

4-H'ers Believe Luck, Hog Selection Win Championships

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"When I pick hogs, I just get lucky, I guess," commented Shannon Horst after capturing the supreme champion hog trophy on Wednesday night at the annual Lancaster County 4-H Swine Show.

And Dale Livengood, who won reserve champion at the show, also claimed luck, in this case "beginner's luck," for winning the championship.

But both exhibitors know that it takes more than simple good fortune to win a championship.

Shannon, who also serves as state FFA chaplain, showed his 250-pound Yorkshire crossbred gilt, which he said he picked from a group of 20 hogs shown to him by Ezra Good. Shannon purchased the Babcock hog from Jerry Hostetter. Hatfield purchased the championship hog for \$3 per pound, for a total of \$750.

Shannon, 17, son of Harvey and Marlene Horst, Narvon, said when he looks for show hogs, he looks for those that would "make a big hog, but on a smaller scale." The Hampshire cross had "nice hams. If you find one that has nice hams, you might as well go for it." Shannon is a graduate of Garden Spot High School.

Shannon will be showing hogs at various fairs, including Elizabethtown, Ephrata, and New Holland, and at the state Farm Show.

Dale Livengood said it was "beginner's luck" that allowed him to show his first-time reserve champion hog. This was Dale's

first year at the show.

Dale, 17, son of Earl and Joyce Livengood, Lampeter, showed his 251-pound Hampshire crossbred gilt. The hog is from the Frank Feeser herd in Tannytown, Md. Dale, a junior at Faith Mennonite High School, will be showing three hogs at Elizabethtown and three at the Lampeter Fair.

Leidy's, represented by Leon Stoltzfus, purchased the reserve champion for \$2 per pound, for a total of \$502.

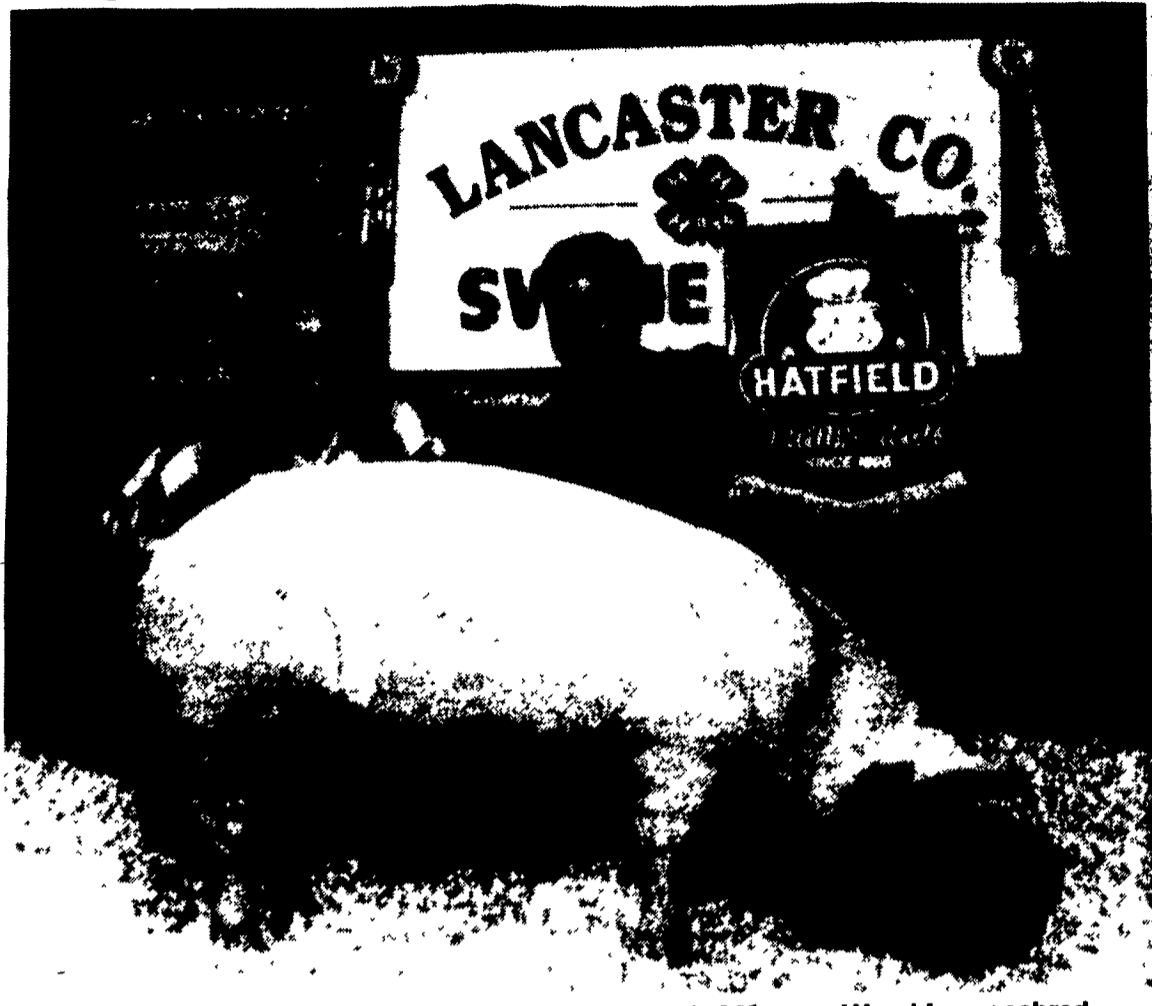
There were a total of 110 hogs and 21 buyers. Judge for the show was Henry Holloway, a Yorkshire breeder from Darlington, Md. Auctioneer was John D. Stauffer.

