

West Virginia Names Colored Breeds Champions

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JACKSON'S MILL, W.V. — Four breeds graced the show ring at Jackson's Mill State 4-H Camp near Weston, for the opening classes of the 1986 West Virginia Dairy Cattle Show and Festival.

Winning the nod late Tuesday morning August 12, in the Ayrshire breed for grand champion in the open division was Vinemont Jasper Jeanne, exhibited by Howard and Lori Tabb of Lyle Tabb and Sons, Leetown. The 4-year-old was one of six animals brought to the State Show by the Tabbs, who have the distinction of being the largest Ayrshire operations in the nation, milking approximately 260 head.

Lyle Tabb and Sons also had the reserve champion Vinemont Royal Tina, and a 3 year old.

Youth grand champions in the Ayrshire breed were both 4-H exhibits, the grand champion, Vinemont Mortakai Dawn's Lady, shown by Dawn Banks, and the reserve champion, a senior yearling heifer Helen's Super Ruby, owned and shown by Ellie Brown.

With the exception of one, all champion honors in the Guernsey breed show went to animals belonging to the Nay family, an extended-family corporation that operates a purebred Guernsey operation on the Lewis/Harrison county line in northcentral West Virginia. Riverbend Choice Amy, shown by Heather Nay, was the choice for grand champion in the open, youth, senior open and senior youth classes, while two other Nay animals, Riverbend Royal Bess, and Riverbend Royal Lilly, took the reserve honors in overall Senior, youth senior, respectively.

The lone hold-out against the onslaught of quality animals from

the Nay farm was an outstanding yearling, Isaac's Davis Daisy, shown by Isaac Post, who placed as junior youth reserve champion.

Junior youth champion was Riverbend Matt Lindy, shown by Heather Nay. Twelve Guernseys competed during the West Virginia show, the highlight of the showing year for most 4-H'ers and FFA members with dairy projects, as well as open showmen.

"We've shown here about 10 years," says 15-year-old Remington W. Perkins, son of Harry Perkins, owner of Perk Farm near the State Fair headquarters of Lewisburg, West Virginia. Practice must make perfect, for the Perkins family cleaned up in the Jersey show with their nine animals.

For Jersey open grand champion, youth grand, open senior and youth senior grand champion the rosettes during awards presentation Thursday went to the exhibitor of Perk Annie Big Boy Danny, an older cow owned by Perk Farm, entered in the aged cow class. Open reserve champion overall went to Perk Rem Big Boy, (shown by Remington Perkins), a senior 2-year-old animal also selected as youth reserve, senior open and senior youth reserve champions. Other winners from Perk Farm were shown by "Rem's brother and sister, Annie and Harry "Perk" Perkins.

And, finally, while the numbers weren't tremendous, the quality of the two milking shorthorns entered in this year's color show was such that judge Lois Skeen of Maryland gave them top honors in the classes they entered. Barbara Jane and Cristy Jane, owned by Kenny Lee Cooper of Ohio county, were the grand and reserve champions, respectively, in their breed class.



Claiming the Jersey titles was the Perk Farm of Greenbrier County. On the halter of the reserve champion is Remington Perkins, left.



Milking Shorthorn championships went to Kenny Lee Cooper, left, and Barbara Jane.



Dawn Banks, right, showed the grand champion Ayrshire while Ellie Brown placed with the reserve champion of the youth show at the West Virginia Dairy Cattle Show and Festival.



Guernsey champion titles went to Don Nay, left, and Heather Nay.

30 YEARS AGO THIS WEEK

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— The first Pennsylvania Livestock Exposition will be held in the State Farm Show building and arena here Nov. 12-16 of next year, State Secretary of Agriculture William L. Henning announced today. Plans are underway to bring a well-known western rodeo for the event which is expected to attract up to 100,000 people, he said.

— Farmers — even those who cannot take acres out of production — will benefit through the Administration's Soil Bank program through increased prices for farm commodities, Secretary of Agriculture Ezra Taft Benson told

a news conference at Hershey Saturday evening.

— Diethylstilbestrol hormone pellets are producing large type turkeys into good broilers at the University of Wisconsin. One pellet is said to make large type turkeys even fatter than some small type turkeys which have not been treated. Large type birds reach broiler weight about 20 days earlier. Approved by the Pure Food and Drug Administration for use in poultry, "stilbestrol" as it is better known, may open a new field in the poultry industry.

— Farmers in central counties of the western half of Pennsylvania have reason to call this the "rainy

season," according to 20 weeks cumulative rainfall reports announced today by the State Department of Agriculture.

— (Item from the Mail Box Market) FOR SALE: One large crocheted table cloth. Madalean design. Cream color. 64"x98" \$25. Also ladies black wedge heel loafers size 7-D. \$5. Phone Manheim 5-4135.

— A registered Guernsey herd has made an outstanding production average in the Lancaster County DHIA, according to the American Guernsey Cattle Club. The 45-cow herd of Raymond F. Witmer, Willow Street, has finished the 1955-56 testing year with an excellent average of 10,697 lbs. milk and 534 lbs. fat, highest fat average in the county for a herd of this size.

Inter-State Local To Meet

SOUTHAMPTON — The Princess Anne Local of Inter-State Milk Producers' Cooperative District 4 will hold its annual dinner meeting Sept. 5 at 7 p.m. at the English Family Restaurant, Westover, Md.

Robert M. Dever, Inter-State assistant general manager, will be the guest speaker. Dever, along with District 4 Director Wm. Blain Harcum, will give an update on cooperative business and dairy issues.

A business meeting will be conducted by Roger Hudson,

Princess Anne Local president, to elect officers, delegates and alternate delegates for the coming year. Nominations will be taken for district director, as current director Harcum's three-year term expires.

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