

Manheim Hosts Dairy Beef, Market Steer Shows

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MANHEIM (Lancaster Co.) — 4-H and FFA members look forward to showing their prized dairy beef and beef cattle at the Manheim Community Farm Show.

With a year of time and effort invested into their projects, show day marks a payoff. For others, it is a way to get involved in the fair.

For Stephanie Fiester, 20, of Manheim, she was in search of a way to become more involved. After serving as the Manheim Community Farm Show Queen, Fiester, who traditionally shows horses, found her niche by raising a dairy beef steer.

"I wanted to try something different," said Fiester, "and horses were not a part of the fair."

In her second year showing, Fiester was selected as the reserve grand champion dairy beef steer and the champion of the showmanship contest.

This Manheim FFA member applied everything she learned in her first year to help her achieve her success. From choosing a larger steer to raise this year to taking pointers from her fellow showman, she worked to be better prepared for this show.

A junior at Penn State, Fiester plans to use her premium and pending sale earnings to pay for this year's college expenses.

Cassandra Shenk, 17, Mount Joy, was named the grand champion in the dairy beef show with her steer named Odis.

In the beef show, Seth Reifsnnyder was selected as grand champion with his light heavy-weight division winner, Zeb.

Reifsnnyder said, "It feels good." He has enjoyed his first year with a 4-H beef project and is ready to begin the search for next year's project. Seth plans to use his show and sale earnings to purchase it.

The reserve grand champion steer was exhibited by Adam Zurrin of Mount Joy.

Following is a list of show placings:

- DAIRY BEEF SHOW SHOWMANSHIP**
Class 1: 1. Steph Feister 2. Lori Peters. 3. Tyler Snavelly.
Class 2: 1. Brian Geib 2. Cassandra Shenk 3. Danny Vastyn.
Class 3: 1. Jevin Kready 2. Justin Martin. 3. Justin Miller.
Class 4: 1. Beth Peter. 2. Amber Kiser. 3. Rachel Vastyn.
Class 5: 1. Ashley Shearer 2. Josiah Rohrer. 3. Brandon Balmer.

- CHAMPION SHOWMAN**
Steph Feister
DAIRY BEEF CLASSES
Class 1: 1. Amber Kiser. 2. Beth Peters. 3. Donald Metzler.
Class 2: 1. Justin Martin. 2. Ashley Shearer. 3. Tyler Snavelly.
Class 3: 1. Brandon Balmer. 2. Brian Geib. 3. Danny Vastyn.
Class 4: 1. Anthony Stoner. 2. Jevin Kready. 3. Keith Frey.
Class 5: 1. Cassandra Shenk. 2. Steph Feister. 3. Joel Geib.

- GRAND CHAMPION**
Cassandra Shenk
RESERVE GRAND CHAMPION
Steph Feister
BEEF SHOW BREEDING CLASSES
0-12 months: 1. Lonnie Engle. 2. Adam Zurrin.
13-24 months: 1. Chns Hess.
GRAND CHAMPION
Lonnie Engle



Lonnie Engle, second from left, exhibited the grand champion female. From left, Tom Geibney, judge; Engle; Alicia Geib, Manheim Alternate Farm Show Queen; and Mrs. Walter Heistand.

- RESERVE GRAND CHAMPION**
Adam Zurrin
BEEF CLASSES
Lightweight: 1. Cody Musser. 2. Cliff Wetzel. 3. Chns Hess.
Mediumweight: 1. Jarred Forry. 2. Jevin Kready. 3. Bobby Shearer.
Light heavyweight: 1. Seth Reifsnnyder. 2. Joelyn Donough. 3. Mike Shearer.
Heavyweight: 1. Adam Zurrin. 2. Brandon Forry. 3. David Feister.
- GRAND CHAMPION**
Seth Reifsnnyder
RESERVE GRAND CHAMPION
Adam Zurrin
PREVIEW BEEF CLASSES
Lightweight: 1. Joelynn Donough. 2. Adam Zurrin.
Heavyweight: 1. Lonnie Engle.
SHOWMANSHIP
- Seniors: 1. Lonnie Engle. 2. Adam Zurrin. 3. Joelynn Donough.
Intermediate: 1. Bobby Shearer. 2. Cliff Wetzel.
Juniors: 1. Jevin Kready. 2. Cody Musser. 3. Seth Reifsnnyder.
CHAMPION SHOWMAN
Lonnie Engle
RESERVE CHAMPION SHOWMAN
Jevin Kready

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