

# Reiff Captures Coveted Sheep Supreme Championship

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ELIZABETHTOWN (Lancaster Co.) — Imagine having to compete against 275 exhibitors in the grand championship contest. Then imagining winning.

Accepting the challenge at what may very well be Pennsylvania's largest town fair youth sheep competition — which took all of seven and a half hours Wednesday at the Elizabethtown Fair — was Lisa Reiff, 12, Strasburg, who won supreme sheep champion honors with "Chance," her Suffolk wether. Lisa also picked up overall market and pen-of-three championships at the fair.

Also competing was the breed supreme champion, Wendall M. Landis, 14, Manheim, with his Hampshire ewe. And he competed against 30 others just in the same breed class.

On a rainy, soggy day, many local sheep breeders, exhibitors, and spectators turned out for the show, which hosted 34 entries in the Dorset breed, 62 in the Suffolk breed, and many more in the market lamb championship.

### Challenging to decide

Judge Dick Kuzemchak, Penn State shepherd, was pleased with the entries, from which he found it challenging to decide on a winner.

Regarding the champion breed, Kuzemchak was impressed with the way she looked.

"I think she had a lot of eye appeal that really kind of made her stand out," he said. "I think she is just a tremendous ewe."

Kuzemchak said the judging is based on the size and scale of the breed, the physical correctness, and the overall balance. "That ewe had a lot of femininity," he said. "She has a lot of breed characteristics. She's real straight in the hind and has a strong top. I think that, for an aged ewe, she still maintains a lot of excellent characteristics — a real attribute at that particular age."

### Very competitive

Kuzemchak said that the ewe "would be very competitive" at shows.

Several winners swept the awards, including Jenny Wenger, who competed against 27 other exhibits for the Dorset championship.

Arlisa Snavelly clinched the Shropshire breed class at the fair with her champion ewe yearling and her reserve ewe lamb.

The Suffolk class included 62 entries and was by far the most popular breed of the show. Ryan Tracy picked up grand champion honors. The reserve went to Samantha Schildt.

### Market lambs

The market lamb competition

posed another type of challenge — choosing what the market demands.

"When you are talking market animal, you're talking about muscling," said Kuzemchak. "We have to raise market lambs that have a lot of thickness in the right parts."

Champion animals have a lot of muscling from the last rib back. Judges are looking for a lot of length and width of loin, plenty of thickness to the lower leg, and proper finishing. "You want the animal to be balanced," said Kuzemchak.

The Reiffs were big winners in the market lamb class. Lyndon Reiff picked up reserve champion lightweight market lamb and champion and reserve heavyweight market lamb. Kendall Reiff won reserve medium weight as well as reserve overall champion of the market lambs. Lisa's entry was picked champion medium weight market lamb and overall market lamb champion.

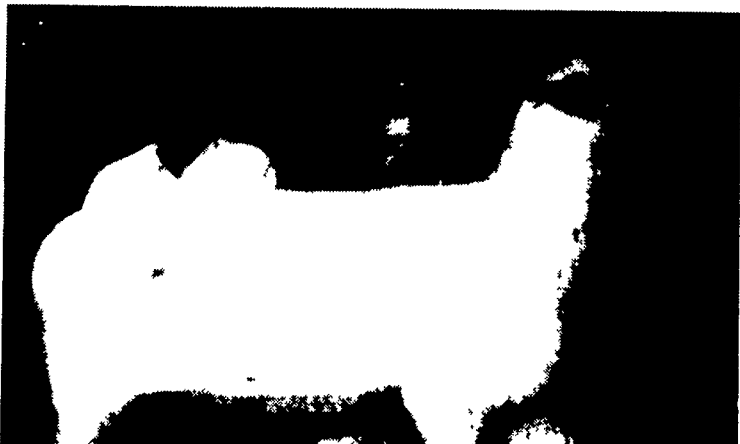
Following is a list of show placings.

