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2013 INTER-COUNTY 4-H DAIRY CATTLE JUDGING COMPETITION

Cambridge, ON July 31, 2013 – Despite an unusual chill in the air, junior and senior 4-H members from across the province participated in the 24th Annual Inter-County Judging Competition on July 24 held at the Lindsay Fairgrounds in conjunction with the Ontario Summer Show, judging nine classes of cattle throughout the day.

Participants began the day writing a quiz based on material from the “You be the Judge” manual, which all young judges use to hone their skills. After completing the 50-point quiz, the 4-Her’s evaluated three classes of Holsteins, three classes of Jerseys and one class each of Brown Swiss, Guernsey and Ayrshire cattle.

After lunch, participants reconvened to give their reasons for evaluation by the official judges of the day: Murray Reissner, Ken Empey, Bert Stewert, Jennifer Peart, Dean Warner, Stephanie Warner-Murphy, Brian Carscadden, Kevin McLean and Terry Beckett. Senior members gave reasons on six of the classes they judged in the morning while juniors gave reasons on three. The official judges gave their official placings and cuts to finish off the afternoon.

A fabulous roast beef dinner was enjoyed by all participants, volunteers and sponsors as the group looked forward to the announcement of the four participants who had won the 10-day all-expenses-paid trip to Madison, Wisconsin to attend World Dairy Expo.

Jason French of the Ontario Holstein Branch thanked the sponsors and volunteers for the successful day. Sarah McIntosh of John Deere, the event’s premier sponsor, congratulated all participants and wished the winning team well in Madison.

The following winners will represent Ontario at the World Dairy Expo where they will compete in the 92nd National 4-H Dairy Cattle Judging Contest; Courtney O’Neill of Lennox and Addington, Eric Donnan of Hastings, Dan Werry and Patrick Baird, both of Durham West. They were among the top winners of the day and will travel to Madison for 10 days in October with Bert Stewart and Murray Reissner as coaches.

Courtney O’Neill was named High Individual winner in the senior category. She also won many other senior category awards. High Individual Runner-Up was Alan Nanne.

Winning High Senior Team and Coach this year was the Durham West County team made up of Dan Werry and Patrick Baird, coached by John Werry. The Runner-Up High Team and Coach were Alan Nanne and Krista Fraser from Wellington County, coached by Bert Stewert.

Madison Dymont had an outstanding day in junior division winning the High Individual, High Quiz, High Placings, and High Reasons to name a few. The High Individual Runner-Up was Brent Sikma of Durham East. This year’s High Team in the junior division was made up of Brent Sikma and Brett Stockdale, coached by Glenn Barkey of Durham East. Elaine Jeffs and Rebecca Redner, coached by Christina Petty, of Northumberland were runners-up. Congratulations to all 2013 winners listed below!

Without the dedication and support of the Ontario Dairy Youth Trust Fund and John Deere as well as the many sponsors, committee members and volunteers the Inter-County Cattle Judging Competition would not be possible. They made the event run smoothly.



SENIOR DIVISION RESULTS

High Team and Coach - Sponsored by Generations

- Dan Werry and Patrick Baird, coached by John Werry (Durham West 1)

Runner-Up High Team and Coach - Sponsored by C.I.B.C.

- Alan Nanne and Krista Fraser, coached by Bert Stewart (Wellington 1)

High Individual – Sponsored by Bert Stewart

- Courtney O'Neill (Lennox & Addington)

Runner-Up High Individual – In Memory of Bill Dobbin

- Alan Nanne (Wellington)

High Placing – Sponsored by Clarence Diefenbacher

- Courtney O'Neill (Lennox & Addington)

Runner-Up High Placing – Sponsored by Fradon Holsteins

- Eric Donnan (Hastings)

High Reasons – Sponsored in memory of Joe Snyder

- Courtney O'Neill (Lennox & Addington)

Runner-Up High Reasons – Sponsored by Hessholm Holsteins

- Jennifer Charlton (Brant)

High Holsteins – Sponsored by Lowell Lindsay

- Courtney O'Neill (Lennox & Addington)

Runner-Up High Holsteins – Sponsored by Riverdown Holsteins

- Collin Allardyce (Brant)

High Jersey – Sponsored by Joel Bagg

- Marty Hazeleger (Oxford)

Runner-Up High Jersey – Sponsored by Bell City Jerseys

- Courtney O'Neill (Lennox & Addington)

High Other Breeds – Sponsored by Terry Beckett

- Jennifer Charlton (Brant)

Runner-Up High Other Breeds – Sponsored by Murray Reissner

- Patrick Baird (Durham West)

High Quiz – Sponsored by Paul Larmer

- Courtney O'Neill (Lennox & Addington)

Runner-Up High Quiz – Sponsored by Bill Edelstein

- Patrick Baird (Durham West)

Rookie Award – Sponsored by Ken Empey

- Julie Romagnoli (Wellington)

JUNIOR DIVISION RESULTS

High Team and Coach - Sponsored by TD

- Brent Sikma and Brett Stockdale, coached by Glenn Barkey (Durham East 1)

Runner-Up High Team and Coach – Sponsored by Scotiabank

- Elaine Jeffs and Rebecca Redner, coached by Christina Petty (Northumberland)

High Individual – Sponsored by Phyllis MacMaster

- Madison Dymont (Oxford)

Runner-Up High Individual – Sponsored by Geoff Innes

- Brent Sikma (Durham East)

High Placing – Sponsored by Jason French

- Madison Dymont (Oxford)

Runner-Up High Placing – Sponsored by Glennholme Holsteins

- Kyleigh Jampen (Dundas)

High Reasons – Sponsored by Steven Fraser

- Madison Dymont (Oxford)

Runner-Up High Reasons – Sponsored by Earl Osborne

- Brent Sikma (Durham East)

High Holsteins – Sponsored by Select Sires

- Madison Dymont (Oxford)

Runner-Up High Holsteins – Sponsored by Select Sires

- Rebecca Redner (Northumberland)

High Jerseys – Sponsored by R.J. Farms

- Madison Dymont (Oxford)

Runner-Up High Jersey – Sponsored by Maple Leaf Jerseys

- Kirkland Reaney (Carleton)

High Other Breeds – Sponsored by Jordan Eastman

- Brett Stockdale (Durham East)

Runner-Up High Other Breeds – Sponsored by Canadian Guernsey Association

- Shannon Prins (Hastings)

High Quiz – Sponsored by Altona Lea Farms

- Madison Dymont (Oxford)

Runner-Up High Quiz – Sponsored by Quinndale Holsteins

- Mikayla Ringelberg (Wentworth)

Rookie Award – Sponsored by Ken Empey

- Charlotte Elliott (Wellington)

Photographs available upon request.