

MICHIGAN STATE UNIVERSITY DAIRY JUDGING PROGRAM *2016 Year in Review*

Michigan has high individual in National 4-H, Post-secondary contests at 50th annual World Dairy Expo

Michigan contestants earned high individual overall placings in two out of three national dairy cattle judging contests at the 2016 World Dairy Expo.

Cameron Cook was the high individual overall at the 2016 National Youth Dairy Cattle Judging Contest held in Madison during the 50th annual World Dairy Expo. Cook, of Pewamo, was also the third high individual in the oral reasons portion of the contest. She was second high individual in the Holstein and Jersey breeds, finished third in the Ayrshire breed, and took eighth in the Guernsey breed.

Rachel Ekkel completed a grand slam in the 2016 Post-secondary Dairy Cattle Judging Contest at



Cameron Cook

Rachel Ekkel

World Dairy Expo. She was the high individual overall, as well as high individual in both oral reasons and placings. Ekkel, of Newaygo, also earned high individual overall honors at the All-American Post-secondary Dairy Cattle Judging Contest held in Harrisburg, Pa., in September.

MSU Ag Tech team earns trip to Europe

Four Michigan State University (MSU) students will be heading to Europe this summer after earning a third place overall score in the 2016 Post-secondary Dairy Cattle Judging Contest at World Dairy Expo in October. The team members who will

be participating in the trip are: Shelby Berens, of Holland; Rachel Ekkel, of Newaygo; Erin Fritz, of West Branch; and Evelyn Okkema, of Blanchard.

Members of the 2016 MSU Ag Tech team who competed at the World Dairy Expo in Madison were (pictured left to right): Coach Dr. Joe Domecq, Rachel Ekkel, Erin Fritz, Shelby Berens, Evelyn Okkema, and Coach Sarah Black.



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2016 4-H Dairy Days

July 18-21

Collegiate Division

The 2016 Michigan State University (MSU) collegiate dairy cattle judging team members were: Bryce and T.J. Frahm (Frankenmuth), Natalie Horning (Manchester), and Suzanna Hull (North Adams). The team was coached by Dr. Joe Domecq.

The team competed in three national competitions: the 48th annual All-American Invitational Youth Dairy Judging Contest in Harrisburg, Penn.; the 96th annual World Dairy Expo Dairy Cattle Judging Contest in Madison, Wis.; and the 43rd annual North American International Livestock Exhibition (NAILE) in Louisville, Ky.

TEAM PLACINGS

HARRISBURG, PA.

(13 TEAMS COMPETED)

- » 2nd high team Guernsey
- » 3rd high team Oral Reasons
- » 7th high team Ayrshire
- » 7th high team Brown Swiss
- » 7th high team overall
- » 9th high team Holstein
- » 12th high team Jersey

MADISON, WIS.

(19 TEAMS COMPETED)

- » 1st high team Milking Shorthorn
- » 5th high team Holstein
- » 11th high team Jersey
- » 12th high team Red and White
- » 12th high team Oral Reasons
- » 12th high team Overall

LOUISVILLE, KY.

(17 TEAMS COMPETED)

- » 4th high team Oral Reasons
- » 7th high team Holstein
- » 8th high team Ayrshire
- » 9th high team Brown Swiss
- » 11th high team Jersey
- » 11th high team Overall
- » 14th high team Guernsey



Members of the 2016 MSU Collegiate dairy cattle judging team were (pictured left to right): Coach Joe Domecq, Suzanna Hull, T.J. and Bryce Frahm, Natalie Horning, and Coach Sarah Black.

INDIVIDUAL PLACINGS

BRYCE FRAHM

- » 1st Brown Swiss, Louisville
- » 3rd Milking Shorthorn, Madison
- » 3rd Guernsey, Harrisburg
- » 5th Jersey, Louisville
- » 10th Oral Reasons, Harrisburg
- » 14th Brown Swiss, Harrisburg
- » 14th Oral Reasons, Louisville
- » 16th Holstein, Madison
- » 18th Overall, Harrisburg

SUZANNA HULL

- » 4th Guernsey, Harrisburg
- » 15th Holstein, Harrisburg
- » 15th Oral Reasons, Louisville
- » 16th Red and White, Madison
- » 17th Holstein, Louisville
- » 20th Overall, Harrisburg
- » 20th Ayrshire, Madison

