

Busy Acre Farms was busy at York/Duroc Show

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LEBANON — The Pennsylvania Yorkshire and Duroc Breeders Associations held their annual Summer Show and Sale at the Lebanon County Fairgrounds recently.

The agenda included a Junior Livestock Judging Contest, market hog show, live animal evaluation contest and educational contest conducted by Ken Kephart, Penn State Swine Specialist, and a show and sale of breeding stock.

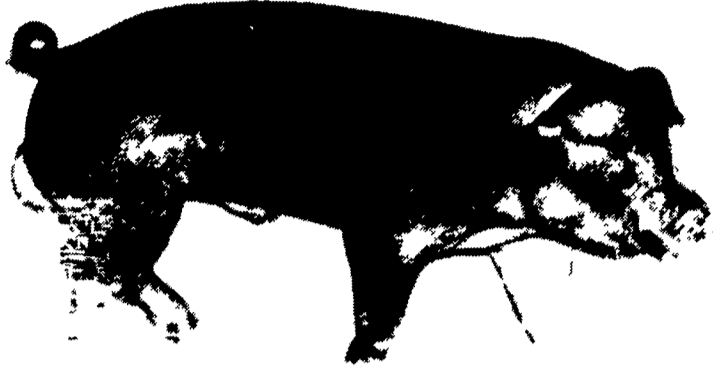
The livestock judging contest was a first for this event. The breeders hoped to encourage juniors involved in livestock projects to further their selection skills through participating in this event.

Busy Acre Farms owned by Calvin Lazarus and Sons exhibited a strong showing in both the breeding and market shows. Grant Lazarus represented the firm and won the champion bred gilt, and the champion boar in the Yorkshire show. In the Duroc competition they showed the champion and reserve champion bred gilts, reserve champion open gilt, and reserve champion boar. In the market show Lazarus exhibited the Champion Barrow.

York countian David Holloway showed the champion Duroc boar and champion Duroc open gilt. This pair of littermates also carried a pedigree of excellence. Their dam produced the champion production barrow at the Maryland State Fair. The sire was the champion boar at the 1984 Maryland State Fair.

Larry Arnold exhibited the reserve champion Duroc boar, a fall boar out of RB Extra 23-3.

Tom Arnold bred the reserve champion Yorkshire bred gilt. She was an August gilt out of "Austy," the sire of the top gaining pen at



Keith Loy offered the sale's top bid of \$500 for Dave Holloway's champion Duroc Boar.



Calvin Lazarus and Sons consigned the champion York bred gilt, an August pig carrying an August litter.

the Pennsylvania Test Station in 1984.

Charles and Mark Hall of Julian exhibited the champion and reserve champion open Yorkshire gilts.

The reserve champion Yorkshire boar was exhibited by Rehman's

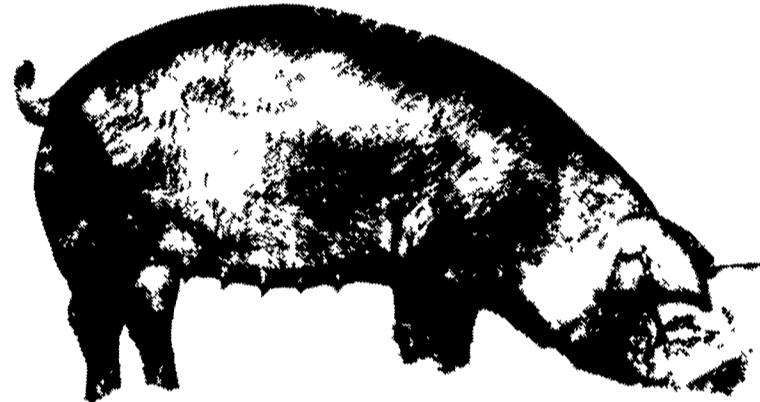
Yorkshires of Stewartstown.

The evening sale of breeding stock exhibited was highlighted by the sale of the champion Duroc boar for \$500 to Keith Loy of Pine Grove. Loy also purchased the champion York boar for \$410, the second high price.

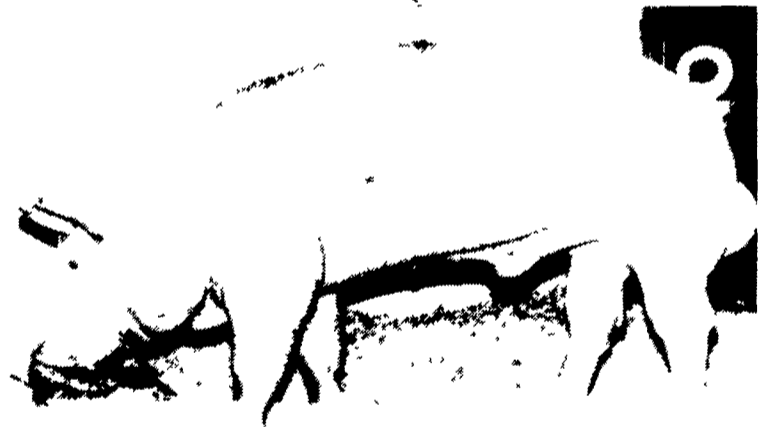
Other sale prices and buyers are as follows:

- Champion York Bred Gilt, Donald Aurand, Lewistown, \$310.
- Reserve Champion York Bred Gilt, Dan Heilman, Ford City, \$350.
- Champion Duroc Bred Gilt, Keith Loy, Pine Grove, \$320.
- Champion York Open Gilt, Donald Aurand, \$190.
- Reserve Champion York Open Gilt, Donald Aurand, \$160.
- Champion Duroc Open Gilt, Robin Wareham, Everett, \$250.
- Reserve Champion York Boar, Peter Michisk, Flemington, NJ, \$320.
- Reserve Champion Duroc Boar, Wilmer Stoltzfus, Elverson, \$350.
- Littermate Pair York, Wilson Yorkshires, New Freedom, \$135 each.