Following is a list of show placings.

LANCASTER COUNTY SWINE SHOW RESULTS

Market Hogs

Lightweight: Class 101 Lightweight (220-222 lbs.): 1. Monica Zeiset. 2. Andy Weaver. 3. Derrick Frank. Class 102 (224-227 lbs.): 1. Alexander Ranck. 2. Shannon Horst. 3. Brad Stoltzfus. Class 103 (228-231 lbs.): 1. Rodney Groff. 2. Patrick Good. 3. Andrew Germak. Class 104 (232-234 lbs.): 1. Nicole Kreider. 2. P. Jacob Brubaker. 3. John Boyer. Champion Lightweight: Alexander Ranck. Reserve: Rodney Groff. Mediumweight: Class 106 (236-239 lbs.): 1. Allison Hughes. 2. Alexander Ranck. 3. Jenny Hoover. Class 107 (240-244 lbs.): 1. Allison Hughes. 2. Tracy Bollinger. 3. Justin Fry. Class 108 (245 lbs.): 1. Sarah Boyd. 2. Scott Stoltzfus. 3. Sheldon Hoover. Class 109 (246-247 lbs.): 1. Andy Weaver. 2. Jeff Nolt. 3. Scott Stoltzfus. Champion Mediumweight: Allison Hughes. Reserve: Alexander Ranck. Light Heavyweight: Class 111 (248-249 lbs.): 1. Chris Good. 2. Derrick Frank. 3. Justin Fry. Class 112 (250 lbs.): 1.



Shannon Horst, state FFA chaplain, left, showed his 250-pound Yorkshire crossbred gilt to supreme champion of the Lancaster County 4-H Hog Show. Hatfield, represented by Kurtis Good, purchased the championship hog for \$3 per pound, for a total of \$750.

