

Kutztown Fair Holds Beef Competitions

KUTKZTOWN (Berks Co.) — The Kutztown Fair 4-H Beef Show was held recently at the Kutztown Fairgrounds in Kutztown, with a number of youth from Berks and Lehigh counties participating.

Judge for the show was Keith Bryant, of Penn State University.

The entire beef show included a showmanships competition, a fitting competition, a market steer show and a breeding beef show, with Charolais, Simmental, Herefords, and Limosine, as well as crossbred, or commercial, animals.

Ben Weist of Leesport, a member of the Berks Beef 4-H Club, showed the grand champion market steer, which was also the 1,176-pound champion heavyweight.

Kelly Dietrich of Hamburg, also with the Berks Beef 4-H Club, showed the reserve grand champion, which was the 1,155-pound champion middleweight.

The reserve champion heavyweight was a 1,208-pound steer exhibited by Kristy Dietrich of Hamburg.

The reserve champion middleweight was a 1,137-pound steer exhibited by Matthew Samsel of Oley, who is a member of the Oley FFA.

Lynette Heffner of Robesonia, in her first Kutztown beef show.

showed the 1,028-pound champion light weight. She also took a second place in her fitting competition class.

Lisa Phillips of Mohrsville showed the reserve champion light weight, a 968-pound animal.

In the fitting competition, Mark Manwiller of Leesport was the grand champion, while Ben Weist was reserve grand champion.

In the showing competition, Manwiller was also grand champion, while Kelly Dietrich was reserve grand champion.

In beef breeding heifer competition, in the crossbred/commercial category, Matt Manbeck of Womelsdorf showed the champion, Mary, while Benjamin Weist showed the reserve champion, Annie.

In the Limosin breed, Kristy Dietrich's junior yearling, Selene, was champion, while Kelly Dietrich's summer yearling, K2DL Champaine, was reserve champion.

In the Charolais breed, Cathy Levan of Hamburg showed the champion, a senior calf, Sisco. Justin Shollenberger of Mohrsville showed a junior calf, BLF Cool Carol, to win the reserve championship.

In the Hereford breed Emilie Miller of Womelsdorf showed her Polled Hereford, a junior yearling,

Dutchess, to win the championship. Kyle Zerbe of Womelsdorf showed the reserve champion, DL Abigail, also a junior yearling.

KUTZTOWN FAIR Beef Show

FITTING

CLASS 1: 1.Mark Manwiller, Leesport; 2.Lynette Heffner, Robesonia; 3.Kyle Zerbe, Womelsdorf.

CLASS 2: 1.Benjamin Weist, Leesport; 2.Kelly Dietrich, Hamburg; 3.Adam Rabenold, Allentown.

CLASS 3: 1.Jill Neiman, Fleetwood; 2.Matthew Manbeck, Womelsdorf; 3.Brian Hartman, Bernville.

CLASS 4: 1.Emilie Miller, Womelsdorf; 2.Tim Rabenold, Allentown; 3.Amanda Gauker, Fleetwood.

CHAMPION FITTER: Mark Manwiller.

RESERVE CHAMP FITTER: Benjamin Weist.

SHOWMANSHIP

CLASS 1: 1.Mark Manwiller; 2.Kyle Zerbe; 3.Lynette Heffner.

CLASS 2: 1.Kelly Dietrich; 2.Benjamin Weist; 3.Justin Lebanon, Hamburg.

CLASS 3: 1.Kristy Dietrich; 2.Jill Neiman; 3.Cathryn Levan, Hamburg.

CLASS 4: 1.Emilie Miller; 2.Amanda Gauker, Fleetwood; 3.Tim Rabenold, Allentown.

CHAMPION SHOWMAN: Mark Manwiller.

RESERVE CHAMP SHOWMAN: Kelly Dietrich.

MARKET STEERS

LIGHTWEIGHT

CLASS 1: 1.John Hartman; 2.Tyler Bolton; 3.Brian Hartman.

CLASS 2: 1.Lynette Heffner; 2.Lisa Phillips; 3.Melissa Leiby.

CHAMPION LIGHTWEIGHT: Lynette Heffner.

RESERVE CHAMP LIGHTWEIGHT: Lisa Phillips.

MIDDLEWEIGHT

CLASS 1: 1.Cathryn Levan; 2.Nathan Stump;

3.Justin Levan.

CLASS 2: 1.Kelly Dietrich; 2.Matthew Samsel; 3.Kelly Phillips.

