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2013 Ohio Beef Expo Youth Judging Contest Winners

(MARYSVILLE, Ohio) The Ohio Beef Expo's Judging Contest was held on March 16, in the Rauch Arena at the Ohio Expo Center in Columbus, Ohio, in which 290 youth participated. The contest was hosted by the Ohio Cattlemen's Association (OCA) and the Ohio State University Extension, and coordinated by Kyle Culp, OSU Livestock Judging Team Coach and Paul Kuber, Livestock Extension Specialist 4-H Youth Development.

Participants evaluated live cattle classes and were required to answer questions regarding the livestock. Participants were divided into junior and senior divisions. The contest would not have been possible without the valued donations of contest sponsors. The awards and lunch were sponsored by COBA/Select Sires, Fayette County Cattle Feeders, PrimeTime AgriMarketing Network, Inc., Merchants National Bank, Wood County Beef Producers and Kroger provided the hamburgers.

Taking home the first place team award in the junior division was Wood County 1. Team members included Hayden Belleville, Sydney Mazey, Morgan Mazey and Kylie O'Brien. Senior division first place team honors went to the Greene County 2 team comprised of Ben Harner, Sarah Harner and Cole Hiser.

High individual placing for the junior division were as follows:

1. Hannah Topmiller, S.H.T.
2. Allison Davis, Carroll/Tuscarawas
3. Regan Robinson, Butler County 2
4. Hadley Levan, Buckeye Valley 4
5. Emily Valentine, Bedford PA/Crawford
6. Trent Broermann, Butler County 1
7. Owen Brinker, Wood County Junior 3
8. Kylie O'Brien, Wood County Junior 1
9. Shelby Manning, S.H.T.

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10. Katelyn Cowderey, Show Girls

Racking up enough points to hold the top ten spots in the senior division were:

1 Cole Hiser, Greene County #2

2 Cole Ligget, Tuscarawas Sr

3 Haley Drake, Columbiana 2

4 Logan Browne, Wood A

5 Jack Hagenmeyer, Wood County Red

6 Jacob Bosley, Crawford

7 Justin Nofziger, Wood County 1

8 Brianna Gwirtz, Shelby FFA 2

9 Kelsie Hinds, Tuscarawas Sr

10 Garrett Stanfield, Brown/Adams 1

The OCA is an affiliate of the National Cattlemen's Beef Association and is the state's spokesperson and issues manager for all segments of the beef cattle industry including cattle breeders, producers and feeders. It is the grass roots policy development organization for the beef business. Through the OCA, cattle producers work to create a positive business environment, while providing consumers with a safe and wholesome product.

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