

Champions At Eastern Cone



Premier exhibitor and breeder banners at the Eastern Pa. Holstein Show went to Rocky-Side Holsteins, Elverson. Representing Rocky-Side are left to right: Carl, Jeffery, and Jane Yoder.

BY J. EVAN REIFF
KUTZTOWN — Two classmates dominated the Eastern Pennsylvania Championship Holstein Show Saturday, as the top cows in the three-year-old class went on to be named grand and reserve champion females.

Patricia Miller, 17, of Tamaqua, captured top honors with her 4-H project, M-Maplegrove Es Mysticle-ET. Mysticle, who also received best bred and owned award, was sired by Thonyma East Star-Twin. Classified 89 as a two-year-old, Mysticle is working on a 24,000 lb. production record and is projected for 32,340 lbs. at 305 days.

A first-time winner at the Eastern show, Miller was surprised with her success over the 135 head field.

"Though the cow was champion at the North Hampton show I didn't know if she was good enough to even win her class here," said Miller. "I came expecting tough competition."

The reserve champion was no stranger to the winner's circle. Canadian-born Richine Astro Neeta took top honors at the Lancaster County Holstein Show less than a month before. Sired by Reidmore Astrommer, Neeta is owned by Silvermine Holsteins, Willow Street.

Judge Oren Bender of Garret County, MD was impressed with the strength he saw in the three-year-old class. Bender commented that he felt his choice of champions were capable of withstanding tougher competition.

"Those two three-year-olds could make a real impact at other shows," stated Bender. "They are powerful females with beautiful udders."

Another 4-H project, Daview Pete Ginger, owned by Jeffrey Davis, 15, Leepport, won the junior champion title. Ginger was sired by Straight Line Elevation Pete and stood first in the intermediate yearling heifer class.

Reserve junior champion was Loving-Meadows Baby Janelle, an intermediate heifer calf sired by Tora Matt Lancer and owned by Corwin Bomgardner, Ono.

Taking firsts in the six-year-old cow class, the 100,000 lb. production class and the produce of dam helped Rocky-Side Farm, Elverson, collect enough points to be

named both premier breeder and exhibitor of the Eastern show.

- Eastern Penna. Holstein Bull Calf**
- 1 Russell H Miller Yearling Bull
 - 1 Leonard & Marie Switzer Senior Yearling Bull
 - 1 Henry Miller Grand Champion Bull
 - 1 Henry Miller Reserve Grand Champion Bull
 - 1 Leonard & Marie Switzer Junior Heifer Calf
 - 1. Brian Richard, 2 Naomi Herbert, 3 Keystone Farm Intermediate Heifer Calf
 - 1 Corwin Bomgardner, 2 Corwin Bomgardner, 3 Enca Davis Senior Heifer Calf
 - 1 Kevin Bomgardner, 2 Reu-Hel Farm, 3 Tom & Beth Keams Summer Yearling Heifer
 - 1 Scott Youse, 2 Dale Hostetter, 3 Russell Miller



In photo left to right: Lebanon County Dairy Princess Rebecca Sonnen, reserve junior heifer shown by Corwin Bomgardner, champion junior heifer shown by Jeff Davis, Berks County Dairy Princess Clarinda Leatherman, Judge Oren Bender.

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