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News Release

Maquoketa Valley FFA Wins 2015 Iowa FFA Dairy Cattle Career Development Event

The 2015 Iowa FFA Dairy Cattle Career Development Event was held in conjunction with the Youth Dairy Classic in West Union on Saturday, September 12, 2015. Seventeen teams and fifty-seven individuals participated in this year's Career Development Event designed to provide students an opportunity to display their knowledge and skills in the area of dairy cattle selection and management.

The Maquoketa Valley FFA Chapter located in Delhi was named the Iowa Champion FFA Dairy Cattle Team. Team members included: Jacqueline Ehrlich, Cole Kruse, Amanda Engelken, and Katelyn Goldsmith. Their agriculture education instructor and FFA advisor is Mrs. Dawn Mausser. The champion team will compete in the National FFA Dairy Cattle Career Development Event during the National FFA Convention in Louisville, Kentucky, this October.

The Reserve Champion Team in Dairy Judging was the North Fayette Valley FFA Chapter located in West Union. Team members included: Matthew Appler, Morgan Lauer, Ethan Menne, and Alexandria Sadler. Their agriculture education instructors and FFA advisors are Mr. Ryan Holthaus and Ms. Monica Enyart. Trevor Malven from Cresco was the Champion Individual. Kaitlyn Hauser from Nashua was the Reserve Champion Individual.

The Iowa FFA Dairy Cattle Career Development Event was made possible with support from Associated Milk Producers, Inc. through the Iowa FFA Foundation. Allflex USA sponsored the State Winning Team plaque through the National FFA Foundation.

Carly Lyons, Christopher Lundgren, and John Sparrgrove were the official judges for the placing classes. Dean Weber from Rockwell prepared the testing materials.

Listed below are the top teams and individuals in the various parts of the career development event.

Top 10 Teams

- 1 Maquoketa Valley FFA @ Delhi
- 2 North Fayette Valley FFA, West Union
- 3 Crestwood FFA, Cresco
- 4 South Winneshiek FFA, Calmar
- 5 Wapsie Valley FFA, Fairbank
- 6 New Hampton FFA, New Hampton
- 7 North Scott FFA, Eldridge
- 8 Cascade FFA, Cascade
- 9 Linn-Mar FFA, Marion
- 10 St. Ansgar FFA, St. Ansgar

Top 10 Individuals

- Trevor Malven, Crestwood FFA, Cresco
Kaitlyn Hauser, Nashua Plainfield FFA, Nashua
Cynthia Hamlett, Starmont FFA, Arlington
Cole Kruse, Maquoketa Valley FFA @ Delhi
Jacqueline Ehrlich, Maquoketa Valley FFA @ Delhi
Amanda Engelken, Maquoketa Valley FFA @ Delhi
Jessica Schmitt, South Winneshiek FFA, Calmar
Rachel Grober, New Hampton FFA, New Hampton
Eric Richards, Wapsie Valley FFA, Fairbank
Alexandria Sadler, North Fayette Valley FFA, West Union

Specialty Areas -- Top Team/ Top Individual:

Dairy Cow and Heifer Placing Classes

Team: Maquoketa Valley FFA @ Delhi

Individual: Trevor Malven, Crestwood FFA, Cresco

Pedigree Evaluation

Team: North Fayette Valley FFA, West Union

Oral Reasons

Team: Maquoketa Valley FFA @ Delhi

Individual: Jessica Schmitt, South Winneshiek FFA, Calmar

Dairy Production and Management Test

Team: Maquoketa Valley FFA @ Delhi

Individual: Matthew Appler, North Fayette Valley FFA, West Union

Sire Evaluation

Team: Maquoketa Valley FFA @ Delhi

Individual: Katelyn Goldsmith, Maquoketa Valley FFA @ Delhi

Cow Culling

Team: Wapsie Valley FFA, Fairbank **Individual:** Allison Hager, Bellevue FFA, Bellevue

Below is a list of chapters participating by medal group.

Gold Teams (9)

Score Range (1592 to 1348)

Maquoketa Valley FFA @ Delhi
North Fayette Valley FFA, West Union
Crestwood FFA, Cresco
South Winneshiek FFA, Calmar
Wapsie Valley FFA, Fairbank
New Hampton FFA, New Hampton
North Scott FFA, Eldridge
Cascade FFA, Cascade
Linn-Mar FFA, Marion

Silver Teams (4)

Score Range (1298 to 1190)

St. Ansgar FFA, St. Ansgar
Bellevue FFA, Bellevue
Edgewood-Colesburg FFA, Edgewood
Dowling Catholic FFA

Bronze Teams (4)

Score Range (1003 to 485.5)

Starmont FFA, Arlington
Nashua Plainfield FFA, Nashua
Grundy Center FFA, Grundy Center
West Fork FFA

The following FFA Members served as show persons during the event and were ranked as follows:

Gold Awards (6)

Cassidy Bohr, North Fayette Valley FFA, West
Hailey Nierling, Decorah FFA, Decorah
Paige Adams, Linn-Mar FFA, Marion
Rachel Darnel, North Fayette Valley FFA, West
Kayla Robrock, North Fayette Valley FFA, West
Jaden Anderson, Decorah FFA, Decorah

Silver Awards (4)

Clint Halverson, North Fayette Valley FFA, West
Alexis Gage, North Fayette Valley FFA, West
Kylee Lutgen, North Fayette Valley FFA, West
Henry Simmons, Dowling Catholic FFA

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About Iowa FFA Association

The Iowa FFA Association is a youth organization of over 14,800 student members as part of 225 local FFA chapters across Iowa. The FFA mission is to make a positive difference in the lives of students by developing their potential for premier leadership, personal growth and career success through agricultural education. The Iowa FFA Association was organized by delegates from 23 schools at Iowa State College on May 17, 1929 and is an integral part of public instruction in agriculture. The Iowa Department of Education provides leadership and helps set direction for FFA as a service to local agricultural education programs. For more, visit the Iowa FFA Association online at IowaFFA.com, on Facebook, and Twitter.