Shannon Horst. 2. Tracy Bollinger. 3. Eric Ober. Class 113 (251 lbs.): 1. Dale Livengood. 2. Nathan Hoover. 3. Cory Pfautz. Class 114 (252-254 lbs.): 1. Chris Good. 2. Sarah Boyd. 3. Rodney Groff. Light Heavyweight Champion: Shannon Horst. Reserve: Dale Livengood. Heavyweight: Class 116 (255-256 lbs.): 1. Melissa Becker. 2. Geoffrey Rohrer. 3. Amy Becker. Class 117 (257-259 lbs.): 1. Cory Pfautz. 2. Travis Donough. 3. Zachary Germak. Class 118 (260-262 lbs.): 1. Jonathan Good. 2. Kevin Pfautz. 3. Nathan Hoover. Class 119 (263-270 lbs.): 1. Gerald Boyd. 2. Gerald Boyd. 3. Geoffrey Rohrer.

Heavyweight Champion: Gerald Boyd.

Reserve: Jonathan Good.
GRAND CHAMPION
Shannon Horst
RESERVE

Dale Livengood
CARCASS HOGS

Class 1: Lightweight: (220-222 lbs.): 1. Monica Zeiset. 2. Allison Hughes. 3. Sheldon Hoover. Class 2: Mediumweight: (227-236 lbs.): 1. Shannon Horst. 2. Jonathan Good. 3. Nathan Kreider. Class 3: Light Heavyweight: (242-249 lbs.): 1. Andy Weaver. 2. Derrick Frank. 3. Ryan Donough. Class 4: Heavyweight: (254-268 lbs.): 1. Gerald Boyd. 2. Cory Pfautz. 3. Kevin

Pfautz.

Champions to be evaluated as carcasses for grand champion Aug. 11.

SHOWMANSHIP

Class 1: 1. Cory Pfautz. 2. Tracy Bollinger. 3. Melissa Becker. Class 2: 1. Travis Donough. 2. Sheldon Hoover. 3. Amy Bollinger. Class 3: 1. Lisa Pfautz. 2. Nathan Kreider. 3. Amy Becker. Class 4: 1. Kevin Pfautz. 2. Kyle Ward. 3. Geoffrey Rohrer. Class 5: 1. Ryan Hoover. 2. Ryan Donough. 3. Derrick Bollinger.

CHAMPION SHOWMAN

Travis Donough
RESERVE
Cory Pfautz



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Chester County Beef Show champions, pictured, left to right, grand champion Matt McAllister, Judge Keith Bryan, and reserve champion Jonathan Howe.

Beef Show Picks Winners

WEST CHESTER (Chester Co.)—Chester County 4-H Beef Club members attended the annual Goshen Fair Steer Show on Saturday, Aug. 5.

Judge for the show was Keith Bryan from Penn State University, where he is the coach of the Livestock Judging Team as well as an animal science instructor.

The evening started with the weigh-in of the show steers, in which they were divided into four weight class divisions.

In the lightweight division, local winner was Jonathan Howe. Mediumweight division winners were 1. Jonathan Howe and 2.

Becky Byrne. Light Heavy Weight division winners included 1. Matt McAllister, 2. Nathan Howe and 3. Phillip McAllister. Heavyweight division winners included 1. Sara Howe, 2. Sara Howe and 3. Adam Byrne.

Results of the showmanship competition are, in the senior division 15 years and older 1. Matt McAllister, 2. Jonathan Howe and 3. Kasey McAllister. In the intermediate division ages 12, 13 and 14, 1. Sara Howe and 2. Nathan Howe. In the junior division ages 8, 9, 10 and 11, 1. Phillip McAllister, 2. Becky Byrne and 3. Adam Byrne.

These 4-H members will exhibit their county steers for their final show and sale as they will end their beef projects at the conclusion of this show. By members selling their project steers, they can use the sale money to purchase new calves for next year or by saving up for a college education.

The show and sale will be held at the Kimberton Fire Company Fairgrounds on Aug. 18, with the show starting at 9 a.m. followed by the sale at 1 p.m.

Those interested in supporting the Chester County 4-H beef program by purchasing one or more of these steers, contact the 4-H office at (610) 696-3500.



Travis Donough, left, won champion showman at the Lancaster County 4-H Swine Show. Reserve was Cory Pfautz.