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Florida Strawberry Festival's Youth Beef Breed Show winners chosen

PLANT CITY, Fla. (March 21, 2022) – The Florida Strawberry Festival awarded the winners of its annual beef breed show that took place this past weekend in the Patterson Co. Livestock Arena at the Grimes Family Agricultural Center.

In this show sponsored by Bad Boy Mowers, two areas of competition are held for beef cattle and their exhibitors: the beef breed show and the herdsman contest.

Carlie Shenefield won All Breeds Grand Champion Heifer and Paige Blakenship won All Breeds Grand Champion Bull

Madilyn Nichols won Grand Champion Bred and Owned Heifer and Carlee Taylor won Reserve Grand Champion Bred and Owned Heifer.

Kyleigh Criswell won Grand Champion Bred and Owned Bull and Caden Wingfield won Reserve Grand Champion Bred and Owned Bull.

Jayce Ware won Grand Champion Angus Heifer and Cason Watson won Reserve Grand Champion Angus Heifer.

Payge Dupre won Grand Champion Brangus Heifer and Kyndall Akins won Reserve Grand Champion Brangus Heifer.

Emilee Taylor won Grand Champion Brahman Heifer and Zibe Stein won Reserve Grand Champion Brahman Heifer.

Paige Blankenship won Grand Champion Brangus Bull and Kyleigh Criswell won Reserve Grand Champion Brangus Bull.

Bella Ballard won Grand Champion Simmental Heifer and Gabrielle Howell won Reserve Grand Champion Simmental Heifer.

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Zachary Gibbons won Grand Champion Simmental Bull and Alli Taylor won Reserve Grand Champion Simmental Bull.

Madilyn Nichols won Grand Champion Ultrablack Heifer and Carlee Taylor won Reserve Grand Champion Ultrablack Heifer.

Maddox Sewell won Grand Champion Other Breeds Heifer and Adalyn Compton won Reserve Grand Champion Other Breeds Heifer.

Carlie Shenefield won Grand Champion Commercial English Heifer and Dakota LaPointe won Reserve Grand Champion Commercial English Heifer.

Alexia Trujillo won Grand Champion Commercial Brahman Heifer and Dustina Garcia won Reserve Grand Champion Commercial Brahman Heifer.

Macey Council won Grand Champion Commercial English Bull and Kailey Monahan won Reserve Grand Champion Commercial English Bull.

Hattie Lightsey won Grand Champion Brahman Bull.

In the junior herdsman contest, Colton Taylor won first place, Morgan McCullough won first and Kaylee Mixon won first.

In the intermediate herdsman contest, Kyleigh Criswell and Kyndall Akins won first place, Madison Brown won second and Julia Jones won third.

In the senior herdsman contest, Reanna Brown won first place and Alexia Trujillo won second.

Reanna Brown won the Bill McClelland Scholarship, sponsored by the McClelland Family; Alexia Trujillo won the Greenhand Award; Reanna Brown won the Jim Thompson Senior Award; Jayce Ware won the Justin Gill Scholarship, sponsored by the Gill Family; Callie Smith won the Hicks Family Scholarship, sponsored the Florida Strawberry Festival.

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 2023 Florida Strawberry Festival took place March 2 through March 12 in Plant City, Fla. For more information, visit www.flstrawberryfestival.com, Facebook, Instagram and Twitter (#berryfest23).

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