- SHEEP SHOWMANSHIP**  
Exhibitors Ages 15 & Over  
1. Diane Musser, 2. Greg Erb, 3. Lisa Reiff
- Exhibitors Ages 12, 13 & 14  
1. Wendall M. Landis; 2. Jenny Wenger; 3. Lisa Reiff
- Exhibitors Ages 8, 9, 10 & 11  
1. Regina Landis, 2. Amy Bollinger, 3. Rodney Boll
- BREEDING SHEEP**  
Cheviot  
Ram & Under 1 Yr.  
1. Kerra Allen, 2. Jeff Martin; 3. Doug Martin
- Champion  
Doug Martin
- Ewe 2 Yrs. & Over  
1. Doug Martin; 2. Jeff Martin
- Ewe 1 Yr. & Under 2  
1. Kerra Allen, 2. Jeff Martin, 3. Doug Martin
- Reserve Champion  
Kerra Allen
- Ewe Lambs Under 1 Yr.  
1. Kerra Allen, 2. Doug Martin; 3. Jeff Martin
- Pair of Lambs, Either Sex  
1. Kerra Allen, 2. Doug Martin, 3. Jeff Martin
- Flock  
1. Doug Martin; 2. Jeff Martin
- Corriedale  
Ram & Under 1 Yr.  
1. Steven Erb
- Champion  
Steven Erb
- Reserve Champion  
Steven Erb
- Ewe Lamb Under 1 Yr.  
1. Steven Erb, 2. Steven Erb
- Pair of Lambs, Either Sex  
1. Steven Erb
- Dorset  
Ram & Under 1 Yr.  
1. Katie Eisenbise; 2. Angie Erb; 3. Rebecca Kleinfelder
- Ram 1 Yr. & Over  
1. Jenny Wenger, 2. Troy Bollinger
- Champion  
Jenny Wenger
- Ewe 2 Yrs. & Over  
1. Jenny Wenger, 2. Malinda Schildt, 3. Jenny Wenger
- Reserve Champion  
Jenny Wenger
- Ewe 1 Yr. & Under 2  
1. Jessica Stoltzfus, 2. Jenny Wenger, 3. Malinda Schildt
- Ewe Lamb Under 1 Yr.  
1. Jenny Wenger, 2. Kerra Allen, 3. Amy Hoffines
- Pair of Lambs, Either Sex  
1. Jenny Wenger, 2. Jessica Stoltzfus, 3. Troy Bollinger
- Flock  
1. Malinda Schildt



The largest town fair sheep show in Pennsylvania took seven and a half hours Wednesday, but the results paid off for Lisa Reiff, 12, right, who won the sheep grand championship honors with her Suffolk wether, "Chance." With her is Dick Kuzemchak, Penn State shepherd.

