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TCFA NAMES WINNERS IN JUNIOR FED BEEF CHALLENGE

The bright future of the Cattle Feeding Industry was evident when youth from throughout Cattle Feeding Country came together in Canyon for the 2009 Texas Cattle Feeders Association (TCFA) Junior Fed Beef Challenge recently.

In the Senior Division Ben Wishert of Magnolia won Overall Champion honors and a \$2,000 college scholarship. Khaki Scrivner of Turkey was named the Overall Reserve Champion and will receive a \$1,500 college scholarship. Dana Schumacher of Gainesville took home First Runner-Up honors and will receive a \$1,000 college scholarship. Hillary Slaughter of Bailey was named Top Rookie in the Senior Division.

In the Junior Division, Walker Carson of Turkey took top honors as the Overall Champion. Will Givens of Arnett, Okla. was named Top Rookie of the Junior Division. The Team Challenge Contest brought five strong teams to Canyon. The team of Aaron Perkins and Cole Perkins from Llano County 4-H took top honors as the Champion Team and will split a \$1,000 college scholarship. Jack Odom and Zachary Odom of Collingsworth County 4-H were the Second Place Team and Alan Burdge and Brandon Burdge of the Texhoma FFA earned the Third Place Team honors.

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 competed in cattle performance, in a written exam, record book and presentation before a panel of judges. Students compete for over \$18,000 in scholarships, cash and prizes.

Complete Results

Senior Division

Written Exam

First Place (tie) – Michael Edwards of Conroe, Texas; Khaki Scrivner of Turkey, Texas; and Dana Schumacher of Gainesville, Texas

Second Place – Ben Wishert of Magnolia, Texas

Third Place – John Surovik of Brenham, Texas

Best Oral Interview

First Place – Ryan Dahl of Texhoma, Okla.
Second Place – Khaki Scrivner of Turkey, Texas
Third Place – Ben Wishert of Magnolia, Texas

Perfect Record Book

Michael Edwards of Conroe, TX, Khaki Scrivner of Turkey, Texas; Ben Wishert of Magnolia, Texas; and Elizabeth Wishert of Magnolia, Texas

Best Record Book

First Place – Khaki Scrivner of Turkey, Texas
Second Place – Michael Edwards of Conroe, Texas
Third Place (tie) – Ben Wishert of Magnolia, Texas; Elizabeth Wishert of Magnolia, Texas

Top Individual Carcass

First Place – Hillary Slaughter of Bailey, Texas
Second Place (tie) – Michael Edwards of Conroe, Texas; Ryan Dahl of Texhoma, Okla.; and Scout Thrasher of Texhoma, Okla.
Third Place – Khaki Scrivner of Turkey, Texas

Top Carcass Pen

First Place (tie) – Ben Wishert of Magnolia, Texas; and Elizabeth Wishert of Magnolia, Texas
Second Place – Dana Schumacher of Gainesville, Texas
Third Place (tie) – Ryan Dahl of Texhoma, Okla; and Scout Thrasher of Texhoma, Okla.

Top Rookie

First Place - Hillary Slaughter of Bailey, Texas
Second Place – Ryan Hessler of Victoria, Texas

Junior Division**Written Exam**

First Place – Jack Perry of Inez, Texas
Second Place (tie) – Wil Noble of Crockett, Texas; and Walker Carson of Turkey, Texas

Best Oral Presentation

First Place – Walker Carson of Turkey, Texas
Second Place – Colton Shaw of Canyon, Texas

Perfect Record Book

Wil Noble of Crockett, Texas; and Natalie Allcorn of Olton, Texas

Best Record Book

First Place (tie) – Wil Noble of Crockett, Texas; and Natalie Allcorn of Olton, Texas
Second Place – (tie) Ryleigh Carson of Turkey, Texas; and Walker Carson of Turkey, Texas

Top Individual Carcass

First Place – Wil Noble of Crockett, Texas
Second place – Ty Slaughter of Bailey, Texas

Top Carcass Pen

First Place – Audra Beth Allcorn of Olton, Texas

Second Place – Wil Noble of Crockett, Texas

Top Rookie

First Place – Will Givens of Arnett, Okla.

Second Place – Jack Perry of Inez, Texas

Team Challenge**Overall**

First Place Team – Llano County (Texas) 4-H

Aaron Perkins and Cole Perkins

Second Place Team – Collingsworth County (Texas) 4-H

Jack Odom and Zachary Odom

Third Place Team – Texhoma (Okla.) FFA

Alan Burdge and Brandon Burdge

Team Written Exam

First Place - Llano County (Texas) 4-H

Aaron Perkins and Cole Perkins

Second Place – Collingsworth County (Texas) 4-H

Jack Odom and Zachary Odom

Third Place – Texhoma (Okla.) FFA

Alan Burdge and Brandon Burdge

Team Presentation

First Place – Snyder (Texas) FFA

Courtney Pollard and Heston Henry

Second Place – Collingsworth County (Texas) 4-H

Jack Odom and Zachary Odom

Third Place – Llano County (Texas) 4-H

Aaron Perkins and Cole Perkins

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