

# Impressive January Calf Turns Into KILE Grand Angus Female

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—This year's January calves have looked like a championship class for the Keystone International Livestock Expo (KILE) grand champion Angus female exhibitor.

Larry Weaver of New Holland exhibited one of those babies, Weaverland Scaara Sundance, born Jan. 12 this year from a CH 054 Rito 0100 sire to a Krueger Scaara Leeza dam. The junior heifer calf champion captured grand champion female at the KILE Angus Show late last week.

The calves from Rito "are the best we've ever had," said Weaver.

Weaver, who breeds AI, purchased the Rito semen from American Angus Semen Service.

Larry said that his wife Barbara does all the breeding, and has studied to improve the Weaverland Valley Farm's 40-cow herd's genetics.

The bull genetics, Weaver noted, were recommended by Cheryl Fairbairn, Chester County livestock agent. They used the Rito bull last year and "liked her," Weaver said, "so we used him heavily this year."

So far, four or five calves have been obtained from the Rito bull. But the one that won at KILE, so far, is the "best of the bunch," Weaver said.

The purebred Angus breeder also sells feeder calf, maintaining a herd of 150 head of Angus crosses in New Holland. Weaver said that if he couldn't sell Scaara Sundance



Grand champion Angus female at KILE was awarded to Larry and Barbara Weaver. From left, Melissa Leiden, Pa. Cattlemen's Queen; Barbara Weaver; Charlie Boyd, judge; and Kristin Ebersole at halter.

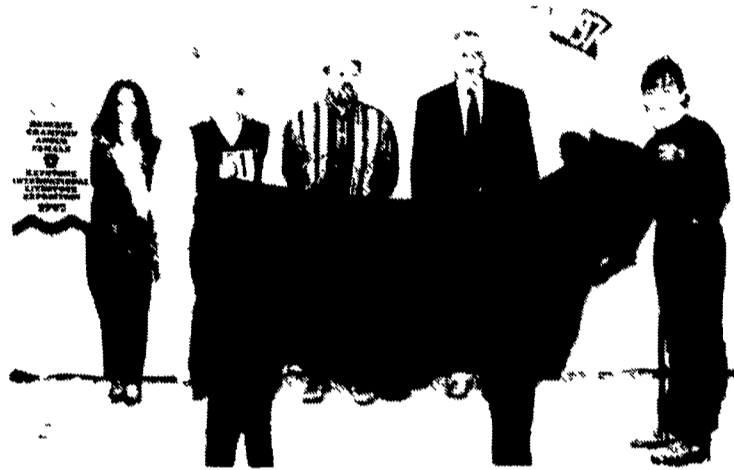
privately, he would save her for competition at the state Farm Show.

Also under consideration is the North American International Livestock Exposition in Louisville, Ky. show in mid-November, if "we think she's powerful enough" for the tough national competition, Weaver indicated.

So far, Weaver's show animals have placed in several top spots at the Atlantic National Angus Breeders Show recently. In addition, Larry and wife Barbara picked up premier exhibitor and premier breeder of the KILE Angus show.

Show judge Charlie Boyd, Mayslick, Ky., commented on the cattle at the show. "These are very functional cattle — cattle you can make a living with," that were "structurally sound, not overconditioned, and have flesh and ability to calve out" nicely. Boyd, of Boyd Beef Cattle, breeds Angus and Polled Hereford cattle.

Reserve female champion of the Angus show went to the junior heifer calf, Clear View Miss Skymore, sired by Nbar Emulation Ext from Whitestone Miss Sky, by Ed



