

Livestock Shows Highlight Delaware Valley A-Day

DOYLESTOWN — The annual Delaware Valley College A-Day, held last weekend on the college campus, displayed the talents of the students from the various departments. Grabbing the spotlight for the weekend were the livestock shows held in the center of the campus.

Dairy

The dairy show, judged by DVC alumni Donald Koontz, Fredonia, started the parade of animals on Saturday.

Mark Butcher earned the grand champion fitter title of the show while Joanna Toenniessen claimed the reserve position. Butcher and Toenniessen received the same honors in the senior championship class.

Toenniessen added the Brown Swiss champion showman and fitter rosette to her collection for the day. Butcher also netted the reserve champion senior showman for his work.

Missy Brangan was named the grand champion showman of the show following her title of grand champion showman of the sophomore class. The reserve grand champion showman title went to Becky Rice. Rice earned the champion showman honor as well as the reserve champion fitter honor for the junior class.

Sophomore Laine Hellaine garnered the award for champion Holstein showman and fitter. He previously earned the champion fitter for the sophomore class.

Junior Larry High won the trophy for the champion Ayrshire showman and fitter. High earned the champion fitter title of the junior class.

Lori Ortiz received the award for champion freshman showman and Kelvin Hatch claimed the

champion freshman fitter honor.

Swine

Toenniessen returned to the showing on Sunday and claimed the champion fitter trophy of the swine show. Leslie Mueller garnered the reserve champion title of the swine show.

Judge Steve Trostle, York, tabbed Dave Boneface the champion showman and Pete Brummer the reserve champion showman of the swine show.

Cattle

Deb Osterling, exhibiting a Polled Hereford heifer, won the champion showman title of the cattle show. Beth Meny, on the halter of an Angus heifer, stepped into the reserve champion showman position.

Jim DeCoursey fitted a Polled Hereford heifer to earn the title of champion fitter of the cattle show. Angus exhibitor Greg Straight received the nod from judge Conrad Grove, Downingtown, for the reserve fitter honor.

Sheep

Osterling earned the champion sheep showman title for her handling of her Dorset Ewe.

Derrin Foor edged his classmates in the fitting competition to claim the champion trophy.

Judge Karen Butcher Harrison, Danville, tabbed Beth Meny as the reserve champion fitter and showman of the sheep show. Meny exhibited a Hampshire Ewe.

Overall Champion Showman

Osterling demonstrated her exceptional showman skills in all three species of livestock to the three show judges to earn the grand champion showman title. Foor received the reserve grand



Deb Osterling (right) earned the title of grand champion showman overall at the recent Delaware Valley College A-Day. Derrin Foor placed in the reserve champion showman position. Karen Butcher Harrison, judge for the sheep show, offers congratulations.

champion showman title for his efforts.

Other Exhibits

Visitors to the two-day festival viewed exhibits done by the students explaining various aspects of their respective majors.

A flower show, located in the James Work gymnasium, demonstrated the student's skills in flower design and arrangements.

Hay rides, plant sales, educational lectures and tours enticed the crowd to this year's A-Day. While receiving guidance from the professors, the work for the event, from planning to set-up and tear-down, lies with the student body.

Next year, A-Day is scheduled for the April 23 and 24 weekend.



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Penn State Students Host 62nd Dairy expo

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UNIVERSITY PARK — Last Saturday while many Penn State students sunbathed, PSU Dairy Science Club members participated in the 62nd Dairy Exposition at the Ag Arena.

The students drew lots for their Penn State animals in mid-March. Students who had never been in a showing with any kind of animal were termed amateurs, and of the 60 students in the show, 24 were in this category. Students with any previous ring experience were termed professionals. Dr. George Hargrove, a club advisor, explained that the amateurs are given more experienced cows and

the professionals draw lots on animals which are young and inexperienced.

For the month prior to the Exposition students are busy with their animals. "This means a lot of work," reports Dagny Leininger, a junior from Berks County. "I started working with my Holstein for an hour a day and then for the past week it got up to six hours a day. That's pretty hard with finals coming up in a week. "But," adds Leininger, "I'd definitely do it again. At least I had a cow of my own for a month."

The inexperienced students entered the ring first in last Saturday's show and first-place winners in the amateur

showmanship classes were Karen Drummond, Lehigh County; Patricia Mason, Nassau, N.Y.; Dave Snyder, Somerset; David Troutman, Bedford County; Dagny Leininger; and Michael Reardon, New Haven, Conn. Troutman was named Champion Amateur Showman with Robin Finn, a second-place winner claiming Reserve Champion Amateur Showman.

First-place winners in Amateur Fitting were Stacey Dunleavy; Karen Grove, Lancaster County; Snyder; Troutman; Leininger and Hugh Sullivan, Cuyahoga, Ohio. Troutman also won the Champion Amateur Fitter award and Stacey Dunleavy, the Reserve Amateur Fitter.

In the professional classes, showmanship winners were Carolyn Yoder Louks, Julie Baker, Luzerne County; Michael Schlegel, Lancaster County; Grove; Renee Mitchell, Venango County; Mason; Shelia Schermm, Cherry, N.Y.; Carolyn Norman, Tioga; Bradley Ludwick, Warren; and Karyn England, Blair. England was named Champion Professional Showman and David Mattocks was named Reserve Champion Showmanship.

Professional Fitting winners were Louks; Baker; Jennie Hess, Adams County; Grove; Drummond; William Leshner, Berks County; Brent McMillen, Perry County; Ludwick; and England. Louks won the Champion Professional Fitter award and England won the Reserve Champion rosette.

England was named Show Champion Showman and Mattocks won the Show Reserve Champion

Showman. The Show Champion Fitter award went to Troutman with Louks winning the Show Reserve Champion Fitter ribbon.

England was named the 1987 Dairy Exposition All-around Champion with Troutman named Reserve All-around Champion.

During the noon hour several special events were held.

In the Celebrity Milking Contest, Dr. George Seidel, winner of the Exposition Distinguished Alumnus Award and Dr. Paul Wangsness, head of the Department of Dairy and Animal Science won first

place. Dr. Tom Sweeney, "Dedicattee" and Jeff Harding, winner of the "Young Dairyman" award came in second. Penn State Dairy Princess Joanne Kunkle and Penn State Sweetheart Lane Hagan placed third.

Gary Fink of Jeanette was the 1987 Exposition Chairperson. He was assisted by Bill Palmer. Show manager was Jonele Reese, assisted by Robert Gabel.

John E. Marchezak, a 1977 PSU graduate, acted as showmanship judge and Leslie Rhoads, a 1979 alumnus, was the fitting judge.



Champion amateur showman David Troutman of Bedford County and reserve amateur showman Robin Finn of Warren County, display their winning rosettes as they leave the showing at the 1987 PSU Dairy Exposition. Troutman was later named reserve all-around champion.



Show manager, Jonele Reese, Newport, and assistant show manager, Robert Gabel, Meadville, confer between classes at last Saturday's Penn State Dairy Exposition.