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ANGUS & CHAROLAIS TOP FIRST LADY CLASSIC

For the second day in a row, a South Dakota entry has captured a major livestock show banner at Canadian Western Agribition.

Each year the First Lady Classic, an interbreed competition of yearling heifers, is the first purebred beef event judged at Agribition. This year a Black Angus heifer from Alberta captured the First Lady Classic Grand Championship while a Charolais entry from South Dakota was named Reserve Grand Champion.

The five-person panel of judges selected a Black Angus entry of Miller Wilson Angus, Bashaw, AB (co-owned by Werner Angus) as the overall First Lady Classic Grand Champion from the 12 individual breed champions.

The Reserve Grand Champion was the Charolais heifer exhibited by Hansen Farms, Turton, SD (co-owned by Cally Thomas).

The judges included Richard Latimer, Olds, AB; Jeff Lees, Arcola, SK; Jackie Payne, Lloydminster, SK; and Kirk Stierwalt, Leedley, Oklahoma. The fifth judge was Lindsey Douglas, Delburne, AB who was the Grand Aggregate winner in the 2010 4-H & Youth Judging Competition.

The Futurity Class champion, involving judging of heifers shown a year ago at Agribition and returning with this year's calf at their side, was won by an entry of Rancier Farms, Killam, AB (co-owned by Reay's Unlimited).

On Monday, a South Dakota entry was named Reserve Champion in the Agribition live Market Steer Show.

GRAND CHAMPION

BLACK ANGUS Miller Wilson Angus, Bashaw, AB & Werner Angus

RESERVE GRAND CHAMPION

CHAROLAIS Hansen Farms, Turton, SD & Cally Thomas

LIMOUSIN Cottage Lake Livestock, Stony Plain, AB

SPECKLE PARK PAR Ranch, Neilburg, SK & Max Graham

HORNED HEREFORD Parkvista Hereford Farm, Parkside, SK

SIMMENTAL Wheatland Cattle Co., Bienfait, SK

MAINE ANJOU Wyatt Hiller, Spruce Grove, AB & Jordan Buba

POLLED HEREFORD Six South Acres Ltd., Milestone, SK

SHORTHORN Spady Farms, Deroche, BC

RED ANGUS Blairs Ag. Cattle Co., Lanigan, SK

GALLOWAY Diamond B Ranches, Livelong, SK

GELBVIEH Fladeland Livestock, Gladmar, SK & Delbert & Tammy Wyatt

FUTURITY WINNER: Rancier Farms, Killam, AB & Reay's Unlimited

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