E-town Sheep Show Selects Sale Lamb As Supreme Champion

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ter Co.) - Unlike last year, Brandon Zeigler wasn't being fitted for a leg cast during the E-town Sheep Show. He didn't need to have someone else to show his sheep.

But — just like last year — his sheep was proclaimed the grand champion selling lamb — with one big difference. This year his selling lamb topped champions in the market and breed competitions to become the supreme champion over 248 entries.

The 12-year-old was all smiles. And, his 10-year-old brother Corby who showed the reserve champion market lamb was just as happy.

"We help each other," Brandon said of the six sheep the brothers raise on their neighboring Lititz farm.

The brothers purchased the lambs in Indiana when their dad Dean took a trip with Lloyd Reiff whose daughter Lisa is a consistent winner in sheep competition.

"Lisa is our coach," Brandon said.

Lisa showed the champion market sheep, a heavyweight, with Corby playing the stiffest competition with a middleweight that was named reserve.

Except for last year when Lisa was on a trip and couldn't compete at E-town, she or her brother Lyndon have taken the champion market sheep title since 1990.

Michael Musser showed the reserve grand champion selling sheep. It was only the second year in sheep competition for 12-yearold Michael. He expressed shock that his Suffolk named Sanka placed so well. "She was jumpy and nervous and wouldn't stand still so I didn't think she was still

enough for the judge to see how well finished she was," Michael. He is the son of Ken and Linda Musser of Mt. Joy.

Judge Henry Zerbe of Beavertown has plenty of practice with spotting a good sheep. Not only does he raise sheep, but he makes his rounds in judging.

"Every show has an unique personality. This is a good show with a lot of top quality lambs," he said.

Showing grand champions in breeding sheep competition was Keith Bollinger with both champion (ewe lamb) and reserve (yearling ewe) in the Cheviot breed. In the Dorset breed, Ann Leed showed a yearling ewe that was named champion and Jennifer Wenger showed a aged ewe named the reserve. In Hampshire competition, Ann Leed again led with a yearling ewe and Regina Landis showed a ram lamb for the reserve. In the Shropshire class, Amy Bollinger had both champion and reserve with her yearling ewe and ewe lamb. Southdown competition ended with Jennifer Zimmerman's aged ewe at the top and Stephania Kauffman's spring lamb as the reserve. Suffolk competition ended with Keith Bollinger showing a yearling ewe as the champion and his brother Jerry's ewe lamb as the reserve. John Schmidt showed the top Montadale; Amy Haines, the Columbia, and Katie Grosh a Tunis.

Showmanship was divided into four age groups. Jennifer Wenger led in the 16 and over competition, Regina Landis in the 13-15 year old section; Radell Peters in the 10-12 year old division; and Katye Allen in the 9 and under division.

Jennifer Wenger, the 19-yearold daughter of William Wenger



Showmanship honors go to Regina Landis, standing at left; Jennifer Wenger, standing at right; Radell Peters, kneeling at left, and Katye Allen.



Brandon Zeigler, left, holds his grand champion selling lamb, which is also supreme champion over all champion sheep. Michael Musser holds the middleweight champion selling lamb that is also the reserve champion selling lamb.



Lisa Reiff takes the champion market lamb trophy with her heavyweight while Corby Zeigler holds the reserve champion market lamb at the E-town Fair.

from Lebanon, has been showing for 8 or 9 years. She was a previous showmanship winner at the Etown fair. She used a homebred aged Dorset ewe that was also named reserve champion overall in breed competition.

Fifteen-year-old Regina Landis is no novice in winning. The daughter of Abe and Dottie Landis, has won several times before. The family has 50 bred ewes on their Manheim farm. Judge Zerby commended Regina for using different styles in showing and moving smoothly from sitting to standing positions.

Out of 14 head, Radell Peters picked a Dorset that he had raised from little. The Middletown youth is the son of Ray and Vicki Peters.

Katye Allen may be little but she shows great talent in showing. Already this season, Katye won her second champion trophy for showmanship.

"Katye modestly credited her success to using a Cheviot "because they are easier to show."

She is the 9-year-old daughter of Keith and Kendy Allen of Manheim.

A partial listing of show results follows:

Reiff, 3. Amy Bollinger.

