Supreme Dairy Champ Repeats At Ephrata

EPHRATA — She did it again. Sunny Craft Lucinda Tony owned by Kimberly Stauffer, Ephrata, was the grand champion Holstein and went on to the supreme John Gehart had the champion championship of the Ephrata Fair Brown Swiss. dairy show for the second year in a row. Milking 100 pounds per day, Lucinda also had best udder in the Holstein show and was part of the best three females and the best produce of dam.

William Lesher, judge and Berks County breeder, liked everything about this three year old and made her grand champin of both the open and junior Holstein shows. Reserve grand champion of the open show was Meadow Cliff Mars Rita, an upstanding aged cow for David D. Zimmerman, Reinholds. Reserve grand champion of the junior show was the junior two year old for Sharon Zimmerman of Meadow Cliff Farms.

In the Ayrshire breed John Gehart, Reinholds, had the grand champion of the open show and the junior show with Cocalico Amy. Reserve grand champion in the open show was Cocalico Sand's Helga for Dale Gehart. Reserve in the junior show was the junior champion intermediate calf for Heather Becker of Narvon.

Three other breeds had only one entry each. Jeffrey Balmer had the champion Guernsey. Larry Gehart had the champion Jersey. And



Sharon Zimmerman with reserve grand champion of the junior show Meadow Cliff Vic Renee.



David Zimmerman with the reserve grand champion of the open show. The cow: Meadow Cliff Mars



The supreme champion at the Ephrata Fair dairy show is Sunny Craft Lucinda Tony shown here with owner Kimberly Stauffer.



Grand and Junior champion in the Ayrshire are shown by John Gehart, Reinholds (right), and Heather Becker, Narvon.

The middleweight white barrow shown by Randy Groff, son of Robert and Hester Groff of Ephrata, walked away with Grand Champion Hog of the Ephrata Fair Tuesday night. The hog was selected for its long, heavy structure, easy strides, and lean musclature.

Laura Folker, daughter of Tony and Edith Folker of New Holland, showed a middleweight red hog that was proclaimed Reserve Champion Hog of the show.

Dairylea Farmers Draft **Policy Recommendations**

SYRACUSE, N.Y. — Dairylea Cooperative's milkshed-wide resolutions committee met recently here to draft policy recommendations for the coming year. The resolutions will be acted upon by cooperative delegates on Oct. 14 during Dairylea's annual meeting at Liverpool, NY, according to president Clyde E. Rutherford.

The policy-drafting committee included one representative from each of Dairylea's 13 districts as follows: District

1. Ronald Closky, Cambridge Springs; 2. Hiram Beckerink, Clymer, NY; 3. Ray Chamberlain, Wyoming, NY; 4. David Mollenhauer, Newark, NY; 5. Royal Champluvier, Wyalusing; 6. Robert F. Pardoe, Milton; 7. Kathryn E. Miller, Bangor; 8. Edwin Mead, Montrose; 9. John Walrath, East Springfield, NY; 10. Daryl M. Bishop, Pennellville, NY; 11. Richard Hoskins, Sr., Lyons Falls, NY; 12. Wayne Senecal, Whitehall, NY; 13. Arlene King, Athens, NY.

One resolution calls for seeking total reciprocity among the states in the testing of milk and inspection of farms.

A second urges both federal and state government enforcement of sanitary and composition standards to assure consumers of quality milk and dairy products.

A third seeks aggressive state

action and full reciprocity in licensing milk dealers among states. It is designed to gain New York State milk processors and distributors the right to compete in other states which now impede equality of competition.

Another resolution urges continued support of the recentlycreated Regional Cooperative Marketing Agency to make RCMA a successful program for gaining better farm milk prices, consistent with the effort of other dairy farmers.

The committee proposals call for continuing support of two Dairylea Fall Production Incentive Programs designed to even out the farm milk supply during the year One, in which more than 1,300 Dairylea member farms already participate, says a bonus for total extra milk produced in the shortsupply months of September. October, and November as compared with the previous year. The second is a new Counter-Seasonal Production Program offering a bonus for total pounds produced in the three fall months over the total pounds produced in April, May and June of the same year.

Support for efforts to consolidate the assorted federal milk. markets into one comprehensive federal other area in the northeast is sought in another resolution for "this common market and common production area."

Additional policy proposals support preservation of key agricultural laws, encourage nutritional efforts in schools and promotion of both brand and non-brand dairy product consumption, maintaining environmental qualities of agricultural land, and restoring integrity to the dairy price support program.

The two-day meeting, which starts Tuesday, October 13, will commemorate the eightieth anniversary of the area's oldest dairy cooperative. The Dairymen's League was founded in 1907 in Orange County, NY, becoming the incorporated Dairymen's League Cooperative Association in 1919 and abbreviating its name to Dairylea Cooperative in 1969.

Dairylea currently has 3,000 members in NY, PA, NJ and part of New England, plus 13 other dairy cooperatives affiliated for services. Net sales of the co-op for its 1986-87 fiscal year were \$343 million.