Sale Averages			
York Bred Gilts	\$318	Duroc Bred Gilts	\$300
York Open Gilts	\$167	Duroc Open Gilts	\$210
York Boars	\$330	Duroc Boars	\$365



The champion Duroc bred gilt, also a Lazarus consignment, went to Keith Loy for \$320.



Keith Loy also bought the champion Yorkshires boar, another Lazarus champion.

Calvin Lazarus & Sons
Live Animal Evaluation Contest
Jr Division
1 Jennifer Arnold 2 Shelby Heagy 3 Sherri Lazarus
Sr Division
1 Larry Arnold 2 Tom Arnold 3 Steve Wilson

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- Show Results
Yorkshires
Bred Gilts
Sr Group
1 Calvin Lazarus & Sons 2 Calvin Lazarus & Sons
3 Calvin Lazarus & Sons
Jr Group
1 Leon Arnold 2 Mark Hall 3 Leon Arnold
Open Gilts
1 Mark Hall 2 Charles Hall 3 Leon Arnold
Littermate Pairs
1 Rehman Yorkshires 2 Leon Arnold 3 Charles Hall
Boars
1 Calvin Lazarus & Sons 2 Rehman Yorkshires
3 Leon Arnold
Durocs
Bred Gilts
1 2 & 3 Calvin Lazarus & Sons
Open Gilts
1 Dave Holloway 2 Calvin Lazarus 3 Calvin Lazarus
Littermate Pairs
Calvin Lazarus & Sons
Boars
1 Dave Holloway 2 Larry Arnold 3 Roger Bankert
Barrow Show
1 Calvin Lazarus & Sons 2 Leon Arnold 3

Maryland Extension urges caution with poultry exhibits

COLLEGE PARK, Md. — After a one-year lapse brought on by the 1984 avian influenza quarantine, live poultry shows are back in full swing this summer at many county fairs. And a fairly large turnout of 4-H and FFA exhibitors is expected during the Maryland State Fair, which gets underway at Timonium on Aug. 24.

So now is the time to check on health requirements for exhibition poultry, notes Charles J. Wabeck, an Extension poultry specialist at the University of Maryland and assistant superintendent for the state fair 4-H and FFA poultry show.

Taking immediate steps to insure compliance with the state Department of Agriculture regulations will help to avoid unpleasant hassles later and possible barring of your poultry from competition. Dr. Wabeck

noted.

The important thing is to have proof that your entry is certified as coming from a pullorum-typhoid clean flock, or that your birds have had a negative pullorum-typhoid test within 90 days of being moved to the show site.

This regulation has been in effect in Maryland since late 1977, and it has been a requirement at the Maryland State Fair since 1978. But many 4-H and FFA exhibitors apparently are still not aware of the regulation.

The poultry health requirements apply to both chickens and turkeys, Dr. Wabeck reports. Ducks and other waterfowl may be exempted if it can be shown that they are the only species of fowl on the exhibitor's premises. Otherwise, they also must meet the pullorum-typhoid health testing requirements.

To qualify, your birds for pullorum-typhoid clean status, contact your county Extension agricultural agent. If 4-H or FFA exhibition birds come from a flock that has been tested within the past 12 months, the Extension agent can provide written evidence that the birds come from a pullorum-typhoid clean flock. This letter must accompany the birds to the show site.

Broilers or meat birds from commercial flocks may be accompanied by a similar written statement from the flock supervisor.

If your exhibition birds don't come from a certified pullorum-typhoid clean flock, your Extension agent or a state Department of Agriculture animal health representative can furnish a list of approved testers. For a small fee, one of these testers will come out to

your premises and conduct the necessary testing. The procedure is fairly simple.

With chickens, a plate test analysis is conducted which can give immediate results. This involves drawing a drop of blood from each bird and testing it for antibodies on a plexiglass grid plate.

In case of doubt, a large sample of blood is drawn from under the bird's wing, placed in a tube, and sent to one of the state Department of Agriculture animal health laboratories for more complete testing. This latter procedure is always followed for turkeys.

Why all the fuss over pullorum-typhoid?

Dr. Wabeck explained that it is a disease caused by salmonella organisms. The disease can be passed from parent to offspring through the egg, and it results in

high mortality of young chicks. Adult chickens may become carriers of the disease by contact with fecal material from infected birds.

About 45 years ago, pullorum-typhoid — also known as white diarrhea — affected a high percentage of U.S. flocks. Today, it has been virtually eliminated; and poultry health authorities want to make sure that the situation stays that way.

