

4-H

HAPPENINGS



Fourteen Wayne County 4-H capon project members exhibited dressed capons at the recent 4-H capon roundup. Shown in this photo are the three age-group champions. They are, left to right, Chandra Swendsen, Milanville (Calkins Ag), intermediate division champion and grand champion 4-H Capon Exhibit; Mark Nebzydoski, Pleasant Mount (Pleasant Mount Go-Getters), senior division champion; and James Bannon, R R 1 Waymart, (Cherry Ridge), junior division champion and reserve grand champion 4-H capon exhibit. Dr. Herbert C. Jordan, retired extension associate professor of poultry science at Penn State University, served as judge for the 4-H capon roundup.

Turkey Roundups

The Wayne County 4-H Capon and 4-H Turkey Roundups were held recently at the Wayne County Cooperative Extension Courthouse in Honesdale.

Dr. Herbert C. Jordan, retired extension associate professor of poultry science at Penn State University, served as judge.

Chandra J Swendsen, Milanville and a member of the Calkins 4-H Ag Club, was the exhibitor of the grand champion pair of dressed 4-H capons. Chandra's two capons earned a total score of 19.7 out of a possible 20 points.

James W. Bannon, R R 1 Waymart, and a member of the Cherry Ridge 4-H Community Club, was the exhibitor of the reserve grand champion pair of dressed 4-H capons. Jim's two capons earned a total score of 19.3 points out of a possible 20 points.

The results of the entire 4-H Capon Roundup were: Junior Division - champion and blue ribbon, James Bannon; reserve champion and blue ribbon, Dan Nebzydoski, Pleasant Mount (Pleasant Mount Go-Getters 4-H Club), blue ribbon, Peter Nebzydoski, Pleasant Mount (Pleasant Mount Go-Getters) and white ribbon, Corey Keating, RR 3 Lake Ariel (Kountry Kids 4-H Club).

Intermediate division - champion and blue ribbon, Chandra Swendsen; reserve champion and blue ribbon, Renee Bannon, RR 1 Waymart (Cherry Ridge 4-H Community Club), red ribbon, Beth Nebzydoski, Pleasant Mount (Pleasant Mount Go-Getters), Paul Rosengrant, Lake Ariel (Explorers 4-H Club), Chad Keating, R R 3 Lake Ariel (Kountry Kids 4-H Club) and white ribbon, Stephen Nebzydoski, R D 1 Pleasant Mount (Pleasant Mount Go-Getters).

Senior Division: champion and blue ribbon, Mark Nebzydoski, Pleasant Mount (Pleasant Mount

Go-Getters), reserve champion and blue ribbon, Dave Nebzydoski, Pleasant Mount, (Pleasant Mount Go-Getters), red ribbon, Scott Lewis, R D 1 Pleasant Mount (Pleasant Mount Go-Getters) and red ribbon, Mike Nebzydoski, Pleasant Mount (Pleasant Mount Go-Getters).

The average weight of all the 4-H capons presented for judging was 10½ pounds per dressed capon. The 4-H capons are judged on a number of factors, including the overall meatiness of the dressed capon. This includes a wide, thick and long breast, plump and meaty legs and thighs, and a "pleasing-to-the-eye" covering of skin on the dressed capon. Additional factors to consider are the quality of the slaughtering and "dressing" of the capon plus the packaging of the capon in a clean plastic poultry bag. The dressed capons are meant to be presented in "ready-for-the-oven" type of exhibit.

The 4-H Turkey Roundup involved five 4-H members. The turkey exhibits were judged using a scorecard very similar to the one for the 4-H capon roundup.

The results of this 4-H Roundup were blue ribbon, Renee Bannon; red ribbon, Corey Keating, James Bannon and Chad Keating; and white ribbon, Paul Rosengrant.

The average weight of the 4-H turkey exhibits was about 24 pounds per dressed turkey.

The 4-H capon and 4-H turkey projects are just two of the 4-H poultry science projects offered by the Pennsylvania 4-H Program and the Wayne County 4-H Program. For additional information about these 4-H projects and others, contact the Wayne County Cooperative Extension at (717) 253-5970, extension 239 or by visiting the 4-H office, located in the basement of the Wayne County Courthouse in Honesdale.

Airville 4-H Club Achievement Night

The Airville Community 4-H Club held its annual achievement night at the Pine Grove Church hall.

Members and their families enjoyed a ham and covered dish meal followed by the presentation of achievement awards.

The following 4-H members were recognized for their efforts over the past year:

Cloverbud- Mandy Warner.

Junior Division:

Aquatic Science- Tim Caudill.

Ceramics- Nichole Koons.

Entomology- Amanda Hedrick

Meet The Plants- Jessica Pomraning

Strawberries- Samantha Koons.

Swine- Lacie Watkins

Vegetables- 1. Nathan Hedrick.

Senior Division:

Aquatic Science- Robert Davis

Ceramics- Westley Davis

Clothing- Crystal Snyder

Clover Award- Justin Hedrick

Wood Science- Duane Kilgore.

Outstanding Club Awards:

Rookie Boy- Ryan Hedrick

Rookie Girl- Stephanie Pomraning.

Outstanding Junior- Andrea Denny.

Outstanding Senior- Jay Caudill.

Senior Achievement- Grace Denny

Also recognized were the members that sold the most 4-H cookies: Crystal Snyder- 252 boxes, Grace Denny- 198 boxes, and Samantha Koons- 180 boxes. All members who sold 60 or more boxes earned a tee-shirt, 25-60 boxes, a 4-H pen, and 12-24 boxes, a 4-H pencil.

Airville 4-H Club Elects Officers

The Airville 4-H Club installed its new officers for the 1992/1993 term at the annual Achievement Night held at the Pine Grove Church Hall.

Officers are: President- Nichole Koons; Vice-President- Jay Caudill; Secretary- Jamie Snyder; Historian- Jessica Pomraning; News Reporter- David Warner; Game Leader- Sonni Mayberry; and Song Leader- Stephanie Pomraning.

Membership would like to extend their thanks and appreciation for a job well done to the outgoing officers: President- Justin Hedrick; Vice-President- Jay Caudill; Secretary- Andrea Denny; Treasurer- Grace Denny; Historian- Samantha Koons; News Reporter, Nichole Koons; Game Leader- Nathan Hedrick; and Song Leaders- Jessica Pomraning; and Joshua Stavis.

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