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Youngsters Showcase Talent at TCFA Junior Fed Beef Challenge



Future Leaders of the Cattle Feeding Industry came together for the 2008 TCFA Junior Fed Beef Challenge held recently at West Texas A&M University in Canyon.

In the Senior Division, Khaki Scriver of Turkey won Overall Champion honors and a \$2,000 college scholarship. Clayton Gardner of Estancia was Overall Reserve Champion and receives a \$1,500 college scholarship. Michael Edwards of Conroe was First Runner-Up and receives a \$1,000 college scholarship. John Surovik of Brenham was the Top Rookie in the Senior Division.

In the Junior Division, Chandler Shaw of Canyon took top honors as the Overall Champion. Ryleigh Carson of Turkey was named Top Rookie for the Junior Division.

Five strong teams made for stiff competition in the **Team Challenge** contest. Bailey Long and Kristen Odom of Collingsworth County 4-H took top honors and will each receive a \$500 scholarship. Llano County 4-H team members Wesley Haverlah, Aaron Perkins and Cole Perkins captured second place team honors and Victoria County 4-H team members Ryan Hessler, Jack Perry and Levi Perry took home third place team.

The TCFA Junior fed Beef Challenge allows FFA and 4-H students to gain practical, real industry knowledge and experience in commercial cattle feeding. Students from throughout Cattle Feeding Country compete in cattle performance, in a written exam, record bookkeeping and public speaking before a panel of judges.

Complete results for the 2008 TCFA Junior Fed Beef Challenge:

Senior Division

Written Exam

1st Place – Khaki Scrivner of Turkey, Texas

2nd Place – Ben Wishert of Magnolia, Texas

3rd Place (tie) – Dana Schumacher of Gainesville, Texas, John Surovik of Brenham, Texas

Best Oral Interview

1st Place – Khaki Scrivner of Turkey, Texas

2nd Place – Clayton Gardner of Estancia, N.M.

3rd Place – Michael Edwards of Conroe, Texas

Perfect Record Book

Khaki Scrivner of Turkey, Texas, Chelsea White of Dalhart, Texas, Matt Mellema of Dalhart, Texas, Mitchell Mellema of Dalhart, Texas, Ben Wishert of Magnolia, Texas, Elizabeth Wishert of Magnolia, Texas

Best Record Book

1st Place – Khaki Scrivner of Turkey, Texas

2nd Place (tie) – Ben Wishert of Magnolia, Texas, Elizabeth Wishert of Magnolia, Texas

3rd Place (tie) – Matt Mellema of Dalhart, Texas, Mitchell Mellema of Dalhart, Texas

Top Individual Carcass

1st Place (tie) – Chelsea White of Dalhart, Texas, Matt Mellema of Dalhart, Texas, Mitchell Mellema of Dalhart, Texas

2nd Place – Glayton Gardner of Estancia, N.M.

3rd Place (tie) – Michael Edwards of Conroe, Texas, Ann E. Freeman of Texhoma, Okla., Matt Freeman of Texhoma, Okla., Trey Freeman of Texhoma, Okla., Clayton Goodwin of Sunray, Texas

Top Carcass Pen

1st Place – Clayton Goodwin of Sunray, Texas

2nd Place (tie) - Ann E. Freeman of Texhoma, Okla., Matt Freeman of Texhoma, Okla., Trey Freeman of Texhoma, Okla.

3rd Place – Clayton Gardner of Estancia, N.M.

Top Rookie

- 1st Place - John Surovik of Brenham, Texas
- 2nd Place – Dana Schumacher of Gainesville, Texas
- 3rd Place – Elizabeth Wishert of Magnolia, Texas

Junior Division**Written Exam**

- 1st Place – J.D. Baxter of Clarendon, Texas
- 2nd Place – Chandler Shaw of Canyon, Texas

Best Oral Presentation

- 1st Place – Chandler Shaw of Canyon, Texas
- 2nd Place – Julie Williams of Idalou, Texas

Perfect Record Book

- Walker Carson of Turkey, Texas, Chandler Shaw of Canyon, Texas, Colton Shaw of Canyon, Texas, Tye Williams of Idalou, Texas, Julie Williams of Idalou, Texas

Best Record Book

- 1st Place – Walker Carson of Turkey, Texas
- 2nd Place – (tie) Chandler Shaw of Canyon, Texas, Colton Shaw of Canyon, Texas

Top Individual Carcass

- 1st Place (tie) – Blaine Ellis of Clarendon, Texas, Chandler Shaw of Canyon, Texas
- 2nd place – Jack McBride of Stratford, Texas

Top Carcass Pen

- 1st Place – Walker Carson of Turkey, Texas
- 2nd Place – Chandler Shaw of Turkey, Texas

Top Rookie

- 1st Place – Ryleigh Carson of Turkey, Texas
- 2nd Place – Walker Carson of Turkey, Texas

Team Challenge**Overall**

- 1st Place Team – Bailey Long & Kristen Odom of Collingsworth County 4-H #3 of Wellington, Texas
- 2nd Place Team – Wesley Haverlah, Aaron Perkins & Cole Perkins of Llano Co. 4-H of Llano, Texas
- 3rd Place Team – Ryan Hessler, Jack Perry & Levi Perry of Victoria Co. 4-H of Victoria, Texas

Team Written Exam

- 1st Place - Bailey Long & Kristen Odom of Collingsworth County 4-H #3 of Wellington, Texas
- 2nd Place – Wesley Haverlah, Aaron Perkins & Cole Perkins of Llano Co. 4-H of Llano, Texas
- 3rd Place – Ryan Hessler, Jack Perry & Levi Perry of Victoria Co. 4-H of Victoria, Texas

Team Presentation

- 1st Place – Bailey Long & Kristen Odom of Collingsworth County 4-H #3 of Wellington, Texas
- 2nd Place – Wesley Haverlah, Aaron Perkins & Cole Perkins of Llano Co. 4-H of Llano, Texas
- 3rd Place – Zachary Odom & Jared Warrick of Collingsworth County 4-H #2 of Wellington, Texas