



2009 CLASSIC - 30th Anniversary Year

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Classic Facts

- **353 Dairy 4-H members competed at the 2009 Show.**
- **Champion Showperson**
Joanna Clark,
Kawartha Lakes County
- **Champion Calf shown by:** Gary Troup, Kawartha Lakes
- **Best Group of Three:**
Quebec East
- **Premier County:**
Peterborough County
- **Best Exhibit:**
York County
- **Conformation Judge:**
Lynn Harbaugh, U.S.
- **Showmanship Judge:**
Bruce Sayles, ON
- **Associate Judge:**
Bloyce Thompson, PEI
- **First held in 1979 - hosted by Hays Farms Int'l and Dairy Contact Magazine.**
- **Moved to the Royal Winter Fair in 1985.**
- **Largest and most prestigious dairy youth show in Canada.**

The Highlight of the Year!

30 YEARS AND STILL GOING STRONG!

353 of Canada's top dairy youth from 51 teams across 7 Canadian provinces took part in the 30th annual Canadian 4-H Classic Junior Dairy Show at the Royal Agricultural Winter Fair on November 7-9, 2009. A walk through the barns will allow you to see the true meaning of 4-H; "Learn to Do by Doing". 4-H members from 12-21 years of age show their knowledge by working together to produce top quality displays and exceptionally well-groomed calves. Friendships and camaraderie is evident throughout the barns.

Showmanship Judge, Bruce Sayles, along with his Associate Judge, Bloyce Thompson certainly had their skills challenged as they sorted through three tremendously strong groups of showmanship.

Champion Showperson was awarded to the 1st Place Senior Joanna Clark from Kawartha Lakes County with Reserve going to the 2nd Place Senior James Walker from Wellington County.

Conformation judge Lynn Harbaugh of Pine River, WI, USA, had his work cut out for him, as the quality ran deep through all conformation classes. Judge Harbaugh awarded Grand Champion calf to the first prize Holstein Junior Yearling Heifer, Vintage Dolman Milly, shown by Gary Troup from Kawartha Lakes. Reserve Grand Champion honours were awarded to the first prize Senior Calf Benbie Jasper Mabelle, shown by Ian Crosbie of Saskatchewan. Honourable Mention was shown by Laurie Jacobs of Quebec with her 1st Prize Summer Yearling Jacobs Jasper Abella.

Meanwhile, in the barn, the 4-Hers were competing for the best exhibit award. The team from York finished on top, followed very closely by Carleton, Durham East, Bruce and Prescott.

Quebec East was named the winners of the Best Group of Three with Peterborough County coming in a close second. Peterborough County also won the prestigious "Bill Edelstein Bowl" for the Premier County, for accumulating the most overall points of showmanship, conformation and best exhibit.

The Classic is not just another 4-H show, but an elite opportunity for the nation's dairy youth to showcase their talent and unite with other keen 4-H'ers at a world-class event. We thank sponsors TD Canada Trust, Kubota Canada, Semex Alliance and Holstein Canada who were on hand throughout the day and without their commitment to the agricultural youth, shows such as the Classic simply would not happen. Various other guests were also on hand as the competition celebrated 25 years at the Royal Agriculture Winter Fair.

Contact the Ontario Holstein Branch at (519) 653-6180 or branch@ontario.holstein.ca for more information.

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Showmanship Champions

Pictured left to right – Bloyce Thompson, Association Judge, Craig Bremner, TD Canada Trust, Katie Fletcher, James Walker, Joanna Clark, Judge Bruce Sayles, Jocelyn Sayles



Conformation Champions

Pictured left to right – Ross Wallace, Kubota, Judge Lynn Harbaugh, Jocelyn Sayles, Ian Crosbie, Gary Troup, Katie Fletcher and Craig Bremner, TD Canada Trust



Premier County
Peterborough