

# Family Hits Holstein Show Grand Slam

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SUMMIT STATION (Schuylkill Co.) — The Miller and Rex



Ronald Ray Daubert, right, shares the spotlight with his nephew Adam Spittler during the Brown Swiss competition at the Schuylkill County Fair.



Nathan Hostetter is happy with his junior champion Brown Swiss during the Schuylkill County Fair. Allen Daubert shows the reserve for his father William.



Carl Miller, right, repeated his performance of last year by showing the Guernsey champion during the Schuylkill County Fair. The junior champion owned by Bradley Kurtz is selected as the reserve champion.



Lisa Spittler, right, smiles at winning the premie showman's class event at the Schuylkill County Fair. Also winning blue ribbons, from left, are Kari, Troy and Nevin Hostetter. Not shown is blue-ribbon winner Lindsay Kurtz.

Farm of Andreas, Schuylkill Co., got a big boost Friday when family members hit a grand slam at the Schuylkill Fair Holstein Show.

Dennis Rex led the winners with his owned and bred three year old, Den-Al Count Crystal. Judge Tracy Cornman of Carlisle was impressed with Crystal's over all dairy character and named hers the best udder for the black and white breed. "She has a well balanced udder easily the best here today," Cornman stated.

Rex's niece Jennifer Miller showed the reserve, Den-Al Count Dimples. In addition to Dimples, a big senior two year old, Jennifer also had the junior champion, Den-Al Mark Beth, a intermediate calf with lots of dairy character and body capacity, was followed by a junior calf owned by Amy Rex. Amy is Jennifer's cousin.

Neil Rex, Amy's brother, didn't make it to the top spot during the open show but beat his sister and his cousin during the 4-H competition. His three year old 4-H grand champion placed behind his father's cow in open competition.

All the Miller Rex animals were bred by the home farm. According to Rex, he and his brother in law, Albert Miller, have been in partnership for 12 years.

Rex said that the younger family members enjoy a bit of friendly competition. "They try not to compete against each other. They try to pick heifers in different classes. This year we were lucky and everyone won."

The Jersey show was dominated by the Chester Valley 4-H. Tonya Kozlowski exhibited the grand champion, Top-O-Hill Admiral MG Valentine. Cornman called Valentine a sharp looking cow with a nice snug udder. The reserve, Top-O-Hill Silver B Treasurer, was shown by Mildred Seeds, the group's 4-H leader.

Seeds bred not only the grand and reserve champions but the top junior Jersey as well. Top-O-Hill Admiral Pansy- ET, shown by owner Amy Plummer of Chalfont is a classy junior calf. Her brother Paul had the runner up with a junior yearling Four Springs Admiral Amanda, bred by Craig and Susan Wicker. Seeds explained that Amy is new to Jersey showing. "Amy and Paul are brother and sister. She used to show goats. This is her first year with Jerseys."

She is getting a quite an exposure to the show ring. According to Seeds the group had been to five shows already. "We'll take a rest after this fair till the District 4-H show near the end of August," she explained.

Cornman had high accolades for the Brown Swiss at the fair. "Few county fairs can boast the quality Brown Swiss that are here today," Cornman said. Much of that quality came from the Daubert family of Wind Mill Farm, Pine Grove. Ronald Ray Daubert showed the grand champion, Wind Mill Ingles Abba. "This four year old could stand lots of competition," Cornman said.

Daubert's competition came from his 16-year-old nephew, Adam Spittler and junior 2-year-old, Wind Mill Tempter Monica.

Nathan Hostetter picked up the junior champion honors with William Daubert getting the junior reserve.

Ronald Ray Daubert was not particularly surprised by the Wind Mill Farm's win. "I knew I had a good cow. Our family has won the Brown Swiss show every year it's

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Jennifer Miller, right, holds the ribbon she earned for showing the junior champion Holstein during the Schuylkill County Fair. Miller's cousin, Amy Rex, left, displays the ribbon she took for showing the reserve junior champion.



All in the family: Dennis Rex, right, holds his trophy for showing the grand champion Holstein, while niece Jennifer Miller, far left, holds the ribbon she took for junior champion. Schuylkill County Dairy Princess Susan Schaeffer stands between the two.



From the left, Paul Plummer holds his reserve junior champion Jersey, and Dairy Princess Susan Schaeffer smiles while Paul's sister Amy collects the ribbon for having the junior champion Jersey.



From the left, Mildred Seeds, Schuylkill County 4-H leader, is outdone by 4-H member Tonya Kozlowski. Kozlowski takes the trophy for showing the county fair's grand champion Jersey while Seeds receives a ribbon for having the reserve champion.