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ANGELICA, NEW YORK – 2026 Allegany County Fair Youth Dairy Show Results

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On Wednesday, July 22nd the Allegany County Fair held the Youth Dairy Show. This year's show opened with meet and greet with the judge, Keith Demon from Troopsburg, NY.

Beginning the show with Senior Showmanship division first place blue to Morgan Holcomb from Friendship, NY followed by Natalie Burrows from Cuba, NY; first red to Abigail Morton Caneadea, NY; second red Shaelynn Eddy Cuba, NY; and third to Taylor Wahl.

In our Junior Showmanship division, Bentley Foster Friendship NY received a blue ribbon followed by first red to Tinsley Foster Friendship, NY and second red Cooper Hunt from Bolivar. For the Novice division receiving blue ribbons Garrett Ploetz and Beverly Ploetz both from Cuba, NY.

Winners in senior and junior showmanship divisions received a halter sponsored by Zane Covert, novice halter sponsored by Will-Cara Farm. The top 2 from each division competed for Master Showmanship. This year's winner Morgan Holcomb received a director's chair sponsored by The York Agency, Lester York. Reserve Master Showman, Natilie Burrows, received a bucket of grooming supplies sponsored by the Allegany County Grange. One exhibitor in the Cloverbud division, this is open to youth 5-7years old. Carter Fusiara Cuba, NY received a bucket of goodies sponsored by Wild Geese Farm.

Following the showmanship breed classes were held. Highlights for these classes:

<u>Award</u>	<u>Sponsor</u>	<u>Recipient</u>
Ayrshire Junior Champion	Country Crossroads Feed & Seed	Morgan Holcomb
Ayrshire Reserve Junior Champion	Allegany County Grange	Shaylynn Eddy
Holstein Junior Champion	Will-Cara Farm	Garrett Ploetz
Holstein Reserve Junior Champion	Hillcrest Homestead, LLC	Bentley Foster
Jersey Junior Champion	Allegany County Grange	Natalie Burrows
Jersey Reserve Junior Champion	Colleen Bailey, DVM	Morgan Holcomb
Brown Swiss Junior Champion	Hillcrest Homestead, LLC	Shaelynn Eddy
Brown Swiss Res Junior Champion	Skyview Farm	Shaelynn Eddy
Ayrshire Senior Champion	Country Crossroads Feed & Seed	Morgan Holcomb
Ayrshire Reserve Senior Champion	Allegany County Farm Bureau	Shaylynn Eddy
Jersey Senior Championship	Center Vu Farm	Morgan Holcomb

Jersey Reserve Senior Champions	Hillcrest Homestead LLC	Natalie Burrows
Brown Swiss Senior Champion	Country Crossroads Feed & Seed	Abigail Morton
Brown Swiss Res. Senior Champion	Allegany County Farm Bureau	Abigail Morton
Ayrshire Grand Champion	Allegany County Farm Bureau	Morgan Holcomb
Ayrshire Reserve Grand Champion	Country Crossroads Feed & Seed	Shaelynn Eddy
Holstein Grand Champion	Will-Cara Farm	Garrett Ploetz
Holstein Reserve Grand Champion	Hillcrest Homestead, LLC	Bentley Foster
Jersey Grand Champion	Hillcrest Homestead, LLC	Morgan Holcomb
Jersey Reserve Grand Champion	Allegany County Farm Bureau	Natalie Burrows
Brown Swiss Grand Champion	Country Crossroads Feed & Seed	Abigail Morton
Brown Swiss Res Grand Champion	Chet & Donna Greene	Abigail Morton
Supreme Champion – Brown Swiss	The York Agency, Lester York	Abigail Morton
Best Breed and Owned	Cheyenne Wolfer Memorial	Morgan Holcomb

Dairy Herd – 1st place Friendship Everlasting 4-H Club

Club Herd – 1st place Friendship Everlasting 4-H Club

We want to thank our judge, Keith Demon. In partnership with his two brothers, their herd consists of Holsteins, Ayrshires, Jerseys, and Brown Swiss. Having shown and judged at local, state and national events in New York and Pennsylvania, Keith enjoys the opportunity judge at county fairs and help youth improve their show skills.

Youth shows at the fair are one of many programs offered by Cornell Cooperative Extension of Allegany County (CCE-Allegany). The association is part of the national cooperative extension system, an educational partnership between County, State, and Federal governments. As New York's land grant university Cornell administers the system in this state. For more information, call 585-268-7644 or visit our website at www.cce.cornell.edu/allegany. Cornell Cooperative Extension provides equal program and employment opportunities.

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Photo caption: Youth dairy exhibitors with judge Keith Demun (Front row: Cooper Hunt, Beverly Ploetz, Tinsley Foster, Carter Fusiara, Morgan Foster, Bentley Foster. Back: Taylor Wahl, Abigail Morton, Shaelynn Eddy, Natalie Burrows, Garrett Ploetz, Keith Demun)



Master Showmanship Winners (Left to Right) Reserve Master Showman Natalie Burrows, Master Showman Morgan Holcomb, Judge Keith Demun.



Supreme Champion of the 2026 Show, Brown Swiss exhibited by Abigail Morton.

