

# More Than 200 Holsteins Compete At Spring Show in Harrisburg

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**HARRISBURG** (Dauphin Co.) — The 50th Pennsylvania Holstein Association State Spring Show, conducted late last week at the Large Arena of the Farm Show Complex, drew more than 80 exhibitors.

The show included 213 animals. The largest class — the fall calf class — had 32 entrants.

Alta Mae Core, Kentucky, judged the show.

"There are not many places you can go and have this much quality in the junior show this early in the year," said Core.

She picked an animal owned

ior champion, Windy Knoll View Promis ET, which moved into the grand champion spot, was "right on, ready to go, at 12 o' clock," said Core.

"She looks at you and says, 'it's going to be me.' She is stylish and silky and is a complete package."

The 5-year-old cow also garnered best animal bred and owned honors for the Burdette family.

The reserve senior champion, Valleyriver Pretzel, a senior 3-year-old, was also stylish, according to Core. "I love how she blends. She's very correct and is put together perfectly."

generation farm in 1975. Consequently, the show ring has long been a part of the family's life.

Besides shows in Pennsylvania and the East Coast, they also travel to Madison, Wis., to exhibit animals at the World Dairy Expo, said Nina.

They also won premier breeder and premier exhibitor honors at the spring show.

Show judge Alta Mae Core operates a 250-acre dairy farm with her husband and three children in Kentucky. They milk 60 Jerseys.

The family has garnered premier breeder at the All-American and World Dairy Expo honors for the Jersey breed. They also bred the 2001 All-American champion Jersey.

Core has judged not only in the U.S. but also Canada, Argentina, Brazil, Scotland, and Ireland.

Full results follow:

## PA. HOLSTEIN ASSOCIATION STATE SPRING SHOW RESULTS

Winter Calf, December 1, 2002 to February 28, 2003: 1. Aaron Eaton. 2. Bryant Hla-

vaty. 3. William Scott.

Fall Calf, September 1 to November 30, 2002: 1. James and Nina Burdette. 2. Leon and Cathy Trice. 3. James and Nina Burdette.

Summer Yearling Heifer, June 1 to August 31, 2002: 1. Benjamin Cashell. 2. Kyle Burdette. 3. Dale and Deanna Bendig.

Spring Yearling Heifer, March 1 to May 31, 2002: 1. James and Nina Burdette. 2. James and Nina Burdette. 3. Cornman and Bendig.

Winter Yearling Heifer, December 1, 2001 to February 28, 2002: 1. Maggie Moore. 2. Ashley Hixson. 3. Andrew Younker.

Fall Yearling Heifer, September 1 to November 30, 2001: 1. Jamie McQuaide. 2. Bernarding and Wack. 3. Cory Ryan Thompson.

**YOUTH JUNIOR CHAMPION**  
Benjamin Cashell

**YOUTH RESERVE JUNIOR CHAMPION**  
Jamie McQuaide

**JUNIOR CHAMPION**  
James and Nina Burdette

**RESERVE JUNIOR CHAMPION**  
James and Nina Burdette

Junior Best Three Females: 1. Windy Knoll View Holsteins. 2. Brush-Creek-Vu. 3. Norkval Holsteins

Dry Cow, 4 Years Old and Under: 1. Thompson and Bendig. 2. Harold Rader Jr. 3. Dr. Daniel Dunsmoor.

Dry Cow, 5 Years and Over: 1. Edwin Thompson Jr. 2. William Paxton. 3. Andrew McKissick.

Unfresh Junior 2-Year-Old: 1. Douglas and Jennifer Boop. 2. Dale and Deanna Bendig. 3. Aaron Hoover.

Junior 2-Year-Old: 1. Quinn Cashell. 2. Janelle Zimmerman. 3. Zachary Nell.

Senior 2-Year-Old: 1. Amy Kulick. 2. James and Nina Burdette. 3. Dale and Deanna Bendig.

Junior 3-Year-Old: 1. Dale and Deanna Bendig. 2. Brian Sparling. 3. Gor-Wood-D Holsteins.

Senior 3-Year-Old: 1. Zucco, Joseph and Rankin. 2. Justin Burdette. 3. James and Nina Burdette.