- Hampshire  
Ram & Under 1 Yr.  
1. Ellen Lewis; 2. Wendall M. Landis; 3. Regina Landis.
- Ram 1 Yr. & Over  
1. Steven Erb; 2. Steven Erb.
- Ewe 2 Yrs. & Over  
1. Wendall M. Landis; 2. Ellen Lewis.
- Champion  
Wendall M. Landis
- Reserve Champion  
Ellen Lewis
- Over Grand Champion  
Wendall M. Landis
- Ewe 1 Yr. & Under 2  
1. Ellen Lewis; 2. Regina Landis; 3. Wendall M. Landis.
- Ewe Lamb Under 1 Yr.  
1. Ellen Lewis; 2. Wendall M. Landis; 3. Wendall M. Landis.
- Pair of Lambs, Either Sex  
1. Wendall M. Landis; 2. Ellen Lewis; 3. Regina Landis.
- Flock  
1. Ellen Lewis; 2. Wendall M. Landis; 3. Peter Hoffines
- Shropshire  
Ram & Under 1 Yr.  
1. Greg Erb
- Ram 1 Yr. & Over  
1. Daniel Fry
- Ewe 1 Yr. & Under 1  
1. Arlisa Snavelly; 2. Katie Fry.
- Champion  
Arlisa Snavelly
- Ewe Lamb Under 1 Yr.  
1. Arlisa Snavelly, 2. Greg Erb, 3. Greg Erb
- Reserve Champion  
Arlisa Snavelly
- Pair of Lambs, Either Sex  
1. Greg Erb, 2. Katie Fry
- Southdown  
Ram 1 Yr. & Over  
1. Greg Erb
- Ewe 2 Yrs. & Over  
1. Greg Erb
- Ewe 1 Yr. & Under 2  
1. Mark Tracy, 2. Greg Erb, 3. Mark Tracy
- Champion  
Mark Tracy
- Reserve Champion  
Greg Erb
- Ewe Lamb Under 1 Yr.  
1. Mark Tracy, 2. Greg Erb, 3. Mark Tracy
- Pair of Lambs, Either Sex  
1. Mark Tracy, 2. Greg Erb.
- Flock  
1. Greg Erb
- Suffolk  
Ram & Under 1 Yr.  
1. Ryan Tracy, 2. Alice Smith; 3. Amy Smith
- Ram 1 Yr. & Over  
1. Jeff Bollinger; 2. Jason Stoltzfus.
- Ewe 2 Yrs. & Over  
1. Erin Grosh; 2. Amy Smith; 3. Jerry Bollinger.
- Ewe 1 Yr. & Under 2  
1. Ryan Tracy; 2. Samantha Schildt; 3. Keith Bollinger.
- Grand Champion  
Ryan Tracy
- Reserve Champion  
Samantha Schildt
- Ewe Lamb Under 1 Yr.  
1. Jason Stoltzfus; 2. Alice Smith; 3. Jeff Martin.
- Pair of Lambs, Either Sex  
1. Jason Stoltzfus; 2. Alice Smith; 3. Keith Bollinger.
- Flock  
1. Jason Stoltzfus; 2. Erin Grosh; 3. Amy Smith.
- Other (By Breed)  
Ram Under 1 Yr. Polypay  
Timothy Stoner
- Ewe 2 Yrs. & Over Columbia  
Rebecca Vogt
- Ewe Lamb Under 1 Yr. Polypay  
Timothy Stoner
- Pair of Lambs, Either Sex  
Timothy Stoner
- MARKET LAMB SHOW**  
Lightweight #1  
1. Darryl S. Coble; 2. Jared Peifer; 3. Angie Erb.
- Lightweight #2  
1. Diane Musser; 2. Tracy Bollinger; 3. Ryan Tracy.
- Lightweight #3  
1. Ryan Tracy; 2. Lyndon Reiff; 3. Carrie Groff.
- Lightweight #4  
1. Ryan Tracy; 2. Lorie Boll; 3. Aaron Groff.
- Champion  
Ryan Tracy
- Reserve Champion  
Lyndon Reiff
- Mediumweight #5  
1. Jonathan I. Coble; 2. Mark Tracy; 3. Amy Bollinger.
- Mediumweight #6  
1. Mark Tracy, 2. Jason Stoltzfus; 3. Jessica Stoltzfus
- Mediumweight #7  
1. Lisa Reiff; 2. Kendall Reiff, 3. Lisa Reiff.
- Champion  
Lisa Reiff
- Reserve Champion  
Kendall Reiff
- Overall Champion  
Lisa Reiff
- Reserve Overall Champion  
Kendall Reiff
- Mediumweight #8  
1. Angie Longenecker; 2. Regina Landis, 3. Lisa Reiff.
- Heavyweight #9  
1. Lyndon Reiff, 2. Amy Bollinger, 3. Andrea Mylin
- Reserve Champion  
Lyndon Reiff
- Heavyweight #10  
1. Samantha Schildt; 2. Wendall M. Landis; 3. Ryan Donough.
- Heavyweight #11  
1. Lyndon Reiff, 2. Kendall Reiff; 3. Wendall M. Landis
- Champion  
Lyndon Reiff
- Pen of 3 Market Lambs  
1. Regina Landis.
- Class 1  
1. Regina Landis; 2. Kendall Reiff; 3. Amy Bollinger.
- Class 2  
1. Lisa Reiff; 2. Jessica Stoltzfus; 3. Ellen Lewis.
- Champion  
Lisa Reiff
- Reserve Champion  
Lyndon Reiff
- Class 3  
1. Lyndon Reiff; 2. Mark Tracy; 3. Andrea Mylin.
- Class 4  
1. Samantha Schildt; 2. Ryan Tracy; 3. Keith Bollinger.
- Market Lambs  
Selling Market Lambs  
Lightweight #1  
1. Ginger Brown; 2. Daryl Coble, 3. Jeremy Coble.
- Reserve Champion  
Ryan Tracy
- Lightweight #2  
1. Lorie Boll; 2. Ryan Tracy; 3. Jeff Martin
- Champion  
Lorie Boll
- Mediumweight #3  
1. Amy Becker; 2. Melissa Becker; 3. Rodney Boll.
- Mediumweight #4  
1. Samantha Schildt; 2. Jessica Stoltzfus, 3. Joelle Boll.
- Mediumweight #5  
1. Lisa Reiff; 2. Angie Longenecker, 3. Karen Becker.
- Champion  
Lisa Reiff
- Reserve Champion  
Mark Tracy
- Heavyweight #6  
1. Lyndon Reiff, 2. Regina Landis, 3. Doug Martin
- Champion  
Lyndon Reiff
- Heavyweight #7  
1. Ellen Lewis, 2. Malinda Schildt, 3. Raphael Peters.
- Heavyweight #8  
1. Travis Donough; 2. Amy Smith; 3. Jeff Bollinger.
- Reserve Champion  
Travis Donough
- Overall Champion  
Lisa Reiff
- Reserve Overall Champion  
Mark Tracy
- Overall Animal  
Lisa Reiff



Wendall M. Landis, right, won the overall grand champion breeding sheep with his Hampshire ewe at the Elizabethtown Fair. He is shown here with Dick Kuzemchak, Penn State shepherd, judge for the show.

## Unruly Steer 'Stirs Up' Beef Championship

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ELIZABETHTOWN (Lancaster Co.) — Exhibitors didn't want to let this show get away from them.

But halfway into the Elizabethtown Fair beef competition, a large Angus owned by Sharon Harnish tore loose from a stall. The steer

ran around the farmshow grounds — eventually ending up in the woods, where fair volunteers took about a half an hour, using a tractor, to retrieve it.

But the show went on, awarding supreme champion honors to Peter Hoffines, 15, for his 1,300-pound Limousin cross named "Wally."

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