

Rockwood FFA Member Wins Dairy Show Supreme

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MEYERSDALE (Somerset Co.) —
A member of the Rockwood FFA

took home supreme champion and a Berlin Brothersvalley FFA member received master showman Tuesday, July 9, at the Somerset County Jun-

ior Dairy Show here at the Somerset County Fairgrounds.

Matt Mosholder of Rockwood took top honors with his Holstein cow, Locker-Lan Lin Georgia-ET, nicknamed "Georgia." He showed in the junior 3-year-old class and went on to the final rounds as supreme champion.

Son of Harry and Donna Mosholder of Rockwood, Matt is a junior student at Penn State, majoring in dairy systems and management. In the same competition last year, Mosholder won Holstein grand champion and was excited to win overall champion this year.

A member of Brothersvalley FFA, Adam Lee Coleman, 20, Berlin, received master showman honors during the competition with his Brown Swiss, "Colecream Jag Summer." Coleman works at the Stolzfus Dairy Farm. Adam's parents are Phil and Lee Ann Coleman, Berlin.

For this year's show, 180 cows were entered in the show that started at 9 a.m. and concluded at about 3:30 p.m. Some exhibitors showed more than one cow.

Exhibitors included members from Berlin Brothersvalley FFA Chapter, Brotherton Belles and Beaus 4-H Club, Buffalo Creek 4-H Club, Dairydells 4-H Club, High Ridge 4-H

Club, Horse and Rider 4-H Club, Jenner Township 4-H Club, Meyersdale FFA Chapter, Milkshakers 4-H Club, Milkskirts 4-H Club, Rockwood FFA Chapter, Somerset FFA Chapter, Steaks and Chops 4-H Club, Valley 4-H Club, and White Oak 4-H Club.

Dairy cows were judged in heifer and cow classes of Holstein, Brown Swiss, Guernsey, Jersey, Red and White, Milking Shorthorn, and Ayrshire. There was also dam-daughter (cow and calf) divisions in some categories.

Winners included:

Holsteins: Matt Mosholder won grand champion, reserve grand champion, and best animal bred and owned in the Holstein division. Holstein heifers: K. Alec Hillegas of Berlin, junior champion, and Matt Mosholder, reserve junior champion; Holstein cows, Matt Mosholder, senior champion, and Matt Mosholder, reserve senior champion.

In the Holstein dam-daughter class, Matt Mosholder won, followed by Jessica Landis of Berlin; Megan Sharp, Stoystown; and Justin Rohrbach, Somerset.

Brown Swiss division: Justin Foreman of Rockwood won grand champion, followed by Seth Foreman, Rockwood, reserve; and Adam Coleman, best animal bred and owned. Brown Swiss heifer division, Adam Coleman of Berlin won junior champion, followed by Holly Barron of Rockwood as reserve junior champion. Justin Foreman of Rockwood won junior champion in the Brown Swiss cow category, followed by Seth Foreman of Rockwood as reserve senior champion.

Guernsey division: Justin Kaufman of Friedens won grand champion, followed by Justine Lehman of Berlin winning reserve champion. Justine Lehman also won junior

champion and reserve junior champion for the Guernsey heifer division; and Justin Kaufman won senior champion for the Guernsey cow category.

Jersey division: Kari Hostetter of Rockwood won grand champion, followed by Scott Leister of Glencoe as reserve grand champion and Kari Hostetter won best animal bred and owned.

Erin Landis of Berlin won junior champion in the heifers, followed by Jarrod Murray of Salisbury; in the cows, Kari Hostetter won senior champion, followed by Scott Leister.

In the Jersey dam-daughter contest, Scott Leister came in first place, followed by Joe Speigle of Boswell.

Red and White division: Kara Savage of Salisbury took home top honors as the grand champion, followed by Anthony Sharp of Stoystown as reserve grand champion. Both Savage and Sharp won in the heifer class as well. There was not a cow class for the Red and White category.

Milking Shorthorn division: Tara Hostetter of Rockwood won junior champion and grand champion.

Ayrshire class: Nevin Hostetter of Rockwood won grand champion, as well as reserve grand champion and best animal bred and owned. He also won senior champion and reserve.

