

Champion, Reserve Hog Exhibitor Share Some Things In Common

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— Often, champion exhibitors at major livestock events can have almost nothing in common. However, both supreme champion and reserve champion exhibitors at the junior swine show at the Farm Show had a lot in common.

Both hogs were obtained from the same place — Howard Parrish, Eden, Ohio.

Both were Hampshire crosses. And both grand and reserve exhibitors had lots of help from their families.

The grand champion crossbred hog exhibitor, Bobie-Jo Balzano, said she had a lot of help from her family, including her dad and mom, Ted and Mary, and brothers Ryan, 11 and Paul, 17. They helped select just the right pig to win the grand market champion from a division with 285 crossbred hogs vying for the title.

Bobie-Jo, 18, Gallitzin, Cambria County, is a freshman at St. Francis College in Loretto, majoring in social work. She showed her 257-pound Hampshire/Yorkshire crossbred hog for the first time to a championship at the Farm Show.

Michele Fetterolf, 13, daughter of Ken and Joan Fetterolf, Centre Hall, Centre County, is in the eight grade at Penns Valley School. She showed her 258-pound Hampshire/Duroc cross, "Penny," to the reserve championship.

Henry Holloway, Darlington,

Md. show judge and Yorkshire breeder, said the entire crossbred championship had hogs that were "all comparable" in degree of soundness, muscling, and leanness. The hogs look like they've "grown well" he said, and the two champions showed a comparable degree of thickness and muscling.

In all, there were a total of 342 hogs at the show. Following is a list of show placings.

FARM SHOW JUNIOR SWINE SHOW RESULTS

CROSSBRED

Lightweight: Class 1 (210-213 lbs.): 1. Wesley Bower. 2. Chad Strittmatter. 3. Kevin Gelsinger. Class 2 (214-220 lbs.): 1. Timothy Crouse. 2. George Billig. 3. Morgan Creek. Class 3 (221-225 lbs.): 1. Lori Connelly. 2. Keri Connelly. 3. Michael Neese. Class 4 (226-229 lbs.): 1. Carl Eisenhauer. 2. Ryan Dodson. 3. Matt Manbeck. Lightweight Champion: Lori Connelly. Reserve: Carl Eisenhauer.

Middleweight: Class 5 (230-232 lbs.): 1. Lisa Pfautz. 2. Jenny Arnold. 3. Stacy Krall. Class 6 (233-235 lbs.): 1. Richard Kerper, Jr. 2. Willie Martin. 3. Amber Eshelman. Class 7 (236-239 lbs.): 1. Dan Atkins. 2. Craig Diamond. 3. Karen Cassel. Class 8 (240-242 lbs.): 1. John Stauffer. 2. Tim Miller. 3. Amy Becker. Middleweight Champion: John Stauffer. Reserve: Dan Atkins.

Light Heavyweight: Class 9 (243-244 lbs.): 1. Janine Winebark. 2. Chad Collins. 3. Casey McAllister. Class 10 (245-247 lbs.): 1. Michael Hardiaky. 2. James Van Patton, Jr. 3. Benjamin Bow. Class 11 (248-250 lbs.): 1. Cory Pfautz. 2. Larry Lewis. 3. Kevin Brightbill. Class 12 (251-253 lbs.): 1. Adam Seitz. 2. Paul Balzano. 3. Stephanie Manbeck. Light Heavyweight Champion: Cory Pfautz. Reserve: Larry Lewis.

Heavyweight: Class 13 (254-256 lbs.): 1. Jason Manbeck. 2. Elizabeth Wisser. 3. Scott Lewis. Class 14 (257-260 lbs.): 1. Bobie-Jo Balzano. 2. Michele Fetterolf. 3. Gerald Boyd. Class 15 (261-264 lbs.): 1. Doug Strittmatter. 2. Sarah Boyd. 3. Justin Good. Class 16 (265-270 lbs.): 1. Philip McAllister. 2. Stacey



Bobie-Jo Balzano, left, won supreme champion overall market hog with her Hampshire/York cross on Tuesday at the junior swine show. At right is Ed Arnold, state deputy secretary of agriculture.

Dietrich. 3. Brandon Dice. Champion Heavyweight: Bobie-Jo Balzano. Reserve: Michele Fetterolf.

GRAND CHAMPION MARKET CROSSBRED

Bobie-Jo Balzano
RESERVE
Michele Fetterolf

BREEDS

Berkshire: 1. Mike Kelter. 2. Bridget Kennis. Champion: Mike Kelter. Reserve: Bridget Kennis.

Chester White: 1. Roxanne Kirat. 2. Kelly Dutrey. 3. Betsy Runk. Champion: Roxanne Kirat. Reserve: Kelly Dutrey.

