

Walker Repeats 4-H Supreme Dairy Title

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YORK (York Co.) — New Freedom junior exhibitor Brad Walker made it two-for-two at the York Fair Junior Dairy show recently, claiming his second supreme champion in as many county youth shows.

The 16-year-old 4-H member took the overall dairy title in the junior show with his "Warns Sexy Lady," a Very Good-87 3-year-old milking 25,000 pounds in her second lactation. Lady won the junior show Holstein classes, then topped champions from the five other dairy breeds to take the supreme honors.

Walker made a sweep of junior show honors, also winning the reserve champion Holstein placing, as well as being selected champion showman of the competition. He is the son of Brenda and Leroy Walker, Walk-Le Farms, New Freedom R1.

Contenders for the supreme dairy title were Heather Crowl, Airville, with the champion Milking Shorthorn; Jesse Stambaugh, Spring Grove, Ayrshire champion; Kelly Myers, Spring Grove, Brown Swiss; Annie Rauhauser, Jersey; and Michelle Jenkins, Guernsey.

Erin Marks, Airville, was selected fitting champion from the junior dairy show. Showmanship age division winners were Angie Beshore, New Cumberland, age 8-9; Rebecca Kilgore, Airville, age 10-12; Dixie Doll, Glen Rock, age 13-15; and Brad Walker, age 16 and up.

Judges for the York Fair junior dairy show were Maryland Holstein breeders Mike Haines and Jason Myers.

A partial list of winners follows:

HOLSTEIN
Spring Calf: 1. Chad Trimmer, 2. Kathleen Jenkins; 3. Dixie Doll.

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Breed champions for the York Fair junior dairy show were, from left, Heather Crowl, Milking Shorthorn; Jesse Stambaugh, Ayrshire; Kelly Myers, Brown Swiss; Annie Rauhauser, Jersey; and Michelle Jenkins, Guernsey.

Pa. Participates In NFU Lobbying

HARRISBURG (Dauphin Co.) — Members of the Pennsylvania Farmers Union returned home on September 15 from a legislative fly-in to

Washington, D.C.

The event is organized once a year by the National Farmers Union (NFU) and brought more than 240

National Farmers Union family farmers and ranchers from all over the nation to Washington in a united effort to serve as farm and rural advocates be-

fore U.S. lawmakers.

The group called on more than 535 U.S. senators and representatives. The Pennsylvania delegation met with representatives, or their agricultural aides, for the states of Pennsylvania and Maryland to discuss issues important to family farmers and rural America.

Opposition to the North American Free Trade Agreement by Farmers Union, concerns regarding President Clinton's health care reform packages, and farm income were the major topics of discussion for the fly-in.

Besides calling on members of Congress, the Pennsylvania group also participated in briefings on key issues by officials from the U.S. Department of Agriculture and the White House's task force on health care reform.

USDA Secretary Mike Espy addressed fly-in participants on the department's reorganization proposal and assured them that the goal of reorganization is to heighten service and extend the objective of becoming more "farmer friendly." Mike Dunn, former National Farmers Union vice president of government relations and President Clinton's choice to head the Farmers Home Administration, also addressed the group.

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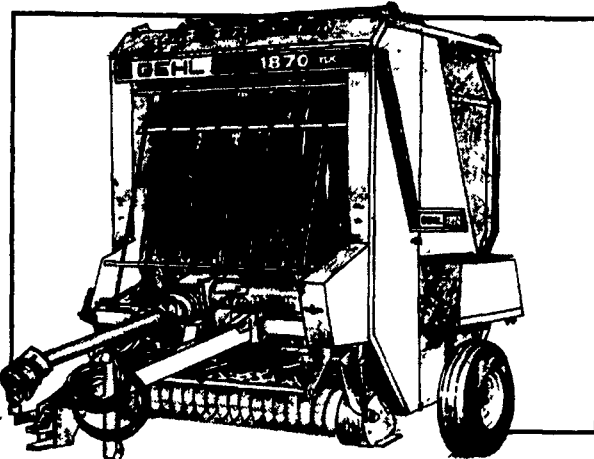
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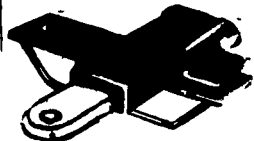
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