

Brown Swiss Named Supreme Champion At

Maryland State Fair



The 1998 Mid-Atlantic Brown Swiss Futurity winner Glad Ray PR Frannie, held by Jennifer Keilholtz. Continuing from left, Elizabeth Smith, national Brown Swiss ambassador; Erin Feuillet, Maryland dairy princess; Jen Seiss, Frederick County dairy princess; Erin Kerhand, Maryland alt. dairy princess; and James Burdette, judge.

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TIMONIUM, MD - The Brown Swiss breed once again made a great showing at the 117th Maryland State Fair, in Timonium, MD. A big highlight of this 10 day fair is the naming of the supreme champion at the conclusion of the dairy show. This year, the grand champion Brown Swiss, Shen Val Jades Cara went on to compete against the "best of breeds" on Labor Day, following the tradition Holstein Show, and was named the supreme champion dairy cow of the 1998 Maryland State Fair. This outstanding aged cow, sharp and angular displayed a beautiful udder, and is owned and exhibited by Ernie and Elliott Kueffner, Boonsboro, Md.

A total of 85 Brown Swiss made a strong presentation from heifer classes, cow classes, and included an exceptional group of 11 two-years-old competing in the "Fifth" Mid Atlantic Brown Swiss Futurity. The quality of animals ran deep in all classes, and was really noticeable in the outstanding Futurity class. Well-known Holstein breeder and Judge. James Burdette, Mercersburg, did the honors of lining up the classes for the day.

Also, highlighting the Brown Swiss show was the selection of the "Best Two-Year-Old for the day, which is the Mid Atlantic Brown Swiss Futurity. It came down to "two terrific gals with two terrific cows" After Judge Burdette's remarks, and the suspense had heightened, he named Glad Ray PR Frannie the winner of the 1998 Futurity, exhibited by Jennifer Keilholtz, Emmitsburg, MD. The close second place was Heilinger Jet Meg Myra, exhibited by Laura Heilinger, Lebanon. Judge Burdette commented that the winner was a beautiful "chiseled out" dairy cow, and granted the second place animal on being a very correct, well-balanced cow Glad Ray PR Frannie is sired by Johann Pete Rose, and was also named the Best Bred & Owned animal in the Futurity, and received an authentic Swiss pocket watch in a silver case Jennifer also received a \$300 00 cash award as the winner.

The reserve senior champion was also exhibited by Jennifer Keilholtz, the second place aged cow, Shady Creek Lem Mac Madora

Receiving the intermediate champion of the show was also the Futurity winner, Glad Ray PR Frannie, shown by Jennifer Keilholtz, Emmitsburg, MD. The reserve intermediate champion honors went to Gary Mase, Lebanon, exhibiting the first place jr. 3-yr-old, Meadow Hill Patrick Alaina.

Competition in the heifer classes was strong, and Burdette named a big, stylish, fall yearling, GS FLJ Tippy ET the junior champion of the show She was exhibited by Jamı Savage, Knoxville, MD. Tippy is a real crowd pleaser with her size and scale, and is a repeat jr champion winner from the 1997 Maryland State Fair The reserve jr. Champion female was a beautiful ribbed, and stylish summer yearling, Hoodstead Jetway Nicole, exhibited by Kristin Myers, New Windsor, MD

THE TOP PLACINGS WERE AS FOLLOWS:

JUNIOR CALF 1 Aimee Smith 2 Clayton Frey
 3 Marie & Oscar Sipler
 WINTER CALF 1 Aimee Smith 2 Jennifer Keilholtz 3 Jarrod Burall

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