Mifflin County Youth Show Fills Barns To Capacity

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MIFFLIN (Mifflin Co.) — "It's a problem I can live with," said Mifflin County's 4-H and youth development extension agent a few months before the Youth Fair. Jim Ladlee was seeing how the Youth Fair entries were shaping up, and when the 1993 Mifflin County Youth Fair got under way, Ladlees' predicted problem rang true - the barns were filled to capacity. The general trend over the past few years has been more of all animal projects.

More kids with more projects meant changes in the "Green" building too. This marked the first year for nonparticipant judging in the building that houses non-livestock entries such as sewing, woodworking, vegetables, ceramics, cake decorating, and more.

"We all agree it's better for participants to talk to the judges," said extension director Dave Filson. But, he said, kids were standing in line sometimes 45 minutes and many kids had several projects. "We designed a judging sheet with room for comments and the kids get those judging sheets." Filson said non participant judging streamlined the whole process.

While more entries and quicker judging time help make any fair successful, Filson was quick to credit all the volunteers who help towards success - from kid signups to meals, displays, entering animals, helping in the showring, set-up, and tear-down — you name it, Filson said. "If there were no volunteers, we wouldn't have a successful fair."

Filson enjoyed the fair as both extension director and parent and noted that downpours during two days of the fair muddled the midways but did little to dampen the fair spirit. No one in agriculture complained about the badly needed rain.

And, under roof, the shows went on as usual.

In the Open Dairy Show, Ayrshire grand champion went to John Reed Rodgers and his senior yearling Plum Bottom Lovely Tet-ET. She has won several shows and is consigned to the Pennsylvania Ayrshire Elite Sale at the All American this September. Her full sister was junior champion at the Farm Show. Reserve Grand Champion went to Rodger's Winter Yearling Plum Bottom Legend's Noelle.

Clinton E. Staley showed the Brown Swiss Grand Champion, a 4-year-old named Hidden Hills G Flora. Reserve Grand Champion went to Christopher Uhland and his Junior 2-year-old Penstate Eventide Jesi CBU.

In the Jersey show, Melissa Gro took Grand Champion with her Summer Yearling Stone Hill Heidi Joshynn and Brad Wright won Reserve Grand Champion with GRTRI-Jersey Yankem.

Top honors of the Holstein Open Show were awarded to Matt Kline and his Senior 2-year-old C Vogeldale Counselor Karol, sired by Carnation Counselor. Andy Reed earned Reserve Grand Champion with his Four-Year-Old Reed-Gap Ned Boy Lila, sired by Whittier-Farms Ned Boy. Open Show Junior Champion was Matt Kline with his Winter Calf Jar-Am-Hills Leadman Satin while Reserve Junior Champion went to Ed Glick and his Winter

Yearling Glickdale Wister Lottie. Mike Kline was awarded Youth Open Show Reserve Junior Champion with his Fall Calf Vern-Lee Will Juliet.

The Lee and Joanne Yoder family of Ridge-Point Farm in McVeytown won the Premier Exhibitor Award. Andy Reed earned both the Daughter and Dam-and the Produce of Dam Awards. Matthew Kline won the Best Udder Award. Best Three Females went to Vern-Lee Holsteins. Best Farm

Display went to the Frances and Joyce Uhland family of Lewistown.

Show results were as follows: YOUTH DAIRY SHOW

Spring Junior Calf: 1. Matthew J. Yoder, 2. Brian Vaughn, 3. Kimbra Hartzler. Fall Senior Calf: 1. Michael Kline, 2. Erin Goss, 1st Red - Mandy Stewart.

Winter Intermediate Calf: 1. Matt Kline, 2. Alisha Glick, 3. Joseph Yoder.

Summer Yearling: 1. Matt Kline, 2. An-

drew Reed, 3. Bradley Yoder. Spring Junior Yearling: 1. Michelle Yod-er, 2. Laura Peachey, 3. Shawn Yoder. Winter Intermediate Yearling: 1. Cindy Yoder, 2. Michael Yoder, 3. Charity Ann RoyFall Senior Yearling: 1. Megan Goss, 2. Michael Yoder, 1st Red - Brad Wright (FFA). Dry Cow 2 Yrs. & Over: 1. Kimbra Hartzler.

Junior 2-Year-Olds: 1. Michael Kline, 2. Michelle Yoder, 3. Peter Fultz (FFA). Senior 2-Year-Olds: 1. Matther Kline, 2.

Michael Yoder, 3. Crystal Staley. 3-Year-Olds: 1. Bradley Yoder, 1st Red

Samantha Royer. 4-Year-Olds: 1. Andrew Reed, 2. Dana

Smoker. 6-Year-Oids: 1. Shawn Smoker.

BROWN SWISS Junior 2-Year-Old: 1. Christopher Uhland.

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Lee and Joanne Yoder of Ridge-Point Farm near McVeytown earned the Premier Exhibitor Award for bringing 10 dairy animals to the Mifflin County Youth Fair. In the front row are Joanne, Matt, and Joe. Back row includes Cindy, Bradley, Nathan, and

