

Milking Shorthorn Show Leads Off All-American Colored Breed Competitions

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HARRISBURG (Dauphin Co.) — The Milking Shorthorn Show took center stage Tuesday afternoon to begin the first of six colored breed shows to be conducted at the 2003 All American Dairy Show.

At the end of the day, judge Steve Hendress of Wolcott, Ind. pulled Halpin's Mona-EXP to the center of the ring as the Milking Shorthorn grand champion

owned by Halpin Farms of Culom, Ill. Joining the Halpins in the ring as the reserve was Weissmann Flame Othello Furius, owned by Gene, Ryan, and Christine Weissmann Holcomb of Greene, N.Y.

In the youth show, grand champion winner was Kuzmar DJ Pris-Exp, exhibited by Steven Kuszlyk of Batavia, N.Y. Rounding out the grand champion youth pair was Tudor Hall Fortyniner Rosy-EXP, owned by

Dylan Pheasant of Williamsburg, Blair County.

Both the grand and reserve grand champions in both the open and youth show were selected as the intermediate champions in their divisions.

Other champion winners in the open show were senior champion, Innisfail RB Princess 787-EXP, owned by Gregory and Marcia Clark of Cornish Flat, N.H. and reserve senior champion, Kuzmar D-H Raven owned by Majorie Kuszlyk of Batavia, N.Y. Junior champion pair winners were junior champion: Halpin's Gracie owned by Amy Halpin of Culom, Ill. and reserve junior cham-

pion, Cate's Clay Nicol-EXP, owned by Pete Cate of Warren, N.H.

In the youth division, senior champion recognition went to GMC Rebel Jiffy, exhibited by Justin Clark of Cornish Flat, N.H. Youth reserve senior champion was Viking Valley Plum Megg-Exp, owned by Steven Kuszlyk of Batavia, N.Y. Youth junior champion was Tudor Hall RD Cindy G, exhibited by Katie Albaugh of Walkersville, Md. Reserve junior champion was Bar-D Harp-EXP, exhibited by Elaine Bodey of Urbana, Ohio.

Kuszlyk Cattle Company of Batavia, N.Y., was named premier breeder and exhibitor of the Milking Shorthorn Show.



Milking Shorthorn Youth Grand Champion Kuzmar DJ Pris-Exp, exhibited by Steven Kuszlyk, center, and reserve youth grand champion Tudor Hall Fortyniner Rosy-EXP, exhibited by Dylan Pheasant, second from right. From left, Pennsylvania Dairy Princess Carla Martin; Kuszlyk; Pheasant; and Elaine Brody, National Milking Shorthorn Queen.



Milking Shorthorn Open Grand Champion Halpin's Mona-EXP, exhibited by Mike Helpin, second from right and Reserve Open Grand Champion Weissmann Flame Othello Furius, exhibited by Christine Holcomb. From left, Emily Grove, Pennsylvania Alternate Dairy Princess; Pam Werley, Pennsylvania Alternate Dairy Princess; Carla Martin, Pennsylvania Dairy Princess; Holcomb; Helpin; and Elaine Brody, National Milking Shorthorn Queen.

Six-Horse Hitch Set For Keystone

HARRISBURG (Dauphin Co.) — On Friday, Oct. 3, the Farm Show will come alive with the sound of thundering hooves. The All-Breed Classic Series 6-Horse Hitch will begin at 6 p.m. in the Equine Arena of the Farm Show Complex. An admission fee of \$5 per person will be charged at the gate.

The six-horse hitches come from seven states and represent four major draft horse-breeds. In 2002, more than 300 six-horse hitchers were entered in

the 45 qualifying shows across the U.S. and Canada. The Keystone International Livestock Exposition (KILE) is again a qualifying show for the series final. Prize money totaling more than \$38,000 will be awarded at the KILE show.

The North American Six-Horse Hitch Classic Series is the ultimate driving event in the heavy horse world. KILE has been chosen as one of 45 recognized qualifying shows on the Classic Series Show circuit. Each year all across America, six-horse hitchers perform at state fairs and agricultural exhibitions to accumulate points for their region and beyond competing at qualifying shows spread across Canada and the U.S. The competition builds to a climax at the end of the year when the high

point hitches are invited to compete in the final competition, the Classic Series. The winner of the Classic Series All-Breed Trophy is considered by many to be the best six-horse hitch in the world.

The four major draft horse breeds that compete in the Classic Series are Belgians, Percherons, Clydesdales, and Shires. Hitches are judged on conformation, manners, the proper fit and cleanliness of the harness, the appropriateness of

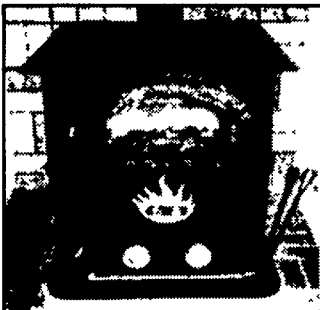
the wagon, and the hitch's way of going. The stride of a draft horse at the walk should be long, one that covers ground, with plenty of snap. The trot should be stylish, giving the distinct impression of power and energy.

More than 750 draft horses will be on display. More than 30 six-horse hitches will be in competition at KILE.

KILE is Sept. 30-Oct. 6 at the Farm Show Complex in Harrisburg.

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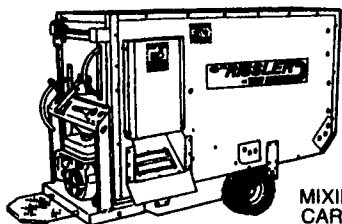
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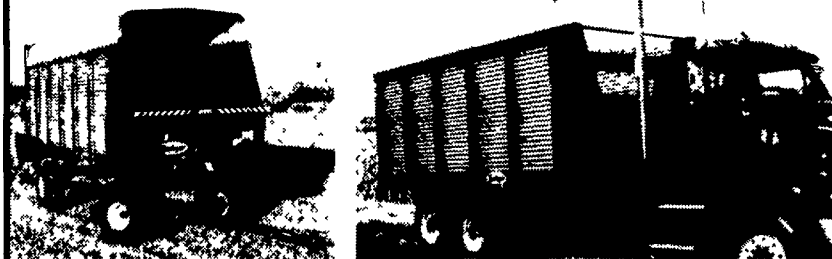
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