

Poole Wins Grand Champion Holstein At Kutztown

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KUTZTOWN (Berks Co.) — It took 21 years, but David Poole finally got his grand champion recently at the Kutztown Fair Holstein Show.

Poole, Bernville R.D. 2, whose farm is called Fantasyland Holsteins, savored every minute of it as he watched Nell, a 3-year-old junior cow, gather several prizes. Nell also got best udder and was one of the best three.

Poole was particularly pleased that his cow won this show, because it is one of the most intensely competitive show in the county. Most of the top Holstein herds are represented.

Poole's grand champion has a tremendous dairy frame, noted judge John Howard of Lancaster County. "She's nearly perfect over the top line; wide all the way through from hooks to pins. She also carries that width through the rear.

"Her udder attachment is level on the udder floor and she's correct on her hind legs, viewed from the side and the rear," Howard said.

Besides her strong physical characteristics, Poole said the cow's personality is "awesome."

"She's a baby," he said with a smile.

Lolly Leshner, fair spokeswoman, noted that Poole's herd is always in the top five at all the shows in the county.

"He's modest, but his is just an excellently managed herd," Leshner said.

Stacey Geist of Topton won the most honors of the night, including senior champion and grand champion. Several other of her cows won top honors.

Howard praised all the cows in the show, saying the quality was good.

"There are a lot of really close placings," he said.

This year, Leshner noted, the total number of animals, including sheep, steer and hogs at the fair is

749, up from last year's 690 animals.

Following is a list of show placings.

KUTZTOWN FAIR HOLSTEIN SHOW RESULTS

Junior Calves: 1. Susie Luckenbill of Bernville 2. Trisha Geist of Topton 3. David Sattazahn. Intermediate Calves: 1. Jessica Luckenbill of Bernville 2. Steven Younker of Fleetwood 3. Stacey Geist. Senior Calves: 1. Douglas Sattazahn 2. Susie Luckenbill 3. Crystal Miller of Hamburg. Summer Yearlings: 1. Erica Davis of Kutztown 2. Jessica Luckenbill 3. Cindy Bray of Bethel. Junior Yearlings: 1. Stacey Geist 2. Stacey Geist 3. Stacey Dietrich of Germansville. Inter. Yearlings: 1. Erica Davis 2. Lynette Heffner of Kutztown 3. Sandra Gross. Senior Yearlings: 1. Gregory Davis 2. Crystal Miller 3. Stacey Dietrich. Junior Champion: Gregory Davis (senior yearling) Reserve junior champion Erica Davis with her intermediate yearling. Dry Cows: 1. Stacey Geist 2. Janice Youse of Oley 3. Leslie Nirschel of Mohrsville. Jr. 2-year-olds: 1. Jennifer Davis of Leesport 2. Trisha Geist 3. Brian Gougler of Hamburg. Senior 2-year-olds: Stacey Geist of Merri-town 2. Brandon Schroeder of Hamburg 3. Steven Dietrich. Junior 3-year olds: 1. Duane Stump of Bernville 2. Amy Hollenbach of Bernville 3. Jennifer Hix of Bernville. Sr. 3-year-old: 1. Stacey Geist 2. Melissa Werley of Hamburg 3. Jennifer Grimes of Strausstown. 4-year-olds: 1. Jennifer Davis of Leesport. 5-year-olds: 1. Sandra Gross. 6-year-old: 1. Angela Werley 2. Jennifer Grimes. Club herds: 1. Northern Berks 4-H 2. Northern Berks 4-H 3. Eastern Berks 4-H. Sr. champ and Grand Champion—Stacey Geist (sr. 3-year-old) reserve Melissa Werley (sr. 3-year-old). Results of the Open Show: Jr. calves 1. Fantasyland Holsteins (David Poole) 2. Susie Luckenbill 3. Mark Hoch of Oley. Intermediate calves: 1. Jessica Luckenbill 2. Fantasyland Holsteins 3. Steven Younker. Senior calves: 1. Reu-Hel Farms, Mohrsville; 2. Douglas Sattazahn 3. Susie Luckenbill. Summer yearling: 1. (all same as junior show). Jr. Yearling: 1. Stacey Geist 2. Fantasyland Holsteins 3. Stacey Geist. Int. Yearling 1. Fantasyland Holsteins 2. Erica Davis 3. Lynette Heffner. Senior Yearling 1. Fantasyland Holsteins 2. Gregory Davis 3. Crystal Miller. Jr. Champion: Reu-Hel; Reserve grand, Fantasyland sr. yearling. Jr. best three females: 1. Fantasyland 2. Erica Davis 3. Susie Luckenbill. Dry cows: 1. Stacey Geist 2. Janice Youse 3. Leslie Nirschel. Jr. 2-year old: 1. Ray and Michael Davis, Leesport; 2. Marc Schroeder of Hamburg 3. John and Rita Stump of Bernville. Sr. 2-year old: 1. Stacey Geist 2. Brandon Schroeder 3. Steven Dietrich. Jr. 3-year old: 1. Fantasyland 2. Eric Troutman of Mohrsville 3. John and Rita Stump. Sr. 3-year old: 1. Stacey Geist 2. Melissa Werley 3. Jennifer Grimes. Four-year-olds: 1. Jennifer Davis 2. Fantasyland Holsteins. 5 year olds: 1. Michael Davis of Leesport 2. Sandra Gross. 6 year old: 1. Jeffrey Davis of Leesport 2. Scott Youse of Oley 3. Angela Werley. Sr. champion: Fantasyland Holsteins Reserve Sr. grand champion: Eric Troutman.

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Winners of the open show are, from left, Eric Troutman's cow, reserve senior champion and reserve grand champion, shown here by Tammy Epting, and Nell, a 3-year-old junior cow owned by David Poole of Bernville, right. Holding the cow's halter is Martha Heffner.



The Troutman family of Mohrsville is the premier breeder at the Kutztown Fair. From left are Scott, holding the latest addition, Douglas, and wife, Connie. With them is John Howard, Stacey Geist and Trisha Geist, whose cows come from the Reu-Hel herd. In front are Tammy Epting, who helped show the cows owned by Eric, in front, and Jason. Tammy also won premier exhibitor.



Members of the Northern Berks 4-H Dairy Club are happy they won the best club award.



Winners of the junior show are, from left, Melissa Werley with the reserve grand champion and Stacey Geist with the grand champion.



Erica Davis, 13, has the reserve grand champion of the junior show and her brother, Gregory, 10, has the grand champion Holstein.