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INAUGURAL EASTERN ONTARIO JUNIOR SHOW A BIG SUCCESS

Spencerville, ON July 6, 2009 – The first Eastern Ontario Junior Show, ran in conjunction with the 30th Anniversary of the EBI 4-H Showcase as it expanded the tradition of junior shows across the province.

The Spencerville Fairgrounds was the site for the joint show as close to 125 4-H members took in many presentations and activities over the three day event. The agenda included respected professional fitters giving a clipping demonstration, showmanship experts highlighting key showmanship points and team leaders working amongst their groups to improve the neatness and attractiveness of their bedding packs. The weekend also included judging and farm safety challenges for the Showcase participants while the Junior members learned about pedigrees, feeding their calf and being prepared to come to the show.

The weekend certainly included it's time for fun and laughter as the organizers and the participants enjoyed a comical murder mystery, scavenger hunt, and an "Amazing Race" that was organized by 4-H Ontario.

On show day, the Juniors put what they had learned the previous two days to the test in front of Judge Dominique Pelletier of Russell, Ontario. The Champion Junior Showman was Rachel Clow of Frontenac County, followed by Reserve Champion Caitlin Jampen of Dundas. In the Senior class, Bronwyn O'Neil of Lennox and Addington came out on top, followed by Denielle Dickson of Frontenac County. For his Overall Champion Showman, Dominique selected Junior Showman Rachel Clow, followed by the Senior Champion, Bronwyn O'Neil.

The Champion Calf was Midlee Dolman Carole, the first place Intermediate Calf exhibited by Garret McDiarmid of Carleton. Reserve Champion was the second place Intermediate Calf, Martingale Carisma Orlene, the 4-H project of Bronwyn O'Neil of Lennox and Addington. Winner of the Junior Calf class was Windcroft Victoria's Secret, shown by Denielle Dickson of Frontenac and in the Yearling class, the calf of Patrick Levac, Mirella Shottle India came out on top.

All participants were given prizes during the event and after the show, the juniors re-joined the Showcase participants for cake and milk to celebrate the weekend. Allan Mussel was the lucky winner of the draw for the beautiful 4-H showbox, painted by Leanne O'Donnell of Waterloo.

A huge thanks goes out to all those that made this show happen, sponsors, volunteers and EBI for their partnership and help throughout the weekend to make this event as successful as it was. We look forward to the 2nd annual Eastern Ontario junior show next year!



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