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MSU EQUINE CLUBS GIVE BACK TO THE HORSE INDUSTRY



Mississippi State University Horseman's Association and Eventing Team joined forces to dedicate a weekend assisting a local horse show with their preparations for the show. The two equine clubs worked the Heart of Dixie Palomino Exhibitors Association Fall Classic Horse Show helping with various aspects of the show both in and outside of the show arena.

The show was held in Meridian at the Lauderdale County Agricenter. It gave club members an opportunity to learn more about the industry and meet professionals working in the industry including horse show judges and managers along with horse trainers. While attending the show, club members sold T-shirts to raise funds for their upcoming spring trip. Both equine clubs plan to help one another with an upcoming showing this month in Meridian along with volunteering at the Dixie National Quarter Horse Show in February.

For those interested in the equine clubs or purchasing club T-shirts, please contact advisor Dr. Molly Nicodemus at mcn16@msstate.edu.



Equine Club Members at the Fall Classic Horse Show

MS STATE FAIR WINNERS

AWARD

SUPREME CHAMPION HEIFER RESERVE SUPREME CHAMPION HEIFER BEST 5 HEAD – BEEF HEIFER BEST 5 HEAD – BEEF HEIFER BEST 5 HEAD – BEEF HEIFER

AWARD

SUPREME CHAMPION BULL RESERVE SUPREME CHAMPION BULL BEST 5 HEAD – BEEF BULL BEST 5 HEAD – BEEF BULL BEST 5 HEAD – BEEF BULL

Grand Champion Prospect Steer

Grand Champion Progress Steer

Reserve Champion Progress Steer

Res Champion Prospect Steer

BEEF BREEDING WINNERS

EXHIBITOR Hannah Buse Amelia Buckley Rylie/Stran Melancon Asa Lee McKenna/Dru Prisock

EXHIBITOR

Haley Walker

Jacob Poynor

Hagen Hinton

Jacob Poynor,

Amelia Buckley

BREED Percentage Simmental Beefmaster Angus Brahman Brangus

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Oktibbeha 4-H

COUNTY

Jones 4-H

Covington 4-H

Wilkinson 4-H

Pearl River 4-H

COUNTY

Tippah 4-H Covington 4-H Independence FFA/Tate 4-H Covington 4-H Independence FFA/Tate 4-H

COMMERCIAL BEEF HEIFER WINNERS

SUPREME CHAMPION COMMERCIAL BEEF HEIFER RESERVE SUPREME CHAMPION COMMERCIAL BEEF HEIFER Amelia Buckley Rylie/Stran Melancon Covington 4-H Wilkinson 4-H

MARKET STEER WINNERS

Conner Boyles, Smith 4-H Jace Welborn, Jasper 4-H

Ann <u>Bileigh</u> Holder, Jones 4-H Eli Eason, Smith 4-H

MARKET LAMB WINNERS

Grand Champion Reserve Grand Champion State Bred Grand Champion State Bred Res. Grand Champion

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Grand Champion Res. Grand Champion MS Bred Grand Champion MS Bred Reserve Grand Champion Avery Wood Elizabeth Nichols Dane/Vivien Stevens Sydney/Tripp McGee Montgomery 4-H Pontotoc 4-H Rankin 4-H Newton 4-H

WETHER DAM WINNERS

Mary-Hayden Blaylock Jorja/Roxie Roberson Leighton/Lara Horton Matthew/Morgan White Montgomery 4-H Union 4-H Pontotoc 4-H Oktibbeha 4-H

MARKET SWINE WINNERS

Kaci Lynn Ladner, Pearl River 4-H Jaylynn/Breelynn/Layton/Payton Cloy, Lincoln 4-H Jaylynn/Breelynn/Layton/Payton Cloy, Lincoln 4-H Stormy Thompson, Calhoun 4-H

