

More Than 80 Compete In First Beef Expo Judging Contest

UNIVERSITY PARK (Centre Co.) — More than 80 beef cattle enthusiasts from Maryland, New Jersey, West Virginia, Rhode Island, New York, and Pennsylvania competed in the first beef cattle judging contest ever held in conjunction with the Pennsylvania Beef Expo, held recently in Harrisburg.

The judging contest was added to a slate of youth activities featured annually at the Beef Expo, which is primarily an educational program and merchandising tool to showcase some of Pennsylvania's finest beef cattle.

Cattle breeders from across the commonwealth were receptive to the idea and cooperated by providing their cattle for use in the con-

test. Contestants were required to place six classes of beef cattle, including March Angus heifers, Simmental bulls, January Angus heifers, Limousin heifers, prospect steers, and Simmental heifers.

They also were required to answer 10 questions about the cattle for the classes of Simmental bulls and Limousin heifers. The questions were used to break ties in the absence of oral reasons. Everyone competed as individuals in one of three age divisions, including beginner (12 years of age and younger), intermediate (ages 13 through 20), and adult (21 and older).

Rosettes were presented to the top 10 individuals in each division, whose scores are listed below.

Keith Bryan, instructor and coach of the Penn State Livestock Judging Team, directed the contest, assisted by former members of Penn State Judging Teams and current members of the Penn State Block and Bridle Club, and employees of the Pennsylvania Beef Council, all who helped with organization, scoring, official placings, and contest questions.

BEEF EXPO LIVESTOCK JUDGING CONTEST RESULTS

BEGINNER (25 contestants)

350, George Miller (Hedgesville, West Virginia); 348, Jenny Hower (Bethlehem, Pennsylvania); 342, Shane Smithstone (Whitehall, Maryland); 316, Michelle Blauch (Jonestown, Pennsylvania); 315, Jessica Schmidt (Dumore, Pennsylvania); 312, Ben Weist (Leesport, Pennsylvania); 309, John Kinney (Elizabethtown, Pennsylvania); 309, Jillian Langlais (West Greenwich, Rhode Island); 305, Nathan Tice (Lebanon, Pennsylvania); 303, Nathan Schaeffer (Delta, Pennsylvania).

INTERMEDIATE (41 contestants)

346, Michelle Comman (Carlisle, Pennsylvania); 341, Lisa Reiff (Strasburg, Pennsylvania); Justin Harward (Forest Hill, Maryland); 332, Jen Smithson (Whitehall, Maryland); 331, Chad Miller (Knox, Pennsylvania); 329, Ann Leed (Myerstown, Pennsylvania); 328, Ryan Spatz (Lebanon, Pennsylvania); 327, Jeramiah Arnold (Schaefferstown, Pennsylvania); 326, Blaine Brown (Hershey, Pennsylvania); 325, Dawn Miller (Hedgesville, W Va.).

ADULT (21 contestants)

348, Scott Nelson (Forrest Hill, Md.); 342, Scott Brown (Mill Creek, Pennsylvania); 339, Linda Hower (Bethlehem, Pennsylvania); 337, Chris Kling (Washington, New Jersey); 330, Robert Hess (Mount Joy, Pennsylvania); 328, Wallace Harward (Forest Hill, Maryland); 327, Jen Reynolds (Doylestown, Pennsylvania); 325, Michael Comman (Carlisle, Pennsylvania); 323, Ricky Smithson (Whitehall, Maryland); 317, Donna Dietrich (Hamburg, Pennsylvania).

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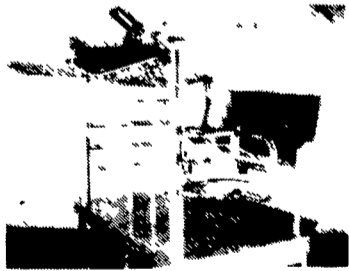
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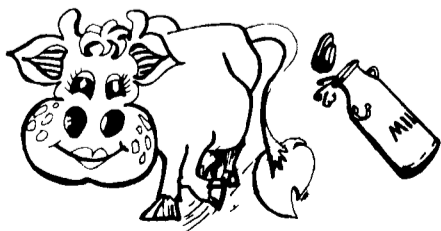
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