

# Tioga County Cows Take Home Awards At Northeast Holstein Show

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TROY (Bradford Co.) —  
Esbern Mark Corinne Connie, a 4-year-old, took four champion awards at the Northeast Pennsylvania Holstein Champion Show held here much to the surprise and delight of Olivia Courtney.

As the 13-year-old daughter of Harld and Sherry Courtney of Mansfield led her cow through each class it qualified for, her eyes widened and her smile broadened with each blue ribbon the bovine earned.

Placing the cow first in both the open and junior 4-year-old class, Judge John Beerwort of Knowlton, Quebec, Canada, said Esbern Mark Corinne Connie simply overpowered the rest of the animals in her class. She showed better angularity, good dairyness, and since he liked the height and width of the udder, Courtney's cow was named best udder in her class.

These were also the same reasons the judge awarded the animal senior champion, youth senior champion, grand champion, and youth grand champion. In the grand champion division, however, Beerwort said that he thought the cow's teats were nicer placed than those of the other contenders.

Esbern Mark Corinne Connie, sired by Walkway Chief Mark, was born Nov. 21, 1987. Breeder Bernard G. Courtney had chosen Esbern Dandy Etta Corinne as her dam.

Earning blue ribbons is nothing new for Courtney nor her cow, Connie. First shown by Leroy Plance as a senior calf at the Northeast Holstein Champion Show, the animal won first place. This year at the Tioga County Fair, Courtney's cow took first in her class, senior champion and grand champion.

The pair plan to attend the State Open Show at Penn State Sept. 11 and the 4-H Show in Harrisburg Sept. 22.

Reserve grand and senior champion went to Gordon and Dorothy Wood's Gor-Wood-D HM Eureka. The animal also placed first in the senior 3-year-old class. Naming her best udder for her class, Beerwort said he liked the overall balance of the animal and the height and width of her udder.

Gordon Wood of Mansfield also received the premier breeder and premier exhibitor awards for his animals at the show. Other first

place awards that went to Wood were dam and daughter class for Gor-Wood-D Valiant Racquette, a 6-year-old, and her daughter, Gor-Wood-D Jeffery Riunite, a 3-year-old. Riunite took first in the junior 3-year-old class and was named best udder. The judge commented on how much he liked her through the neck and shoulders and thought her lines were cleaner.

In the six years and over class, Wood's Gor-Wood-D Warden Fond Memory earned a first place because, according to Beerwort, "She has too much style, balance, and scale compared to the others in the class...And she walks on a real good set of legs."

Another product of Gordon and Dorothy Woods, Gor-Wood-D Star B Splendor took first in the senior 2-year-old class.

Commenting on his reasons for choosing her over the others, Beerwort said, "She has more front end and width of chest." He also liked the way her neck comes out and the shoulders set nicer.

A red Holstein, Gor-Wood-D Rhythm Maiden Red, took first in the dry cow 4-year-and-under class, because the judge said he liked her front end. In height and width, she overpowered the cow coming in second.

In the dairy cow 5-year-and-over class, Wood's Gor-Wood-D Jet Rona placed first. "This cow walks with style," said Beerwort. "I like the quality of the bone in the rear leg."

The Gor-Wood-D farm also took the first place ribbon in the best three senior females class.

A milker in the 100,000-pound class was named youth reserve grand champion as well as youth senior champion. Jeremy Braund of Troy owns the animal, which placed first in both the junior and senior divisions of the 100,000-pound class.

Beerwort said of Braund Valley Valiant Charm that he liked the height and width of her udder and noted that she walks out easier than other animals in her class.

## NORTHEAST PENNSYLVANIA CHAMPION HOLSTEIN SHOW RESULTS

### Spring (Jr.) Calf

Junior Division: 1. Monica B. Knowlton, Roaring Branch; 2. Jacob R. Tomlinson, Wellsboro; 3. Charity A. Courtney, Mansfield.

Open Division: 1. Ben and Dean Jackson, Columbia Crossroads; 2. and 3. Lynn and Bonnie Miller, Towanda.

### Winter (Int) Calf

Junior Division: 1. Danielle Sparling, Troy; 2. Richard H. Bishop of Roaring Branch, 3. David S. Packard of Troy.



Premier breeder and exhibitor awards may have gone to Gordon and Dorothy Wood, but not without a little help from family and friends who lent a hand showing the animals. Pictured, along with Wood's top cow are, left to right, front row: Chris Wood and Ron Wood. Backrow, fitter Bill Neal, Gordon Wood, fitter Brian Sparling, Jill Wood, Tina Wood, and Tim Wood.

Open Division: 1. Danielle Sparling; 2. Al and Mary Sparling, Troy; 3. Richard H. Bishop.

### Fall (Sr) Calf

Junior Division: 1. John M. Miller Jr., Wellsboro; 2. Justin Wesnski; 3. Lyn Lene Farm, LeRaysville.

Open Division: Paul and Caroline Moyer, Roaring Branch; 2. Ray and Shirley Norconk, New Albany; 3. Roger Green and Janet Deibler, Centre Hall.

