

Ohio Farm Wins Grand Champion Guernsey Title

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HARRISBURG (Dauphin Co.) — Two hundred and fifty-four Guernseys competed in the recent National Guernsey Show at the Farm Show Complex in Harrisburg. The event was conducted as part of the All-American Dairy Show.

"It's been a tremendous show," said Judge Dennis Ferguson, Dryden, N.Y. "Probably as good of a Guernsey show as I've seen."

A cow raised in Texas and owned by John and Bonnie Ayars, Land of Living Farm, Mechanicsburg, Ohio, came to the top of the large show to be named grand champion. Lavon Farms Turn Point Layla is a senior 3-year-old.

The cow was an All-American 2-year-old last year and this year was grand champion at Ohio State Fair, the only place she has been show so far, according to Ayars.

The cow will not get to compete at the World Dairy Expo in Madison, Wis., however, because Ayars was planning to judge the Guernsey show at the event.

Clay Smith's homebred OCS Dairy Queenie, from OCS Dairy, Jefferson, Md., won reserve grand champion placing.

The cow, a 4-year-old, took



Grand champion winner of the recent National Guernsey Show was John Ayars, Mechanicsburg, Ohio. He is joined by National Guernsey Queen Julie Sollenberger, Spring City, and reserve champion winner Clay Smith, along with Chance Smith.

home grand champion winnings from the Ohio Spring show and the Maryland State Fair this year. Smith also had first place in the total performance winner class.

M. Heath, J. Stephens, and N. Thomas, Westminster, Md., took

home junior champion in the open show. Austin and Lucas Ayars had the reserve junior champion.

In the youth show, Erin Yost, Ferndale, Ca., had the grand champion. Reserve grand champion in the youth show was

Jastes Lotto Katrina, owned by Alan Debnam, Chestertown, Md. Judge Ferguson, Dryden, N.Y., a Semex representative, has also worked as a Guernsey herdsman.

ALL-AMERICAN GUERNSEY SHOW RESULTS

Junior calf: 1. Kevin and Dina Stoltzfus 2. Friendship Farm. 3. Catherine Littlefield.
Intermediate calf: 1. M. Heath, J. Stephens, N. Thomas. 2. Jacob Pieper 3. Ashlee Dietz.

Senior calf: 1. Scott and Elsie Wolff 2. Kevin Branstetter. 3. Morey Miller.

Summer yearling: 1. Patricia Marchezak McMurray. 2. Joel Craig. 3. Kevin Branstetter.

Junior yearling: 1. Morey Miller. 2. Jean Gallagher 3. James and Janet Bates and family.

Intermediate yearling: 1. Kevin Branstetter. 2. Arrow Head Guernseys. 3. Morey Miller and Sherry Rechl.

Senior yearling: 1. Austin and Lucas Ayars. 2. J&B Ayars and Sons and Dr. Manion. 3. Donald Holcomb.

Junior champion female: 1. M. Heath, J. Stephens, N. Thomas.

Reserve junior champion female: Austin and Lucas Ayars.

Best junior female bred and owned by exhibitor: J&B Ayars and Sons and Dr. Manion.

Junior best three females: 1. John and Bonnie Ayars and Sons. 2. Fowler Branstetter. 3. Holcomb Guernsey Farm.

Dry cow, 4 years and younger: 1. Amy Guyer. 2. J&B Ayars and Sons and Dr. Manion. 3. DF and WB Hayes.

Dry cow, 5 years and older: 1. Friendship Farm. 2. Joey Oldham. 3. James Curtis Oldham.

Cow, junior 2-year-old: 1. Morey Miller. 2. Friendship Farm. 3. James and Janet Bates and family.

Cow, senior 2-year-old: 1. Austin and Lucas Ayars and Sons. 2. Alan Debnam. 3. Scott and Elsie Wolff.

Pennsylvania 3-year-old futurity: 1. Jonathan McMurray. 2. Clarence Littlefield. 3. Clarence Littlefield.

Cow, junior 3-year-old: 1. D&J Coshaw and Berynan and Miller. 2. Joshua Craig. 3. Jonathan McMurray.

Cow, senior 3-year-old: 1. J&B Ayars and Sons and Dr. Manion. 2. Elizabeth Littlefield. 3. Elizabeth Littlefield.

