

Top York Holstein Breeders Share County Show Laurels

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completed a record, in 305 days, of 17,493 pounds of milk with a 3.5 test. Her dam, classified VG-88, has a top record of 22,000 pounds of milk and 700 pounds of fat.

In the junior championship, C.E. Hubbard, New Cumberland, earned the top honor with his senior yearling, Phillipail Warden Sterling. A daughter from Hilltopper Elevation Warden, she claimed the junior champion title at the Pennsylvania State Spring Show in March. She is bred to calve with a Willowholme Mark Anthony daughter next March.

Judge Francisco described her as "a firecracker left over from the fourth of July" and granted her an advantage in style and balance over the reserve junior champion.

Winning the reserve junior champion placing was Sunnybend Farms' intermediate calf, Sunnybend Ultimately Kinky Sex, sired by Quality Ultimate. Francisco's description of the reserve champion noted her depth of body and her overall sharpness.

Her dam, a Sexation daughter classified at 87 points with an Excellent mammary, has produced over 20,000 pounds of milk and 800 pounds of fat.

Sunnybend Farms, York, garnered both the premier breeder and premier exhibitor banners. Although they had won the premier exhibitor banner before, this was the first time they captured both titles.

Sunnybend Farm is owned by Tom and June Boyer of York. June credits their daughters, Bridgette and Jenelle, with the win, explaining that Bridgette and Jenelle did all the preparation work, washing, clipping and training.

Genie Francisco, from Lafayette, N.J., judged the show.



Taking home both premier breeder and premier exhibitor banners was the Boyer family of Sunnybend Farm. Family members include, from left, Bridgette, June, Tom and Jenelle.



Erin Marks, Airville, the youngest showman at the York Holstein Show, makes an adjustment in her calf's halter before continuing to lead her Holstein around the ring at Thursday's show.



Garnering the junior champion title was C.E. Hubbard, left, and Bridgette Boyer of Sunnybend Farms holds the reserve junior champion. Congratulating them is Judge Genie Francisco.



Winning the kiddie class were Todd Morris, left, and Dixie Doll. Judge Genie Francisco looks on.

- York County Holstein Show**
Junior Heifer Calf
 1 Kelly Morris 2 Melissa Bupp 3 Todd Morris
Intermediate Heifer Calf
 1 Sunnybend Farms 2 Coredale Holsteins 3 June Boyer
Senior Heifer Calf
 1 Downa Doll 2 Coredale Holsteins 3 John Kiser Jr
Summer Yearling Heifer
 1 Coredale Holsteins 2 Bupplynn Holsteins 3 McRai Dairy Farm
Junior Yearling Heifer
 1 Angie Lang 2 C E Hubbard 3 C E Hubbard
Intermediate Yearling Heifer
 1 Bridgette Boyer 2 Bupplynn Farms 3 Coredale Holsteins
Senior Yearling Heifer
 1 C E Hubbard 2 Rich Bupp 3 Bupplynn Farms
Junior Champion Female
 C E Hubbard
Reserve Jr Champion Female

- Sunnybend Farms**
Best 3 Jr Females
 1 Bupplynn Farms 2 Sunnybend Farm 3 Coredale Holsteins
Jr 2 Year-Old
 1 Patty Bupp 2 Ira Boyer 3 Downa Doll
Sr 2 Year Old
 1 Coredale Holsteins 2 Kingway Holsteins 3 Coredale Holsteins
3 Year Old Cow
 1 Sunnybend Farm 2 Beshore Farms and Robert McKown 3 Lesley King
4-Year-Old Cow
 1 Ira Boyer 2 Bridgette Boyer 3 Dar Dale Farm
4-Year-Old Dry Cow
 1 Sunnybend Farms 2 Downa Doll
5-Year-Old Cow
 1 Kingway Holsteins 2 Coredale Holsteins 3 Bupplynn Farms
5 Year Old Dry Cow
 1 C E Hubbard 2 Coredale Holsteins

- 6-Year Old Cow**
 1 Diane Lang 2 Beshore Farms
Senior Champion Female
 Kingway Holsteins
Reserve Sr Champion Female
 Coredale Holsteins
Grand Champion Female
 Kingway Holsteins
Reserve Grand Champion Female
 Coredale Holsteins
Best Sr Female Bred and Owned
 Kingway Holsteins
Best Three Females
 1 Bridgette Boyer 2 Bupplynn Farms 3 Mike Krebs
Dam and Daughter
 1 Bupplynn Farms 2 Ira Boyer 3 Dar Dale Farm
Premier Breeder
 Sunnybend Farm
Premier Exhibitor
 Sunnybend Farm

New State Budget to Lower Taxes, Increase Exports

HARRISBURG — "Pennsylvania farmers and agribusinesses have a multimillion dollar pledge of support in the state's 1986 budget, including new funding for agricultural research and exporting initiatives," according to state Agriculture Secretary Richard E. Grubb.

