

4-H Horse Club Members Ride Into Spotlight At State Horse Show

HARRISBURG (Dauphin Co.) — Dozens of Pennsylvania 4-H horse club members recently vied for awards at the State 4-H Horse Show held late October here at the Farm Show Complex.

The competition gave 4-H'ers an opportunity to display their horsemanship and sportsmanship skills.

The state show culminates the year for approximately 7,500 Pennsylvania 4-H members enrolled in the horse and pony 4-H clubs. To be eligible for this show, 4-H'ers had to advance through qualifying competitions at the county, regional, and district levels.

More than 800 winners from the county and district competitions vied for awards. Events tested skills in showmanship, equitation, pleasure, jumping, driving, and timed events.

The primary purpose of the state 4-H horse program is to develop life skills in youth and skills in horse management. Through competition, the 4-H'ers develop riding skills, gain self confidence, and learn proper care of animals.

Following is a photo collage of award winners from the State 4-H Horse Show.



Ashley Richardson, Denver, won first place in saddle seat equitation junior division and second place in saddle seat pleasure horses.



Vanessa Polk, Gilbertsville, with Hear About Hawks Hyacinths, won miniature horses first place filly of this year.



Sarah Grove, Bellefonte, with her western pleasure and 2-year-old Futurity honors.



Walt Goedkoop won first place in Quarter Horse colt of this year.



Megan Sly, Gilbertsville, with My Dream's Storm Trooper, won first place in yearling colt.



Lindsey Shreiner, Manheim, won first place in Appaloosa colt of this year.



Kaitlin Troutner, Peach Bottom, won first place in Arabian colt of this year.



Karla Clemens, Souderton, with Obvious Flash, won Appaloosa yearling gelding first place.



Walt Goedkoop, Lancaster, won first place in stock seat equitation junior division.



Jessica Amarnok, Gilbertsville, with NaHailey Hershey Bar, won first place with filly of this year/yearling filly, hunter type pony.



Terisa Peoples, Green Lane, with Mandy's Max, first place hunter type horse yearling filly.

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