Cow, 4-years-old: 1. Oscar Smith. 2. Kevin Branstetter. 3. Joseph Pendergast and R. Holcomb.

Cow, 5-years-old: 1. Erin Yost. 2. Sarah Weimer. 3. Friendship and Hartdale.

Cow, 6 years and older: 1. Arrow Head Guernseys. 2. Catherine Littlefield Mott. 3. Aaron Gable.

200,000 pound class: 1. Friendship Farm. 2. Orphanage. 3. Kristi Snider.

Total performance winner: 1. Oscar Smith. 2. Erin Yost. 3. Thormwell Orphanage.

Senior champion female: J&B Ayars and

Sons and Dr. Manion Reserve senior champion female: Oscar Smith.

GRAND CHAMPION FEMALE
J&B Ayars and Sons and Dr. Manion
RESERVE GRAND CHAMPION FEMALE
Oscar Smith

Best senior female bred and owned by exhibitor: Oscar Smith.

Best three females: 1. Clarence Littlefield. 2. Holcomb Guernsey Farm. 3. Berneta Gable.

Produce of dam: 1. Carl Thayer Jr. 2. Richard and Judith Whalen. 3. Robert Smith and Beth Clark.

Dam and daughter: 1. Richard and Judith Whalen. 2. Berneta Gable. 3. Eddie Chiappetta.

Exhibitor's herd: 1. John and Bonnie Ayars and Sons. 2. Holcomb Guernsey Farm. 3. Clarence Littlefield.

State or Provincial herd: 1. State of Ohio. 2. State of New York 3. State of Pennsylvania.

Premier breeder: Clarence Littlefield.
Premier exhibitor: Richard and Judith Whalen.

JUNIOR GUERNSEY SHOW RESULTS

Junior calf: 1. Ashlee Dietz. 2. James Oldham. 3. Nathan Boyle.

Intermediate calf: 1. Jacob Pieper. 2. Ashlee Dietz. 3. Kyle Ripley.

Senior calf: 1. Chns and Megan Raber. 2. Frank Buck. 3. Britta Guyer.

Summer yearling: 1. Amy Guyer. 2. Joshua Craig. 3. Frank Buck.

Junior yearling: 1. Jean Gallagher. 2. Joshua Axtell. 3. Christopher Fleming.

Intermediate yearling: 1. Tern Johnson. 2. Andrew Liggett. 3. Lindsay McKissick.

Senior yearling: 1. Austin and Lucas Ayars and Sons. 2. Travis Trotter. 3. Amber Myers.

Junior champion: Jean Gallagher.
Reserve junior champion: Joshua Axtell

Cow, junior 2-year-old: 1. Kyle Ripley. 2. George Budner. 3. John Budner.

Cow, senior 2-year-old: 1. Alan Debnam. 2. Eddie Chiappetta. 3. Kandy Gable.

Cow, junior 3-year-old: 1. Joshua Craig. 2. Anthony Hooper. 3. Spencer Weimer.

Cow, senior 3-year-old: 1. Ricky Steele. 2. Randi Marchezak

Cow, 4-years-old: 1. Tern Johnson. 2. Thrmwell Orphanage and A. Hooper. 3. Shareena Hershberger

Cow, 5-years-old: 1. Erin Yost. 2. Sarah Weimer. 3. James Oldham.

Cow, 6 and over 1. Eddie Chiappetta 2. Andrea Grant.
Youth senior champion: Erin Yost
Youth reserve senior champion: Alan Debnam

YOUTH GRAND CHAMPION

Erin Yost
YOUTH RESERVE GRAND CHAMPION
Alan Debnam

Best animal bred and owned by exhibitor: Joshua Craig.

Junior state herd: 1. PA Guernsey Breeders Assoc. 2. NY State Guernsey Breeders Assoc. 3. MD State Guernsey Breeders Assoc.

Component merit cow: 1. Richard and Donna Hill. 2. Joy Hess. 3. Bruce Heilinger.
Senior champion female: Dylan Fry.

Reserve senior champion female: Chip and Jami Savage.

GRAND CHAMPION FEMALE
Jacob Hushon
RESERVE GRAND CHAMPION FEMALE
Jami Savage

Best senior female bred and owned by exhibitor: Dylan Fry.

