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## "Ten Years Of Progress" Show At Poolesville

Maurice C. Ward, agriculture teacher at Poolesville High School and director of the Poolesville Livestock show, has announced final arrangements for the 10th annual show to be held on August 12. The show, which has grown from a small cattle display in 1940 to a large livestock exhibition in recent years, will be featured as the "Ten Years of Progress Show".

Judging will begin at 10:00 A.M. and the day's program will include a greased pig chase, livestock auction, showmanship contest, and a horse-pulling contest will high-light the program at 4:30 P. M.

Chairmen for the different classes are: Swine, Rev. Charles Michael; Sheep, Fred Campbell; Draft Horses, Earl Nicholson; Dairy Cattle, Charles Fritz; Beef Cattle, Leland Clark; and Edgar Grubb in charge of the machinery display. This department was added in 1947, and last year 78 pieces of the latest in farm machinery were on display.

The Fair Board has announced that cash awards and premiums will total nearly \$1,000. The show is sponsored by the Poolesville chapter, Future Farmers of America, the Maryland State Fair Board, and farmers and merchants of the community.

There is no entry fee or admission to the show. The fairgrounds are located at Poolesville High School in Upper Montgomery County.

## Livestock Show At Poolesville Marks 10th Year

The Poolesville Livestock Show scheduled for Saturday, beginning at 10 o'clock, will mark the 10th year of the organization. Theme of the show will be "Ten Years of Progress." The show has grown from a small cattle display to a large livestock exhibition, and it has become as much a part of the community as church suppers and firemen's carnivals.

Originally planned in 1939 by E. J. Dunphy, agriculture teacher, and C. M. Wilson, agriculture teacher and principal of Poolesville High School, it was their hope that the local chapter of the Future Farmers would have a show day in order that they could exhibit their projects to other boys, their parents, and members of the community.

The Monocacy Lions Club gave support to this worthwhile project with a \$25 contribution. With this start, assistance came from other sources and by August 1940, the Poolesville Livestock Show became a reality.

Ninety-six animals were exhibited the first year with ribbons being awarded as premiums. With each successive year the show has grown in entries and spectators. Last year 229 animals were exhibited and 78 pieces of machinery were on display. The machinery display was added in 1947, and it also has grown with the show.

When the war was over in 1945, a 150 feet of double cattle sheds were added to the FFA barn. Since that time another 80 feet have been added to handle the increasing number of livestock entries.

The show is supported in part by the Maryland State Fair Board, the FFA treasury, farmers, merchants and civic-minded individuals.

Today, ten years after the first show, virtually all the cattle is purebred, and nearly \$1,000 worth of cash and awards is being offered as premiums.

Although Mr. Dunphy and Mr. Wilson are no longer in the community, their project day has grown into a livestock show that has brought together farmers, residents, merchants, and the younger generation into a public-spirited organization that does credit to Montgomery County, the State of Maryland, and exemplifies cooperation which is typical of rural America.

## Tenth Annual Poolesville Livestock Show Successful

Approximately 3,500 persons attended the tenth annual Poolesville Livestock Show at Poolesville High School Saturday, August 12.

The show was presented under auspices of the Poolesville Future Farmers, the Maryland State Fair Board and merchants and farmers of the area. Maurice C. Ward, agriculture teacher of the school, was director of the show.

"Petty" Johnson of Brinklow skidded to a greasy halt with a greased pig in his arms to win one contest. Among the other features was the horsepulling contest in which the team of Charles Pearson pulled 18.7 tons for 27½ feet to win first place for heavy teams, with the team of Ernest Pearson capturing second place. The light team contest with teams less than 3,000 pounds was won by the team of Marion Bell which pulled 9.6 tons four feet 10 inches.

Other prize winners:

Beef cattle - Grand champion baby beef, Jack Rutter of Poolesville, twice president of the Poolesville F. F. H.; reserve grand champion, Donald Hobbs, Jr., Sandy Spring.

Breeding Stock - Herefords, won by A. G. Rolfe, Poolesville.

Angus - Grand champion male, Mount Prospect Farms, Gaithersburg; reserve champion male, Stoney Castle Farm, Poolesville; grand champion female, Mount Prospect Farms.

Swine - Poland China - Grand champion boar, George Lechliden, Gaithersburg.

Yorkshire - Grand champion sow, W. L. Thompson, Boyds; grand champion boar, Jack Barnsley, Gaithersburg.

Hampshire - Grand champion

boar, the Rev. C. A. Michael, Poolesville; grand champion sow, Izaak Walton League of Poolesville.

Duroc - Grand champion boar, George Lechliden; grand champion sow, Charles Jamison, Poolesville.

Berkshire - Grand champion boar, Gordon Keys, Olney; grand champion sow, William Whirley, Gaithersburg, with Eddie Johnson of Brinklow capturing the showmanship award for the swine class.

Dairy Cattle - Holstein, grand champion bull, Janice Palmer, Olney; reserve, Kenneth Burdette, Boyds; grand champion and reserve champion female, Barbara and Joyce Riggs, Gaithersburg.

Jersey - Grand champion bull, Thomas Norwood, Rockville; junior champion female, Fraley brothers and sisters, Derwood; grand champion female, Bruce Berlage, Olney, with reserve female to Fraley brothers and sisters.

Guernsey - Grand champion female, Carlson Fender, Boyds; reserve female, John Bell, Monrovia. Ayrshire - grand champion female, Norman Ahult, Dickerson.

Thomas Norwood was awarded a prize for the grand champion 4-H and FFA dairy bull in the show and Douglas Carlin, Boyds, won the silver trophy for best showman.

Sheep - pure bred black face - grand champion ram - Jasper Conrad, Barnesville; reserve ram - Raymond Poole, Poolesville; grand champion ewe, Jasper Conrad and reserve, Sam Conrad, Barnesville.

Grade black face - grand champion ewe - Raymond Poole; reserve ewe - Helen Ketter, Poolesville, with showmanship award to Alfred Poole of Poolesville.

Horses - grand champion mare - George Nicholson, Comus; reserve mare - Charles Fritz, Poolesville; best draft horse in the show - George Nicholson. Rebecca Schaeffer, Germantown, won first place in the pony class and Charles Ward of Comus won the showmanship award.