Three siblings of the Hostetter family of Rockwood won division grand champion honors at the junior dairy show. Tara Hostetter won Milking Shorthorn, her brother Nevin won in the Ayrshire division, and sister Kari won in the Jersey division. They are the children of Eileen and Calvin Hostetter of Rockwood. They are all members of Milkshakers 4-H Club.

Larry Lohr of Hooversville was ringmaster.

Christine Wood of Littlestown was judge for the show and Rick Allen of Smock was showmanship judge.



Matt Mosholder of Rockwood won supreme champion at the Somerset County Dairy Show Tuesday, July 9, at the Somerset County Fairgrounds in Meyersdale. His dairy cow, "Georgia," is part of his family's milking herd. He is a member of Rockwood FFA.
Photo by Sandra Lepley, Somerset Co. Correspondent.

DOPP IV Training For Dairy Farmers Scheduled At Ag Center

LEESPORT (Berks Co.) — Dairy farmers today face much more revenue risk than they did just a few years ago.

Milk prices can be subject to tremendous shifts from month to month due to volatility in the underlying prices for dairy commodities (primarily cheese and butter). Prices for dairy commodities in turn are volatile due to the gradual reduction in purchase prices under the dairy price support program since 1987. And, milk production continues to be highly vulnerable to changes in the weather.

The result is that milk revenue can be uncertain from month to month and year to year. For example, milk prices in Pennsylvania for the years 1998-2000 alone varied from a high \$18.30 per CWT in January 1999 to a low of \$12.60 per CWT in April 1999. This degree of volatility makes it difficult to plan the cash flow needs for the dairy business.

Managing price volatility is possible through the prudent use of put options. In an effort to develop dairymen, comfort with the futures market, the USDA, Risk Management Agency has developed a program called the Dairy Options Pilot Program (DOPP IV).

Berks County producers might remember DOPP I from a couple years ago or DOPP III from last year. Berks dairy farmers are again eligible for this program during the 2002-2003 milk-marketing year. An opportunity to learn the fundamentals of milk marketing and the official DOPP IV training are available in the auditorium at the Berks County Ag Center.

On July 30 from 11 a.m.-1 p.m. there is a "pre-DOPP" meeting. We will be reviewing and discussing some milk marketing fundamentals including terminology, figuring basis, risk tolerance, forward pricing and basic marketing plans. Lunch is sponsored by First Union National Bank and MidAtlantic Farm Credit.

On Aug. 6 there is a full day satellite downlink that includes the official DOPP IV participating training. The morning is devoted to reviewing the new Farm Bill.

- From 9 a.m.-10 a.m. the dairy and environmental provisions are being reviewed.

- From 10 a.m.-11 a.m. the grain provisions are being reviewed.

During both sessions there are opportunities for questions and answers. The afternoon is devoted to the official DOPP participant training.

- From 11 a.m.-3:30 p.m. Ken Bailey, Penn State dairy marketing specialist, Mark Stephenson, Cornell dairy marketing specialist, and Lon Burke, USDA DOPP specialist, will be training dairy producers in preparation for program sign-up. Lunch is sponsored by First Union National Bank and MidAtlantic Farm Credit.

All interested dairy persons are asked to call the Berks County Extension office, (610) 378-1327, if they intend to participate in these educational activities on Tuesday July 30, or Tuesday Aug. 6. This will help us with ordering lunch.

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MISCELLANEOUS: figural lady clock; Mother of Pearl handled knives; Westmoreland sterling; brass ladles, flesh forks; spatulas; coffee grinder; old Moss Rose set of dishes; several miniature Indian baskets; Indian pottery pcs; long rifle; deggerio case; sterling items; mosaic frame; E.F. Shields watercolor; kerosene lamps; Gaudy Welsh cups & saucers; cut decanters, Doulton Church Hill; 2 satin vases; pictures; blue pattern pedestal; cut plates; Nippon pancake dish; Homer Laughlin egg shell Surrey set of dishes; Wedgewood platter; Sanborne sterling bowls; large gilt frame; oval mirror; hobby horse; tin lantern; child's ABC porcelain top table; character reading floor scale; unusual slaw board; iron kettles; North Chase Co. Phila small fancy iron stove

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