

Susquehanna County 4-H'ers Compete At Pa. Junior Dairy Show

HARRISBURG (Dauphin Co.) — The Susquehanna County 4-H Club was well represented at the 46th annual Pennsylvania Junior Dairy Show, which took place during the All-American Dairy Show at the Farm Show Complex, Harrisburg. More than 1,100 dairy animals were entered in the junior show.

Susquehanna County exhibitors were Amanda Miner, Andy Miner, Sara Oliver and Shannon Oliver of Meshoppen; Abbey Puzo, Dan Puzo, Jenna Sprout, Alyssa Sprout, Tyler Singleton, Michael Greenwood, Eric Wells, Bryan Castrogiovanni, Kenny Kiefer all from Montrose; Nick Pease, Jackson; Jeremy Brace, Ben Hoover, Ryan Depew, Springville; Shana Mack, Dustin Mack, Lucas Mack, Kingsley; Nicole Brooks; Hop Bottom.

Alyssa Sprout placed first with her Jersey fall calf. Jeremy Brace placed second with his animal in the Holstein aged cow class. Michael Greenwood placed second with his summer yearling in the Red and White show. Alyssa, Jeremy and Michael are all members of the DES 4-H Dairy Club. Sara Oliver, a member of the Born to Show 4-H Club, placed second with her Red and White fall yearling.

The senior and grand champion Red and White animal was Goff-Farms Locate Gracy-Red, shown by Dan Puzo of the Watrous Corners 4-H Club. Dan has been a 4-H member showing dairy animals for seven years.



Susquehanna County Red and White grand champion at Pa. Junior Dairy Show: left to right, State Dairy Princess, Rebecca Mowrer; Sierra Slater, reserve champion, Bradford County; Dan Puzo holding grand champion, Goff-Farms Locate Gracy-Red; Alternate State Dairy Princess, Sara Lynn Jennings.

To be eligible to participate at the Pennsylvania State Junior Dairy Show a 4-H dairy project member must first exhibit at their County 4-H Dairy Roundup and then qualifying at the District 4-H Dairy Show by receiving a blue ribbon. It is a honor earned by a 4-H dairy member to participate at the State Junior Dairy Show.

Youth participating in the State Junior Dairy Show also have the opportunity to compete in the All-American Dairy Show Youth Showmanship Contest. A record breaking 229 participants from Pennsylvania took part in this year's contest.

Cody Mack from Kingsley was selected as one of the top 10 finalists in the junior division. Other participants from Susquehanna County included Nick Pease, Sara and Shannon Oliver, Amanda and Andy Miner, Lucas, Shana and Dustin Mack and Alyssa and Jenna Sprout.

For more information on the 4-H program, contact Joe Fuller, Susquehanna County 4-H coordinator at the Penn State Cooperative Extension office in Montrost at 278-1158.

Ida's Notebook

by
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We've just had our second killing frost. All of our pretty flowers are dead but due to having guests this past weekend, I do have three very pretty bouquets in the house. The pink, red, and white roses are beautiful in a green vase.

No more delicious red tomatoes, but I did pick some green ones and hope they'll ripen. There are still lots of tiny cabbage heads growing where I cut off the large head. This year again I have frozen cole slaw which tastes so good in the wintertime.

I've moved some houseplants from outside and brought all the squash and pumpkins from the garden. Now I'll move our summer clothes from one closet to another. It is a sign of changing seasons.

Another sign of changing seasons is the New Holland parade. This year we watched a wonderful three-hour parade. It was very well organized and had 17

marching bands, numerous floats, and the biggest trucks I'd ever seen. I remember when my parents took their children to see the parade each fall in New Holland.

My husband has been trying to remove some stumps from the edge of a field. Some are sawed off and some are burned. It takes a long time to burn a stump down to the ground. Now we can farm over and not around the stumps.

As our son has a full-time job off the farm, he works in the fields early in the morning and late at night. The tractor lights bounce up and down as I see him discing ground to plant rye. He works very hard and so does his wife as they board many heifers for other folks. People bring their animals from all parts of the state. This work plus the sports activities of their three children keep them too busy.

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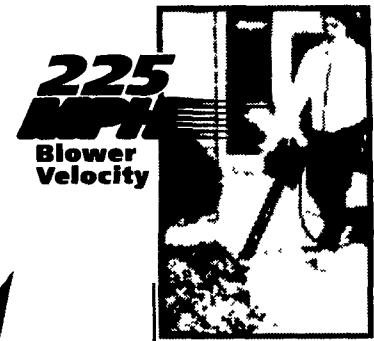
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