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News Release

North Fayette Valley FFA Wins 2022 Iowa FFA Dairy Cattle CDE

The 2022 Iowa FFA Dairy Cattle Career Development Event was held in conjunction with the Youth Dairy Classic in Manchester on Friday, September 9, 2022. Twenty-eight teams and 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 North Fayette Valley FFA Chapter located in West Union was named the Iowa Champion FFA Dairy Cattle Team. Team members included: Kerigan Alexander, Kylie Oakland, Dillion Sparrgrove, and Alexis Steffens. Their agriculture education instructor and FFA advisor is Miss Kylee Smith. 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 Reserve Champion Team in Dairy Judging was the Little Switzerland FFA Chapter located in Waukon. Team members included: Elizabeth Fossum, Alaina Gebel, Cassidy Gibbs, and Kiersten Gibbs. Their agriculture education instructor and FFA advisor is Ms. Jessica O'Connor. Kylie Oakland from West Union was the Champion Individual. Alexis Steffens from West Union was the Reserve Champion Individual.

The Iowa FFA Dairy Cattle Career Development Event was made possible with support through the Iowa FFA Foundation and the Youth Dairy Classic Exhibitors.

Jim Hammerand, Austin Knapp and Kurt Wolf were the official judges for the placing classes. Kaleb Kruse selected the cattle for judging classes and acted as reasons taker.

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

Top 10 Teams

- 1 North Fayette Valley FFA, West Union
- 2 Little Switzerland FFA, Waukon
- 3 Decorah FFA, Decorah
- 4 Beckman Catholic @ Dyersville
- 5 South Winneshiek FFA, Calmar
- 6 West Lyon FFA, Inwood
- 7 Maquoketa Valley FFA
- 8 Edgewood-Colesburg FFA, Edgewood
- 9 Newton FFA, Newton
- 10 Central Community FFA, Elkader

Top 10 Individuals

- Kylie Oakland, North Fayette Valley FFA, West Union
Alexis Steffens, North Fayette Valley FFA, West Union
Kerigan Alexander, North Fayette Valley FFA, West Union
Alaina Gebel, Little Switzerland FFA, Waukon
Adam Gaul, Beckman Catholic @ Dyersville
Kiersten Gibbs, Little Switzerland FFA, Waukon
Lucas Orcutt, Maquoketa Valley FFA
Elizabeth Fossum, Little Switzerland FFA, Waukon
Anders Lovstuen, Decorah FFA, Decorah
Angie Knapp, West Lyon FFA, Inwood

Specialty Areas -- Top Team/ Top Individual:

Dairy Cow and Heifer Placing Classes

Team: Decorah FFA, Decorah

Individual: Katrina Hageman, South Winneshiek FFA, Calmar

Oral Reasons

Team: Decorah FFA, Decorah

Individual: Anders Lovstuen, Decorah FFA, Decorah

Dairy Production and Management Test

Team: Decorah FFA, Decorah

Individual: Kylie Oakland, North Fayette Valley FFA, West Union

Herd Data Evaluation

Team: Beckman Catholic @ Dyersville

Individual: Kaitlyn Besler, Beckman Catholic @ Dyersville

Below is a list of chapters participating by medal group.

Gold Teams (10)

Score Range (1521 to 1283)

North Fayette Valley FFA, West Union

Little Switzerland FFA, Waukon

Decorah FFA, Decorah

Beckman Catholic @ Dyersville

South Winneshiek FFA, Calmar

West Lyon FFA, Inwood

Maquoketa Valley FFA

Edgewood-Colesburg FFA, Edgewood

Newton FFA, Newton

Central Community FFA, Elkader

Silver Teams (8)

Score Range (1251 to 1209)

Western Christian FFA, Hull

Tri-Star FFA

Independence FFA, Independence

Turkey Valley at Jackson Junction

T-55 FFA

North Scott FFA at Eldridge

Agri-Power FFA, Eddyville

Bellevue FFA, Bellevue

Bronze Teams (10)

Score Range (1194 to 389)

AGWSR FFA, Ackley

Riceville FFA, Riceville

Wilton FFA, Wilton

Clear Creek Amana

New Hampton FFA, New Hampton

Dike-New Hartford FFA

Oelwein FFA, Oelwein

Linn-Mar FFA, Marion

West Delaware FFA, Manchester

North Scott Jr. High FFA at Eldridge

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

Gold Awards (4)

Dalton Zidlicky, Decorah FFA, Decorah

Blake Sparrgrove, North Fayette Valley FFA, West Union

Lily Holthaus, North Fayette Valley FFA, West Union

Alexis Oakland, North Fayette Valley FFA, West Union

Silver Awards (1)

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The Iowa FFA Association is a youth organization of over 18,600 student members as part of 254 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.