4-Year-Old: 1. Cory Ryan Thompson. 2. Scott Walton. 3. Andrew Stoner.

5-Year-Old: 1. James and Nina Burdette. 2. James and Nina Burdette. 3. Paul Cashell, Rodney Bachtell, Tom Bard.

Aged Cow: 1. R.T.D. Syndicate. 2. Craig Walton. 3. Dale and Deanna Bendig.

125,000 Lb. Cow: 1. James and Nina Burdette. 2. Aaron Eaton. 3. June Boyer and John Haar.

**YOUTH SENIOR CHAMPION FEMALE**  
Cory Thompson

**YOUTH RESERVE SENIOR CHAMPION FEMALE**  
Scott Walton

**YOUTH GRAND CHAMPION FEMALE**  
Cory Thompson

**YOUTH RESERVE GRAND CHAMPION FEMALE**  
Scott Walton

**YOUTH BEST ANIMAL BRED AND OWNED**  
Cory Thompson

**PREMIER BREEDER**  
Windy Knoll View Farm

**SENIOR CHAMPION FEMALE**  
James and Nina Burdette

**RESERVE SENIOR CHAMPION FEMALE**  
Zucco, Joseph and Rankin

**GRAND CHAMPION FEMALE**  
James and Nina Burdette

**RESERVE GRAND CHAMPION FEMALE**  
Zucco, Joseph and Rankin

**BEST ANIMAL BRED AND OWNED**  
James and Nina Burdette

**PREMIER EXHIBITOR**  
Windy Knoll View Farm

Best Three Females: 1. Windy Knoll View Holsteins. 2. Gor-Wood-D. 3. Spun Gold Holsteins

Produce of Dam: Windy Knoll View. Dam and Daughter: 1. Windy Knoll View. 2. Windy Knoll View. 3. Windy Knoll View



Judge Alta Mae Core, left, and Pennsylvania Dairy Princess Rachael Kilgore join Justin Burdette, who exhibited the show's junior champion. Claire Dufford is at the halter of the reserve champion, also a bred-and-owned animal owned by the Burdette family. At far right is Rachel Ebert, Pennsylvania Alternate Dairy Princess.

by Benjamin Cashell "that puts it all together, that is most correct end-to-end," Core said.

Jamie McQuaide took home youth reserve junior champion honors with a fall yearling heifer because of the animal's "straightness of lines, strength, and correctness."

In the open heifer show, "in my mind there's not a question. I knew when I saw her," said Core. "Hands down, she puts it all together, she has the size and scale that you want for this time of year."

The way the animal "walked out and had a want-to-win look in her eye" put a spring yearling heifer owned by Jim and Nina Burdette in the junior champion spot.

The heifer was also high honorable mention at the 2002 All-American show as a spring calf.

The reserve champion, a fall calf, was also a bred-and-owned animal owned by the Burdette family. The calf's dam, a seventh-generation Excellent cow, is part of a line of cows all with the Windy Knoll View Farm prefix, said Nina Burdette.

The cows that competed for overall grand and reserve champion spots "really exceeded all my expectations at the kind of quality of cattle you would have out here this time of year," she said.

In the youth show, Cory Thompson's 4-year-old took senior and grand champion spots. Cory also won the youth best animal bred and owned.

Scott Walton's 4-year-old won reserve senior and reserve champion placing in the youth show.

The open show sen-

The reserve champion is owned by D. Zucco, Dr. Laurie Joseph, and Rod and Linda Rankin. The cow resides at God's Country Dairy Farm, Acme. The cow was an All-Pennsylvania cow last year and reserve at All-American. According to Jason Rankin, who exhibited the animal, the cow is originally from Canada.

Jim and Nina Burdette, along with their two sons Kyle and Justin, operate Windy Knoll View Farm, Mercersburg, a 240-acre farm. They milk 85 Holsteins and have approximately 100 head of young stock.

"We like to show as a family, it's fun for us," said Nina. The couple met through 4-H, as Nina was involved in the beef and horse rings and Jim exhibited Ayrshires. They began the first-

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