SHOWMANSHIP Sheep Youth 16 and Up: 1. Jennifer Wenger, 2. Liea Exhibitors Ages 13-15: 1. Regina Landis,

 Jessica Stoltzfus, 3. Blaine Brown.
 Exhibitors Ages 10-12: 1. Peter Radell,
 Corby Ziegler, 3. Brandon Zelger.
 Ages 9 and Under: 1. Katye Allen, 2. Journal of the control elynn Donough, 3. Amy Haines. CHEVIOT

Ram 1 Year and Over: 1. Keith Bollinger.

Ewe 2 Years and Over: 1. Keith Bollinger, 2. Keith Bollinger, 3. Katye Allen. Ewe Lamb Under 1 Year: 1. Keith Bol-

linger.
Champion Ewe Lamb: Keith Bollinger. Recerve Yearting Ewe: Keith Bollinger DORSET

Ram and Under 1 Year: 1. Jessica Stoltzfus, 2. Jennifer Wenger, 3. Jessica L.

Ewe 2 Years and Over: 1. Jennifer Wenger, 2. Jessica L. Schmidt, 3. Radell Peters. Ewe 1 Year and Under 2: 1. Ann Leed, 2 Jessica L. Schmidt, 3. Jennifer Wenger Ewe Lamb Under 1 Year: 1. Ann Leed, 2. Ann Leed, 3, Jessica Stoltzfus,

Pair of Lambe, Any Age, Either Sex: 1.
Ann Leed, 2. Jessica Stoltzfus, 3. Jennifer

Champion Yearling Ewe: Ann Leed Reserve Aged Ewe: Jennifer Wenger, Flock: 1. Jessica Stoltzfus, 2. Jennifer Wenger, 3. Jessica L. Schmidt. HAMPSHIRE

Ram and Under 1 Year: 1. Regina Landis, 2. Regina Landis, 3. Susan Leed. Ewe 1 Year and Under 2: 1. Susan Leed, 2. Regina Landis, 3. Amy Hoffines.

Ewe Lambe Under 1 Year: 1. Susan Leed, 2. Regina Landis, 3. Brin Willard. Pair of Lambe, Any Age, Either Sex: 1. Susan Leed.

Champion Yearling Ewe: Ann Leed. Reserve Ram Lamb: Regina Landle. SHROPSHIRE

Ewe 2 Years and Over; 1. Amy Bollinger. Ewe 1 Year and Under 2: 1. Amy Bolling-

Ewe Lamb Under 1 Year: 1. Amy Bollinger, 2. Amy Bollinger. Pair of Lambe, Any Age, Either Sex: Amy Bellinger.

Champion Yearling Ewe: Amy Bollinger. Reserve Ewe Lamb: Amy Bollinger. SOUTHDOWN

Ram and Under 1 Year: 1. Jennifer Zimmerman, 2. Jill Hoffines, 3. Jill Hoffines. Ram 1 Year and Over: 1. Stephanie

EWE 2 Years and Over: 1. Jennifer Zimmerman, 2. Stephanie Kauffman, 3. Jennife

Ewe 1 Year and Under 2: 1. Stephanic Kauffman, 2. Jennifer Zimmerman, 3. Jill Hoffines. Ewe Lamb Under 1 Year: 1, Stephanie Kauffman, 2, Jill Hoffines, 3, Jay T, Zimmer-

Pair of Lambs, Any Age, Either Sex: 1. Jill Hoffines, 2. Stephanie Kauffman, 3. Jill

Champion Aged Ewe: Jennifer Zimmer-

Reserve Spring Lamb: Stephanie Kauff-

Flock: 1. Stephanie Kauffman, 2. Jill Hoffines, 3. Jennifer Zimm SUFFOLK

Ewe 2 Years and Over: 1. Jerry Bollinger, 2. Jerry Bollinger, 3. Erin Grosh. Ewe 1 Year and Under 2: 1. Keith Bolling-

er, 2. Ryan Tracy, 3. Kerra Allen. Ewe Lamb Under 1 Year: 1. Jerry Bollinger, 2. Jeff Bollinger, 3. Keith Bolli

Pair of Lambs, Any Age, Either Sex: Jeff Bollinger.

TUNIS Champion Ewe 2 Years and Over: Katie Grosh.

Ewe Lamb Under 1 Year: Katie Groch. MONTDALE

Ewe 1 Year and Under 2: John Schmidt. Champion Ewe Lamb Under 1 Year: John Schmidt.

COLUMBIA

Ewe Lamb Under 1 Year: Amy Haines. LIGHTWEIGHT MARKET LAMBS 39 to 83 Pounds: Timothy Walker, Jay Zimmerman, Tracy Bollinger

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