

South-Central Dist. Holstein Champion Is 'Just A Beauty'

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SHIPPENSBURG — Just as the name implies, Justa-Beauty Holsteins, Creedin and Steve Cornman, Carlisle, led out a beauty to capture the grand champion rosette at the 1986 South-Central District Holstein Show held July 24, in conjunction with the Shippensburg Community Fair. Judge Paul King, Delta, cited Cornman's winner from the aged cow class, Justa-Beauty Trixie Roxy EX-92-2E, as the cow showing the most frame and dairy character and having the most capacity of udder among the cow class winners.

"Roxy" is home-bred on both sides of her pedigree and traces back to the "Trixie" cow, a herd foundation animal Cornman purchased in 1959. Her best record is over 18,000 pounds of milk.

Home-bred is the byword of the Cornman herd, and their showstring netted them enough points to be named premier breeder of the show. They tied with Penn Gate Farm, Littlestown, for the premier exhibitor's banner.

Reserve grand champion went to Manor-Grove Farm with Manor-Grove Beatnik Mellisse, a five-year-old shown by John Stamy IV, Mechanicsburg. Sired by Royal-



Paul King (left) judge of South Central District Holstein Show, picked Justa-Beauty Trixie Roxy, shown by Steve Cornman, for grand champion honors. Manor Grove Beatnik Mellisse, shown with John Stamy III and Dian Stamy, was reserve.



Justa-Beauty Holsteins and Penn Gate Farm tied for premier exhibitor award, with Justa-Beauty also winning premier breeder banner. From left are Steve Wood and Christine Gitt, Penn Gate Farm; Butch Cordell of Franklin Co. Holstein Club; Mark Naugle, Cumberland Co. Holstein Club presenting banner to Creedin and Steve Cornman.

Haven Elevation Beatnik and out of a Molly Chief dam, she was also named best uddered cow of the show and grand champion of the 4-H division. "Mellisse" is scored VG-87 and has records to the 20,000 pound mark.

Penn Gate Farm, Robert and Christine Gitt, Littlestown, picked up all the marbles in the junior champion competition. Their senior calf, Penn Gate Columbus Patty, was pinned junior champion, while their senior yearling, Penn Gate Columbus Dutchess followed as the reserve junior champion. Both heifers are sired by Leadfield Columbus. These two heifers coupled with Penn Gate's

winning Junior Calf also won the junior best three females class.

The remaining champions for the evening included Mike Smith, Shippensburg with the grand champion in FFA and Tim Smith, Shippensburg, with the reserve grand champion in FFA. The reserve grand champion in 4-H was shown by Debbie Hall, Shippensburg.

Individual Class Winners were:

- Bull Calf - Smithdale Farm
- Grand Champion Bull - Smithdale Farm
- Res. Champion Bull - Janet Ludwig
- Jr Heifer Calf - Penn-Gate Farm
- Int Heifer Calf - Beverly Myers
- Sr Heifer Calf - Penn-Gate Farm
- Summer Yearling Heifer - Paul O Dyarman
- Jr Yearling Heifer - Jennifer Reasner
- Int Yearling Heifer - Neil Stamy

- Sr Yearling Heifer - Penn-Gate Farm
- Junior Champion - Open - Penn-Gate Farm
- Junior Champion - 4-H - Beverly Myers
- Junior Champion - FFA - Michael Cordell
- Reserve Junior Champion - Open - Penn-Gate Farm
- Res. Junior Champion - 4-H - Neil Stamy
- Res. Junior Champion - FFA - Tedd Hoch
- Jr Best Three Females - Penn-Gate Farm
- Dry Cows 4 Yrs Old & Under - Merle & Craig Woodring
- Dry Cows 5 Yrs Old and Over - Brad Beidel
- Jr 2 Yr Old Cow - John Stamy III
- Sr 2 Yr Old Cow - Anita Cornman Weaver
- 3 Yr Old Cow - Penn-Gate Farm
- 4 Yr Old Cow - Penn-Gate Farm
- 100,000 Pound Class - Frances Cornman
- 5 Yr Old Cow - John Stamy IV
- 6 Yr and Over Cow - Steven Cornman
- Best Udder Class - John Stamy IV
- Grand Champion - Open - Steven Cornman
- Grand Champion - 4-H - John Stamy IV
- Grand Champion - FFA - Mike Smith
- Res. Grand Champion - Open - John Stamy IV
- Res. Grand Champion - 4-H - Debbie Hall
- Res. Grand Champion - FFA - Tim Smith

'Lily' Retains Title In District II Jersey Show

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SHIPPENSBURG — It was the biggest and best Jersey show held here yet. That was the general consensus among the Jersey Show exhibitors at the District II Jersey Show held July 22 in conjunction with the Shippensburg Community Fair. There were 142 cataloged entries representing a dozen different farms. Dale Olver, Atlantic Breeders Cooperative, served as the judge. He continually commented on the depth of quality in all of the classes.

