

# Brown Swiss Futurity Chooses 2-Year-Old

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TIMONIUM, Md. — A 2-year-old that was the Brown Swiss reserve All-American Intermediate Yearling in 1994 won this year's Brown Swiss Futurity.

The second annual Mid-Atlantic Futurity was held at the Maryland State Fair in Timonium. Ten animals were exhibited.

The winning entry was Ken Ir Emory Amery, exhibited by Jeremy McDonald of Shen-Val Farm in Stephen City, Va.

McDonald, 19, has been showing since he was four years old. Time in the ring has given him an idea of what the judges look for and how a cow will fare.

"She's been said to be one of the best 2-year-olds, so I thought she had a chance," McDonald said after Amery's big win. She also won top overall junior at the Futurity.

Amery was named junior champion at the Eastern National and Southeastern National shows last year. She was sired by Victory Acres Jubilation Emory. Her dam is Ken Ir Jade Layne.

"She's real easy to work with, which makes a difference," McDonald said. "When they're tame and gentle, you can do anything with them."

McDonald and his family milk

110 head at Shen-Val — 30 Brown Swiss, 10 Jerseys, and the rest Holsteins. His parents, Gary and Sharon, were not on hand for Jeremy's Futurity win, but well wishers knew the couple would be thrilled to hear the good news when McDonald returned home.

McDonald — the eighth generation of his family to farm — brought a number of wins home from the Maryland Fair.

He showed six animals with the following results: reserve champion and first in her class: 100,000 lb. cow; second place: 4-year-old; third place: aged cow, senior calf and dry cow.

The Futurity was judged by Wayne Sliker of St. Paris, Ohio. His Top Acres Brown Swiss farm has produced seven national winners, 75 All Americans and 71 reserve all Americans.

Other Futurity winners were:

- Best bred and owned - Sand Rock Quest, exhibited by George Bassler of Sand Rock Farm in Emmitsburg, Md.

- Genetic Merit - Niermans Emory Natalie exhibited by Shanna L. Smith of Dublin Hills Farm in Woodsboro, Md. Natalie was also the top Maryland junior winner for Shanna.

The second place Futurity winner was Bassler's Sand Rock Quest.



Jeremy McDonald is pictured with Ken Ir Emory Amery, winner of the 1995 Mid-Atlantic Brown Swiss Futurity, Judge Wayne Sliker, and Eastern Shore Dairy Princess Julie Edwards.

Third place winner was Hoodstead Blend Natasha, exhibited by K. Scott and Judy Hood of Hoodstead Farms in Middletown.

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