Bomgardners take premier breeder, exhibitor at Lebanon

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LEBANON — The John Bomgardner family of Lebanon captured both the prestigious premier breeder and exhibitor awards for the second consecutive year in the Open Holstein Show at the Lebanon Fair Thursday.

But while the Bomgardners showed a number of cows to the top of their classes and walked away with a junior champion, they failed to take home the grand champion ribbon.

That coveted award went to Daryl Balmer, Lebanon, and his four-year-old Latuch Elevation Pete Crystal. The grand champion, bred by Latuch Brothers, Rockwood, and sired by Straight-Pine Elevation Pete, had the best udder in the Holstein show and was named senior champion. During her second lactation, she produced 23,500 pounds milk and 810 pounds fat.

In the youth show, Tuesday, Balmer earned a grand championship with his FFA project.

The reserve grand and reserve senior championships belonged to Sharon Martin, Myerstown. Martin took the honor with her nine-year-old dry cow, C Midland Mardi Judy, sired by Little River Mardi Gras. Out of Midland Starchief Jan, the cow was bred by Bliss Johnson, Norton.

Kynel Bomgardner showed his junior yearling heifer to the junior championship in the Holstein division, while the reserve junior championship went to Troy Vincent Getz, Myerstown, and his senior heifer calf.

In the Ayrshire Show Dale Maulfair edged out showring veteran Heather Hernley for the



For the second year, the John Bomgardner family took both the premier breeder and exhibitor awards in the Holstein open show. In front from left are Cori, Jay, Jesse, and Kevin. In back are Nelson, Kynel, John and Margaret.

senior and grand championships. Maulfair's home-bred aged cow, Maulfair Acres Jewel Dana, was sired by Selwood Greta's Jewel and gave 14,500 pounds milk on last lactation. Judge Earl Keefer, Millersburg, noted the cow's dairy character and outstanding udder in naming his Ayrshire champion.

Heather Hernley, Lebanon, ended her 10-year 4-H career by taking the reserve and reserve senior champions with her junior two-year-old, Green Brae Jamie. Out of Green Brae Mere Babs, the two-year-old was sired by Meredith Star Bright and bred by John H. Stick, Lebanon.

Hernley had to settle for reserve champions at the youth show as well, where she exhibited both the 4-H and FFA reserve champions.

The junior championship in the Ayrshire Show went to Dale Maulfair and the reserve junior championship to Pattie Maulfair, both of Jonestown.

Gary Mase, Lebanon, captured both the grand and reserve grand championships in the Brown Swiss Show. He took the grand championship with Amy Marauder Annie, a home-bred aged cow out of Kay Alaric Amy. Reserve grand went to Mase's three-year-old, Meadow Hill Kayle Aggie, a homebred animal out of the same dam.

Mase also took home the junior champion, while the reserve junior champion went to Judy Mase. In the youth competition, Judy showed both the grand and reserve grand Brown Swiss entries.

Only two animals were entered in the Guernsey show, with grand champion going to Karen Heilinger of Newmanstown. Heilinger captured the award with her homebred junior yearling heifer, KBH Choice Flower Flame, out of Liseter Jules Flower. Heilinger also took home the grand cham-



Daryl Balmer shows off his champion Holstein in the open show.



Daryl Balmer, right, showed the champion Holstein in the open show, while reserve honors went to Sharon Martin. In center is John Kline.





Top honors in the Brown Swiss open show went to Gary Mase, Lebanon, who took both grand and reserve grand champion. With him are his wife, Patty, holding daughter, Alicia, and son Garrett, holding the champion.



Karen Heilinger and Thomas Hostetter showed the only two animals entered in the open and youth Guernsey shows. Heilinger had the champion, while Hostetter claimed the reserve spot.

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Dianne Dice holds the grand champion Jersey in the open show while Melanie Bushong, took reserve grand.

pionship in the youth show.

Thomas Hostetter, a first-year 4-H'er, grabbed the reserve championship with his junior heifer calf, a Dutch Mill Telestars Fayette daughter bred by Jacob D. Smith and Son of Annville. Hostetter also captured reserve junior and reserve grand championships in the youth show.

The grand championship in the Jersey show went to Blue Mountain Jersey's Inc. Blue Mountain Jersey's also had the senior champion and reserve senior champion.

The champion, shown by Dianne Dice, was an aged cow sired by B.S. Noble Supurb and bred by Stan-El Jerseys, Bedford. Reserve champion went to an intermediate heifer calf owned by Melanie Bushong, Lebanon. The Top-O-Hill Winners in the open Ayrshire show were Dale Maulfair, grand champion, and Heather Hernley, reserve champion.

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Criterion Special daughter, also named junior champion, was bred by Mildred Seeds.

Reserve junior champion went to Ellen Hanson, Palmyra. In youth competition Tuesday, Hanson claimed the grand and reserve grand championships.

Results of the open show and the youth show follow:

HOLSTEIN OPEN Buil Calf 1 Margaret Bomgardner 2 Richard Donmoyer 3 Gerald and Connie Hoffer Grand Chempion Buil Margaret Bomgardner Reserve Grand Champion Buil Barry Donmoyer Junior Heiter Calf 1 Gary N Deck Jr 2 Margaret Bomgardner 3 Bryce Fisher Intermediate Heifer Calf 1 Sherry L Donmoyer 2 Jere D Bomgardner 3 Lisa Houser

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