

Allentown Boar Champion One Of Longest Exhibitor, Judge Have Seen

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— Who says those in the show ring sometimes don't agree with the judge? John Strawbridge certainly does.

While John was readying the homebred champion January boar, a Yorkshire, he noted the

Todd Jr., in the seventh grade at Northwestern, said he and his dad picked the hog at the show.

Todd Jr. said the pig was "long, and she had pretty much muscle" when they purchased her, at about 200 pounds. His dad said they purchased other animals to improve their herd at the show.

Todd Jr. has shown at Schnecksville and Kutztown fairs and plans to show at Sullivan County, Syracuse, N.Y., and Bloomsburg fairs. He also plans to show at KILE and Farm Show.

Supreme market champion went to the hog shown by Timothy Billig, the 234-pound medium weight champion.

At the show, champion showman went to John Strawbridge and reserve to Kelly Haas. Champion fitter went to George Billig and reserve to Lorissa Lazarus.

There were 354 hogs (264 breed and about 90 market hogs) at the Allentown Fair, with about 30 exhibitors.

Following is a list of show placings.

ALLENTOWN FAIR SWINE SHOW RESULTS

OPEN SHOW BREEDS
BERKSHIRE

January Boar: 1. Todd and Cheryl Bennecoff. 2. Todd and Cheryl Bennecoff.
February Boar: 1. Todd and Cheryl Bennecoff. 2. Todd and Cheryl Bennecoff.
March Boar: 1. Todd and Cheryl Bennecoff.

February Gilt: 1. Todd and Cheryl Bennecoff. 2. Carl Kressley. 3. Todd Lee Bennecoff Jr.

April Boar: 1. Todd Lee Bennecoff Jr. 2. Todd Lee Bennecoff Jr.

Champion Boar: Todd Lee Bennecoff Jr. Reserve: Carl Kressley.

January Gilt: 1. Carl Kressley. 2. Todd Lee Bennecoff Jr. 3. Todd and Cheryl Bennecoff.

February Gilt: 1. Todd and Cheryl Bennecoff. 2. Carl Kressley. 3. Todd Lee Bennecoff Jr.

March Gilt: 1. Todd and Cheryl Bennecoff. 2. Todd Lee Bennecoff Jr. 3. Carl Kressley.

April Gilt: 1. Todd Lee Bennecoff Jr. 2. Todd Lee Bennecoff Jr.

Champion Gilt: Todd and Cheryl Bennecoff. Reserve: Carl Kressley.

Young Herd: 1. Todd Lee Bennecoff Jr. 2. Carl Kressley. 3. Todd and Cheryl Bennecoff.

Produce of Dam: 1. Todd Lee Bennecoff Jr. 2. Carl Kressley. 3. Todd and Cheryl Bennecoff.

Get of Sire: 1. Todd Lee Bennecoff Jr. 2. Carl Kressley. 3. Todd and Cheryl Bennecoff.

Pair of Gilts: 1. Todd Lee Bennecoff Jr. 2. Carl Kressley 3. Todd and Cheryl Bennecoff.

CHESTER WHITE

January Boar: 1. Scott Lazarus. February Boar: 1. Scott Lazarus. 2. Daniel Billig. 3. Daniel Billig.

March Boar: 1. Scott Lazarus. 2. Daniel Billig. 3. Daniel Billig.

April Boar: 1. Scott Lazarus. 2. Scott Lazarus.

Champion Boar: Scott Lazarus. Reserve: Scott Lazarus.

January Gilt: 1. Daniel Billig. 2. Daniel Billig.

February Gilt: 1. Daniel Billig. 2. Daniel Billig.

March Gilt: 1. Scott Lazarus. 2. Scott Lazarus. 3. Daniel Billig.

April Gilt: 1. Scott Lazarus. 2. Scott Lazarus.

Champion Gilt: Daniel Billig. Reserve: Scott Lazarus.

Young Herd: 1. Scott Lazarus. 2. Daniel Billig.

Produce of Dam: 1. Scott Lazarus. 2. Daniel Billig.

Get of Sire: 1. Scott Lazarus. 2. Daniel Billig.

Pair of Gilts: 1. Daniel Billig. 2. Scott Lazarus.