Total performance winner: Bruce Heilinger.

Best three females: 1. Richard and Donna Hill and family. 2. James Thompson. 3. Dean and Brenda Daubert.

Produce of dam: 1. Barbara and Kevin Ziemba. 2. Joshua Gewitz. 3. James Thompson.

Dam and daughter: 1. Wayne and Cindee Savage and family. 2. Joshua Gewitz. 3. Richard and Donna Hill and family.

Exhibitor's herd: 1. Richard and Donna Hill and family. 2. Joshua Gewitz. 3. James Thompson.

State or provincial herd: 1. State of Pennsylvania. 1. State of New York. 2. State of Maryland. 3. State of Virginia.

Premier breeder: Richard and Donna Hill.
Premier exhibitor: Richard and Donna Hill.

JUNIOR BROWN SWISS SHOW RESULTS

Spring heifer calf: 1. Aimee Smith. 2. Ashley Taylor. 3. Holly Miller.

Winter heifer calf: 1. Andrew Daubert. 2. Poteet Alex. 3. Danielle Bishop.

Fall heifer calf: 1. Jarrett Remsburg. 2. David Sattazahn. 3. Sarah Moyer.

Reserve junior champion female: Scott Hood.

Best junior female bred and owned by exhibitor: Scott Hood.

Junior best three females: 1. Scott Hood. 2. Wayne and Cindee Savage and family. 3. Richard and Donna Hill and family.

Dry cow, 3 years and older: 1. Dean and Brenda Daubert. 2. Aimee Smith. 3. Kimberly Yeager.

Pennsylvania Brown Swiss 2-year-old futurity: 1. Jacob Hushon. 2. Michael Kunkle. 3. Sarah Wickard.

Cow, junior 2-year-old: 1. Jacob Hushon. 2. Cliff Brook Farm and Z. Thompson. 3. Nick Raggi.

Cow, senior 2-year-old: 1. Barb and Kevin Ziemba and L&B Hill. 2. Dylan Fry. 3. S. Ouellette&K Eggink.

Cow, junior 3-year-old: 1. Jeremy McDonald. 2. Iroquois Acres. 3. Zachary Thompson.

Cow, senior 3-year-old: 1. Jami Savage. 2. Gary and Jeremy McDonald. 3. Derek Hill.

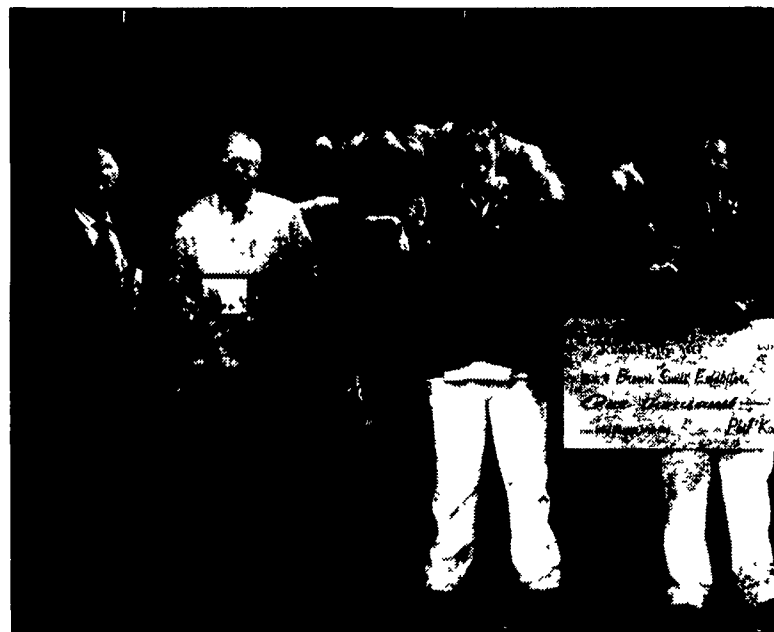
Intermediate champion female: Jacob Hushon.

Reserve intermediate champion female: Jami Savage

Cow, 4-years-old: 1. Dylan Fry 2. Joshua Gewitz. 3. Barb and Kevin Ziemba and L&B Hill

Cow, 5-years-old: 1. Chip and Jami Savage. 2. Jeremy McDonald. 3. Barb and Kevin Ziemba and L&B Hill.

