

Open Class Market Lamb Champions Selected

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YORK (York Co.) — A 128-pound crossed Suffolk snagged the grand champion market lamb banner in open class competition at the York Fair Sheep show for exhibitor Melissa Trostle, Red Lion.

Handler of the champion, John Eaton Jr., dubbed the solid, well-muscled winner "Prudential," because "it handles like a rock."

Reserve champion winner honors went to junior exhibitor Adam Sellers, Thomasville.

A partial list of the open class market lambs follows.

MARKET LAMBS

LIGHTWEIGHT

Class 1: 1. Molly Ault 2. Toni Kibler 3. Eric Bankert

Class 2: 1. Cody Ault 2. Drew Bankert 3. Heather Bankert.

Class 3: 1. Lindsay Jones 2. Molly Ault 3. Tiffany Flory.

Champion - Lindsay Jones
Reserve - Molly Ault.

LIGHT MEDIUM WEIGHT

Class 6: 1. Cody Ault 2. Emily Graybill 3. Rick Jones.

Class 7: 1. Carrie Ness 2. Travis Flory. 3. Julie Kern.

Class 8: 1. Tasha Flory. 2. Matt Trostle. 3. Drew Bankert.

Champion - Carrie Ness.
Reserve - Tasha Flory.

MEDIUM WEIGHT

Class 11: 1. Carrie Ness. 2. Melissa Trostle. 3. Tiffany Flory.

Class 12: 1. Matt and Adam Sellers. 2. & 3. Jennifer Flinchbaugh.

Class 13: 1. Adam Sellers. 2. Michael Burrell. 3. Matt and Adam Sellers.

Champion - Adam Sellers.
Reserve - Adam Sellers.

LIGHT HEAVYWEIGHT

Class 16: 1. Matt and Adam Sellers 2. Travis Flory. 3. J & J Acres.

Class 17: 1. Melissa Trostle. 2. Lindsay Jones. 3. Michael Burrell.

Class 18: 1. Matt and Adam Sellers. 2. Matt and Adam Sellers. 3. Melissa Trostle

Champion - Matt and Adam Sellers.
Reserve - Matt and Adam Sellers.

HEAVYWEIGHT

Class 21: 1. Adam Sellers. 2. Matt Trostle 3. Matt Trostle.

Class 22: 1. Melissa Trostle 2. Matt and Adam Sellers 3. Jennifer Flinchbaugh.

Class 23: 1. Jennifer Flinchbaugh 2. Joseph Emenheiser. 3. Michael Burrell

Champion - Melissa Trostle
Reserve - Adam Sellers.

Grand Champion - Melissa Trostle
Reserve Grand Champion - Adam Sellers.



Reserve champion of the York Fair's open class market lamb show was exhibited by Matt Sellers. Shown with the winning Suffolk ewe is Brad Linton.



A 128-pound crossbred Suffolk took grand champion open class market lamb for Melissa Trostle, holding the banner. Handling the champion is John Eaton Jr.

Agriculture Secretary Reports On Avian Influenza

HARRISBURG (Dauphin Co.) — Agriculture Secretary Samuel E. Hayes Jr. this week presented a preliminary report to the state General Assembly that said the value of depopulated flocks and products destroyed because of the avian influenza is more than \$1.5 million.

Hayes' report noted that a total of 16 layer flocks containing approximately 1.75 million birds were found to be infected with the avian influenza, leading to a quarantine in May of a 75-mile area in northwestern Lancaster County.

"We are deeply appreciative of the response of the Legislature to Gov. Tom Ridge's request for \$5 million to defray costs associated with this threat to the poultry industry," Hayes said.

"When Gov. Ridge signed the bill in June, we promised to give periodic reports on our efforts to contain the situation and to help compensate producers for their loss.

"The outbreak has been emotionally and financially difficult for the poultry industry. We are in the seventh week without a new incidence of the virus, but I am not ready to declare victory. Our previous experience with avian influenza in 1983-84 warns us that fall season could witness a very virulent and devastating return of the virus."

Ten of the infected flocks totaling about 750,000 birds were destroyed.

The cost of depopulation, disposal, cleaning and disinfecting and other costs necessary to be released from quarantine is about \$200,000. Additional diagnostic testing and surveillance is approximately \$175,000. Nearly \$60,000 was spent on additional equipment for testing.

The department has ordered four million doses of vaccine at a cost of \$120,000. Although the vaccine is currently being manufactured, the U.S. Department of

Agriculture has not given permission for it to be used.

The cost to the industry for marketing and production losses has not yet been assessed, Hayes said.

The report cites the continued need for bio-security measures to guard against future outbreaks and to help protect the poultry industry from suffering such devastating losses in the future.

Bucks Announces Lamb Winners

WRIGHTSTOWN (Bucks Co.) — Tracy Kimbel of Jamison showed the grand champion lamb at the Bucks County 4-H Market Lamb Roundup recently at the Middletown Grange Fair.

Her 142-pound purebred Suffolk lamb was purchased at the auction by Worthington Racing Stables of Langhorne for \$475.

Doug Pike of Quakertown had the reserve champion. Univest Corporation of Pennsylvania paid \$460 for Doug's 113-pound Suffolk lamb.

In all, 30 4-H members showed and sold their project lambs. The sale averaged \$250/head with the champions and \$235/head when the champions weren't included. The judge was Greg Snyder of Lancaster.

Following is a list of results:
**BUCKS COUNTY
4-H MARKET
LAMB ROUNDUP**

Lamb Show Results: Lightweight Lambs (98-106 lb)

1. Alyssa Poorman
2. Kyle Eldman
3. Kyle McLaughlin

Medium Weight Lambs (108-117 lb)

1. Doug Pike
2. Curtis Poorman
3. Peter Wolf

Medium-Heavyweight Lambs (118-128 lb)

1. Kelly Pike
 2. Alyce Simons
 3. Laura Miller
- Heavyweight Lambs (136-152 lb)
1. Tracy Kimbel
 2. Ryan O'Banion
 3. Steve O'Banion

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Results of independent test

The Ministry of Agriculture of Quebec, Canada, tested 12 farms using different brands of mixers. Based on the mix test, the health of the cattle and the homogeneity...



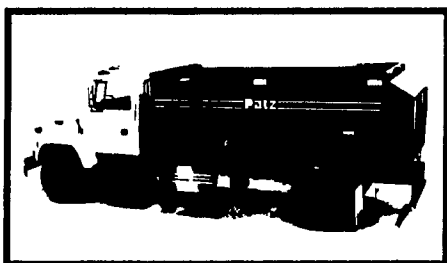
The first-place winner was:

Aston Farm, Aston Junction, Quebec, feeding 225 cows in 3 groups with a Patz Model 9300 Auger Mixer.

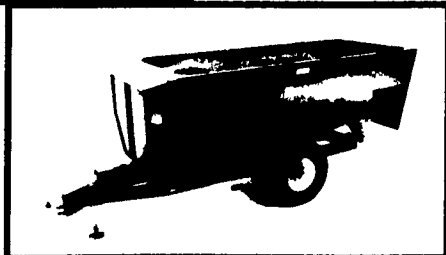


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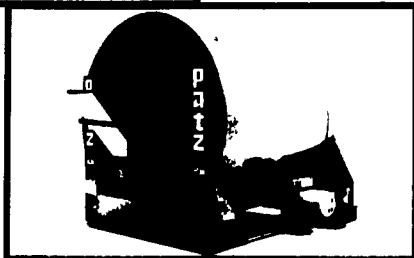
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