NATALIE HORNING

- » 5th Oral Reasons, Harrisburg
- » 6th Holstein, Madison
- » 7th Milking Shorthorn, Madison
- » 7th Guernsey, Louisville
- » 11th Jersey, Harrisburg
- » 17th Brown Swiss, Harrisburg
- » 17th Oral Reasons, Louisville
- » 17th Guernsey, Madison
- » 19th Ayrshire, Louisville

T.J. FRAHM

- » 14th Jersey, Harrisburg
- » 20th Guernsey, Harrisburg

Are you a past member of one of the Michigan dairy cattle judging teams?

We want to hear from you as we continue creating an online archive and networking site for past, current and future Michigan dairy cattle judging members and coaches.

We are seeking photos (team pictures and candid), names of judging team members by year, contest placings, and other relevant historical details.

We especially need assistance tracking down information for teams prior to the 1990's.

Visit www.MichiganDairyJudgingHistory.com

Ag Tech Division

Five second-year MSU Institute of Agricultural Technology dairy production management program students competed in the 2016 International Postsecondary Dairy Cattle Judging Contest held during World Dairy Expo in Madison, Wis., and the 43rd annual North American International Livestock Exhibition in Louisville, Ky. The team was coached by Dr. Joe Domecq.

The five MSU sophomores competing on the team were: Shelby Berens, Rachel Ekkel, Erin Fritz, and Evelyn Okkema. Craig Southerton represented the team at the All-American contest in Harrisburg, Penn., in September.

TEAM PLACINGS

HARRISBURG, PA.

(6 TEAMS COMPETED)

- » 2nd high team Guernsey
- » 3rd high team Brown Swiss
- » 4th high team Oral Reasons
- » 5th high team Ayrshire
- » 5th high team Jersey
- » 5th high team Overall
- » 6th high team Holstein

MADISON, WIS.

(12 TEAMS COMPETED)

- » 3rd high team Oral Reasons
- » 3rd high team Overall

LOUISVILLE, KY.

(8 TEAMS COMPETED)

- » 2nd high team Ayrshire
- » 2nd high team Brown Swiss
- » 2nd high team Jersey
- » 2nd high team Oral Reasons
- » 3rd high team Overall
- » 5th high team Guernsey
- » 7th high team Holstein



Members of the 2016 MSU Ag Tech team who competed at the All-American in Harrisburg were (pictured left to right): Craig Southerton, Erin Fritz, Rachel Ekkel, Evelyn Okkema and Coach Dr. Joe Domecq.



Members of the 2016 MSU Ag Tech team who competed at the World Dairy Expo in Madison were (pictured left to right): Coach Dr. Joe Domecq, Rachel Ekkel, Erin Fritz, Shelby Berens, Evelyn Okkema, and Coach Sarah Black.

INDIVIDUAL PLACINGS

RACHEL EKKEL

- » 1st Overall, Harrisburg
- » 1st Guernsey, Harrisburg
- » 1st Oral Reasons, Madison
- » 1st Overall, Madison
- » 1st Placings, Madison
- » 1st Jersey, Louisville
- » 2nd Oral Reasons, Harrisburg
- » 3rd Oral Reasons, Louisville
- » 4th Overall, Louisville
- » 4th Brown Swiss, Harrisburg
- » 5th Ayrshire, Harrisburg
- » 7th Brown Swiss, Louisville
- » 8th Ayrshire, Louisville
- » 17th Holstein, Harrisburg
- » 17th Guernsey, Louisville
- » 19th Jersey, Harrisburg

SHELBY BERENS

- » 6th Placings, Madison
- » 7th Overall, Madison
- » 7th Oral Reasons, Louisville
- » 8th Guernsey, Louisville
- » 8th Jersey, Louisville
- » 9th Ayrshire, Louisville
- » 9th Overall, Louisville
- » 19th Oral Reasons, Madison

EVELYN OKKEMA

- » 1st Jersey, Harrisburg
- » 4th Ayrshire, Harrisburg
- » 4th Ayrshire, Louisville
- » 5th Brown Swiss, Louisville
- » 8th Guernsey, Harrisburg
- » 8th Oral Reasons, Harrisburg
- » 9th Oral Reasons, Madison
- » 10th Overall, Harrisburg
- » 11th Oral Reasons, Louisville
- » 13th Overall, Louisville
- » 15th Holstein, Louisville
- » 18th Holstein, Harrisburg
- » 19th Brown Swiss, Harrisburg