MS STATE FAIR WINNERS

HOLSTEIN Grand Champion Reserve Grand Champion

JERSEY Grand Champion Reserve Grand Champion

OTHER PUREBREDS Grand Champion Reserve Grand Champion

JUNIOR COMMERCIAL DAIRY HEIFER SHOW

Champion Commercial Dairy Heifer Reserve Champion Commercial Dairy Heifer

Grand Champion Reserve Grand Champion MS Bred Grand Champion Reserve MS Bred Grand Champion

Grand Champion Reserve Grand Champion MS Bred Grand Champion Reserve MS Bred Grand Champion

Best in Show Senior Doe Reserve Best in Show Senior Doe Best in Show Junior Doe Reserve Best in Show Junior Doe

DAIRY CATTLE WINNERS

Lee Taylor Kirsten Wade

Holden Taylor Lee Taylor

Mallory Ard Evan Powers

Connor Stokes Anna Newell

MARKET GOAT WINNERS

Anna Lee Guy Layla/Jillian Bramlitt Anna Lee Guy Hayden Barnett

Ann Fleming Leflore

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Mallory Causey

Prentiss 4-H Walthall 4-H

Prentiss 4-H Prentiss 4-H

Lincoln 4-H Tate 4-H

Clay 4-H Pontotoc 4-H

Smith 4-H Calhoun 4-H Smith 4-H Calhoun 4-H

Rankin 4-H/Pelahatchie FFA Lafayette 4-H Lafayette 4-H Lee 4-H

DAIRY GOAT WINNERS

COMMERCIAL MEAT GOAT DOE WINNERS

Payton/Mallary/Paxton Lemoine

Kaitlyn Anne Skelton Theodore/Elliott Haffey Olivia Faith Morris Kenneth Hall, Jr.

Hinds 4-H Itawamba 4-H Oktibbeha 4-H Hinds 4-H

For a more extensive list of winners from the 2018 Mississippi State Fair, access the full version of the October 2019 Animal Lines Newsletter at http://extension.msstate.edu/newsletters/4h-animal-lines-newsletters.

EQUINE LAB HOLDS CLASS AT THE CVM EQUINE CLINICS

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ADS 3221 students with Dr. Ben Nabors at the CVM Equine Clinic

ADS 3221 COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT

As a part of the ADS 3221 Practices in Horse Care & Management, students were required to participate in community engagement activities. These

activities included volunteering at the local horse rescue, the CVM equine clinic, the MSU equestrian team collegiate horse show, and various breed-recognized shows throughout the state. Through these activities students

were able to meet people in the industry and learn more about what these

individuals do in the industry. Students got to take part in the industry and give back.

A part of the assignment included reflecting on the community engagement activities that they participated in. The feedback from the students and from those in the industry was positive as it gave the two groups an opportunity to interact and assist each other. ADS 3221 will be offered this spring and a part of the community engagement activities will include the Dixie Nationals Quarter Horse Show in February. For individuals interested in learning more about the course and the community engagement program, they can contact the course instructor, Dr. Molly Nicodemus, at mcn16@msstate.edu.



Equine students participating in community engagement activities

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Certificate of Appreciation

Be it known that faculty and staff of the Department of Animal and Dairy Sciences at Mississippi State University appreciates

Dr. John R. Blanton Jr.

for his leadership and guidance in ensuring a new Meat Science and Muscle Biology Laboratory, and a new department building for our students, staff, faculty, stakeholders, and alumni who contribute to Mississippi State University.

This certificate is conferred to recognize many hours and enormous work effort involved in the planning and construction of the new building as well as the relocation of the laboratories and offices.

These advanced facilities will enable our faculty, staff, and students to make major contributions and greater impact on the future of agriculture in Mississippi, our region, across the nation, and around the globe.

Through our pursuit of excellence in the traditions of the land-grant mission of research, teaching and extension, your efforts and contribution will be felt throughout agriculture. With sincere thanks and best wishes, Faculty and Staff of Animal and Dairy Sciences DECEMBER, 2019



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