

Frontier Lumber Buys Grand Champion Steer

ERIE (Erie Co.) — Frontier Lumber purchased the grand champion market steer at the recent 4-H and FFA Livestock Sale, held in conjunction with Waterford Fair.



Ben Russell of Waterford sold the Grand Champion market lamb to C. Sherman Allen, Auctioneer and Associates, of Conneaut Lake, at the recent Erie County 4-H and FFA Livestock Sale. The lamb sold for \$3.70 per pound. Allen donated the lamb to the Shriners Hospital in Erie. Pictured are, from left, C. Sherman Allen, auctioneer, and 4-H member Ben Russell.



Erie County's grand champion market hog was purchased by Mills Associates Inc., of Pittsburgh, for \$2.55 per pound. The 255-pound Duroc crossbred hog was raised and sold by Melissa Long, Waterford, a member of the Homesteaders 4-H Club. Pictured are Larry Mills and 4-H'er Melissa Long.

Byron Carpinello, buyer for the company, paid \$2.40 per pound for the 1,285-pound Angus crossbred steer, raised and marketed by Jillian Daniels. Daniels, the daughter of Terry and Barbara Daniels of Waterford, is a member of the Waterford Livestock Wranglers 4-H Club.

The grand champion market hog was sold to Mills Associates of Pittsburgh by Melissa Long, Waterford, for \$2.55 per pound. Long is a member of the Homesteaders 4-H Club. Her Duroc crossbred hog weighed 255 pounds. C. Sherman Allen, Auctioneer, paid \$3.70 per pound for the grand champion market lamb. This Hampshire crossbred lamb, weighing 110 pounds, was exhibited and sold by 4-H'er Ben Russell of Waterford. Russell is a member of the Happy Hoggers + 4-H Club. Allen donated the champion lamb to Shriners Hospital for Children in Erie.

The Reserve Grand Champion Market Steer was purchased by Hoss's Steak and Sea House for \$1.60 per pound. The steer, exhibited by Garrett Blasco, Cambridge Springs, weighed 1,255 pounds. Blasco is a member of the Happy Hooves 4-H Club. The reserve grand champion market hog was sold by Santos Torres, Erie, to C. Sherman Allen, Auctioneer, for \$1.60 per pound. Torres is a member of the Homesteaders 4-H Club. Allen donated the hog to Shriners Hospital. The reserve champion market lamb was purchased by PennWest Farm Credit, ACA, of Meadville, for \$1.80 per pound. The Hampshire crossbred lamb, weighing 120 pounds, was sold by Lorraine Lotz, Waterford. Lotz is a member of the Happy Hoggers + 4-H Club.

The sale also featured the annual bidding on the 4-H Charity Hog. This year's Charity Hog was raised by members of the Homesteaders 4-H Club, Summit Township. These 4-H'ers selected the Dr. Gertrude A. Barber Center as the beneficiary of the proceeds from the sale of the 290-pound Duroc crossbred barrow, donated as a feeder pig last spring by June and Charles Smith of Ramy Swine Farm in Burghill, Ohio. Feed for the hog was donated through Rich Blass of 5-M Milling in Waterford, by Buckeye Feeds. The charity hog was purchased by Jeff Grettler of Grettler's Meat Packing, Girard, for \$1.75 per pound. The hog was sold by Celebrity Auctioneer Adam Reese, WXTA Country 98, Erie.

4-H member Pamela Biebel,

Waterford, raised a lamb that was sold to benefit the newly established Erie County 4-H Scholarship Fund. The lamb was donated to the program in the spring by Sonshine Acres in Meadville. Feed for the lamb was donated by Arnie Hess of Erie-Crawford Cooperative, Erie. The 130-pound Hampshire ewe lamb was purchased by Doug Chesley Auctioneering, North East, for \$1.80 per pound. Chesley donated the animal back for resale, and it was sold to Chuck Cummings, Corry, for \$2 per pound. During the sale, several lambs were donated back for resale to benefit the scholarship fund. Donors included Quality Farm and Fleet, Corry; Columbus Custom Cut Meats, Columbus; Burrow's Appliance and Auction Service, Meadville; Dan Trace Auctioneer, Meadville; and Green Hill Farm, Cambridge Springs. In addition, cash donations were received from Mills Associates, Pittsburgh, and Gus and Mary Picardo, Millcreek. In all, nearly \$1,400 was raised for the scholarship fund at the sale.