ERIN FRITZ

- » 13th Jersey, Louisville
- » 16th Oral Reasons, Harrisburg
- » 16th Oral Reasons, Madison
- » 18th Guernsey, Louisville
- » 19th Holstein, Louisville
- » 20th Holstein, Harrisburg

CRAIG SOUTHERTON

- » 18th Brown Swiss, Harrisburg
- » 20th Holstein, Harrisburg
- » 20th Oral Reasons, Harrisburg

4-H Division

ALL-AMERICAN INVITATIONAL YOUTH DAIRY JUDGING CONTEST HARRISBURG, PA.

(15 TEAMS COMPETED)

- » 7th high team Ayrshire
- » 7th high team Holstein
- » 9th high team Oral Reasons
- » 10th high team Overall
- » 11th high team Brown Swiss
- » 12th high team Guernsey
- » 12th high team Jersey

MIRIAH DERSHEM

- » 9th high individual Ayrshire
- » 12th high individual Oral Reasons
- » 13th high individual Holstein

MORGAN LUOMA

- » 25th high individual Guernsey

HOPE MCALVEY

- » 18th high individual Ayrshire
- » 19th high individual Holstein

NATIONAL 4-H DAIRY CATTLE JUDGING CONTEST MADISON, WIS.

(29 TEAMS COMPETED)

- » 1st high team Ayrshire
- » 1st high team Jersey
- » 3rd high team Oral Reasons
- » 4th high team Overall
- » 7th high team Brown Swiss
- » 8th high team Holstein
- » 9th high team Guernsey

CAMERON COOK

- » 1st high individual Overall
- » 2nd high individual Holstein
- » 2nd high individual Jersey
- » 3rd high individual Ayrshire
- » 3rd high individual Oral Reasons
- » 3rd high individual Placings
- » 8th high individual Guernsey

LAUREN HEBERLING

- » 15th high individual Oral Reasons

MADELINE MEYER

- » 1st high individual Jersey
- » 10th high individual Oral Reasons
- » 12th high individual Overall
- » 13th high individual Ayrshire
- » 15th high individual Placings
- » 19th high individual Brown Swiss

ALLISON SCHAFFER

- » 23rd high individual Oral Reasons

NORTH AMERICAN INTERNATIONAL LIVESTOCK EXHIBITION LOUISVILLE, KY.

(20 TEAMS COMPETED)

- » 2nd high team Jersey
- » 3rd high team Oral Reasons
- » 4th high team Overall
- » 5th high team Guernsey
- » 7th high team Brown Swiss
- » 8th high team Holstein

KRISTIN BURKHARDT

- » 3rd high individual Ayrshire
- » 10th high individual Jersey
- » 11th high individual Holstein
- » 15th high individual Oral Reasons

LANCE FRAHM

- » 1st high individual Jersey
- » 3rd high individual Oral Reasons
- » 9th high individual Overall
- » 20th high individual Holstein

MORGAN LUOMA

- » 11th high individual Overall
- » 13th high individual Guernsey
- » 16th high individual Brown Swiss
- » 18th high individual Oral Reasons
- » 19th high individual Jersey

HOPE MCALVEY

- » 8th high individual Oral Reasons
- » 10th high individual Overall
- » 12th high individual Jersey
- » 13th high individual Holstein



Members of the Michigan 4-H Dairy Cattle Judging Team who participated at the All-American in Harrisburg were (pictured left to right): Morgan Luoma, Miriah Dershem, Carmen Hicks, Hope McAlvey, and Coach Joe Domecq.



Members of the National 4-H Dairy Cattle Judging Team were (pictured left to right): Coach Joe Domecq, Allison Schafer, Lauren Heberling, Cameron Cook, Madeline Meyer, and Coach Sarah Black.



Michigan 4-H members competing in the dairy cattle judging contest at the North American International Livestock Exhibition in Louisville, Ky., pictured left to right, were: (back row) Lance Frahm, Morgan Luoma, and Coach Joe Domecq, and (front row) Hope McAlvey and Kristin Burkhardt.