

# 900 Compete At State 4-H Horse Show

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**HARRISBURG** (Dauphin Co.) — Almost all of Pennsylvania's 67 counties were represented at October's Pennsylvania State 4-H Show.

The show, conducted Oct. 25-27 at the Farm Show Complex, drew more than 1,000 horses and 900 young exhibitors.

The days of competition, which began at 8 a.m. and could run until 11 p.m., included hunt seat, saddle seat, working hunter, hunter under saddle, hunter hack, stock seat, and English and Western grooming and showmanship classes, besides Western pleasure and riding classes.

There were four driving divisions: miniature horse, pony, draft horse, and light horse. A therapeutic riding division was also included. In all, there was 42 performance and 67 production classes.

The competition also featured a production division, judged on the conformation of the animals. Other classes such as pole bending, keyhole, and barrel racing were a part of the show.

A Friday night dance and Saturday evening recognition ceremony provided evening entertainment. A model horse show was conducted Saturday morning.

Heather Will, Somerset County, was named the 2002 4-H Horse Program Outstanding Member and presented with a show saddle donated by the Pennsylvania 4-H Horse Program Development Committee.

She is a member of the Somerset County 4-H Country Clovers and is involved in numerous other 4-H activities. Heather is a freshman majoring in so-



**Erin Niemczyk, Wellsboro, Endless Trails 4-H Club, Tioga County, readies Glowbar Fluci with the help of Hannah Driskell, Wellsboro.**



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cial work at Allegheny Community College.

Four finalists were given halters and leads. The finalists included Emily Fair, Bucks County; Katharine Griffith, York County; Stacie Katherman, Union County; and Elizabeth Radke, Butler County.

Shelby Kozar, Westmoreland County, was recognized as the first 4-H member in Pennsylvania to master Level Four Horsemanship Skills.

Thirty-three equine educational exhibits, on display dur-

ing the event, were also judged. Westmoreland County won grand champion placing.

At the show Lakiesha Wynn, 13, Acme, part of the Dawson Horse and Pony 4-H club, planned to show her Haflinger gelding, Alexander, in several pony and driving classes. This is her second trip to the state 4-H horse show.

Lakeisha is from Bryle Haflinger Farm, her family's 20-acre horse farm

that includes five of their own Haflingers and two boarders.

She has enjoyed the 4-H experience as an additional outlet to show her Haflinger animals, besides learning responsibility and better sportsmanship, she said. Lakeisha exhibited horses for five years prior to joining 4-H.

"The Dawson Horse and Pony 4-H Club includes riders from all over Fayette County.

It is one of the oldest groups in the county. In fact, some of the kids' parents were in this club and now they (the children) are in the club," said Vicky Usher, co-leader of the organization.

The club includes 38 4-Hers, nine of which qualified to compete at state competition.

Usher and Joey Hull co-

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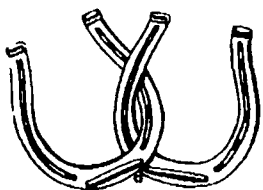
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