

Do Killer Bees Exist?

In 1956, a scientist tried to develop a superior honey bee by mating bees from Africa with European honey bees that live in North and South America. He created the Africanized honey bee or "killer bee" as people like to call them in the movies.

Many scientists believe that the Africanized bees will thrive only in the southern United States because the winters are relatively mild. As of 1997, Africanized honey bees have spread across much of southern Texas, southern parts of New Mexico, Arizona and California.

Africanized bees do not search for people and animals to harm. They do tend to sting in greater numbers, however, and it's easier to make them mad than our native honey bees.

Just like other bees, the Africanized honey bee usually stings only when their nests are threatened.

But don't worry! The chances of being killed by honey bees of any kind are less than the chances of being hit by lightning!

All honey bees are important for growing healthy crops. Without the honey bees for pollination, our food supply would suffer!

Penn State 4-H Ambassador Conference

UNIVERSITY PARK (Centre Co.) — Andy Farabaugh, son of Ted and Annette Farabaugh, Carrolltown, recently participated in the twelfth annual Penn State 4-H Ambassador Conference held at the University Park Campus, where participants attended workshops on interviewing skills, media relations, presentations and slide-show development.

In addition to the workshops, the conference delegates

visited with a number of Penn State faculty and administrators during a reception.

State 4-H ambassadors promote the 4-H youth program and the land-grant university system and are available to speak to groups about Penn State Cooperative Extension and 4-H. These ambassadors represent Pennsylvania's approximately 120,000 4-H members.



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Cumberland County 4-H

On July 15, the Cumberland County Light Horse and Pony Club held its annual 4-H roundup.

Roundup was conducted at Long Acres in Carlisle at 9:30 a.m.

There were 26 classes in which members from the age of eight to 18 competed.

In every class, the top three riders advanced to district competition at the Lebanon Fairgrounds on Aug. 19 at 8 a.m. Twenty-four of the horse and pony club members have the honor to represent Cumberland County in dis-

trict competition.

Advancing in the English riding competition will be Nikki McCaffrey, Mary Strasbaugh, Gwen Thomas, Janine Guido and Paige and Meghan Michaud. In the senior English grooming and showmanship division, Nikki, Mary, and Gwen will represent our club. Nikki, Janine, and Meghan will be riding in the hunter under saddle horses.

The hunter seat equitation on the flat (senior rider) the competitors from our club will be Nikki, Janine, and Gwen. Janine will also be riding in hunter hack horses

while Meghan will be also in the hunt seat equitation over fences (senior rider).

Meghan and Janine will be teaming up for the pleasure horse pairs competition. New member Paige Michaud advances on in the junior division in English grooming and showmanship, hunter under saddle ponies 14.2 hands and under, and hunter seat equitation on the flat.

Carrie McLaughlin, Trevor Long, and Heidi Evelhoch will represent the western senior division in western grooming and showmanship, western pleasure horses, and stock seat equitation on the flat. Heidi Evelhoch will also compete in reining, pleasure horse pairs, western riding, and open trail horses.

The junior western division will be represented by Alina Lebo, Laura France, Laura McLaughlin, Wesley Armstrong, Audrey Wronski, Erin Hoch, Amber Tritt, and Jessica Fabik. Alina and the two Lauras will be competing in the junior division of western grooming and showmanship. In the western pleasure horses (junior rider) Alina, Wesley, and Laura France will be in competition. Alina will also be riding in the stock seat equitation and Erin and Audrey will be joining her in the competition. Erin, Jessica, and Amber will be competing in the western pleasure ponies (over 13 hands not over 14.2 hands). Laura McLaughlin will be riding in the western pleasure ponies (under 13 hands) class.

One of the favorite competitions is the gaming division. Laura McLaughlin, Katie Gossert, Katie Barry, Matt Meals, Robin Kitzmiller, and Erin and Megan Hoch will represent the club. The gaming division is broken down into horses and ponies for the competition. In the pole bending horses, barrels and keyhole will have Katie Barry, Megan, and Matt. Representing the club in the pony division: Laura McLaughlin, Robin, and Erin will be in the pony pole bending class. Laura, Katie Gossert, and Robin will be competing in clover leaf barrel race for ponies. Laura, Robin, and Erin will be ending their competition in the pony key hole class.

Mary Strasbaugh and Heidi Evelhoch will be teaming up for the pleasure horse pairs competition. Mary will also be riding in the open trail horse class.

Levi Smith will once again go on to districts in the reining class.

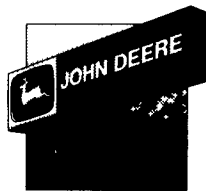
At districts the top two riders in each class advance to the state competition at the Farm Show Complex in Harrisburg, Oct. 27-29.

Cumberland County Sheep Club

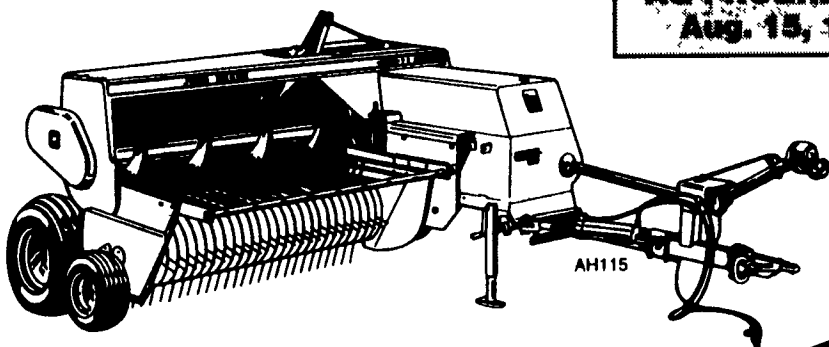
Conodoguinet 4-H sheep club of Cumberland County met July 20 for final preparations for the Shippensburg Fair.

The next meeting will be Sept. 21 at Jake Zeigler's house. Project books will be due at that time.

Visitors and new members are always welcome. Call Mrs. Richard Myers at (717) 258-3850. If you have any questions.



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