

# Kimmels Host Somerset County Day



Somerset Co. Day at the Farm was held at the beautiful farm of Jim and Joann Kimmel near Berlin. Family members from left are Tammy Martin, Nicholas Martin, Mark Martin, Greg Walker, Barb Walker, Kaitlyn Walker, Joann Kimmel, Jana Selfert, Jim Kimmel, Sandy Selfert and Bethany Selfert. Bob Selfert, because of employment obligations was absent.

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**BERLIN (Somerset Co.)** — Its 10th anniversary was celebrated on Sunday, June 27 and for the 10th time, the Lord himself supplied the natural Vitamin D to the other nutritious commodities visitors received during Day at the Farm.

He sent the ultra-violet rays of a wonderfully lazy sun that appeared to have nothing better to do, except to shine gloriously down on Jim and Joann Kimmel's Glade View Dairy of Distinction Farm.

Glade View Farm was the site for this year's Somerset County Day at the Farm and some 1,700 visitors were eager to partake of the Kimmel hospitality and that of the sponsoring Somerset Co. Farmers Asso. which prepared and served the food samples.

Like always, hayrides around the farm acreage, never lacking for wagon passengers, were embarking steadily from the loading zone along the Route 160 roadway which splices the Kimmel farm, separating the barn from

the house and most of the pastureland.

Milk chugging was discovered to be a popular contest just last year when five teams vied for supremacy. This year 10 teams went at it in a scandalous departure from etiquette that implied no word but "chugging" would aptly fit the occasion.

Not only did milk mustaches surround broadly grinning mouths when they slapped down their disposable cups and came up for air, but a considerable number of contestants also needed a change of clothes before they turned sour from the overflow.

Somerset Co. commissioner, Robert Will, outdid his celebrity competitors to win the hand milking contest while Kimmel held his five-year old Holstein cow steady. When asked what the cow's name was, Kimmel said she didn't have one, then changed his mind and said "Just call her Bessie."

Tossing hay bales was a popular contest for kids and adults.

Young Donald's Farm provided an interesting assortment of animals for visitors to enjoy. There



Joe Weston, 14 of Somerset tosses a hay bale during the Somerset Co. Day at the Farm event.

## 4-H HAPPENINGS

### New Jersey 4-H Action Days

James Atkinson, liaison to Rutgers, N.J. Cooperative Extension 4-H, announced that Sandy Clark of Franklinville and John Tighe of Williamstown represented Gloucester County at 4-H Action Days on Cook/Douglass Campus, Rutgers, The State University of New Jersey, New Brunswick.

More than 150 4-H teens from all over New Jersey participated in this annual event, sharing ideas, learning new skills, and participating in 13 workshops and seminars designed to increase their leadership skills and provide personal enrichment. The conference was coordinated by the Rutgers Cooperative Extension Office. Action Days was sponsored by the New Jersey 4-H development fund.

Besides seminars, both Gloucester County representatives were involved in events at the conference, such as the state fashion revue and the alumnae banquet.

### State 4-H Horse Judging Champions

Gloucester County N.J. 4-H Horse Club members traveled to Warren County on Saturday, June 26 and walked away with the top honors in the State 4-H Horse Judging Contest.

Members consisted of Beverly Macklin and Jaimee Hochswinder of Williamstown and Chrystal Long of Franklinville. The team will go on to Louisville, Ky. for national competition in November. The junior team placed third overall in the state. Members are Leigh Allen and Nicole Capucci of Franklinville.

The children judged classes of various breeds. Breeds involved Quarter Horses, Model Hunters, Freisians, and Percherons. Performance classes were western pleasure and saddle seat equitation. On three of the classes they had to give oral reasons. The contest was coordinated by the Rutgers Cooperative Extension Office.

All the judging team members will be going in October to the All American Quarter Horse Congress in Columbus, Ohio for a field trip before the big competition in November.

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