



Iowa FFA Association

The FFA Mission

*FFA makes a positive difference in the lives of students by developing their potential for **premier leadership, personal growth, and career success** through agricultural education.*

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West Dubuque FFA Wins 2010 Iowa FFA Dairy Cattle Career Development Event

The 2010 Iowa FFA Dairy Cattle Career Development Event was held in conjunction with the Blue Ribbon Dairy Classic in West Union on Saturday, September 18, 2010. Twenty teams and seventy-one 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 West Dubuque FFA Chapter located in Epworth was named the Iowa Champion FFA Dairy Team. Team members included: Austin Knapp, Joshua Simon, Emily Simon, and Bethany Simon. Their agriculture education instructor and FFA advisor is Mr. Matt Lansing. The champion team will compete in the National FFA Dairy Cattle Career Development Event during the National FFA Convention in Indianapolis, Indiana, this October. The champion team received a plaque sponsored by the National FFA Foundation.

The Reserve Champion Team in Dairy Judging was the Oelwein FFA Chapter located in Oelwein. Team members included: Logan Worden, Rachel Scott, Kiley Baerg, and Travis Kelly. Their agriculture education instructor and FFA advisor is Mr. Scott Smalley. They received a plaque sponsored by Associated Milk Producers through the Iowa FFA Foundation. Jacob Mills from Arlington was the Champion Individual. Austin Knapp from Epworth was the Reserve Champion Individual. They received plaques sponsored by Associated Milk Producers through the Iowa FFA Foundation.

Several organizations sponsored awards through the Iowa FFA Foundation. Midwest Dairy Association sponsored rosettes for the top ten teams, members of the top ten teams, and top ten individuals. Midwest Dairy Association sponsored plaques for the high team and individuals in the following categories: Dairy Cattle Classes, Oral Reasons, Production Management Test, and Pedigree Evaluation (team only). Associated Milk Producers sponsored the plaques for the reserve champion team, the champion and reserve champion individual.

Katie Stoll and Jim Hammerand were the judges for the placing classes with Jim Hammerand placing the linear animal. Dean Weber 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 West Dubuque FFA, Epworth
- 2 Oelwein FFA, Oelwein
- 3 Little Switzerland FFA, Waukon
- 4 Edgewood-Colesburg FFA, Edgewood
- 5 Sumner-Fredericksburg FFA
- 6 South Winneshiek FFA, Calmar
- 7 Decorah FFA, Decorah
- 8 East Sac FFA, Lake View
- 9 North Fayette FFA, West Union
- 10 Cascade FFA, Cascade

Top 10 Individuals

- Jacob Mills, Starmont FFA, Arlington
Austin Knapp, West Dubuque FFA, Epworth
Joshua Simon, West Dubuque FFA, Epworth
Kiley Baerg, Oelwein FFA, Oelwein
Logan Worden, Oelwein FFA, Oelwein
Matthew Schulte, Little Switzerland FFA, Waukon
Bethany Simon, West Dubuque FFA, Epworth
Jay Highland, East Sac FFA, Lake View
Brent Drey, East Sac FFA, Lake View
Karla Hageman, South Winneshiek FFA, Calmar

Specialty Areas -- Top Team/ Top Individual:

Dairy Cow and Heifer Placing Classes

Team: Oelwein FFA, Oelwein **Individual:** Rachel Scott, Oelwein FFA, Oelwein

Pedigree Evaluation

Team: Sumner-Fredericksburg FFA **Individual:** Karla Hageman, South Winneshiek FFA, Calmar

Oral Reasons

Team: West Dubuque FFA, Epworth **Individual:** Austin Knapp, West Dubuque FFA, Epworth

Dairy Production and Management Test

Team: West Dubuque FFA, Epworth **Individual:** Matthew Schulte, Little Switzerland FFA, Waukon

Sire Evaluation

Team: West Dubuque FFA, Epworth **Individual:** Elise Ronnebaum, Edgewood-Colesburg FFA, Edgewood

Cow Culling

Team: Oelwein FFA, Oelwein **Individual:** Matthew Schulte, Little Switzerland FFA, Waukon

Linear Evaluation

Team: Oelwein FFA, Oelwein

Below is a list of chapters participating by medal group.

Gold Teams (9)

Score Range (1784 to 1630)

West Dubuque FFA, Epworth
Oelwein FFA, Oelwein
Little Switzerland FFA, Waukon
Edgewood-Colesburg FFA, Edgewood
Sumner-Fredericksburg FFA
South Winneshiek FFA, Calmar
Decorah FFA, Decorah
East Sac FFA, Lake View
North Fayette FFA, West Union

Bronze Teams (4)

Score Range (1295 to 904)

New Hampton FFA, New Hampton
Wapsie Valley FFA, Fairbank
Linn-Mar FFA, Marion
Bellevue FFA, Bellevue

Silver Teams (7)

Score Range (1531 to 1379.5)

Cascade FFA, Cascade
Nashua-Plainfield FFA, Nashua
Maquoketa FFA, Maquoketa
Valley FFA, Elgin
Starmont FFA, Arlington
Waverly-Shell Rock FFA, Waverly
Louisa-Muscatine FFA, Letts

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

Gold Awards (7)

Lacy Norbut, Cascade FFA, Cascade
Jacob Droeszler, Cascade FFA, Cascade
TJ Tittle, Cascade FFA, Cascade
Sarah Redmond, Cascade FFA, Cascade
Emily Neumueller, West Dubuque FFA, Epworth
Nichole Fagle, North Fayette FFA, West Union
Brian Arthur, Oelwein FFA, Oelwein

Silver Awards (7)

Jake Connolly, Cascade FFA, Cascade
Jared Marr, Cascade FFA, Cascade
Ben Lueder, North Fayette FFA, West Union
Ashley Pugh, North Fayette FFA, West Union
Brady Ney, North Fayette FFA, West Union
Kevin Schumann, West Dubuque FFA, Epworth
Wyatt Bockenstedt, West Dubuque FFA, Epworth

The Iowa FFA Association has 222 local chapters with over 12,000 FFA members. FFA is a national organization of more than 500,000 members preparing for leadership and careers in science, business and technology of agriculture. Local, state and national programs provide opportunities for students to apply knowledge and skills learned in the classroom. FFA's 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.

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