CHAMPION MIDDLEWEIGHT: Kelly Dietrich.

RESERVE CHAMP MIDDLEWEIGHT: Matthew Samsel.

HEAVYWEIGHT

CLASS 1: Benjamin Weist; 2.Kristy Dietrich; 3.Michael Holcomb.

CLASS 2: 1.Mark Manwiller; 2.Amanda Gauker; 3.William Willitz III.

CHAMPION HEAVYWEIGHT: Benjamin Weist.

RESERVE CHAMP HEAVYWEIGHT: Kristy Dietrich.

GRAND CHAMPION: Benjamin Weist, heavyweight.

RESERVE GRAND CHAMP: Kelly Dietrich, middleweight.

BEEF BREEDING

CHAROLAIS

JUNIOR CALF: 1.Justin Shollenberger.

SENIOR CALF: 1.Cathryn Levan.

CHAMPION: Cathryn Levan.
RESERVE CHAMPION: Justin Shollenberger.

HEREFORD

SUMMER YEARLING: 1.Matthew Samsel.

JUNIOR YEARLING: 1.Emilie Miller; 2.Kyle Zerbe.

CHAMPION: Emilie Miller.

RESERVE CHAMP: Kyle Zerbe.

SIMMENTAL

JUNIOR CALF: 1.Matthew Samsel.

CHAMPION: Matthew Samsel.

LIMOSIN

SUMMER YEARLING: 1.Kelly Dietrich.

JUNIOR YEARLING: 1.Kristy Dietrich.

CHAMPION: Kristy Dietrich.

RESERVE CHAMP: Kelly Dietrich.

CROSSBRED

SUMMER YEARLING: 1.Matt Manbeck;

2.Benjamin Weist; 3.Maria Koinaki.

JUNIOR YEARLING: 1.Benjamin Weist.

CHAMPION: Matt Manbeck.

RESERVE CHAMP: Benjamin Weist.



Matthew Samsel shows his grand champion Simmental heifer of the Kutztown beef breeding show.



From the left, Kelly Dietrich holds the halter reserve grand champion market steer of the Kutztown Fair and shows her rosette, while show judge Keith Bryant stands in the back and Benjamin Weist holds the halter of his grand champion.



From the left, Kyle Zerbe holds the halter of his reserve grand champion Polled Hereford, while Emilie Miller shows her grand champion.



The reserve champions of their respective weight classes in the Kutztown market steer contest are shown by, from the left, Kristy Dietrich with the heavyweight, Matt Samsel with the middleweight, and Lisa Phillips with the lightweight reserve champion.

Boar Sale Results

STATE COLLEGE (Centre Co.) — Pennsylvania Department of Agriculture's Meat Animal Evaluation Center held its 22nd Performance-Tested Boar Sale on Aug. 13 at Penn State's Ag Arena.

The sale started with the top-indexing pen of boars from Russ and Randy Wilson. The top-indexing individual boar sold for \$975 to Fleming Brothers of Hampstead, Md. A Yorkshire littermate also sold for \$975 to Henry Johnson of Selbyville, Del. The two highest prices in the sale, \$1,200 and \$1,050, respectively, were paid by James R. Sanders for two littermate Yorkshire boars from a pen consigned by Penn. State. The 26 Yorkshire boars averaged \$621.

The 14 Durocs averaged \$511. The top-selling Duroc, consigned by Jim Parlett, sold to Mark Sanders of Gettysburg for \$480. The second highest Duroc price \$700 was for a littermate sold to Henry Johnson of Selbyville, Del. and a boar consigned by Bruce Smith

and sold to Commercial Concepts (Brian Lake) of Needmore.

The nine Landrace boars averaged \$437. The top-selling Landrace, bred by Lazarus Brothers-Grant Lazarus, had the largest scanned loin eye, 7.65 square inches, of any of the boars in the sale. This boar sold to James and Jeanne Mathis of Julian for \$480. The four Hampshires in the sale, consigned by Donna Strawbridge and Steve Wilson, averaged \$394.

The two Berkshires consigned by Russel and Arlie Cornbower sold for \$450 and \$500, respectively, to Gideon Renno of Mifflintown and Heberling's Farm of Newburg.

The 55 boars in the sale sold for an average of \$539.

For more information about Pennsylvania's Performance Testing programs and sales, contact Glenn Eberly, Director, Meat Animal Evaluation Center, 651 Fox Hollow Rd., State College, PA 16803, (814) 238-2527.