### Summer Yearling

Junior Division: 1. Deanna Sparling, Troy; 2. Olivia Courtney; 3. Chad T. Neal, Roaring Branch.

Open Division: 1. Lynn and Bonnie Miller; 2. Deanna Sparling; 3. Olivia Courtney.

Junior Division: 1. Susan Waltz, Jersey Shore; 2. Jeremy A. Braund; 3. Lyn Lene Farm.

Open Division: 1. Susan Waltz; 2. Lynn and Bonnie Miller; 3. Gen-Rich Farms, Columbia Crossroads.

### Winter (Int) Yearling

Junior Division: 1. Danielle Sparling; 2. Charity Courtney.

Open Division: 1. Gen-Rich Farms; 2. Lynn and Bonnie Miller; 3. Danielle Sparling.

### Fall (Sr) Yearling

Junior Division: 1. Adam Farley, Muncy; 2. Richard H. Bishop; 3. Allen Aber, Columbia Crossroads.

Open Division: 1. Adam Fraley, Muncy; 2. Richard H. Bishop; 3. Herman Bishop, Roaring Branch.

Junior Champion, Danielle Sparling; Reserve Junior Champion, Gen-Rich Farms; Youth Junior Champion, Danielle Sparling; Youth Reserve Junior Champion, Susan Waltz.

Junior Best Three Females: 1. Royal Haven, Towanda; 2. Gen-Rich Farms; 3. Maple Flat, Troy.

### Dry Cow 4-year and Under

Junior Division: 1. John M. Miller Jr., Wellsboro.

Open Division: 1. Gordon and Dorothy Wood; 2. John Bennett, Millerton; 3. Gordon and Dorothy Wood.

### Dry Cow 5-year and Over

Junior Division: 1. Lyn Lene Farm; 2. Jeff Pirrung.

Open Division: 1 and 2 Gordon and Dorothy Wood; 3. Lyn Lene Farm

### Junior 2-year old

Junior Division: 1. Amy L. Packard, Troy; 2. Greta Braund, Troy; 3. Jill Marie Sheeley, Troy.

Open Division: 1. Amy L. Packard, 2nd Best Udder; 2. Greta Braund; 3. Ben and Dean Jackson, Best Udder.

### Senior 2-year old

Open Division: 1. Gordon and Dorothy Wood, 2. Paul and Caroline Moyer, Roaring Branch; 3. Richard and Wilber Wheeler, Gillett.

### Junior 3-year old

Junior Division: 1. David S. Packard; 2. Melissa Walrath, Milan.

Open Division: 1. Gordon and Dorothy Wood, Best Udder, 2. Gordon and Dorothy Wood, 2nd Best Udder; 3. Al and Mary Sparling, Troy.

### Senior 3-year old

Junior Division: 1. David S. Packard; 2. Hermandale Farms, Roaring Branch.

Open Division: 1. Gordon and Dorothy Wood, Best Udder; 2. Terri L. Packard, Troy, 2nd Best Udder; 3. Gordon and Dorothy Wood.

### Four-year old

Junior Division: 1. Olivia Courtney.  
Open Division: 1. Olivia Courtney,

Best Udder; 2. Hermandale Farms, 2nd Best udder; 3. Gen-Rich Farms.

### Five year-old

Open Division: 1. Gen-Rich Farms, Best Udder.

### Six years and over

Open Division: 1 and 2. Gordon and Dorothy Wood; 3. Gordon and Dorothy Wood, 2nd Best Udder; 4. Gordon and Dorothy Wood, Best Udder.

### 100,000-lb. Class

Junior Division: 1. Jeremy Braund.  
Open Division: 1. Jeremy Braund; 2 and 3. Gordon and Dorothy Wood.

Senior Champion, Olivia Courtney; Reserve Senior Champion, Gordon and Dorothy Wood; Youth Senior Champion, Olivia Courtney; Reserve Youth Senior Champion, Jeremy

Braund; Grand Champion, Olivia Courtney; Reserve Grand Champion, Gordon and Dorothy Wood; Youth Grand Champion, Olivia Courtney; Reserve Youth Grand Champion, Jeremy Braund; Best Bred and Owned by Exhibitor, Olivia Courtney.

Best Three Senior Females: 1. Gor-Wood-D; 2. Pack-Herd Holstein, Troy. Produce of Dam, Pack-Herd Holstein.

Daughter and Dam; 1. Gordon and Dorothy Wood; 2. Gordon and Dorothy Wood; 3. Wheeler's Dairy, Tioga. Premier Breeder, Gordon and Dorothy Wood. Premier Exhibitor, Gordon and Dorothy Wood.



A beautiful bowl was awarded to Courtney when Esbern Mark Corinne Connie received the Dick Chamberlain Memorial Award for best bred and owned by exhibitor.



Olivia Courtney holds her grand champion winner Esbern Mark Corinne Connie.



Jeremy Braund's cow, Braund Valley Valliant Charm, won first in the 100,000-pound class, as well as youth reserve senior champion and youth reserve grand champion.