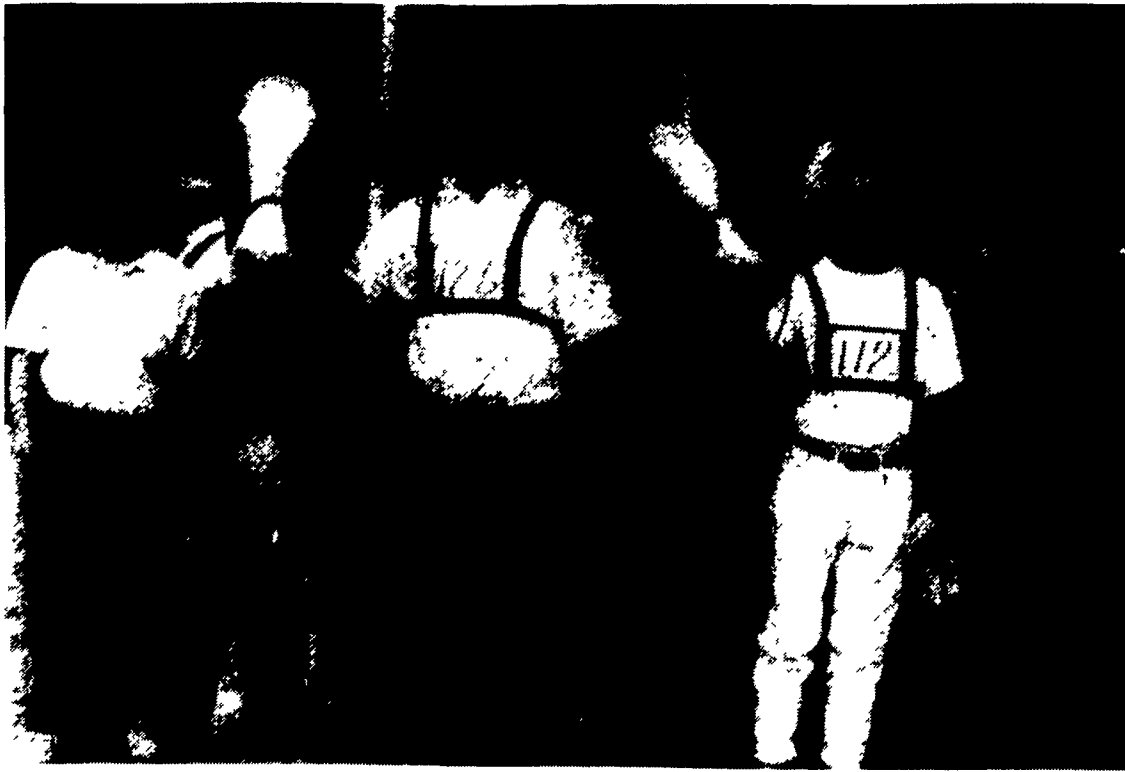


Southwestern Championship Show Is Growing



Grand champions of the open show. From left, Heather and David Miller, Greensburg, with the grand champion; Ralph Moore, Canonsburg, with the reserve grand champion; and Chris Hill, judge.

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DUNBAR (Fayette Co.) - The Southwestern Pennsylvania Holstein show continues to grow as dairy in the region strengthens, and producers see the value in competing in the show. The event at the county fairgrounds had 112 entries.

Strong entries in the junior section of the show insure that dairy in the region and at this exhibition has an attractive future. Ring announcer Oren Bender, Accident, MD, provided humorous comments that spiced up the well-organized exhibition. Rick Allen chaired the show committee.

Winners in this regional Holstein Association show accumulate points that can be used in competition for state-wide and national placings.

Judge Chris Hill, who is experienced both as a breeder and a national exhibitor, said he looks for animals within the breed character that show milkability--cows that look like they give a lot of milk. He added that a long neck and feet and legs that carry the body well are important winning characteristics.

Photos of the winners accompany this report.



Joel Fava shows the grand champion and Ben Miller shows the reserve grand champion of the junior show, with Chris Hill, judge.



Premier breeder and exhibitor awards. From left, Danelle Allen, Justin Burdette, Ron Allen, Rick Allen, Clinton Allen, and judge Chris Hill.



Junior champions (open and junior). From left, Chris Hill, judge; Natle McKissick, with the junior champion; and Maggle Moore, with the reserve junior champion.

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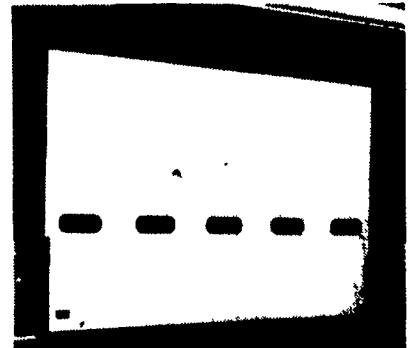


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