and reserve champion lambs. Fine offered four dollars per pound for Martin's top lamb, and paid \$2.50 for Herr's reserve.

All but three of the sale's 25 lambs brought one dollar per pound or more, with buyers paying an average of \$1.23 per pound (including champions) for the 2,385_ pounds of lamb.

Other volume buyers included Jack Godek, Marlboro, N.J.; Willie the Butcher, Washington Boro; and New Holland Sales Stables, who also donated the use of their auction facilities for both the show and sale.

With about 40 lamb projects in progress throughout the county, Lancaster County's Farm Show allotment for this year is 13 entrants, an increase of five over last year's field. Listed below are the 13 FFA exhibitors chosen to compete at the Farm Show, as well as roundup sale results.

Farm Show Lambs 1 Margaret Herr Narvon 2 Lisa Martin New Holland 3 Molly Wise Blue Ball 4 John Spangler Littz 5 Clifford Horning Denver 6 Kevin Martin East Earl 7 Linda Good East Farl 8 Kevin Bollinger Lititz 9 Brian Hurst Bowmansville 10 Tony Bender New Holland 11 Dan Martin Lititz 12 Tina Strause 12 Bull Shu Scharta

1 Lisa Martin New Holland 2 Margaret Herr Narvon 3 Kevin Martin East Earl 4 Jeff Martin East Earl 5 Tony Bender New Holland 6 Heidi Fisher East Earl 7 Mike Middleton New Holland 8 Jeff Martin East Earl 9 Linda Good East Earl 10 Dave Fulton Adamstown

Fitting 1 Margaret Herr 2 Molly Wise 3 Lisa Martin





Named grand champion in the sale lamb class was this purebred Hampshire shown by Lisa Martin. Martin finished in the reserve spot, behind Herr, in the Farm Show class.



Lisa Martin's reserve champion black lamb gets a congratulatory peck on the cheek from Allison Diffenbach at the New Holland Sales Stables on Wednesday night. Lisa is the daughter of Alan and Carol Diffenbach, of New Holland.

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honors among lambs bound for Farm Show with this Suffolk wether. Herr also showed the reserve champion sale lamb.





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Berry retiring in Del.

DOVER, Del. - Robert C. Berry, Director of the Division of Production and Promotion with the Delaware Department of Agriculture, has announced his retirement after over 11 years with the Department.

Berry was appointed to the post of Director by then-Governor Sherman Tribbitt. He was subsequently reappointed by Governor Pierre S. duPont.

Since 1979, Berry has also served as Acting Director of the Division of Standards and Inspections, and has served numerous times as Acting Secretary of Agriculture.

with state government.

Berry says he leaves the Department of Agriculture "with mixed emotions I came down to rewrite some pesticide laws for a few months and lasted over 11 years," he said.

"I truly believe the Department is much better than it was 10 years ago, and I'm glad to have been a part of the positive change," he said.

Berry lives in Newark with his wife, Bee. They have 2 daughters and 4 grandchildren.

Berry says Dec. 31 will be his last day of work and his plans after that are still under consideration "I'll do some consulting work, grandchildren," he said.



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