

Lebanon 4-H Youth Hold Winter Livestock Roundup

NORTH CORNWALL (Lebanon Co.) — Members of the Lebanon County 4-H Livestock Club recently held their annual winter roundup at the Lebanon Area Fairgrounds.

The annual winter roundup is held prior to the Pennsylvania Farm Show, and is used as a warm-up event to the Farm Show for some youth, while it is the major winter showing and selling event for others.

Galen Kopp, county Extension dairy and livestock agent, said that members of the county 4-H Livestock Club have indicated they will be showing 36 market hogs, 22 market lambs and 10 market steers at the state Farm Show.

Further, he said that nine members are expected to compete in the Junior Shepherd Contest during the Farm Show (starting 1 p.m., Jan. 12 in the Small Arena of the Harrisburg Farm Show Complex).

The Lebanon Winter Roundup consists of a day of livestock shows followed by a sale. Support from the community was strong, Kopp said.

The sale totalled \$8,955. Buyers paid \$1,615 for 10 lambs, for an

average of \$161.50; and \$7,340 for 45 market hogs, averaging \$163.11.

There were no steers shown or sold.

The judge of the sheep competition was John Eaton, a York County sheep breeder and judge, who has been involved for a number of years with supporting youth programs.

Kyle Fleener, son of Tim and Sarah Fleener of Robesonia showed the grand champion market lamb, a 120-pound crossbred animal that was also the champion heavy weight. Fleener sold the animal to John F. Lengel Oil Co. of Newmanstown for \$260.

The reserve grand champion lamb was a 118-pound crossbred animal exhibited by Susan Leed, daughter of Robert and Nancy Leed of Myerstown. It sold to Keystone Farm Credit for \$200. Leed also showed the mediumweight champion.

The lightweight champion was a 97-pound Montadale shown by Tisha Ebling, daughter of Warren and Jane Ebling of Newmanstown. Tisha also showed the reserve champion lightweight lamb,

another Montadale.

Blair Brown, son of Bill and Rhelda Brown of Hershey, showed the reserve heavyweight champion, a 125-pound crossbred lamb.

Joseph Tice, son of Thomas and Debra Tice of Lebanon, showed the reserve mediumweight champion, a 105-pound animal.

In the market hog competition, the judge was David Holloway of Glen Rock, a locally well-known breeder and judge.

Jon Harnish, son of Guy and Carol Harnish of Lebanon, showed the grand champion market hog, a 265-pound crossbred animal that sold for \$290 to Hatfield Quality Meats. That animal was the champion light heavyweight.

Harnish also showed the champion heavyweight and reserve champion heavyweight market hogs.

Tabitha Kohr, daughter of Tim Kohr of Myerstown, showed the reserve grand champion market hog, a 245-pound crossbred animal that sold for \$250 to Lebanon Valley National Bank. It was the reserve champion light heavyweight.

Among the other crossbred animals, Joel Crouse, son of Bryan and Brenda Crouse of Myerstown showed the champion medium-weight hog, while Michelle Risser, daughter of Liz and Rick Risser of Lebanon, showed the reserve champion mediumweight.

Timothy Crouse, Joel's brother, showed the champion lightweight market hog, while Janine Winebark, daughter of Kenneth and Janet Winebark of Myerstown, showed the reserve lightweight champion.

Among the purebred animals, Joel Crouse showed the champion Duroc. Brandon Winebark, brother of Janine, showed the champion Hampshire.



From the left, buyers Sean McKinney and Michael Firestone, representing Lebanon Valley National Bank, kneel behind Tabitha Kohr's reserve grand champion market hog of Lebanon 4-H Livestock Club Winter Roundup.



Buyer Kurtis Good, representing Hatfield Quality Meats Inc., holds his company banner and kneels behind the Jon Harnish's grand champion market hog of the Lebanon 4-H Livestock Club Winter Roundup.

Jason Shirk, son of Thomas and Dawn Arnold of Rexmont, showed the champion Yorkshire. Jeremiah Arnold, son of Brian and Kathy Welch of Schaefferstown, showed

the reserve champion Yorkshire. For more information on the Lebanon County 4-H Program and opportunities to participate, contact the Lebanon Extension Office at (717) 270-4391.



Buyer Peter Lengel, representing John F. Lengel Oil Co., stands with Kyle Fleener who holds the head of his grand champion market lamb of the Lebanon 4-H Livestock Club Winter Roundup.



Buyer Bob Evanchalk, representing Keystone Farm Credit, stands with Susan Leed who holds the head of her reserve grand champion market lamb of the Lebanon 4-H Livestock Club Winter Roundup.

Berks County 4-H Recognizes Members

LEESPORT (Berks Co.) — The Berks County 4-H Program recognized achievements made by members, leaders, parents, friends, and supporters this year during its annual recognition banquet held recently at the 4-H Community Center.

Among those honored was Oralyn Folk of the Leesport 4-H Club. Oralyn is the first Berks Countian in more than 20 years to reach the Pennsylvania State Fashion Revue top ten at 4-H Achievement Days held in August at Penn State. Leesport 4-H Leader Lila Newhard presented an engrave plaque to Folk, mentioning that she was the first 4-H'er under Newhard's guidance to win state top ten honors in her 26 years as a volunteer. This award highlighted a long history of top finishes for the folk at the local and regional fashion revues.

Folk, who was also recognized as a teen leader, is a junior at Tulpehocken High School and is involved in the Berks County 4-H Rabbit and Cavy Club.

Other 4-H members recognized for their accomplishments were Katie Ramsay, Pennsylvania Outstanding 4-H horse member finalist and delegate to National 4-H Congress; logo contest winners Emilie Miller, Amanda Reed, and Taryn Stein; 4-H Achievement Days

first place winners Ben Weist, Justin Shollenberger, Lee Gauker, Brian Hartman, Nicole Knepp and Jill Neiman; country and regional Fashion Revue winners; state jr Dairy Show and state horse show winners; and "I Dare You" Award recipients Janice Youse and Kelly Dietrich.

Entertainment for the evening was provided by 4-H members. Northern Berks Dairy club member and reigning Berks county Dairy Princess Erica Davis gave her award-winning speech on dairy pride. Laura Phillips, of the Blue Ribbon Riders Horse Club, presented her 5th place American Quarter Horse Association national competition speech on legends and legacies. Beck Sobjack, of Top Notch Equestrians, gave an illustrated presentation titled "Horses in the Sky," which earned her a blue merit at 4-H Achievement Days. Providing a

mini-fashion revue, Oralyn and Josh Folk modeled their winning outfits.

Friends of 4-H awards were presented to John F. Lengel, Inc., Nancy Evans, Berks County maintenance staff, Lebanon Valley National Bank, and Jim Hodgkins and Wayne Sierer for their dedicated support of the Berks County 4-H program.

Another special award presented was the annual "Clover Award" which recognizes contributions by community groups. This year's recipient was the Berks Lehigh Chefs Associates which has supported the urban day camp program for the past five years.

Club leaders with one, five, and 10 or more years of service were also recognized. All-American Clover awards went to 10 4-H clubs participating in community service projects in 1997.

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