

Penn Gate Farm Shows

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Holstein championship: Ore Farm Vintage Jasmine, owned by Tara Kocher, of Golden Dream Holsteins in Mifflintown.

Tara, daughter of Donald and Nancy Toms, of Mifflintown, said that her winning young 3-year-old was scored 87-points last December, but it is to be scored again soon.

According to Kocher, the 3-year-old had been dry up to six days prior to Tuesday's show, but had won all the dry cow classes in which Tara entered the cow this past show season.

The reserve intermediate champion of the open division was junior 3-year-old Hearts Desire Jethro Carla, owned by David Kocher (breeder of Tara's champion), of Pennsylvania Furnace.

Both open division intermediate champions were also the youth division intermediate champions.

The junior champion of the open division was Cha-Do Stardust Twinkle-TW, a fall yearling bred and owned by Trisha McIlwain, of Cha-Do Farm in Canton. The Browndale Stardust daughter was also the junior champion of the youth division.

The reserve junior champion of the open division was Castlemont Astre Trisha, a spring yearling out of Duregal Astre Starbuck, owned by John Castrogiovanni, of Castlemont Farms in Montrose.

The reserve junior champion of the youth division was a fall yearling, Tri-Day Astrid, shown by Matthew Day, of Tri-Day Holsteins in Shippensburg. Aslo a Duregal Astre Starbuck daughter, it was second in its age class in both shows to McIlwain's junior champion.

The premier exhibitor of the show was Campbell-Run Farms in Ford City. Campbell-Run houses cattle shown by the Mark Campbell family, and some jointly owned by the Campbells and either/or the Doug Beatty family and Alex Claypoole.

Their first place winner in the 100,000-pound milk cow class, an almost 10-year-old cow, Wind-Drift A J Natema, out of sire Bridon Astro Jet, was also named the winner of this year's George M. Knight Total Production Award.

The award recognizes both showing performance and dairy production. Natema's best production record was 35,728 pounds of milk, 1,428 pounds of fat and 1,052 pounds of protein in a 305-day lactation (twice-per-day milking) that started when she was 6 years, 5 months old.

Pennsylvania Holstein Association Fall Championship

OPEN DIVISION

SPRING CALF: 1.Sarah Day; 2.Sarah Day; 3.Katie McKissick.

WINTER CALF: 1.Scott Walton; 2.Matthew Day; 3.Sarah Day.
 FALL CALF: 1.James Justin Burdette; 2.Lynn, Bonnie Miller; 3.David Day.
 SUMMER YEARLING: 1.Lynn, Bonnie Miller; 2.Dianne Glock; 3.Amy Jo Hartman.
 SPRING YEARLING: 1.John Castrogiovanni; 2.James Justin Burdette; 3.Lynn, Bonnie Miller.
 WINTER YEARLING: 1.E. Richard Bednarski; 2.Emily Stuff; 3.Erin Parker.
 FALL YEARLING: 1.Trisha McIlwain; 2.Matthew Day; 3.John Rishel
 JUNIOR CHAMPION: Trisha McIlwain, fall yearling.
 RESERVE JR CHAMP: John Catrogiovanni, spring yearling.
 JR BEST THREE: 1.Windy Knoll View; 2.Tri-Day; 3.Royal Haven.
 DRY COW, 4 & UNDER: 1.Ronald Hough Jr.; 2.Jim, Kim Grove; 3.Melissa Hostler.
 DRY COW, 5 & OLDER: 1.Dianne Glock; 2.Steve, Chris Wood.
 3-YR-OLD FUTURITY: 1.Tara Kocher; 2.Dale Hindman; 3.Chns Wood.
 JR 2-YR-OLD: 1.Angie Beshore; 2.Tom McCauley; 3.Donald, Joann Stoltzfus.
 SR 2-YR-OLD: 1.Alan McCauley; 2.Donald, Joanne Stoltzfus; 3.Mark Campbell, Alex Claypoole.
 JR 3-YR-OLD: 1.David Kocher; 2.Gen-Rich Farms; 3.Fred Strouse, Frank Connelly.
 SR 3-YR-OLD: 1.Mark Campbell, Doug Beatty, 2.Jim, Kim Grove; 3.Special Syndicate (Sold Gold Holsteins).
 INTERMEDIATE CHAMPION: Tara Kocher, 3-year-old Futurity winner.
 RESERVE INTERMEDIATE CHAMP: David Kocher, junior 3-year-old.
 4-YR-OLD: 1.Mark Campbell, Alex Claypoole, Doug Beatty; 2.Woodbine Farms Inc.; 3.Joel, Margret Alsdorf, family.
 5-YR-OLD: 1.Steve, Chris Wood, Robert Gitt; 2.Tom McCauley; 3.Jeff, Rob, Harold Jr. McKissick.
 AGED COW: 1.Mark Campbell, Doug Beatty, H Hammon; 2.Ronald Hough Jr.; 3.Jeffrey G. Michele Reasner.
 100,000 Pound Milk: 1.Mark Campbell, Alex Claypoole, Doug Beatty; 2.Gor-Wood-D Holsteins; 3.Harrey Stoltzfus.
 SENIOR CHAMPION: Steve & Chris Wood, Robert Gitt, 5-year-old.
 RESERVE SR CHAMP: Tom McCauley, 5-year-old.
 GRAND CHAMPION: Steve & Chris Wood, Robert Gitt.
 RESERVE GRAND: Tom McCauley.
 PREMIER EXHIBITOR: Mark Campbell, Doug Beatty.
 PREMIER BREEDER: Penn Gate Farm (Steve & Chns Wood, Robert Gitt.)
 BEST BRED, OWNED: Penn Gate Farm, 5-year-old.
 TOTAL PERFORMANCE AWARD (Geo. M. Knight Award): Alex Claypoole, Mark Campbell, Doug Beatty, 100,000-pound cow
 SR BEST THREE: 1.Penn Gate Farm, 2 New Direction Holsteins (McCauleys); 3 Gor-Wood-D Holsteins.
 DAM, DAUGHTER: 1.Gor-Wood-D Holsteins, 2 Penn Gate Farm; 3.Walnut Hills Farm
 PRODUCE OF DAM: 1.Dale & Deanna Bendig, 2.Autumn View Holsteins; 3.Charann Foster