Bob Bell, DVM, of the Animal Hospital of Waterford purchased one of the market hogs at the sale and donated it back for resale to benefit the county's 4-H Outstanding Livestock Exhibitor Program. The hog was sold by Boyd T. Hess, III, of Waterford, a member of the Beefers 4-H Club.

According to Carolyn L. Belczyk, extension agent - 4-H/youth with the Erie County Cooperative Extension Office, 26



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market lambs, 28 market hogs, and 15 market steers were sold through the livestock sale this year. The sale provides 4-H and FFA members with a market outlet for their project animals.

Sale averages this year, excluding prices paid for grand champions, the charity hog, and

resale animals, ranged from \$1.18 per pound for market lambs to \$1.64 per pound for market hogs and \$1.36 per pound for market steers. Many members will use any profits from the sale of this year's project animals to finance next year's project work.

New York 4-H Team Places First In Stockman's Contest

HARRISBURG (Dauphin Co.) — New York's Allegany County 4-H team placed first in the 21st annual Keystone Stockman's held on the final day of the 42nd Keystone International Livestock Exposition at the Farm Show Complex.

It's the second year in a row that Allegany County won the contest, with three members returning from last year; Jeffrey Wilson, Hilda Mitchell, and Becky Mitchell. Erin Atkins was the fourth member. Becky was second high individual overall in the contest, Jeffrey was fourth and Hilda was 13th. The team was the high team in the management and meats contest, and was seventh in swine.

Ben Wiest, Berks County 4-H, was the high overall individual in the contest and was named Keystone Junior Stockman of the Year, winning \$250 and a permanent trophy. His team placed second overall. Other members were Lee Gauker, Brian Hartman and Kelly Dietrich. Ben was third in individual in the meats contest, and ninth in the management scores. Brian was fifth in management, and Kelley was ninth in beef. The team was second in management and fourth in meats.

A second Berks County team

was seventh in the contest, with members Justin Levan, Kristy Dietrich, Cathy Levan and Jill Neiman. Jill was first in swine, and second in management scores, and fifth overall in the contest. The B team was first in swine and sixth in management.

Other high teams were: 3. Spotswood FFA, Penn Laird, Va.; 4. Broadway FFA - A, Broadway, Va.; 5. York County 4-H, 4, Pa.; 6. Central FFA - A, Woodstock, Va.; 7. Berks County 4-H - B, Pa.; 8. Spotswood FFA - B, Va.; 9. Cowanesque FFA - A, Westfield, Pa.; 10. Marion Center FFA - A, Indiana County, Pa.

Top teams in individual contests include:

Beef: 1. Broadway FFA - A; 2. Perry County 4-H Livestock Club - A; 3. York County 4-H - A; 4. Spotswood FFA - B; 5. Kennard-Dale FFA - A.

Sheep: 1. Littlestown FFA - A; Berks County 4-H - B; 3. Spotswood FFA - A; 4. Kennard-Dale FFA - A; 5. Marion Center FFA - B.

Swine: 1. Berks County 4-H - B; Lebanon County 4-H; 3. Marion Center FFA - A; 4. Kennard-Dale FFA - A; 5. Cowanesque FFA - A.

Meats: 1. Allegany, N.Y. 4-H; 2. Central FFA - A; Spotswood FFA - A; Berks County 4-H - A;

Broadway FFA - A.

Management: 1. Allegany, N.Y. - 4-H; 2. Berks County 4-H - A; 3. Spotswood FFA - A; 4. Marion Center FFA - A; 5. Red Lion FFA.

Other high individuals were: 3. Becky Heishman, Central FFA, Woodstock, Va.; 6. Clay Miller, Broadway FFA - A; 7. Bryan Breden, Spotswood FFA - A; 8. Sarah Lickey, Spotswood FFA - B; 9. Joe Emenheiser, York County 4-H; 10. Jennifer Flinchbaugh, York County 4-H.

The stockman's contest is designed as an educational activity for both 4-H and FFA youth, offering them experience in evaluation and decision-making in a variety of livestock judging events.

Contestants judge top quality animals which were exhibited in the show, and evaluate meats, feeds and equipment. The top five contestants in overall scores are interviewed by three officials, answering questions on management, health, showing and current events in the livestock industry.

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