

# 4-H Dairy Show Has New Award

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 — The Hetrick Award, a brand new award presented to the outstanding 4-H exhibitor at the Wednesday competition of the 41st annual Morrison Cove Dairy Show went to Wesley Metzker of Martinsburg for a two-year-old. The award was presented to the showman with the best owned and bred cow in the competition.

Matt Black won the senior and grand champion awards in the Holstein competition. Reserve Senior and Grand Champions in Holstein competition went to Wes Metzker.

Holstein Junior Champion was Rebecca Kelly and Holstein Reserve Junior Champion was Renee Baker.

### Holstein

Other Holstein awards in first, second and third place were:

- Junior Calves:** Wesley Metzker, Tara Kocher and Rebecca Kelly.
- Intermediate Calves:** Tara Kocher, Angela Frederick, and Renee Baker
- Senior Calves:** Eric Fredrick, John David Kelly, and Rachel Sellers.
- Summer Yearlings:** Roger Stock, David Kocher, and Jennifer Frederick
- Junior Yearlings:** Rebecca Kelly, Lory Baker, and Jason Smeland.
- Intermediate Yearlings:** Renee Baker, Mandy Zook, and Miram Kelly
- Senior Yearlings:** Audrey Fox, Ron Wyles, and Roger Stock
- Junior Two Year Olds:** Wes Metzker, Jennifer Frederick, and Clinton Black
- Senior Two Year Olds:** David Kocher
- Three Year Olds:** Wesley Metzker, David Kocher, and Eric Stone
- Four Year Olds:** Matt Black, Clinton Black and Wade Burket.
- Aged Cows:** Miram Kelly
- Dry Cows:** Clinton Black, Eleanor Baker, and Wesley Metzker.
- Junior Herd:** Wesley Metzker, Clinton Black, and David Baker.

### Guernsey

Guernsey Senior and Grand Champion awards went to Aaron Gable. Jan Snider took the Guernsey Reserve Senior and Grand Champion awards. The Guernsey Junior Champion and Guernsey Reserve Junior Champion awards

went to Aaron Gable and Amber Clark.

### Other Guernsey Awards:

- Junior Calves:** Aaron Gable. **Guernsey Intermediate Calves:** Amber Clark, Aaron Gable, and Matt Morrow
- Senior Calves:** Aaron Gable, David Chesney and Kristi Morrow. **Summer Yearlings:** David Chesney.
- Intermediate Yearlings:** Melissa Morrow
- Senior Yearlings:** Amber Clark, Kristi Morrow
- Junior Two Year Olds:** Jan Snider.
- Senior Two Year Olds:** Aaron Gable, Apryle Hoover
- Four Year Olds:** Kristi Snider. **Guernsey Five Year Olds:** Aaron Gable.
- Dry Cows:** Aaron Gable and Melissa Morrow. Aaron Gable took the Guernsey Junior Herd awards

### Jersey

Jersey Senior Champ and Grand Champ was: Tom Greenleaf. Jersey Reserve Senior and Reserve Grand was Adam Fredrick.

Jennifer Kellerman took the Jersey Junior Champion award and Michelle Sollenberger, the Jersey Reserve Junior Champion.

### Other Jersey awards:

- Junior Calves:** Jennifer Kellerman and Leslie Bailey.
- Intermediate Calves:** Tom Greenleaf.
- Senior Calves:** Keith Brumbaugh.
- Junior Yearlings:** Michelle Sollenberger, and Lee Bailey.
- Intermediate Yearlings:** Tom Greenleaf and Leslie Bailey
- Senior Yearlings:** Aaron Frederick.
- Senior Two Year Olds:** Tom Greenleaf.
- Three Year Olds:** Adam Frederick and Leslie Bailey.
- Junior Herd:** Tom Greenleaf and Leslie Bailey.

### Ayrshire

In Ayrshire Competition, the Grand Champion award went to Rachel McCutcheon and Ayrshire Reserve Grand Champion was James Schilling. Rachel McCutcheon was Ayrshire Junior Champ and James Schilling, Reserve Junior.

- Jr. Yearling:** Rachel McCutcheon, Edna Schilling
- Sr. Yearling:** Bobby Jo Schilling.
- Jr. Calves:** Walter.
- Senior Calves:** James Schilling, Linda Schilling

### Brown Swiss

Joe Stitt took all top awards in



Left to right, with the champions, are Matt Black, Holstein; Aaron Gable, Guernsey; Joe Stitt, Brown Swiss; Monica Goshorn, Milking Shorthorn; Tom Greenleaf, Jersey; and Rachel McCutcheon, Ayrshire.

Brown Swiss competition.

James Schilling was Brown Swiss Junior Champ and Rachel Fox, Reserve Junior Champ.

Brown Swiss Junior Calves first went to Audrey Fox. Joe Stitt took a first in Intermediate Calves.

James Schilling was first in Brown Swiss Junior Yearlings and Rachel Fox, second.

Joe Stitt, first in Senior Two Year Olds and Three Year Olds.

Walter Schilling, first in Four Year Olds.

Joe Stitt, first in Five Year Olds and Dry Cows. Joe Stitt also took a first for the best Brown Swiss Junior Herd.