YOUTH DIVISION

SPRING CALF 1.Sarah Day; 2.Kate McKissick, 3.Todd Lohr.
 WINTER CALF: 1.Scott Walton, 2.Matthew Day, 3.Sarah Day.
 FALL CALF: 1.James Justin Burdette; 2.David Day, 3.Amanda Cessna.
 SUMMER YEARLING: 1.Dianne Glock; 2.Amy Jo Hartman; 3.Joshua Hushon.
 SPRING YEARLING: 1.James Justin Burdette, 2.Olivia Courtney; 3.Lynette Heffner.
 WINTER YEARLING: 1.Emily Stuff; 2.Erin Parker; 3.Amanda Cessna.
 FALL YEARLING: 1.Trisha McIlwain; 2.Matthew Day; 3.Amy Jo Hartman.
 JUNIOR CHAMPION: Trisha McIlwain, fall yearling.
 RESERVE JR CHAMP: Matthew Day, fall yearling.
 DRY COW, 4 & UNDER: 1.Ronald Hough Jr.; 2.Melissa Hostler; 3.Julie Miller.
 FUTURITY: 1.Tara Kocher; 2.Amanda Cessna, 3.Ashley Stoltzfus.
 JR 2-YR-OLD: 1.Angie Beshore; 2.Cory Meyers, 3.Ben Cloninger.
 SR 2-YR-OLD: 1.Emily Cloninger; 2.Beckie Ruffner; 3.Amy Packard.
 JR 3-YR-OLD: 1.David Kocher; 2.Shelby Allen, 3.Daniel Ream.
 SR 3-YR-OLD: 1.Elliot Heffner; 2.Holly

Mora.
 INTERMEDIATE CHAMPION: Tara Kocher, 3-year futurity winner.
 RESERVE INTERMEDIATE CHAMP: David Kocher, junior 3-year-old.
 4-YR-OLD: 1.Joel & Margret Alsdorf; 2.Melissa Hostler; 3.Christopher Vanco.

5-YR-OLD: 1.David Glock; 2.Joel Alsdorf; 3.Robert Kyle Burdette.
 AGED COW: 1.Ronald Hough Jr.; 2.Heather Wood; 3.Coileen Ishman.
 100,000-POUND COW: 1.Brad Walker; 2.Charann Foster.
 SENIOR CHAMPION: Joel Alsdorf, 4-year-

old.
 RESERVE SR CHAMP: Ronald Hough Jr., aged cow.
 GRAND CHAMPION: Tara Kocher.
 RESERVE GRAND: Joel Alsdorf, 4-year-old.
 BEST BRED, OWNED: Tara Kocher, futurity winner.



From the left, Steve Wood stands behind wife Christine and son Clayton, and next to father-in-law Robert Gitt and the leadsman who holds the halter of their grand champion of the Pennsylvania Holstein Fall Championship Show, while Tom McCauley holds the halter of the reserve grand champion and is joined by Mylin Good, and Sandy and Alan McCauley.



Gary Culbertson is leadsman for Wind-Drift A J Natema, a two-time grand champion of the state fall show and this year's George M. Knight Total Performance Award winner. She is owned by the syndicate of Alex Claypoole, Doug Beatty and Mark Campbell. State Dairy Princess Angela Werley holds the award and is helped by alternate state Dairy Princess Merideth Welderspahn.



Tara Kocher holds her banner and the halter of her winner of the 1996 Keystone Holstein 3-Year-Old Futurity, as well as being the grand champion of the youth division show and the intermediate champion of the open show. She is presented with rosettes from state alternate Dairy Princess Merideth Welderspahn and state Dairy Princess Angela Werley.

Hughes Honored At National Conference

LOGAN, Ohio — Chester D. Hughes, extension livestock agent for Lancaster County Pennsylvania Cooperative Extension Service, was honored at the Professional Improvement Conference of the National Association of County Agricultural Agents (NACAA), held Sept. 1-5, in Nashville, Tenn., according to Henry Bartholomew, national chair of the Communications Committee for NACAA.

Hughes was awarded a plaque and cash award for placing third place nationally in the news feature category.

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