

Showmanship champions at the New Holland Fair. From left, Nathan Hoover, junior champion; Holly Hoover, amateur champion; and Cory Pfautz, senior champion.



Kevin Pfautz, right, won grand champion swine at New Holland Fair Tuesday night. At left is Ken Winebark, show judge.

Experience, Use Of Expert Genetics Define New Holland Swine Champion

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NEW HOLLAND (Lancaster Co.) — Kevin Pfautz said that he has been "showing every year I could," which totals five - and it took that long to hold the coveted New Holland Fair Swine Show trophy.

But Kevin did so with his champion heavyweight hog, weighing 266 pounds, a Hampshire/Duroc crossbred on Tuesday night in New Holland.

Kevin, 14, son of Rick and Sue Pfautz, Lititz, is in the 8th grade at Warwick Middle School. The hog, he said, was obtained from Creek Bottom Farm in Cascade, Md.

Kevin said that genetics were important in winning the championship. He said that he picked the champion because as a pig, it "looked lean and heavily muscled," he said. "I thought it looked good."

Kevin's first-time New Holland Swine Show championship capped a successful county show season, in which he picked up several class champions, including Elizabethtown. He said he will be showing at the Keystone Internauonal Livestock Exposition in Harrisburg, at the Manheim Fair, and at state Farm Show.

Ken Winebark, Hampshire breeder from Myerstown, said that while the hog is heavy, if you study the hog, it "is one of the leaner hogs we have out here. . . . a really, good, big-wasted kind of hog." The reserve champion was

awarded to a hog by the name of "Maine" shown by Zack Stoltzfus. Zack, 12, son of Myron and Sally Stoltzfus, Gordonville, said the hog's real name is Renberg and was obtained from Jerry Hostetter. The Blue Butt (actually a York/ Hamp/Landrace crossbred) hog was nicknamed after the name Zack's cousin provided, short for "maniac."

Winebark said that the reserve champion hog, at 254 pounds and the light heavyweight champion, "is sure no slouch" and came very close to winning the overall championship.

Zack is in the 7th grade at Locust Grove Mennonite School and this is his first New Holland Swine Show championship.



Zack Stoltzfus, left, won reserve champion swine at New Holland. At right is Ken Winebark, show judge.

NEW HOLLAND **FAIR** SWINE SHOW RESULTS

MARKET SWINE Lightweight Market Swine Class 1 (200-218 lbs) 1 Jennifer Hughes. 2 Jennifer Hughes 3 Rachael Brubaker

Class 2 (220-228 lbs) 1 Jonathan Good 2. Chris Good 3 Jonathan Good

Class 3 (230-234 lbs) 1 Jason Martin 2. Jennifer Hughes 3 Clint Stewart

Lightweight Champion Jen-nifer Hughes. Reserve: Jason

Middleweight Market Swine Class 4 (236-240 lbs) 1 Jason Martin 2 Nathan Hoover 3 Sarah Bovd.

Class 5 (240-242 lbs) 1 Gary Martin 2 Todd Stoltzfus

3 Chris Good Class 6 (244-248 lbs) 1 Zack Stoltzfus 2 Clint Stewart

3 Cory Pfautz Middle Weight Champion Zack Stoltzfus Reserve Gary

Martin (248-250 lbs.) 1 Justin Martin Gerald Boyd 3 Todd

Class 8 (252-256 lbs) 1 Zack Stoltzfus 2. Kelly Stewart

3 Jacob Brubaker. Class 9 (256-258 lbs) 1 Zack Stoltzfus 2 Cory Pfautz

3 Sheldon Hoover Light Heavyweight Champion Zack Stoltzfus Reserve Zack Stoltzfus

Heavyweight Class 10 (260-262 lbs.) 1 Gerald Boyd 2 Doug Stoltzfus 3 Gary Martin

Class 11 (262-270 lbs) Kevin Pfautz 2 Nathan Hoover 3. Nathan Hoover

Class 12 (270 lbs). 1 Kevin Pfautz 2. Sheldon Hoover 3. Sheldon Hoover Heavyweight Champion. Kevin Pfautz Reserve Kevin

SUPREME CHAMPION Kevin Pfautz RESERVE

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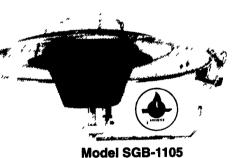
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