"The commitment includes a \$36.5 million Department of Agriculture budget, additional millions for programs benefiting agriculture in the budgets of other state agencies, and tax relief," Grubb said.

He noted that the Department of Education budget alone "adds more than \$38 million to the pledge" by funding agriculture research and education at Pennsylvania State University and the New Bolton Center, University of Pennsylvania School of Veterinary Medicine.

Penn State will receive more than \$26 million for research, extension services and a new Governor's School for Agriculture. Funding for New Bolton includes nearly \$1 million to establish a Center for Animal Health and Productivity, and to complete a biosecure laboratory for poultry research.

"For the third consecutive year,

our farmers and agribusinesses face less of a tax burden," Grubb said. The \$9.7 billion state budget signed into law by Gov. Dick Thornburgh provides \$164.5 million in personal and business tax cuts.

The budget appropriates \$36.5 million to the Department of Agriculture, which will permit "new and expanded initiatives in animal health, agricultural research, exporting and market development," Grubb said. "We also will improve our efficiency and effectiveness by adding employees and expanding use of computers."

Being enacted is a plan to add and reassign employees to enhance capabilities in livestock and disease control, veterinary laboratory services, food and milk sanitation, pesticide control, market development and consumer protection.

New appropriations include \$300,000 to implement a commitment by the administration to further expand exporting of Pennsylvania agricultural goods.

Other budget highlights include \$1 million for agricultural research, up by \$268,000; \$993,000 for animal disease prevention and treatment, a \$198,000 increase; \$350,000 for animal indemnities, a 55 percent increase; \$2,750,000 for

state fairs, up by \$250,000; and \$239,000 more for regulating pesticides use.

Funding for animal disease prevention and treatment encompasses \$150,000 for brucellosis,

\$189,000 for livestock diagnosis, \$189,000 for poultry diagnosis, \$200,000 for field investigations, \$150,000 for poultry surveillance and \$115,000 for Johne's research.

Also budgeted: \$100,000 for acid

rain research, \$75,000 for mushroom research, \$60,000 for ongoing promotional activities; and \$8 million for grants to counties to purchase food for the needy.

Erie, Northampton Holstein Champions

County Holstein shows were also held in Erie and Northampton counties on Thursday.

The champions of these shows are as follows:

NORTHAMPTON COUNTY SHOW: Grand Champion — Keystone Farm, Easton, first place 4-year-old cow; Reserve Grand Champion — Patty Miller of Maple Grove, Bath, second place 4-year-old cow; Junior Champion — Patty Miller of Maple Grove, senior yearling; Reserve Junior Champion — Maple Grove, senior calf; Premier Breeder — Maple Grove; and Premier Exhibitor — Maple Grove.

Jim Shaw was the judge for the show and Michele Fulmer was the show chairman.

ERIE COUNTY SHOW: Grand Champion — Grand Champion — Carolyn Kaveney, Erie, 5-year-old cow; Reserve Grand Champion — Dean Johnson, Warren, 4-year-old cow; Junior Champion — Jill

Hyde, Titusville, junior yearling; Reserve Junior Champion — Lori Black, Meadville, senior heifer calf; Premier Breeder — Melinda and Dean Johnson, Hem View Farm, Warren; and Premier

Exhibitor — Melinda and Dean Johnson.

Sterling Timmons was the judge and Jay Proctor was the show chairman.

Free Manure Testing Offered

COLLEGE PARK, Md. — The University of Maryland's Cooperative Extension Service and the state Department of Agriculture have joined forces to provide a free manure-testing program for qualified farmers.

Funded by the governor's Chesapeake Bay initiative, the program will provide both short-term and long-range benefits for farmers and urban residents alike.

Farmers will automatically save \$12—the university's normal fee—for each manure sample tested, notes V. Allan Bandel, an Extension agronomy specialist at the University of Maryland. Dr.

Bandel supervises the university's soil testing laboratory, which also does the manure testing.

In the long run, farmers who are informed about the plant nutrients in the manure they apply will be able to cut back on the amount of commercial fertilizer needed to bring their cropland up to recommended fertility levels.

Limited application of fertilizer, in turn, will help to cut down on the amount of excess nutrients in groundwater and surface runoff, thus reducing pollution of the state's waterways—and the Chesapeake Bay. "This benefits everyone," Dr. Bandel declared.