



# News Release

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### **Florida Strawberry Festival declares winners for 2019 Dairy Show**

PLANT CITY, Fla. (Mar. 10, 2019) – The winners in the Florida Strawberry Festival’s dairy shows were chosen last week at the Patterson Companies Livestock Arena in the Grimes Family Agricultural Center.

Grove Equipment Service sponsors three competitions for dairy cattle and their exhibitors: showmanship, the dairy cattle show and costume ball.

Nathan Wilhite exhibited the Ayrshire grand champion; Taylor Boyd exhibited the Brown Swiss grand champion; Austin Holcomb exhibited the Guernsey grand champion; Kenslee Heinke exhibited the Holstein grand champion; Kyleigh Glenn exhibited the Jersey grand champion.

Cheyenne Sommer exhibited the Ayrshire reserve grand champion; Sarah Rogers exhibited the Brown Swiss reserve grand champion; Kenslee Heinke exhibited the Guernsey reserve grand champion; Austin Boyd exhibited the Holstein reserve grand champion; Kyleigh Glenn exhibited the Jersey reserve grand champion.

Nathan Wilhite exhibited the Ayrshire junior champion; Taylor Boyd exhibited the Brown Swiss junior champion; Kenslee Heinke exhibited the Guernsey junior champion and the Holstein junior champion; Austin Holcomb exhibited the Jersey junior champion.

Cheyenne Sommer exhibited the Ayrshire reserve junior champion; Taylor Boyd exhibited the Brown Swiss reserve junior champion; Kenslee Heinke exhibited the Guernsey reserve junior champion and also exhibited the Holstein reserve junior champion; Austin Holcomb exhibited the Jersey reserve junior champion.

Taylor Boyd exhibited the Brown Swiss senior champion; Austin Holcomb exhibited the Guernsey senior champion; Kyleigh Glenn exhibited the Jersey senior champion.

Sarah Rogers exhibited the Brown Swiss reserve senior champion; Kyleigh Glenn exhibited the Jersey reserve senior champion.

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Kyleigh Glenn won the Richard Kahelin All-Breeds Champion Award and the Premier Exhibitor Award; Taylor Boyd won the Junior All Breeds Bred-By Exhibitor Award; Sarah Rogers won the Senior All Breeds Bred-By Exhibitor Award.

Jaylene Carey won first place junior herdsman; Abby Weisberg won first place senior herdsman.

Aubrey Cook won the Charlie Hunter Memorial Sportsmanship Award; Kylie Kropik won the Florida Strawberry Festival Dairy Scholarship.

In the showmanship contest, where exhibitors are judged on their ability to present their animals to the judge, Austin Boyd won first place in the pee-wee division; Abby Weisberg won first place in the novice division; Jacob Carey won first place in the junior division; Makayla Watson won first place in the intermediate division; Charlotte Byrnes won first place in the senior division and awarded the premier showmanship award; Joanna Patino won first place in the adult division.

In the costume ball, Matthew Sweeney won the funniest category with his “Rapunzel and Her Chameleon” costume; Zoe Borg won the prettiest category with their “Tooth Fairy and Her Moo-Lar” costume; Charlotte Byrnes won the most original category with her “Chef Charlotte With Her Bun in the Oven” costume; Kenslee Heinke won the most colorful category with her “Paul Bunyan the Lumberjill & Bae the Blue Heifah” costume; Jackson Raburn was declared the overall winner with her “Pirates of the Cow-ibbean” costume.

### **About the Florida Strawberry Festival**

The Florida Strawberry Festival is an 11-day community event celebrating the strawberry harvest of Eastern Hillsborough County. Each year, over 500,000 visitors enjoy the festival’s headline entertainment, youth livestock shows, exhibits of commerce and, of course, its strawberry shortcake. The 2019 Florida Strawberry Festival where “It’s A Hit!” will take place February through March 10 in Plant City, Fla. For more information, visit [www.flstrawberryfestival.com](http://www.flstrawberryfestival.com), Facebook, Instagram and Twitter (#berryfest19).

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