Florida Strawberry Festival declares winners for 2021 Dairy Show

PLANT CITY, Fla. (March 14, 2021) – 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; Cheyenne Sommer exhibited the Brown Swiss grand champion; Austin Holcomb exhibited the Guernsey grand champion and exhibited the Holstein grand champion; Kyleigh Glenn exhibited the Jersey grand champion.

Nicholas Hammer exhibited the Ayrshire reserve grand champion; Cheyenne Sommer 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.

Nicholas Hammer exhibited the Ayrshire junior champion; Cheyenne Sommer exhibited the Brown Swiss junior champion; Kenslee Heinke exhibited the Guernsey junior champion; Taylor Boyd exhibited the Holstein junior champion; Avery Best exhibited the Jersey junior champion.

Nicholas Hammer exhibited the Ayrshire reserve junior champion; Colby Holcomb exhibited the Brown Swiss reserve junior champion and exhibited the Holstein reserve junior champion; Austin Holcomb exhibited the Guernsey reserve junior champion; Avery Best exhibited the Jersey reserve junior champion.

Cheyenne Sommer exhibited the Brown Swiss senior champion; Austin Holcomb exhibited the Guernsey senior champion and exhibited the Holstein senior champion; Kyleigh Glenn exhibited the Jersey senior champion; Nathan White exhibited the Ayrshire senior champion.

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Cheyenne Sommer exhibited the Brown Swiss reserve senior champion; Kyleigh Glenn exhibited the Jersey reserve senior champion; Kenslee Heinke exhibited the Guernsey reserve senior champion; Austin Boyd exhibited the Holstein reserve senior champion.

Austin Holcomb won the Richard Kahelin All-Breeds Champion Award and the Premier Exhibitor Award; Cheyenne Sommer won the Junior All Breeds Bred-By Exhibitor Award and won the Senior All Breeds Bred-By Exhibitor Award.

Kenslee Heinke won first place junior herdsman; Abby Weisberg won first place senior herdsman.

Nicolas Hammer won the Charlie Hunter Memorial Sportsmanship Award; Anna Tsemba 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, Mason Raburn won first place in the pee-wee division; Jessica Dempsey won first place in the novice division; Colby Holcomb won first place in the junior division; Sarah Rogers won first place in the intermediate division; Austin Holcomb won first place in the senior division and awarded the premier showmanship award; Taylor Boyd won first place in the adult division.

In the costume ball, Jacob Hill won the funniest category with his “Popeye and Olive Oyl” costume; Anna Tsemba won the prettiest category with her “Aladdin & Princess Jasmine” costume; Thomas Campoamor won the most original category with his “Tom Brady & the Vince Lombardi Trophy” costume; Sarah Rogers, Makayla Watson and Anna Cook won the most colorful category with their “Powerpuff Girls” costume; Clayton Raburn was declared the overall winner with his “A 2020 Hero & the Cow-Rona Virus” 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 2021 Florida Strawberry Festival where we’re “All Aboard!” will take place March 4 through March 14 in Plant City, Fla. For more information, visit www.flstrawberryfestival.com, Facebook, Instagram and Twitter (#berryfest21).

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