Cow, 6 years and older: 1. Richard and Donna Hill 2. Joshua Gewitz. 3. Steven Ouellette.



At the Eastern National Brown Swiss Show, judge Steve Hendress, Wolcott, Ind., and Charles Itie, All-American show manager, join winners Jami Savage-Hartman, Knoxville, Md., left, reserve champion, and Jacob Hushon, right, grand champion.

Judge Hendress, Wolcott, Ind., Purdue University, is an assistant manager for dairy research at the university, and in addition coaches the Purdue dairy judging team.

EASTERN REGIONAL BROWN SWISS OPEN SHOW RESULTS

Junior bull calf: 1. Allen Bassler Jr. 2. Keith Dirkson. 3. Rochelle Newton.

Senior bull calf: 1. Elizabeth Shearer. 2. Christopher and Michael Birch. 3. Dale Dirkson.

Senior yearling bull: 1. Dale Dirkson. Champion bull: Elizabeth Shearer.

Reserve champion bull: Allen Bassler Jr. Spring heifer calf: 1. Aimee Smith. 2. Ashley Taylor. 3. Rip Vale Farm.

Winter heifer calf: 1. Karne Flinn. 2. Donald Harwood and C. Walton. 3. Barb and Kevin Ziemba and L&B Hill.

Fall heifer calf: 1. Scott Hood. 2. Jerry Harkness. 3. Jarrett Remsburg.

Summer yearling heifer: 1. Chip and Jami Savage. 2. Tammy Gewitz. 3. Catherine Perdue.

Spring yearling heifer: 1. Joy Crothers 2. Derek Hill 3. Cliff-Brook and Z. Thompson.

Winter yearling heifer: 1. Cole Bishop 2. Allen and Tammy Bassler 3. Richard and Donna Hill

Fall yearling heifer: 1. Scott Hood. 2. Shanna Smith 3. Barb and Kevin Ziemba and L&B Hill

Junior champion female: 1. Scott Hood.

About 200 Head Compete In Eastern National Brown Swiss Show

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HARRISBURG (Dauphin Co.) — After a "bell lap" — a tradition at the Eastern National Brown Swiss show where several cows in the championship drive enter the ring with large bells around their neck — Jacob Hushon's Brothers Three Wisper OCS came out with the grand champion placing.

The show was conducted during the recent All-American Dairy Show, Farm Show Complex, Harrisburg.

The same homebred junior two-year-old also took first place in the Pennsylvania 2-Year-Old Futurity, along with grand champion and intermediate champion of the open and youth shows.

Judge Steve Hendress believed the animal to have "the best udder of the show." In addition her "strength up front," put "Wisper" at the top of the show.

Jami Savage-Hartman, Knoxville, Md., took home reserve grand champion and reserve intermediate champion placing with senior 3-year-old Savage-Leigh Tipster-ET.

The cow's "dairy strength, shapeliness of udder, and sound enough crease," helped put her in reserve champion placing, according to judge Hendress.

The homebred comes from a predominantly-Holstein herd.

Chip and Jami Savage-Hartman also exhibited the reserve senior champion, G S FLJ Tippy.

Senior champion winner was Far Hill Jetway Pez, owned by Dylan Fry, Chestertown, Md. Fry also garnered the youth senior and reserve intermediate champion, and reserve grand champion placings in the youth show.

K. Scott Hood, Middletown, Md., owned the junior champion, Hoodstead Prelude Nipper-Et. Hood also won reserve junior champion placing in the open show.

Bruce Heilinger, Heilinger Swiss, Lebanon, had the total performance winner.

USDA Announces \$30 Million Pork Purchase

WASHINGTON, D.C. — Secretary of Agriculture Ann M. Veneman announced recently that the U.S. Department of Agriculture will purchase up to \$30 million of pork products for use in school feeding and nutrition programs.

"These purchases will provide a boost to pork producers who have experienced tough economic conditions this year," said Veneman.

USDA has already purchased 13.8 million pounds of pork products this school year and Monday's announcement could bring the total up to 66 million pounds of fresh and processed pork products. This is compared to 29.9 million pounds for the 2001-2002 school year and 22.8 million pounds in 2000-2001.