Duroc: Lightweight: 1. Gregory A. Bomgardner. 2. Jason Frantz. 3. Jonathan Reinecker. Champion: Gregory A. Bomgardner. Heavyweight: 1. Tim Kozlorek. 2. Kelly Myers. 3. David Harvatine. Heavyweight Champion: Tim Kozlorek. Champion Duroc: Tim Kozlorek. Reserve: Kelly Myers.

Hampshire: 1. Derek Fetterolf. 2. Sara Miller. 3. Holly Meyer. Champion: Derek Fetterolf. Reserve: Sara Miller.

Landrace: 1. Trisha Berger. 2. Jason Simmons. 3. Julie Bond. Champion: Trisha Berger. Reserve: Jason Simmons.

Poland China: 1. Josh Holman. 2. Maggie Holman. 3. Scott Byers. Champion: Josh Holman. 2. Maggie Holman.

Spotted Swine: 1. Ben Lazarus. 2. Andy Souder. 3. Kathleen Jenkins. Champion: Ben Lazarus. Reserve: Andy Souder.

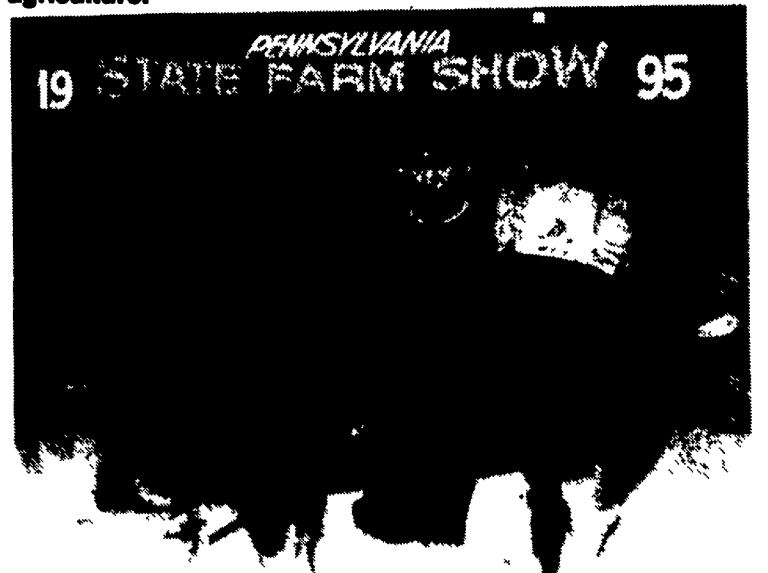
Yorkshire: 1. Andrew Reinecker. 2. Debbie McAllister. 3. Jason Shirk. Champion: Andrew Reinecker. Reserve: Debbie McAllister.

SUPREME CHAMPION MARKET SWINE

Bobie-Jo Balzano

RESERVE

Michele Fetterolf



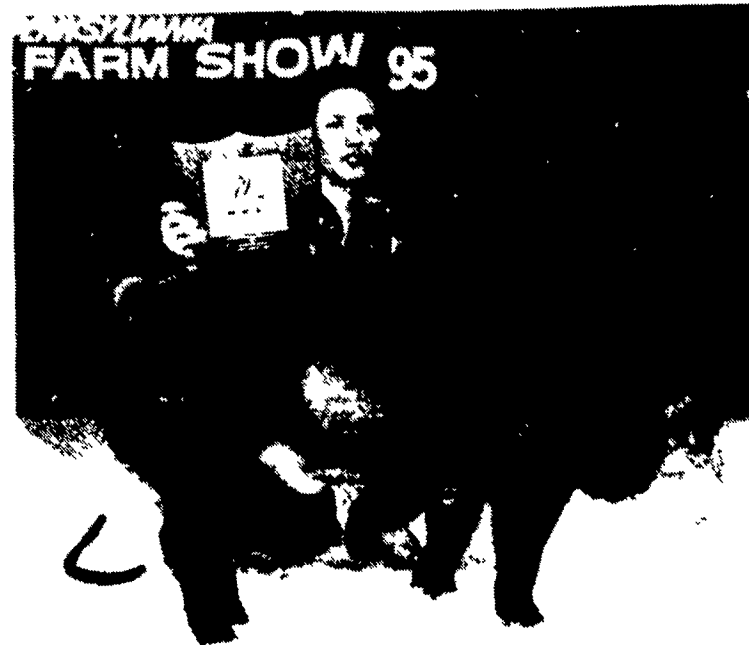
Mike Kelter exhibited his Berkshire champion hog at the junior market swine show on Tuesday.



Andrew Reinecker with his Yorkshire champion hog at the junior market swine show on Tuesday.



Trisha Berger with her champion Landrace at the junior market swine show.



Tim Kozlorek with his Duroc champion hog at the junior market swine show on Tuesday.



Michele Fetterolf, left, won reserve champion overall market hog with her Hampshire/Duroc cross on Tuesday at the junior swine show. At right is Ed Arnold, state deputy secretary of agriculture.