

State Junior Dairy Winners Selected

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HARRISBURG (Dauphin Co.) — In a scene reminiscent of a three-ring-circus performing under the "big top," junior animals from across Pennsylvania competed Monday for top breed honors in the State Junior Dairy Show. The junior show was the opening cattle exhibition event of the annual Eastern National All-American event, held at the Farm Show building.

Three judges and a host of extension and support staff kept the three arenas running smoothly and concurrently as nearly 1,000 dairy animals competed in seven separate breed shows. Junior exhibitors were treated to "dressed up" main arena of the Farm Show building, brightened with cherry red curtains, a display of colorful

flags, accented with dozens of colorful plants and greenery adding to an overall festive appearance.

Type judge for Holsteins and Red and White cattle was Loren Elsass, Wapakoneta, Ohio, while Rachel Tanis, Richmond, Virginia, evaluated showmanship. Dave Kjome, Rochester, Minnesota, handled the placings for the Milking Shorthorns, Guernsey and Brown Swiss shows, with Beth Cooley, Allenwood, judging showmanship. Ayrshires and Jerseys came under type judging of Kevin Lutz, Lincolnton, North Carolina, and showman winners were selected by Nancy Toms, McCallisterville.

In the Ayrshire division, 4-H'er Roselyn Adams, Montrose, Susquehanna County, claimed senior and grand champion with

her 4-year-old "Rose-More Angel's April." Taking the reserve senior and grand champion honors was Dorothy Stickler, Lawrenceville, Tioga County, with her 5-year-old "Des Falaises Drame." Best senior animal bred and owned was "Ansell Acres Heligo Thimble," the first-placed junior 3-year-old exhibited by Larry Ansell, Scottdale, Fayette County.

Junior champion of the Ayrshire breed was the fall calf exhibited by Christian Fulkman, New Wilmington, Lawrence County, "Van DeRomeo Candida." In the reserve junior champion spot was Elaina Rader, Connoquenessing, Butler County, with her winter calf "Bonniebrae Brooklyn." Best junior bred and owned animal was also exhibited by Elaina Rader, the spring yearling "Homestead Acres T P Bessie."

Dubbed a "total package" by Judge Kjome was the senior and grand champion Brown Swiss, "CIE Betta Vue Rambo Ashley," the 5-year-old exhibited by Josh Geiwitz, Volant, Lawrence County. Jason Larson, Smethport, McKean County, claimed the reserve senior and grand champion with his 4-year-old "Irons Blowpop." Best senior animal bred and owned honors went to Lisa Jones, Airville, York County, with her "Stone Fence Emorys Lilac," the first-placed junior 2-year-old.

Top Brown Swiss heifer titles went to the top placing pair in the fall yearling class. Junior champion was "Minor Acres Patrick Morgan," exhibited by Mercer Countian Mike Uber, Harrisville. Reserve winner was "Meadow-Hill Combo Annabell," the entry of David Sattazahn, Womelsdorf, Berks County. Selected the best junior animal bred and owned was the first-placed fall calf of Erin Raney, Adamsville, Crawford County, "J-RA Jetway Kylie."

Terri Johnson, York, York County, topped the Guernsey breed show as grand champion with her senior 2-year-old "Rutter Bros. Fayette's Lizzy," a tall, stylish young cow cited by judge Kjome as "one of the best 2-year-olds I've ever seen." Placing in the reserve senior and grand champion slot was Aaron Gable, New Enterprise, Bedford County, with a 4-year-old "Cedar Fringed Altann." Best senior bred and owned animal also went to Terri Johnson, with her junior 3-year-old "Rutter Bros. Enhancers Lily."

Amy Guyer, Derry, Westmoreland County, snagged two top heifer-class honors with "Hi Field Brighton Jaycie," here winter yearling selected both junior champion and best junior bred and owned. Reserve junior champion Guernsey was "Tro-tacre Mr. Luck Ann," the summer yearling exhibited by Holly Liggett, Bessemer, Lawrence County.

Holstein champion exhibitor Scott Walton, Carlisle, Cumberland County, turned most of his entries over to friend Kyle Burdette to handle in the ring because he was also competing in the junior judging invitational event running concurrently with the show. Walton wrapped up the grueling day of class placings just in time to see his 5-year-old "Tower-Vue Tab Jasmine," waved into the senior and grand champion spot.

Named the Holstein reserve senior and grand champion was "Beshore Adan Juniper," the aged cow entry of Angie

Beshore, New Cumberland, York County. Best senior bred and owned entry was the third-placed senior 3-year-old exhibited by Aaron Ruck, Andreas, Schuylkill County, "Ruch Jolt Corry-ET."

Adeptly handling a stylish junior calf almost taller than himself was Corbin Wood, Littlestown, Adams County, who earned junior champion and best junior bred and owned honors with "Penn Gate Rubens Flower." Reserve junior champion was the tall, angular fall yearling, "Brush-Creek-Vu BC Kasper-ET," exhibited by Amanda Cessna, Everett, Blair County.

Senior and grand champion honors over the Jersey breed were won by the 6-year-old "Eastmont Donna Jon," exhibited by Trisha McIlwain, Morris, Tioga County. In the reserve senior and grand placing was Daniel Newcomb, Ulysses,

Potter County, with his first-placed junior 3-year-old "Jer-Sweet Ace Katie-Bug." The senior 2-year-old, "ELS Brook Mary-Two," exhibited by Erica Lloyd, Pottstown, Chester County, was named best senior animal bred and owned.

Jersey junior champion title went to Scott Walton, Carlisle, Cumberland County, with his fall calf "Pleasant Nook Jupiter Marissa." Named the reserve junior champion was "SHF First Prize Rita," the summer yearling exhibited by Tori Jo Fuller, Carlisle, Cumberland County. Tori Fuller also exhibited the best junior bred and owned entry, her spring calf "Tiaro Bellvue Additude."

Senior and grand champion honors of the Milking Shorthorn show went to the senior 3-year-old "Kuszluk Cattle Co Lucy," exhibited by Jessica Whiting Kennedy, Butler, Butler County. Lane Whiting, Edin-

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Reserve senior and grand champion Guernsey at the state junior dairy show was exhibited by Terri Johnson, center, with Aaron Gable, left, exhibiting the senior and grand champion. Pennsylvania Guernsey princess Melanie Bradbury presented the awards.



Reserve grand champion Red and White was exhibited by Dan Puzo. Champion winner Cassandra Knepper was unavailable for the photo.



Senior and grand champion Milking Shorthorn honors went to Jessica Kennedy with her senior 3-year-old entry.



Trisha McIlwain, left, was the Jersey senior and grand champion winner, while the reserve spot went to Dan Newcomb.



Senior and grand champion Brown Swiss was exhibited by Josh Geiwitz, left. Jason Larson took the reserve senior and grand champion honors.



With Kyle Burdette at the halter, Scott Walton took Holstein senior and grand champion honors with his 5-year-old. Angie Beshore exhibited the reserve senior and grand champion. From left are judge Loren Elsass, Pennsylvania Dairy Princess Melinda Wolf, Kyle Burdette, Angie Beshore, alternate state dairy princess Emily Cloninger, Scott Walton, and alternate state dairy princess Heidi Miller.