Bender family wins premier awards at Somerset Holstein show

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MEYERSDALE — Somerset County Holstein Breeders started off another show season recently with the Somerset District Holstein Show, held at the county fairgrounds.

Approximately 150 Holsteins were paraded before judge Ron Long. Although the numbers were down from last year, said exhibitor Wayne Schrock, quality remained high. Following the show, Long commented that any of the day's champions could go on to face stiffer competition on the state level.

Carl Bender was the top winner of the day, winning both the premier breeder and premier exhibitor honors. The Bender-owned animals placed consistently at the top of their classes, which Bender credited to the hard work of his whole family.

In the junior division Paul Carr was named the premier breeder and Jenny Brown earned the premier exhibitor award.

Senior and grand champion honors went to Edgar Yoder, showing Md.-Maple-Manor-Threat Bonnie. This 5-year-old Hanover-Hill Triple Threat daughter produced 27,080 pounds of milk and 964 pounds of fat as a four year old.

Micheal Carr, with Carrdale Pete Little Jo, received the reserve senior and reserve grand awards in the open competition and the grand championship in the junior division.

Carr's four-year-old Straight-Pine Elevation Pete daughter has a top record of 21,523 pounds of milk and 942 pounds of fat with a 4.4 percent test.

Doug Sheeler won reserve senior and reserve grand awards in the junior division with a Kron Elevation Chief Elmer daughter.

Junior champion honors in both open and junior competition were won by Karen Marteeny, with Marteeny Tony Corry. This senior yearling heifer is a Marshfield Elevation Tony daughter.

Gina Berkley received both the reserve junior champion ribbons with a junior yearling heifer by Straight-Pine Elevation Pete.

A junior yearling bull shown by Paul and Sharon Fox was named grand champion bull. Golden Circle Touch of Class is a Leadfield Columbus-ET son. Kirk Hillegass had the reserve grand champion with a Carlin-M Ivanhoe Bell son.

Corey Jay Will had the junior division grand champion bull, which was also a Columbus son.

Following are the results of the

Jr. Bull Calf

1 Kirk A Hillegass Sr. Bull Calf

1 Kirk A Hillegass, 2 Corey Jay Will, 3 Cecil Lohr

Jr. Yearling Bull

1 Paul and Sharon Fox Champion Bull (Open)

Paul and Sharon Fox Champion Bull (Junior)

Corey Jay Will
Reserve Champion Bull
Kirk A Hillegass

Jr. Heifer Calf

1 Daniel E Kimmel, 2 Karen J Marteeny

Intermediate Calf
1 Paul L Carr, 2 Kenton Carl Bender

Senior Calf
1 Paul and Sharon Fox, 2 Corey Jay Will

Summer Yearling
1 Carl L Bender, 2 Jennifer K Brown

Jr. Yearling
1 Gina Berkley, 2 Paul and Sharon Fox

Intermediate Yearling
1 Jennifer L Barnett, 2 Wayne and Marlin

1 Jennifer L Barnett, 2 Wayne and Marlin Schrock Senior Yearling

1 Karen J Marteeny, 2 Carl L Bender
Junior Champion
Karen J Marteeny
Reserve Junior Champion
Gina Berkley

Junior Best Three Females

1 Paul and Sharon Fox, 2 Karen Marteeny
Dry 4 Years and Under

1 Ezra and Mary Yoder, 2 Paul and Sharon Fox

Dry 5 Years and Over

1 Phil Beachy, 2 Wayne D Schrock
Junior 2-Year-Old

1 Paul and Sharon Fox, 2 Matthew D Welch Senior 2-Year-Old

1 Doug Sheeler, 2 Carl L Bender 3-Year-Old

1 Carl L Bender, 2 Carl L Bender

4-Year-Old
1 Micheal L. Carr, 2 Wayne D. Schrock

5-Year-Old 1 Edgar Yoder, 2 Carl L Bender

1 Carl L Bender, 2 Arlen Maust

Senior and Grand Champion (Open) Edgar Yoder

6 Years and Over

Res. Sr. and Res. Grand Champion (Open)
Michael Carr

Senior and Grand Champion (Junior) Michael Carr

Res. Sr. and Res. Grand Champion (Junior)
Doug Sheeler

Best Three Females

1 Oak View Ridge Holsteins (Carl L. Bender), 2 Carrdale Holsteins

Produce of Dam

1 Paul Carr and Ezra Yoder, 2 Karen Marteeny

Dam and Daughter

1 Willard Maust, 2 Matthew A Brown Premier Breeder (Open)

Carl L Bender
Premier Exhibitor (Open)

Carl L Bender
Premier Breeder (Junior)

Paul Carr
Premier Exhibitor (Junior)
Jerry Brown



Judge Ron Long (back right) poses with the Carl Bender family after they earned the Somerset Holstein show's premier breeder and exhibitor banners.



Mike Carr showed the grand champion in the junior division competition at the Somerset Division Holstein Show.

Lancaster Guernsey Breeders



Lancaster County Guernsey Breeders held their annual field day this week at the Raymond Witmer farm. Judy Rohrer, Lime Valley Road, Lancaster, left, will receive a Guernsey calf to be donated by the Witmer family. This is the second year that Judy's name was drawn to receive the free calf. Others pictured are judging contest winners. They include: Janice Garber, Willow Street, first in the youth division; Mildred Benedict, Waynesboro, first in the women's division; and Donald Breneman, Strasburg, first in the men's division.

Other winners were: Men - 2. Joe DeLong, Quarryville; 3. Jim Witman, New Providence; Women - 2. Millie Linde, Oxford; 3. Lois Hershey, Peach Bottom; Youth - 2. Kurt Breneman, Willow Street; 3. Judy Rohrer, Lancaster. In the drawing for the calf, Dave Mull, Quarryville, won a \$25 check, and Tom Arrowsmith, Peach Bottom, and Scott Wagner, Peach Bottom, received hats. Speakers included County Agent Glenn Shirk and Lancaster County Dairy Princess Janae Martin.



Ezra Yoder is at the halter of the grand champion of the Somerset District Holstein Show, which was owned by Edgar Yoder.

DVC names Avery ag-business head

DOYLESTOWN — Dr. John Avery has been appointed Chairman of Delaware Valley College's Agribusiness Department, replacing George West, who served as acting chairman of the department for one year. West will continue as Chairman of the College's Business Administration Department.

The Agribusiness major was introduced at Delaware Valley College in 1983 to afford students a chance to pursue career opportunities in one of the approximately nine steps between agricultural production and consumption. As of this past fall, 40 students were enrolled in the College's Agribusiness program.

"I am genuinely excited about the prospects of my appointment," said Avery. "This is a challenge but one which I am confident in approaching. The College has the resources necessary to make the Agribusiness major a successful one. And I intend to use my background in agriculture and education and business to make

some important things happen."

Before being hired at Delaware Valley College, Avery was most recently employed at Richland Community College in Decatur, Illinois. Avery was the Agricultural Coordinator there, responsible for the school's agriculture department via program development, evaluation, personnel recruiting, teaching and community relations.

Avery's previous work experience includes having served as an instructor and program representative for the Southwest Wisconsin Vocational Technical Institute, district sales manager for the Dairyland Seed Company, territory sales manager for Cargill, Inc. and County Extension Agent for Michigan State University.

He graduated from Michigan State in 1952 with a Bachelor of Science degree. He went on to earn his Master of Science in Teaching from the University of Wisconsin in 1976 and his Doctor of Education from the University of Illinois in