Capturing the grand champion title as well as the champion rosette in the 4-H division was GR TK Saint Lily, shown by Jerome Hardy, Petersburg. Lily won these same two awards at last year's

show. Scored VG 88 as a three-year-old, she produced over 12,000 pounds of milk as a senior two-year-old in 305 days. She was bred by Thomas Colpetzer, Salem, Ohio. Lily was also designated Best Uddered Cow of the Show.

Following in the reserve grand champion slot was Mar-De BMR Crystal, shown by Mar-De Farm, Newburg. This senior two-year-old, sired by Belles Merry Rudolph, is a daughter of Faithful Advancers Collen, a perennial champion at this show in previous years.

The junior champion of the show came from the largest class of the day, the junior yearling class. Serandan of Commonwealth, shown by Commonwealth Jerseys, Lemasters, received the honor

over the first-place senior calf, shown by Linda Rock, Landisburg, who picked up the reserve junior champion award. Olver granted the yearling, sired by Soldier Boy, strength of topline and style on the move over the younger heifer.

In the youth division Jerome Hardy had the grand champion in FFA and his sister Janice exhibited the grand champion in 4-H. James Heeter, Shade Gap, showed the reserve FFA champion, and Denise Martin, Chambersburg, had the reserve 4-H champion.

Individual Class winners were:

- Champion Bull - Pleasant Valley Jerseys
- Reserve Champion Bull - Carolyn Small
- Junior Calf - Pleasant Valley Jerseys
- Intermediate Calf - Mar De Farm
- Senior Calf - Linda Rock

- Summer Yearling - Beth Reinhart
- Junior Yearling - Beth Reinhart
- Intermediate Yearling - Jerome Hardy
- Senior Yearling - Pleasant Valley Jerseys
- Junior Best Three Females - Pleasant Valley Jerseys
- Dry Cow 4 Yrs Old and Under - Jack Raker
- Dry Cow 5 Yrs and Over - Mar De Farm
- Junior 2 Yr Old - Mar De Farm

- Senior 2 Yr Old - Mar De Farm
- 3 Yr Old Cow - Jerome Hardy
- 4 Yr Old Cow - Beth Reinhart
- 5 Yr Old Cow - Pleasant Valley Jerseys
- 6 Yr Old and Over - Janice Hardy
- Best Udder - Jerome Hardy
- Premier Breeder - Mar De Farm
- Premier Exhibitor - Mar De Farm and Pleasant Valley Jerseys

Meadow Voles Damage Gardens, Orchards

NEWARK, Del. — The meadow vole—a compact little rodent that resembles a furry cigar—is no newcomer to Delaware gardens and orchards. But it's currently enjoying a population explosion that has made it much more noticeable. Reports have been coming into county extension offices from all over the state that the little fellows are hungry this year. This is bad news, says Delaware State College extension agent Glenn Layton, for they can be very destructive to ornamental plantings, including annual and perennial flowers, turf, shrubs and small trees.

The vole (also called the meadow mouse and sometimes confused with the field mouse) has a stocky body, short legs, and stubby tail, small eyes, and ears that are partially hidden. Usually brown or gray, its dense undercoat is covered with longer guard hairs.

An extensive runway system through surface debris and vegetation is the most obvious sign of a vole infestation, Layton says. The system has numerous openings and nearby vegetation may be clipped close to the ground. There may be feces and scraps of vegetation in well-traveled runways. They also dig shallow underground tunnels that can damage plants.

Voles are active day and night year-round. Several adults and young may live in one tunnel system. Populations seem to peak every two or three years, Layton says, depending on food availability, climate, predators and other stress factors.

Voles damage plants both by their feeding habits and their tunnels, which can ruin turf as well as interfere with irrigation water patterns. They often girdle fruit and forest trees, causing damage to commercial stock. Their teeth marks are haphazard, leaving no particular pattern on the bark or inner portion of plants chewed. Voles feed on bark year-round, but are particularly destructive to trees in fall and winter.

In late summer and fall voles also store seeds, tubers, bulbs and rhizomes for winter feeding. This is when you may find them trying to pull flowers or vegetables into their holes, or gnawing their way through late-season beets or turnips.

To prevent vole damage, the county agent suggests using hardware cloth as a barrier around young trees. Since voles are excellent diggers, place the bottom of the wire 6 inches below the soil surface. To discourage them further, clear away dense vegetation or litter piles in the garden so the little rodents can't use them for food and cover.

Snap-type mouse traps may help eliminate small vole infestations. Bait traps with peanut butter and oatmeal, or apple slices, and place them with the bait side in the runway. Layton says pelleted baits such as Rodenticide AG or Mole or Mouse Knots that contain zinc phosphide or strychnine can be effective against voles when strategically placed. Repeated uses of anti-coagulant baits such as Havoc or de-Con can also be effective.



District II Jersey Show champions included Becky Hardy (left) and grand champion GR TK Saint Lily; Jerome Hardy, reserve champion Mar-De BMR Crystal; Mark Deaven.