### Milking Shorthorn

The Goshorn family from Blairs Mills RD took all honors in the Milking Shorthorns. Monica Goshorn was Senior and Grand Champion and Mark took reserve honors.

Monica was also Junior Champ and Shannon Wright was Reserve Junior Champ.

Wright also won a first place in Shorthorn Intermediate Calves. All other awards went to the Goshorns.

### Fitting and Showing

Rachel Fox was Blair County Champion Junior Fitter and Mark Baker took honors for Bedford County at the Morrison Cove 4-H

### Dairy Show.

Baker was also Bedford County Champion Junior Showman. Blair County Champion Showman was Wes Metzker. Blair County Champion Senior Showman was Matt Black and Bedford County Champion Senior Showman was Bobbi Bechtel. Black and Bechtel took the same honors as fitters.

Other fitter and showmen awards were as follows:

- Junior Master Showmen:** Mark Baker, David Kocher and Ron Wyles.
- Senior Master Showman:** Eleanor Baker, Matt Black, and Bobbi Bechtel.
- Junior Master Fitter:** David Kocher, Tara Kocher, and Mark Baker.
- Senior Master Fitter:** Eleanor Baker, Bobbi Bechtel, and Angela Homan.



Wesley Metzker took the first annual Hetrick Award with this 2-year-old.



Left to right, Eleanor Baker, Mark Baker, and David Kocher took top fitting and showing awards in 4-H competition.

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by the Legislature:

- Penn State University Agriculture Extension received \$20.5 million.

- Penn State research was increased by \$500,000 to \$19.518 million.

- The Pennsylvania Milk Marketing Board was returned to its 1989-90 level at \$950,000. It had been cut by Casey during 1990-91 by \$350,000. In so doing, Casey had been accused of reneging on a deal by which the dairy industry offered to support an increase in fees to help support the board. Casey had cut the board's budget just after the increase in fees raised a little more than \$300,000.

Further, Casey had recommended that the board receive no funding for the 1991-92 fiscal year. The current level of appropriations is expected to bring the board on line with what it needed two years ago.

- A rural leadership program, "RULE," received funding of \$200,000.

- In anticipation of nutrient management programs being handled through the conservation districts, the budget includes an additional \$300,000 to bring the conservation districts' total state contribution up to \$1.8 million. Funding of conservation districts are funding in part by state, federal and county governments.

- PennAg fund received \$1 million, the same as last year. PennAg is an economic revitalization fund program.

- FFA received \$40,000, which Gov. Casey did not veto, as he has in previous years.

- The Apple Marketing Board was allocated \$50,000. The board began receiving state funding several years ago, after low apple prices, poor weather conditions and Alar scare reductions in con-

sumer purchases threatened to force the board to shut down.

- The county fair fund, which Casey had recommended be cut severely, had funding increased to \$3.75 million.

- The allocation for the Farm Show was maintained at \$1 million. Casey had sought to cut its budget to \$650,000.

- The Farmland preservation program received a cut of \$1 million. However, future funding seems likely.

According to the tax plan, starting in July 1993, funding for farmland preservation would come from taxes on cigarettes. Included in the current tax plan is a 13-cent-per-pack cigarette tax hike. The hike will bring the total tax on a pack of cigarettes to 31 cents. Out of that 31 cents, the state is to devote two cents toward farmland preservation.

The actual amount raised, based on current cigarette consumption, would generate about \$24 million a year for farmland preservation. However, statistics show that cigarette consumption in Pennsylvania has been steadily declining.

- The University of Pennsylvania, whose funding Casey had wanted to slash, received all of its appropriations. Funding was restored for the UP's veterinary school at \$8,005,000. New Bolton Center got \$3.924 million. The Center for Animal Health and Productivity got \$1.29 million. The food and animal clinic got \$2.113 million.

As far as taxes, which are included in House Bill 185, a 162-page document, several items have officials uncertain as to the effect on a farmer's income:

- Taxes on accounting fees should impact farmers.

- In use for inheritance taxes, the state will be valuing farmland as farmland, not on speculative value.

- A possible imposition on livestock and poultry operators is taxes on building cleaning, maintenance and exterminators. According to a Republican source, if the tax does not exclude farmers attempts will be made quickly to cut it out through other legislation.

- To help fund mass transit, the tax plan will collect \$1 for every tire. This ostensibly would mean truck, tractor, wagon and implement tires.

- Also to help fund mass transit, electric utility rates will go up by 12 mills. With rural electric companies and cooperatives already paying more, it could have a "feelable" impact.

- The increase in income taxes will cut into take-home pay, which could make farm labor less attractive, possibly create more "under the table" employment situations, or reduce the rural job offerings, already limited.

- Sales tax on any interstate telephone calls, retroactive to July 1, may add additional costs to agribusinesses, if not family farmers.

- A new tax on building private roads may have some implications on farmers. Most farmers probably will not feel the impact of taxes on delivered confections and pizzas, which is lumped in with building private roads.

- It's still unknown what effect the increased corporate taxes will have on family farm corporations.

- Another sales tax is related to computers, computer programs and computer services. A number of agriculture computer services have been growing. The affect to these costs is also unknown.

- A sales tax on building maintenance is vague and could possibly involve farm and agricultural operations.

- There is also a new sales tax on lawn care services.