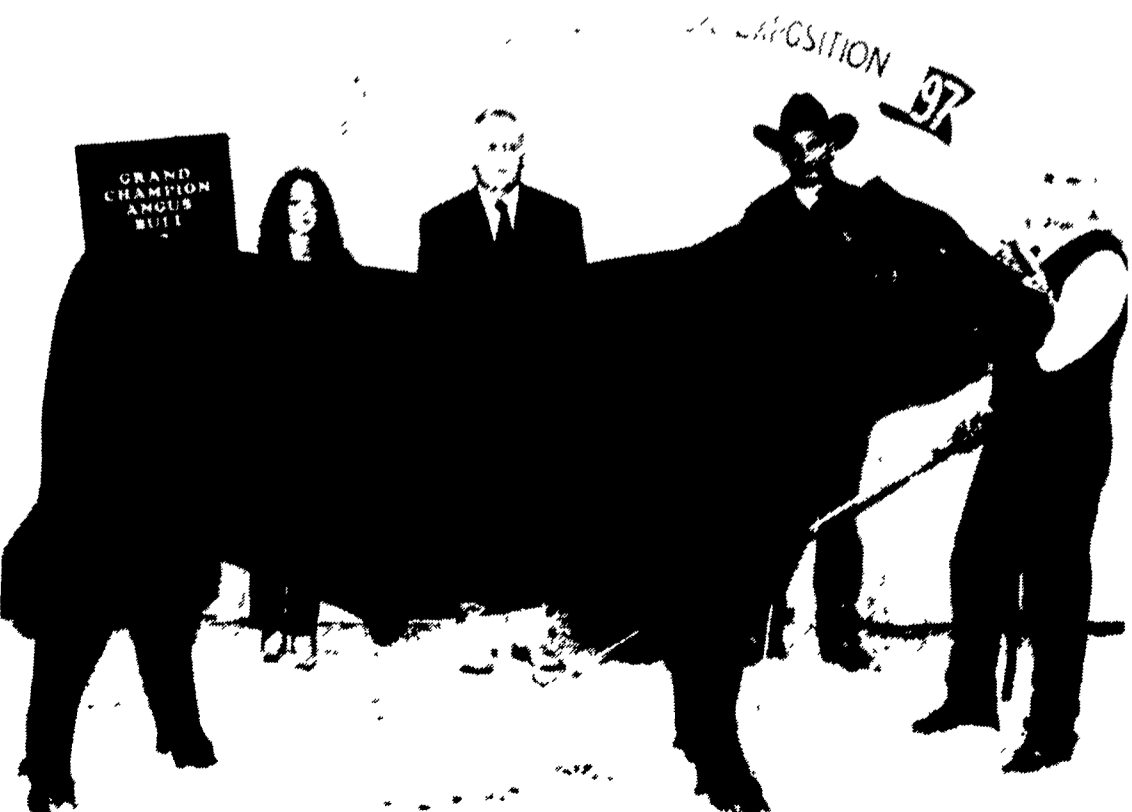
Reserve champion Angus female at KILE was shown by Ed Richardson. From left, Melissa Leiden, Pa. Cattlemen's Queen; JoAnn Hausner; Ed Richardson; Charlie Boyd, judge; and at halter, Kelly O'Boyle.



Reserve champion bull at KILE Angus Show. From left, Melissa Leiden, Pa. Cattlemen's Queen; Charlie Boyd, judge; Mary Bewley; John Bewley; and John Hausner at halter.



Premier breeder and exhibitor at KILE Angus Show went to Weaverland Valley Farms. From left, Charlie Boyd, judge; Barbara Weaver; Kristin Ebersole; and Larry Weaver.



Grand champion bull at KILE Angus Show. From left, Melissa Leiden, Pa. Cattlemen's Queen; Charlie Boyd, judge; John Hausner; and JoAnn Hausner.

Richardson, Louisa, Va. The calf was shown by Kelly O'Boyle.

Junior champion female of the show went to Whitestone Rita, out of a Whitestone Traveler sire and Rita 5H27 dam, also shown by Ed Richardson.

In the bull competition, Boyd said the lineup contained "sound, functional, bulls that can get out and move and travel." He picked the senior yearling bull, JDH Keystone Ext (S: N. Bar Emulation Ext, D: Mengs Miss Skymere) shown by JDH Cattle Company, Dover, as grand champion bull. The bull is owned by three exhibitors: JDH Cattle; Edgebrook Farm, Charlottesville, Va.; and Blue Ridge Farms, Afton, Va.

Reserve champion bull went to the junior bull calf, Lochinvars First Time, sired by Leachman Right Time from Whitestone Miss SK, shown by John and Mary Bewley, Woodbine, Md.

Junior champion bull went to Turning Pt 65 Hanover, shown by Sunset and Turning Pt, Hanover.

There were 32 exhibitors and 52 cattle at the show. Following is a list of show placings.

## KEYSTONE INTERNATIONAL LIVESTOCK EXPO ANGUS SHOW RESULTS

- Cow/Calf: 1. Bryan Dillehay. 2. Bryan Dillehay.
- Class 1 Junior Heifer Calves: 1. Ed Richardson. 2. Sidney W. Riggs. 3. Jeff Covell.
- Class 2 Junior Heifer Calves: 1. Larry and Barbara Weaver. 2. West Winds Land & Cattle. 3. Erdenheim Farm.
- Junior Heifer Champion: Larry and Barbara Weaver. Reserve: Ed Richardson.
- Late Senior Heifer Calves: 1. West Winds Land & Cattle.
- Senior Heifer Calves: 1. Larry and Barbara Weaver. 2. JDH Cattle, Hausner. 3. Carl Detwiler.

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