

Northern Lebanon and Solanco Shine At Southeastern FFA Dairy Show

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LEBANON (Lebanon Co.) — With grand champion Holstein, champion breeder-exhibitor, grand and reserve champion Ayrshire and junior champion Ayrshire the Northern Lebanon FFA chapter became number one FFA chapter group in the 34th Pennsylvania Southeast Region FFA Dairy Show held at the Lebanon fairgrounds on Wednesday.

Solanco was the runner-up with Jersey reserve grand and Jersey junior champions, Guernsey junior and grand champions, a reserve grand Holstein champion, and a Holstein junior champion.

Contributing to Northern Lebanon's success was David Lentz of Lebanon. His 6-year-old, San-Bo Mars Katie, earned Holstein grand champion for the third consecutive year. Katie is a Marshfield Elevation Tony daughter and was bred by Lentz, also.

Katie was also named grand champion of the Lebanon Area

Fair FFA show in 1989 and 1988. She has captured champion-breeder exhibitor for Lentz in the Holstein breed for three years, also.

Katie milked 27,897 pounds of milk in 305 days. In 365 days she produced 31,000-plus pounds of milk with 980 pounds of butterfat. This year Lentz predicts production for 305 days to hit 25,000 pounds, but he says Katie will hang on to do much more.

Katie is the daughter of an Ivanhoe Star which Lentz's gave to him. Katie's full sister just recently ranked dead last in the senior calf class at the fair show, but David is not worried about her future. It seems Katie started out that way too, only she made even a poorer showing in the heifer classes. He is hopeful Katie's sister will follow in her hoofprints.

Holstein

R. Michael Mellot of Solanco exhibited the reserve grand champion, Glen-Valley Mark

Gretchen, bred by Kenneth Umble of Atglen. Junior champion also went to R. Michael Mellott & Denise Glick with their entry Coldsprings Beaut Tide-ET, a senior calf. Reserve junior champion title was won by a Ceder Crest FFA'er, Ammon Peiffer and his intermediate calf, Great-View Noel Mars Sherry.

Brown Swiss

Grand champion was exhibited

by Randy Balthaser of the Hamburg area chapter with his strong and powerful five-year-old, Victory Acres Westley Nadie, bred by Dean and Brenda Daubert of Bernville. Thomas Zartman, Jr. of the Cloister Chapter in Ephrata earned the reserve grand champion title with his senior-2-year-old, Wind Mill Blend Calypso, bred by William Daubert of Pine Grove.

Junior champion went to a Ham-

burg area FFA'er, Tammy Balthaser's Indian Run Candy, a summer yearling. Reserve junior went to Randy Balthaser's senior calf, Northkill Creek N Orea.

Guernsey

Steven L. Wagner of Solanco FFA chapter took all the champion trophies home for the Guernsey breed. Bo Joy Frank Misty took the grand champion title. Misty earned

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Conebella M. R. Primrose exhibited by Gene Kreitzer (right) of Northern Lebanon FFA won grand champion in the Ayrshire show. Laura Harding's Sycamore Meade Quality's Renny (left) took the reserve grand title.



Tiffany Yeager (right) of the Owen J. Roberts FFA Chapter exhibited the Jersey grand champion of the Southeast FFA show. Yeager also was named Jersey breeder-exhibitor. Tom Arrowsmith of Solanco FFA earned the reserve grand champion title of the Jersey show.



Grand champion Brown Swiss in the Southeast FFA show was exhibited by Randy Balthaser (left) of Hamburg Area FFA. Reserve grand title went to Thomas Zartman, Jr. of Cloister FFA.



San-Bo Mars Katie captured her third breeder-exhibitor award for owner David Lentz (right) of Northern Lebanon FFA. Katie also won grand champion of the Holstein show. Congratulating Lentz are Lebanon Dairy Princess Kynel Bomgardner (left) and show judge David Castrogliavanni (center).



Northern Lebanon County FFA chapter was named top chapter group of the Southeast Pennsylvania FFA Dairy Show. Pictured are: (from left) Gretchen Oberst, FFA Advisor and aged instructor; Gene Kreitzer, Sherry Donmoyer and David Lentz.



Champion breeder-exhibitor of the Southeast FFA Dairy Show was Teresa Hill of Northern Lebanon FFA. Presenting the award was Kynel Bomgardner, (left) Lebanon County Dairy Princess and John Hess (right) Regional Vice-President.