DUROC

January Boar: 1. Calvin Lazarus and Sons. 2. Amy Bennecoff. 3. Amy Bennecoff.

February Boar: 1. Jared Treichler. 2. Calvin Lazarus and Sons. 3. Jared Treichler.

March Boar: 1. Jared Treichler. 2. Jared Treichler. 3. Calvin Lazarus and Sons.

April Boar: 1. Jared Treichler. 2. Jared Treichler. 3. Calvin Lazarus and Sons.

Champion Boar: Jared Treichler. Reserve: Calvin Lazarus and Sons.

January Gilt: 1. Amy Bennecoff. 2. John Strawbridge. 3. Amy Bennecoff.

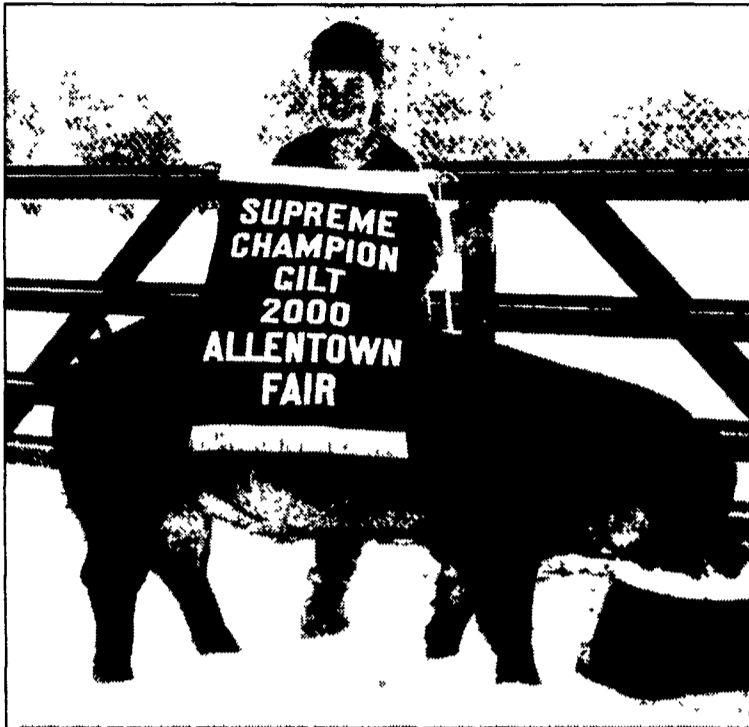
February Gilt: 1. Todd Lee Bennecoff Jr. 2. Timothy L. Billig. 3. Jared Treichler.

March Gilt: 1. Timothy L. Billig. 2. Todd Lee Bennecoff Jr. 3. Jared Treichler.

April Gilt: 1. Jared Treichler. 2. Todd Lee Bennecoff Jr. 3. Jared Treichler.

Champion Gilt: Timothy A. Billig. Reserve: Scott Lazarus.

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Todd Lee Bennecoff Jr. won supreme champion gilt with his Duroc Wednesday at the Allentown Fair.



boar might have been the "longest" in terms of body length he's seen.

If "they get any longer than that, you start running into problems," said Roger Bankert, Hanover, judge of the Allentown Fair swine show.

Bankert, at the two-day show Wednesday and Thursday this week, picked the boar from Busy Acre Farm, Whitehall.

John, 16, son of Donna Strawbridge, White Hall, also picked up grand champion showman in the ring Thursday morning.

A show veteran at Allentown who has won champion before, John, a junior at Whitehall High School, wasn't even sure about bringing the hog.

But with help from grandfather Calvin Lazarus, John said he "knew what was there" when the boar started to mature.

John has shown at Schnecksville, Kempton, Kutztown, and is showing at Sullivan and in Syracuse, N.Y. He also plans to show at Bloomsburg Fair, Keystone International Livestock Expo (KILE), and Farm Show.

A Duroc February gilt won supreme champion gilt at the Allentown Fair Wednesday.

The champion was shown by Todd Lee Bennecoff Jr., 12, son of Todd and Cheryl Bennecoff, Kutztown.

Todd Sr. said the how was purchased at a national summer type conference in Columbus, Ohio, in July.

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