Chester Co. 4-H'er tops York judging contest

BY JOYCE BUPP Staff Correspondent

WELLSVILLE Chester County 4-H'er Betsy Colket took the top spot at the York County 4-H Livestock Judging contest July 10. earning the high individual trophy for the day-long event. Kelly Weabor of Lebanon was high individual in the junior category.

Lancaster took top honors in the junior team division, while the Chester County senior trio capped that division. York County 4-H livestock clubs hosted the event at the Warrington Green Farms of the Drs. George and Lois Kushner.

Top scorer Betsy Colket is 19 and the daughter of Kimball and Joyce Colket, Phoenixville. A 4-H veteran of 11 years of club work, she became interested in livestock

judging five years ago after joining the sheep project club.

She credits her success in judging with practicing through such events, and last year placed second at the regional competition.

"When judging market animals, you evaluate what the carcass yield will be," Betsy explains. 'Breeding classes are different; there you look for useful breeding and genetic traits.'

Betsy is a student at Ursinus College, and is majoring in biology with a career goal in the research

She was one of three senior 4-H judges who comprised the winning team from Chester County, and took home the revolving trophy that will now remain in Chester



Lancaster's junior livestock judging team won their division at last week's York Co. contest. From left are Dwain Livengood, Tracey Landis, Doug Musser and Bob Rush.



Winners in the senior team judging were from Chester County. From left are Nancy MacCauley, Greg Davis and Betsy Colket.

County's awards display for the year. Teammates on the winning Chester group are Greg Davis, who was fourth high senior individual, and Nancy MacCauley, sixth high winner.

Members of Lancaster's firstplace junior livestock judging team are Dwain Livengood, Rob Rush, Tracey Landis and Doug Musser. Rush placed fifth in the individual category, and Dwain took the seventh place spot.

A list of team and individual winners follows

1985 YORK COUNTY 4 H LIVESTOCK CONTEST Senior Division BEEF

- 1 Debra Krause Lehigh Chester 3 Melissa Trostle York SHEEP 2 Betsy Colket
- 1 Betsy Colket Chester 2 Jamie Kohr York 3
- 1 Greg Davis Chester 2 Ellen Lewis Lan caster 3 Melissa Trostle York
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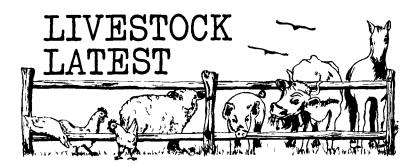
 1 Betsy Colket Chester 2 Jamie Kohr York 3 Debra Krause Lehigh INDIVIDUAL
- 1 Betsy Colket Chester 2 Debra Krause Lehigh 3 Melissa Trostle York TEAM
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 1 Chester Co 1 Betsy Colket 2 Greg Davis 3
 Nancy MacCauley 2 York Co 1 Melissa Trostle
 2 Jamie Kohr 3 John Meyers 3 Lancaster Co
 1 Ellen Lewis 2 Emily Weaver 3 Tricia Musser
 JUNIOR DIVISION
- Kelly Weaber Lebanon 2 Jane Zook Berks
- 3 Cathy Shive York SHEEP
- 1 David Myers York 2 Robin Shive York Jane SWINE
- 1 Jason Krali Lebanon 2 Rob Rush Lan caster 3 Jeannie Schnabell Berks INDIVIDUAL
- Kelly Weaber Lebanon 2 Shannon Templin Chester 3 Robin Shive York
 TEAM 1 Lancaster Co 1 Rob Rush 2 Doug Musser

3 Wayne Livingood 2 York Co 1 Robin Shive 2 Amy Dutrey 3 Cathy Shive 3 Chester Co 1 Shannon Templin 2 Ryan Rohrer 3 Stephanie O



After finishing in the second spot at last year's contest. Betsy Colket returned this year to earn the High Individual





Kevin Rhodes received a trophy for his reserve champion from Ray Reighard of Curryville Agway.

Homebred gilt wins Hog Show

BY BETSY STITT Staff Correspondent

LEAMERSVILLE homebred Spot gilt shown by Sheila Biddle of Williamsburg took top honors at the Blair-Bedford-Fulton FFA Market Hog Show on July 8.

Weighing in at 240 pounds, the grand champion porker sold for \$1,056, when Hatfield Packing offered the top bid of \$4.40 per pound. Biddle also received a grand champion trophy from Ron Bookhammer of Keystone Feed and Flour.

At reserve was Kevin Rhodes' hog, that also went to Hatfield for \$2.35, bringing Rhodes' total purse to \$535. Mark Cole and Ray Reighard of Curryville Agway honored the reserve champion exhibitor with a trophy.

At third place was Gina Hall of Hopewell, who sold her 230-pound hog to Shaw Packing Co. for \$1.10 per pound.e

Forty-one members competed in the show and sale held at the Farmers Market, that saw representation from the Central, Bellwood-Antis, Tyrone,

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Grand champion hog at the Blair-Bedford-Fulton FFA Market Hog Show was shown by Sheila Biddle. Ezra Good took the hog back to Hatfield for \$4.40 a pound.