Astro Kat

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title at the Maryland State Fair earlier this fall, and won the title again at the All-American Dairy Show in Harrisburg, Pa., two weeks ago.

Judging the International Holstein Show, at which Astro Kat was named grand champion of the Holstein breed, was Ken Empey, of Ontario, Canada. Empey declared she was just a "super, super fine cow, the kind I would like to own."

Assisting Ken Empey was Dr. Gary Rogers, of University Park, Pa., as associate judge.

The World Dairy Expo in Madison is the Super Bowl of the dairy industry. It is quite an honor and accomplishment to achieve supreme champion status. Although Gayridge farm was a coowner of the 1988 Grand Champion Holstein, Cathland Lilac, and again in 1989 with C Hanson Prestar Mona Lisa at Madison, Kat is their first to be chosen supreme. This makes C Rossland Astro Kat the best cow in the world.

Mary Louise Wilcom of Gayridge said, "When I phoned my husband, I said we're no longer a bridesmaid we're the bride!"

Gayridge and Kingstead also had first placings in the senior 3-year-old and 4-year-old cow classes and were named premier exhibitor.

Cattle exhibited at the Expo came from 13 states, four countries and two Canadian providence. Guests and spectators were estimated to be the largest crowd ever for this 25th anniversary celebration. There were 2,600 international guests from 63 countries. Commercial and craft exhibitors numbered more than 600.

John Andrew Foster III, of Petersburg, Pa., had the first place 2-year-old in the junior division. In placing the 39 2-year-old cows,

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Judge Empey commented that this was the best 2-year-old class he ever placed and that he was honored to judge such an outstanding class of cows.

The World Classic Holstein Sale was held on Friday evening offering 51 consignments. The

sale averaged \$9,776 per head. The highest selling female was an embryo transfer (ET) of Hilltop Hanover-B Mark Dove-ET, Blackmoor M-S Daisy and sired by To-Mar Blackstar-ET, consigned by Kathleen Seidel of Bellemeade, NJ. She was purchased for \$40,000 by Irishtown Partner-

ship, Queenstown, Md.

The top offering, known as the Fabulous Five, was sold as a package of five males consigned by Lylehaven, East Montpelier, Vt. They were purchased by the Fabulous Five Syndicate c/o Richard Whitaker, Maine, for \$100,000.

A second choice male of tour male pregnancies due Jan. 31, 1992 out of Lawcrest Rotate Mindy, consigned by S. Armbrust & Crescentmead of Greenbay, Wis., went for \$42,000 to the Mindy Syndicate, c/o Richard Lawson, Jamestown, N.Y. The first choice had already been sold to Japan.

New Holland Farm Show Sale Draws Crowd

NEW HOLLAND (Lancaster Co.) — At one of its largest shows and one of the best ever, local businesses purchased 24 lambs and 51 hogs last week at the New Holland Farm Show Sale.

Jodie Weaver sold her grand and reserve grand champion lambs for \$844 and Geraid Boyd sold his grand and reserve grand champion hogs for \$1,699.

A&C Diffenbach bought Jodie's 138-pound grand champion lamb for \$4 per pound. Lester Weaver purchased Jodie's 136-pound reserve grand champion lamb for \$2.15 per pound.

Hazel Park Packing of Hazelton purchased Gerald Boyd's 246-pound grand champion hog for \$4.50 per pound. Stoltzfus Meats, Intercourse, bought Gerald's 252-pound reserve grand champion for \$2.35 per pound.

Gerald also sold his 238-pound reserve light heavyweight hog for \$1 per pound to New Holland Sales Stables. Jeff Martin sold his 128-pound middle weight champion lamb for \$1.05 per pound to Bruce Stajnrajh. Troy Bollinger

sold his 104-pound lightweight champion lamb for \$1.50 per pound to Dr. Gary VanDyke.

Kendall Reiff sold his 121-pound middle weight reserve champion lamb to Sensenig Feed Mill For \$1,10 per pound and his 90-pound lightweight reserve champion lamb to Keystone Farm Credit for \$1.30 per pound.

Cory Pfautz sold the champion light heavyweight hog for \$1 per pound to Keystone Farm Credit. Joleen Herbert sold the champion middle weight hog for \$1 per

pound to Gehman Feed Mill. Clark Stoltzfus sold the 218-pound reserve lightweight hog for \$1 per pound to New Holland Sales Stables.

Kurtis Good sold his 226-pound reserve champion middle weight hog to Hatfield Quality Meats for \$1.25 a pound and his brother Kenton sold the 212-pound champion lightweight hog for \$1.55.

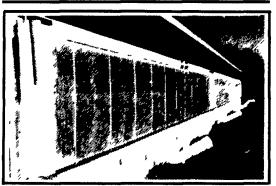
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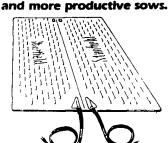


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