

'Yukon Jack' stops Berks beef competition 'cold'

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LEESPORT — The President of the Berks County 4-H Beef Club showed his best last week and came away from the annual Berks County 4-H Beef Roundup and Sale with top ribbons and money. Greg Zook, R2, Oley, exhibited "Yukon Jack" to the grand championship title. The 1340-pound steer also commanded the second high price of \$1.15 per pound in the sale that evening. He sold to D. Stoltzfus Construction Company, Fleetwood.

The champion's price plus that of the \$1.25 per pound paid for the champion lightweight entry of Travis Werley, Shoemakersville, brought the sale average to 82 cents per pound for the 17 animals.

"He's the best steer I ever had," Zook stated. The first-time roundup winner added, "he showed his best quality finish at the right time." Purchased at the New Holland Feeder Calf Sale, the champion was "well finished," and "smooth shouldered" according to the judge. The Simmental and Chianina cross "was really square the whole way through." The Zook champion placed third out of six at the Keystone Show the week before.

The judge for the show was Tim Livingston, York County, a Hereford breeder and professional showman and fitter. He selected the 1280 pound steer of Lori

Rabenold for reserve grand champion. "He said he should have been longer," 14 year old Lori commented about the judge's placing. The daughter of Richard and Nancy Rabenold, Lori exhibited the grand champion in 1983 and had reserve honors in 1982. Her steer sold for \$1.05 to Terry Hartman Roofing, Mertztown.

Taking the top money of the sale was the Hereford entry of Travis Werley. Kings IGA paid \$1.25 per pound to take the 1165 pounds of beef home. Travis was also champion junior showman and fitter in the show.

The show and sale was held at the Leesport Market and Auction, Leesport.

Show placings were as follows:

- Grand Champion - Greg Zook, Oley
- Reserve Champion - Lorin Rabenold, Kutztown
- Champion Lightweight - Travis Werley, Shoemakersville
- Reserve Heavyweight - Erick Stoltzfus, Douglassville
- Reserve Middleweight - Michelle Harley, Douglassville
- Reserve Lightweight - Kenianne Rarick, Reading
- 1st Heavy Heavyweight - Kirk Fisher, Oley
- 1st Heavy Mediumweight - Karen Rabenold, Kutztown
- 1st Light Mediumweight - Troy Werley, Shoemakersville
- 2nd Light Lightweight - Rondy Martin, Oley
- 2nd Heavy Lightweight - Jane Zook, Oley
- 2nd Heavy Mediumweight - Matt Harley, Douglassville
- 2nd Light Heavyweight - Andy Haas, Douglassville
- 2nd Medium Heavyweight - Alice Strause, Hamburg
- 2nd Heavy Heavyweight - Kent Fisher, Oley
- 3rd Light Mediumweight - Dwight Zook, Oley
- 3rd Light Heavyweight - Nicholas Stoltzfus, Douglassville



Berks County's grand champion market steer was shown by Greg Zook of Oley. The steer was purchased by D. Stoltzfus Construction Co. of Fleetwood.



Lori Rabenold's reserve champion went to Terry Hartman Roofing Co. of Mertztown, for \$1.05 per pound.

LIVESTOCK LATEST



Cumberland Co. hosts full-house roundup

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CARLISLE — Thirty-one lambs and 13 steers were put on the auction block Tuesday night, Nov. 13, at the Carlisle Livestock Market as part of the 1984 Cumberland County 4-H Beef and Lamb Roundup. The standing room only crowd bid on animals raised by 4-H'ers from Carlisle, Mechanicsburg, Mount Holly Springs, Newville, Boiling Springs and Gardners.

Leah Byers, Carlisle, and Susan Wenger, Mechanicsburg, had champion and reserve champion lambs. Byers gained top honors during judging earlier in the day, receiving both sale champion and county champion ribbons.

Wenger's entries were also judged best for reserve sale champion and reserve county champion. Byers' champion lamb was sold to J.C. Eberts Paints for \$1.70 per pound, while Wenger's reserve champion went to Irvin's Agway for \$1.40 per pound.

Michelle Walker, Newville, was named a winner with the champion pair of market lambs. The pair was bought by Fred Patteiger for 90 cents per pound.

Trophy's for the top winners were donated by the Carlisle Livestock Market and Dennin Apticks. The grand champion banner was donated by Agway, Inc.

Allyson Sheaffer, Carlisle, took home the top prize in the beef competition for the third consecutive year. Sheaffer's champion steer was sold for \$1.40 per pound to the Country Butcher Shop.

The reserve champion steer was

owned by Sandy Hopple, Mechanicsburg. It was sold to Western Sizzlin' Steak House for \$1.03 per pound. The Carlisle Livestock Market donated both of the top trophies and Locust Point Quarries gave the champion banner.

Chris Hopple, Mechanicsburg, was awarded the county beef champion trophy and Karen Faught won the reserve county beef award. Mechanicsburg Chamber of Commerce donated both trophies.

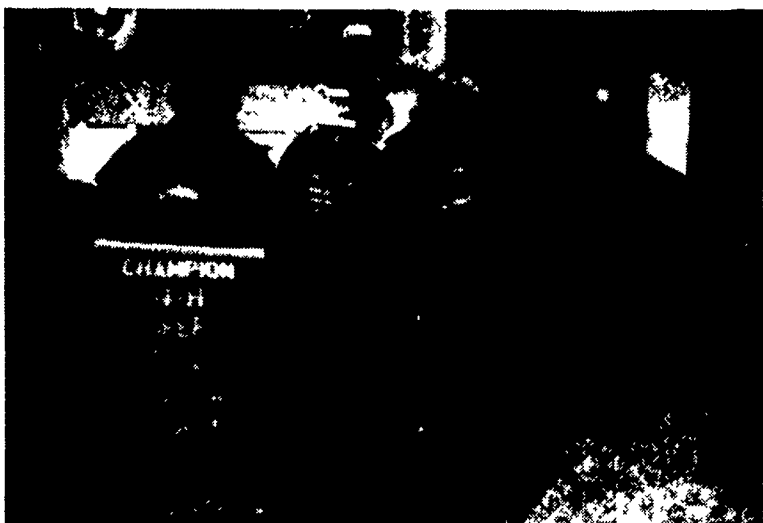
A lamb owned by Ernie Freund, Carlisle, was given first place in

the lightweight division. Brenda Wert, Jason Kutz and Ben Kutz, all of Carlisle, were given awards for first places in medium weight, medium lightweight and lightweight categories in beef competition.

In judging throughout the day on Tuesday, lamb showmanship awards went to Vickie Haltry, senior champion; Carol Perry, intermediate champion; and Jason Bixler, junior champion.

Other winners were Tom Gordon, Allyson Sheaffer, Karen Faught, Jason Kutz, Brenda Wert,

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Allyson Sheaffer of Carlisle, took home the grand champion steer award for the third year in a row. Sheaffer's steer was bought by Country Butcher Shop.



Exhibited by Sandy Hopple of Mechanicsburg, the reserve champion steer went to Western Sizzlin Steak House.



The Cumberland County Roundup's grand champion lamb was shown by Leah Byers. The lamb was purchased by J.C. Eberts at the beef and lamb sale on Nov. 13.