Near Perfect Egg Score Recorded At Farm Show

HARRISBURG (Dauphin Co.) - With a score of 99.5 points out of a possible 100, a dozen eggs from Sauder's Eggs in Lititz may have set Pennsylvania Farm Show history.

Ray Kennerknecht, the Penn State Extension poultry specialist who chairs the Farm Show's egg competition, said the 99.5 score is probably the highest ever recorded at Pennsylvania's premiere farm event, but nobody he knows has the records to prove it.

Kennerknecht said the Sauder's entry won the breakout competition, which he labeled a tough class. Eggs are judged first on shell thickness and color. They are weighed. The albumen height is measured. The dozen eggs in the contest are examined for the proper shape and color, and for uniformity.

Paul Sauder, president of Sauder's Eggs, said his company entered 14 different classes this year, picking up 10 first place ribbons and four second place awards. In addition to winning the breakout contest, a company entry also took honors for the best dozen white eggs.

Other companies and individu-

als to record 1st place wins in the egg competition include Esbenshade Farm, Mt. Joy, four firsts;
Barry Givens, Wyoming, four shade Farm, Lancaster; 2. Esbenshade Farm, Lancaster; 3. E. Roy Trout & firsts; and Dale Godwin, Tim High and Michael Hess each one first place.

The Egg Award list is as

Egg Award List 1990
FARMERS CLASS
One Dozen White Eggs
1. Barry Givens, Luzerne, 2 Elvin H.
Hess, Lancaster; 3. Lois Hockenbrock,
Juniata

One Dozen Brown Eggs 1 Barry Givens, Luzerne, 2 Elvin H Hess, Lancaster, 3 Sheepberry Farms,

Five Dozen White Eggs 1 Barry Givens, Luzerne

Five Dozen Brown Eggs

1 Barry Givens, Luzerne, 2. Elvin H Hess, Lancaster

COMMERCIAL CLASS

One Dozen White Eggs 1 R.W Sauder, Lancaster, 2 Esben-shade Farm, Lancaster, 3. E. Roy Trout &

One Dozen Brown Eggs R.W. Sauder, Lancaster, 2 Esbenshade Farm, Lancaster.
Five Dozen White Eggs

1. Esbenshade Farm, Lancaster, 2. R W. Sauder, Lancaster; 3. E. Roy Trout & Son,

Lancaster.
Five Dozen Brown Eggs 1. R.W. Sauder, Lancaster

PRODUCER CARTON AND PACK CLASS

Son, Lancaster

One Dozen Brown Eggs
1. R.W. Sauder, Lancaster; 2. Barry Givens, Luzerne.

Five Dozen White Eggs
1 Esbenshade Farm, Lancaster; 2. R.W. Sauder, Lancaster, 3. Barry Givens, Luzerne.

Five Dozen Brown Eggs 1. R.W. Sauder, Lancaster; 2. Esbenshade Farm, Lancaster; 3. Barry Givens, Luzeme

PACKERS CARBON AND PACK CLASS One Dozen White Eggs

1. Esbenshade Farm, Lancaster; 2. R.W. Sauder, Lancaster; 3. E. Roy Trout & Son,

One Dozen Brown Eggs
Esbenshade Farm, Lancaster; 2. R.W. Sauder, Lancaster.

Five Dozen White Eggs R.W. Sauder, Lancaster; 2 E. Roy
Trout & Son, Lancaster.

Five Dozen Brown Eggs 1 R.W. Sauder, Lancaster BANTAMS

1 Dale Godwin, Lebanor BROKEN-OUT QUALITY CLASS Two Dozen White Eggs

1. R.W Sauder, Lancaster; 2 E. Roy Trout & Son, Lancaster; 3. Esbenshade Farm, Lancaster.

Two Dozen Brown Eggs
1 R.W. Sauder, Lancaster; 2. Esbenshade Farm, Lancaster; 3 Barry Givens,

Lancaster; 3. Michael T. Hess, Lancaster. (Eligible 4-H and FFA Members)
One Dezen White Eggs
1. Tim High, Lançaster; 2. Philip High, One Dozen Brown Eggs 1. Michael T. Hess, Lancaste

One of the top award winners at the annual Pennsylvania Farm Show this week was Sauder's Eggs. The Lititz firm earned 10 first and four second place awards with its 14 entries. In the photo are (L to R): Tom Fox, Sauder's quality control manager, Guy Martin, producer services, and Glenn Sauder vice president.

Franklin Countian **Receives Conservation Award**

HARRISBURG (Dauphin Co.) - Secretary of Agriculture Boyd Wolff presented Richard Stoner of Greencastle, Franklin County, with a prestigious conservation award during the Pennsylvania Farm Show Monday night. Stoner represented Pennsylvania in the 1989 National Endowment for Soil and Water Conservation Farmer Awards.

Stoner and his wife, Lana, raise about 400 feeder pigs and 120 sows, and produce small grains and hay on their 115-acre farm.

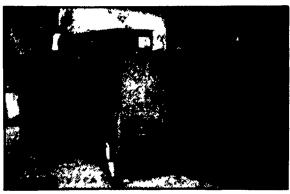
Stoner began applying conservation practices like agricultural waste management, crop rotations, contour strips and drainage on his farm shortly after he purchased it in 1973.

"I practice conservation farming because I believe each person should be a good steward of what has been entrusted in his care," Stoner said. "I believe each farm should be utilized to its potential."

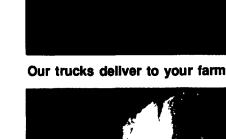
Stoner is no stranger to conservation awards. He was named the state's top conservation farmer in 1988 by the Pennsylvania Association of Conservation Districts and the county's conservation farmer of the year in 1987 by the Franklin County Conservation

The National Endowment for oil and Water Conservation Award Program, now in its seventh year, recognizes selected farmers and ranchers for their conservation achievements. Ten finalists will be selected from the crop of state winners, and three of them will receive national recognition in December. The program is sponsored by the National Endowment for Soil and Water Conservation and is funded by the Dupont Company.

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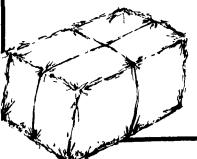


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