

# Ayrshire, Jersey Numbers Pack Solanco Dairy Barns To Near Capacity

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QUARRYVILLE (Lancaster Co.) — "It's been a long time since I've since this much quality in an Ayrshire show," said Ginger Myers, Solanco Fair colored breed dairy show judge.

Wednesday's show was also the largest Ayrshire show held at the Quarryville Fairgrounds in many years. According to Maurice Welk, a member of the dairy show committee, this year's roster for both the Colored Breed show and the Holstein show totaled 223. And that new livestock barn which was completed just a few short years ago was nearly filled to capacity. But no one at the fair is complaining.

"We've got more dairy breeders showing especially in the Ayrshire and Jersey breeds. And many of them are just bringing more animals to the show. This year we've had bigger Jersey and Ayrshire shows than we've seen in quite a few years," said Welk.

R & B Wentworth of Quarryville captured three championship titles in the Ayrshire show. Grand champion went to Wentworth Farm Miss November. This 2-year-old impressed Myers with her upstandingness and body capacity, Myers also made her best udder in the class on her balance of udder, symmetry, capacity and desirable teat placement. Sire was

Ben Ferme Amigo.

Wentworth Farm Lucky Streak captured the reserve grand title in the show. Lucky Streak was an easy winner in her class with her tremendous scale and balance and overall length. This 6-year-old also took best udder of the class. Sire was Mar-Ral Madge's Boy.

Reserve junior champion also went to an R & B Wentworth animal. Wentworth Farm Captain Becky, took the honors with her length, style, and strength. Myers described Becky as a beautiful heifer.

The Wentworth family is originally from the Amherst, Massachusetts, and moved to Lancaster County approximately two years ago. Rob and Bonnie Wentworth earned both premier breeder and premier exhibitor honors of the Ayrshire show—a great way to celebrate their first year of competition at the Solanco Fair.

No stranger to the winner's circle in any fair, district or state show was Heather Becker's intermediate yearling, G R Narvon Valley's Chmp Garland. The stylishness, breed character and exceptional feet and legs made this an easy winner for Becker from the Gap area.

Junior division grand champion went to Brian Nolan of Dremnol Ayrshire in Cochranville.

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Arrowsmith has become synonymous with champions at the Solanco Fair and Tom continued that tradition by capturing both the grand championships in the open show and the titles in the junior division. Myers found only one

fault with Hillacres Fame Tee in the ring. She was alone.

"This tremendous aged can take a lot more competition. She is extremely youthful for a 7-year-old and walks on a very good set of legs and feet. She has a perfect body with a good udder. It is a

shame she does have more competition today," said Myers.

Tee was sired by Sun Valley Quicksilver. Breeder was Matt Arrowsmith.

Reserve grand went to Arrowsmith's first placed 4-year-old,

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Rob (left) and Bonnie (right) Wentworth captured three of the four Ayrshire championships at the Solanco Fair's Colored Breed show held Wednesday. Newcomers to Lancaster County, this Ayrshire family earned both premier breeder and exhibitor awards on their first competition at the fair.



Tom Arrowsmith (left) earned both premier breeder and exhibitor awards at the Solanco Fair Jersey show. Lloyd Welk (right) made the presentation.



Rob Wentworth (left) accepts the Ayrshire premier breeder and premier exhibitor awards for R & Wentworth from Lloyd Welk, (right) dairy show chairman.



Steve Wagner (center) exhibited both grand champion Guernseys in the Solanco Fair Colored Breed show. Jennifer Ulrich is at the halter on left. Maurice Welk (right) of the dairy show committee made the presentation.



Tom Arrowsmith (left) exhibited both grand champions of the Jersey show and the grand champions of the junior division during Solanco's Colored Breed show. Helen Arrowsmith is at the halter on the right.