Whitney Earns Grand Title Honors At Pa. Goat Show

BY BETH N. GRAY Bedford Co. Correspondent HUNTINGDON – "I don't know.

I'll keep my fingers crossed," replied Anne Whitney when asked if she and Winterbury Marvin's Caress, a 3-year-old Nubian, would repeat their best of show performance of a week ago at the **Delaware Valley Goat Association** Show.

They made it two in a row here June 21 at the sanctioned competition staged by the Pennsylvania Dairy Goat Association. More than 500 head were shown.

As the seven breed champions in the senior doe show lined up in search of the top prize, judge Joe Kimmel of Broughton, Ill., noted, "There're some very nice dairy animals here, some ribs showing and udders bulging. That's what we like to see." As he singled out Whitney's Nubian, he added, "She's cleaner in all her joints and has the advantage of extension in the fore udder and depth of rib.'

In close contention with the Nubian, Kimmel said, was the La Mancha grand champion, Jan Hareth Hed's Surave Rachel. owned by Christopher Worden of Greensboro, Md.

Susan Meas of New Albany exhibited her grand champion Toggenburg, Poet Hill Till Macaroon, a 3-year-old, to the best udder of show. Kimmel requested the competitors be milked out so he could determine each udder's flexibility, collapsability and pliability. In giving his nod to the Toggenburg, he said she "was carrying as much milk into the ring as any doe in the show" and praised her extension of fore udder, width and capacity.

In the junior doe show, for animals not yet in milk. Meas earned best of show for her Nubian yearling, Gatewood Tough Cookie.

Ann Miller of Furlong stood in with the best buck of the senior show, a La Mancha, Mountain Magic Dynamic Ace.

Christopher Worden bested nearly 150 head in the youth show to take the prize for best of show honor with his Nubian, CH Worden's Acres Elizabeth.

Other leaders, with the grand champion listed first, followed by the reserve grand champion, included:

Senior Doe Show

Senior Loe Snow Alpine – Sinking Springs Vanessa Jonathan Merkle of Warriors Mark Earth Dance Lynde s Minnie Robert and Jennifer Gourley of Ligonier La Mancha – Jan Hareth Hed s Surave Rachel Worden CH Laurel Ridge Blossoms SC Heidi Danne Robert at Neuronactions SC Heidi

Dawn Spitler of Newmanstown - champion challenge winner GCH Jenny Jump Rockspring Dixie Ann Miller Dixie Ann Miller Nublan-- Briarwood Farm Foxxi Finesse Whitney CH Worden's Acres Elizabeth Worden champion challenge winner CH Winterbury Marvin's Caress Whitney Obsrbasit. Bri De Bas Fersibing Les Director

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Alpine — Conno-Q Valley Magic Rhapsody David Kopp Jr of Prospect K Lee SC Margo Kevin Power of Flemington N J La Mancha — Laurel Ridge WW Hazlenut La Mancha – Laurel Ridge WW Hazlenut Spitler Shirley's Zelda Brenda Shirley of Salt

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terius Gourley La Mancha — Mountain Magic Dynamic Ace

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Mark Blouch showed the grand champion Oberhasli while Christine Lieder stood in the reserve champion slot.



The champion Toggenburg also won the breed's champion challenge class for Susan Meas, New Albany (left). Reserve grand champion honors went to the 2 year old owned by Ann Miller, Furlong.





Deputy Secretary of Agriculture Ted Hoover presented the champion rosette for the Miss Pennsylvania class to Ann Whitney. The class featured Pennsylvania bred and owned animals.



The Saanen grand champion was owned by Tricia Trimer

- - Junior Doe Show
- Crossing Silver Belle Trimer
- Saanen 40 Crossing Art Apple Blossom Trimer Coxes Creek Acre Marcia Buddy Spoerlein

of Nockwood Toggenburg — Hoggs Hideaway Dixys Delight Dennis and Kathny Hogg of Grove City 40 Crossing Strawberry Shcake Trimer Recorded Grades — Conno-Q Valley Princess Liz Kopp Lily s Snowball Spoerlein

(left). Reserve honors went to the goat owned by Jon Merkle.



Dolly Peifer showed the grand champion Recorded Grade with reserve honors going to the entry owned by Glenn Fox.

Trimer of Alexandria Chalfort Touch of Midas Clarence Walker of Somerset champion challenge winner CH Amor MM Brenna s Brandon Barbara Cramer of Dover

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Toggenburg — Bri Ra Bar Ho Magic Lee Blouch of Bethel Gold Star Pan Dor Rocky Fox

Youth Show

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Spitler

Nubian – CH Worden's Acres Elizabeth Worden Sheaffers Wild Kingdoms Sandy Brenda Stroup of Richfield

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Trimer GCH Sinking Springs Victoria Merkle Toggenburg CH Bri Ra Bar Ho Bridgette Mark Blouch Bri Ra Bar Daisey Mae Mark

Blouch

Recorded Grades Pheasant Valley Flame Andrew Turnista of Lewistown Shade Mountain Cupcake Stroup

Jon Merkle of Warriors Mark exhibited the grand champion Alpine. Jennifer Gourley of Ligonier showed the reserve grand champion Alpine.



Ann Whitney (left) claimed grand champion Nubian and best of show honors with her 3-year-old Winterbury Marvin's Caress. Earning reserve champion Nubian honors was Christopher Worden's entry.