

(Gazette photo)

SWINE SHOWMANSHIP WINNERS
Robby Kruger, Bill Hitch and Eric Cline

Ross County horsemen selected for state fair

The final trophy has been awarded and the junior 4-H members who will represent Ross County at the state fair have been announced.

Tuesday's 4-H Pony and Horse Show concluded at the grandstand when Judge J. R. Kennedy selected the winners in the various classes of 9-13-year-olds.

Also announced were the senior winners of the light horse selection event. The light horse selection is a contest where the kids, having studied judging and horse conformation, stand in the ring with the official judge. The kids and judge then rate the horses. By oral and written tests they give their selections and must explain why or why not they didn't pick other horses.

Representing Ross County at the Ohio State Fair in the 9-13 age group in the horsemanship and showmanship classes will be Brent Largent, 12, Route 6, and Buddy Sparks, 13, Route 5, both of the Mt. Logan Saddle Straddlers. John Rogers, Bonanza Club, will go to state to compete in the contest division.

The winners of the light horse selection in the 14 years and older class and on their way to the state fair are Vicki Francis, 15, Route 4, Mike Rogers, 15, of 369 S. Watt St., Tawana Stanley, 17, of 928 Western Ave., all of the Bonanza horse club, and Casey Hinton, 17, Adelphi, of the Grand Bonanza horse club.

They will join the senior winners of the horsemanship and showmanship winners, Ronda Medary, 17, Washington Court House, Becky Uhrig, 14, and Pam Haynes, 15, Hallsville, as members of the Ross County team.

The recipient of the Sportsmanship trophy, a rotating award annually presented to the 4-H horse club member most deserving, went to Bryan McDonald, 15, the son of Mr. and Mrs. Macky McDonald, Falls Road. Bryan belongs to the Ready Riding Ramblers 4-H horse club.

Winners of the pony and horse show events are:

PONIES

HORSEMANSHIP - (48-inches and under) — 1. Bryan Bethel, 2. Jenny Pickerell, 3. Jerry Vanover.
SHOWMANSHIP — 1. Bryan Bethel, 2. Jenny Pickerell, 3. Jerry Vanover.

HORSEMANSHIP (48-56-inches) — 1. Minna Fagundo, 2. John Rogers, 3. Georganna Fagundo.
SHOWMANSHIP — 1. Minna Fagundo, 2. Georganna Fagundo, 3. Kathy Elliott.

AGE 9

HORSEMANSHIP — 1. Michelle Knapp, 2. Lisa Hughes, 3. Frank Marshall.
SHOWMANSHIP — 1. Michelle Knapp, 2. Lisa Hughes, 3. Frank Marshall.

AGE 10

HORSEMANSHIP — 1. Jamie Kerns, 2. Samantha Gilber, 3. Ty Hinton.

AGE 11

HORSEMANSHIP — 1. Chris Mierzejewski, 2. Chris Blakeman, 3. Sabra DeWitt.
SHOWMANSHIP — 1. Chris Mierzejewski, 2. Sabra DeWitt, 3. Chris Blakeman.

AGE 12

HORSEMANSHIP — 1. Brian Petzel, 2. Lisa Graves, 3. Brent Largent.
SHOWMANSHIP — 1. Brent Largent, 2. Lisa Graves, 2. Tonni Bethel.

AGE 13

HORSEMANSHIP — 1. Buddy Sparks, 2. Laurie Robison, 3. Debbie Arthur.
SHOWMANSHIP — 1. Robbi Stanley, 2. Sam Mierzejewski, 3. Laurie Robison.
REINING — 1. Brian Petzel, 2. Brent Largent, 3. Diedra Jones.

TRAIL — 1. Brent Largent, 2. Brian Petzel, 3. Doug Dodi.

LIGHT HORSE SELECTION (age 9-13)
— Halter — Kathy Elliott. Horsemanship — Darren Wright.



4-H SPORTSMANSHIP WINNER
Bryan McDonald, Easy Riding Ramblers

Sunshine Girls win booth title

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