

New Holland Mirrors Ephrata's Sheep Competition



Judge Matt Sellers selects Sarah Boyd's champion market lamb and Ryan Bollinger's reserve champion market lamb.



Jen Zimmerman, left, shows the grand champion breeding sheep, a Southdown, selected by Matt Sellers, judge, center. Because Andrew Gerhart, right, is recuperating from hip surgery, he had some help from Sarah Boyd in showing the reserve, a Suffolk.

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NEW HOLLAND (Lancaster Co.) — Interjected among the county show circuit exhibitors were some new faces at the New Holland Sheep Show, Wednesday evening. Regardless, the champions for market lambs and breeding sheep were a repeat of the previous week's competition at the Ephrata Fair.

Walking away with the grand champion market trophy was Sarah Boyd, with the reserve going to Ryan Bollinger, Manheim. Although Sarah, Ephrata, used the same lamb that won the non-sale champion honors last week, it was the first time Ryan had showed his homebred Suffolk-cross that took the reserve placing.

"I was pretty surprised," Ryan, Manheim, said of the lamb named Rader.

Jen Zimmerman's Southdown's ewe took the title for grand champion breeding sheep overall breeds with Andrew Gerhart's Suffolk, the reserve.

For the first time, Adam Zurin, Mount Joy, showed champion and reserve lambs in the non-sale division. Adam said the bred and owned Suffolk crosses named Brute and Whoopie, are not related. He will decide later on which to show at the Pennsylvania Farm Show and which one to retain for breeding purposes.

Judge Matt Sellers, York Suffolk and Hampshire breeder, said that of all the shows he judged this year, New Holland had the most competitive showmanship classes. Trophies were presented to Sarah Boyd, senior; Ryan Donough, intermediate; and Erin Felak, 1-3 years experience.

In addition to Jen's Southdown and Andrew's Suffolk, other breeding sheep winners include the following: Cheviot champion ewe and ram, Jimmy Zimmerman; Corriedale champion ewe and ram, Travis Redmond; Dorset champion ewe and ram, Radell Peters; Romney champion ewe and ram, Mark Brennen; Shropshire champion ewe and ram, Travis Redmond. Jen also showed the champion ram and ewe horned Dorset, her brother Jimmy had the champion ram in the Southdown division, which went on to take grand champion ram over all breeds. Radell Peter's Polled Dorset took reserve champion ram overall breeds.

A partial listing of results follows:

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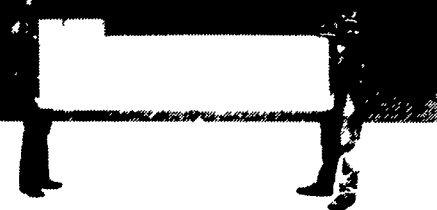
Senior 1 Sarah E Boyd 2 Jennifer Zimmerman 3 Jimmy Zimmerman
Intermediate 1 Joelynn Donough 2 Adam Zurin 3 Travis Redmond
Less experienced (3a) 1 Erin Felak 2 Luke Felak 3 Samantha Dissinger
(3b) 1 Jen Hughes 2 Sheldon Zimmerman 3 Kyle Parker
Division winner Erin Felak
Division runner-up Luke Felak **MARKET SALE**
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