

4-H HAPPENINGS

Lancaster 4-H State Horse Show Winners

Lancaster County 4-H horse members received 16 awards at the 41st annual State 4-H Horse Show, Oct. 27-29 at the State Farm Show Complex in Harrisburg.

County winners in 4-H performance classes were Mollie Shreiner, fifth in English grooming and showmanship, junior; Lindsey Shreiner, seventh in English grooming and showmanship, senior; Shelly Fairchild, Heather McCormack, Julie Anspach, third in county team; Keith Miller and Lindsey Shreiner took fourth in pleasure horse pairs; Callihan Schillaci, fifth in western pleasure horses, junior rider; Ashley Hammer, third in reining; Stacy Landis, seventh in pole bending horses; Alisha Liles, fifth in clover leaf barrel race horses; Keith Miller, sixth in hunter under saddle horses, senior rider and Sara Shimko, second in hunter hack ponies (14.2 hands and under).

In 4-H horse production classes, members breed and raise their own project animal. Local winners were Lindsey Shreiner, Keith Miller, and Megan Showers.

Several other Lancaster County horse club members received recognition in the state contest. They were Anita Newswanger, Kim Deitrich, Anne Whiteley, Brent Talbot, Michelle Rupert,

Devin Rivard, Tyler Kraeger, Melissa Eshleman, Katye Allen, Mallory Nauman, and Brooke Reist.

"The competition gave 4-H'ers an opportunity to display their horsemanship skills," said Lori Little, extension agent — 4-H livestock.

The primary purpose of the state 4-H horse program is to develop life skills in youth and skills in horse management. Through competition, the 4-H'ers develop riding skills, gain self-confidence and learn proper care of animals.

State 4-H

Bucks County Winners

Bucks County 4-H horse members received four awards at the 41st Annual State 4-H Horse Show at the State Farm Show Complex.

County winners in performance classes were Carolyn Velas, Quakertown; Justin Hobbs, Ottsville; and Kathryn Mills, Bethlehem. Hobbs won fourth place in draft horse driving. He is the son of Joe and Beverly Hobbs and a member of Round-A-Bit 4-H Club.

Velas placed ninth in open trail ponies. Daughter of Joseph and Deborah Velas, she is a member of Spurs N Burrs 4-H Club. Mills placed eighth in saddle seat pleasure ponies and ninth in saddle seat equitation, senior. She is the daughter of Kathleen Mills and a member of Round-A-Bit 4-H Club.

In 4-H horse production classes, members breed and raise their own project animal. Kara Lombardo, Doylestown, was in the Parade of Merit. She is the daughter of Daniel and Deborah Lombardo and a member of Riders of Dark Hollow 4-H Club.

North Mountain 4-H

The last meeting of the North Mountain 4-H Club was Oct. 30. The club recently went on a hayride.

The North Mountain 4-H Club selected new officers: president, Natalie Funk; secretary, Heather Meyer; treasurer, Anne Meyer; game committee, Amanda Ebersole, Liz Smith, and Mary Ellen Whitmoyer; and news reporter, Kate Gerber.

The first place scrapbook winner was Ben Reizer.

The North Mountain 4-H Club is conducting a food drive for the Ronald McDonald house. 4-H families may contribute food or money for the house, such as canned vegetables, peanut butter, and canned spaghetti. Bring all food items to the January meeting.

Dec. 28 the club is packing boxes to send to flood victims all around the world.

The tractor restoration project is under way. Help the project by donating needed parts, or money.

Fall projects are air riflery, adopt-a-tree, backyard poultry, cake decorating, entomology, old tractor restoration, vet science, and woodworking.

Airville 4-H Club

The Airville 4-H Club meeting was conducted Nov. 14 at 6 p.m. The club had ham, rolls, covered dishes, desserts, iced tea, milk, and coffee on achievement night at Salem Methodist Church.

Janelle Matesich won junior leather; Daniel Watkins, out-

standing junior leather, Nicole Watkins, junior girl; Katrina Gore, junior achievement; Lacie Watkins, senior gifts from the kitchen; Amanda Schott, outstanding senior girl; Emily Robinson, outstanding junior candle-making; Jessica Robinson, outstanding senior achievement.

Clover Buds are Julia Matesich and Kaleb Lowe.

New members are Tom Johnson, Danielle Adams, Jeremy Green, Amanda Robinson. Hanna Lowe received the 1999 Rookie Award.

Columbia County

State 4-H

Horse Show Winners

Columbia County 4-H horse members received 21 individual place awards in the 41st Annual State 4-H Show.

In 4-H horse production classes, local winners were Brandy Fuller, first place, Arabian yearling colt; Seth Shuman, first place, half Arabian colt of this year; Andrew Fedder, first place, stock type horse, filly of this year; Helen Bunnell, first place, 2-year-old, old stock type filly and third place, paint yearling colt; Elena Insinga, second place, half Arabian colt of this year; Beth Bunnell, second place, paint yearling colt; Nicholas Kaminski, third place, paint 2-year-old gelding and fifth place, paint yearling gelding; Justina Wolfinger, sixth place, paint yearling filly; Lindsay Smith, third place, quarter horse 2-year-old gelding; Lauren Meyer, second place, hunter type horse 2-year-old filly; Heather Bilinski, third place, stock type pony filly of this year; and Matthew McColin, second place, English pleasure 3-year-old pleasure futurity.

County winners in 4-H horse performance classes were Brandy Fuller, first place, saddle seat

pleasure ponies; Alexis Schrock, fourth place, saddle seat pleasure horses, and fifth place, saddle equitation, senior; Jacquelyn Shaffer, fourth place, western grooming and showmanship, junior; Colette Mensch and Justina Wolfinger, fifth place, pleasure horse pairs; and Helen Bunnell, fifth place, western pleasure ponies.

Columbia County 4-H horse club members Samantha Hess, Dortha Gray, Courtney Bunnell, Elizabeth Runyan, and Tanya Lane also competed in the state contest and received recognition. Charles D. Gale, extension agent, pointed out that competition gave 4-H'ers an opportunity to display their skills in horsemanship and proper horse grooming.

Erie County 4-H'ers Excel

At State Horse Show

Erie County's Laura Brooks, Union City, a member of Buck-A-Roos 4-H Club, won first place in the Clover Leaf Barrel Race Ponies class for the third consecutive year at the recent State 4-H Horse Show.

This is a timed event, and Laura and her quarter horse, Tara's Lika Brick, ran the course faster than any of the other contestants from across the state.

Brooks, daughter of Debbie and Jeff Brooks, also rode in the pole bending ponies class at the show, placing second in that class. Adam Boyd, North East, also a member of the Buck-A-Roos 4-H Club, earned second place honors in the pole bending horses class at the show. Boyd, the son of Edward and Gayle Boyd, rode his quarter horse, MBS Doll Baby, in the class.

Caitlyn Karaisz, Fairview, Horsin' Around 4-H Club, (Turn to Page B20)

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