

Market Steers Judged At Perry Fairgrounds



Grand champion heifer owner Chris Willhide.

NEWPORT (Perry Co.) — Recently the champion and reserve champion market steers were judged here at the Perry County Fairgrounds.

Top honors went to Amber Hetrick with her Maine Anjou cross-bred "Indigo," weighing in at 1,360 pounds and judged grand champion and champion FFA market steer. Amber was the re-

serve champion in 1998. She is the daughter of John L. and Renee Hetrick of Seven Stars. Hoss's Steak and Seafood purchased her steer.

Reserve champion and 4-H champion was Chris Willhide with his registered Angus, "Stone Cold Rebar," weighing 1,275 pounds. Chris's steer was his first farm-bred steer to be shown. He is

the son of Charles and Linda Willhide of Duncannon. Mutzabaugh's Market, Duncannon, purchased his steer.

Chris also won the champion heifer class with his registered Angus, Weaverland Gaines Lady. He also won showmanship in the steer division and participated in the supreme showmanship class.

National Organic Standards Board To Meet Oct. 25-28

WASHINGTON, D.C. — The U.S. Department of Agriculture's National Organic Standards Board (NOSB) will meet Oct. 25-28 in USDA's South Building, 1400 Independence Avenue, SW, Room 3501-S, Washington, D.C.

Meetings will run from 1 p.m. to 6 p.m. Oct. 25 and from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Oct. 26-28. All meetings are open to the public.

"This meeting is being held to hear committee reports and make recommendations on whether 16

materials will be included on the proposed National List," said Kathleen Merrigan, administrator of USDA's Agricultural Marketing Service. "The 16 materials are being considered for use in organic crop and livestock production and processing."

The NOSB, which grew out of the Organic Foods Production Act of 1990, met for the first time in March 1992. It has six committees, which address issues related to crop standards, processing, label-

ing and packaging, livestock standards, accreditation, materials, and international issues.

On Dec. 16, 1997, USDA published its proposed rule for the National Organic Program in the Federal Register. The period for public comment on the proposed rule was extended through April 30, 1998, and resulted in an outpouring of 275,000 comments.

Time has been scheduled for public input on Oct. 25, from 1:15 p.m. to 5 p.m. For more information, call (202) 720-3252.

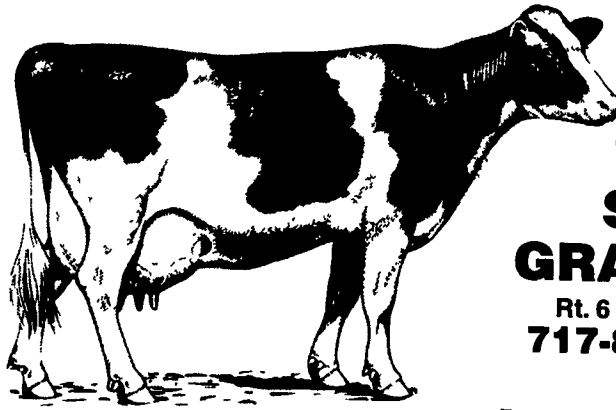


Grand champion steer owner Amber Hetrick and buyer Hoss's Steak and Seafood.



Reserve champion steer owner Chris Willhide, Duncannon and buyer Mutzabaugh's Market, Duncannon.

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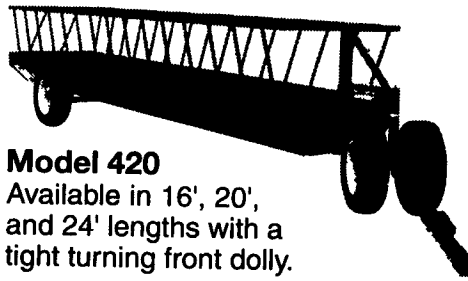
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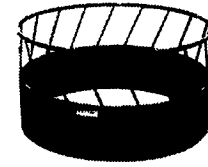
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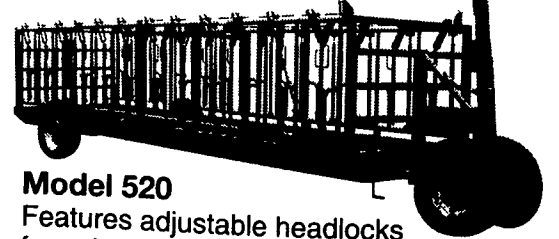
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