UW-MADISON JUDGES PLACE SECOND AT ALL-AMERICAN DAIRY JUDGING CONTEST

Dairy cattle judges from 14 universities competed in the annual All-American Dairy Cattle Judging Contest held Monday, Sept. 15, 2014 in Harrisburg, Pa. Leading the way for UW-Madison was Cassie Endres of Waunakee, Wis. Endres was third overall individual and second in Oral Reasons. Other team members included Anna Blake, Mackenzie Cash, and Laura Finley.

The Badger judges placed second overall with 2,103 points, just two points behind the winning team. The team also placed first in Ayrshires and second in Jerseys. In addition, they earned first place in Oral Reasons on the performance of Endres and Cash who both finished in the top-ten individuals for that portion of the contest.

Brian Kelroy, Dairy Programs Manager at East Central Select Sires, and Chad Wethal, Account Manager at Filament Marketing, coached the teams.

“We are so proud of how far these seniors have come in their judging careers while here at the University of Wisconsin – Madison,” stated Kelroy. “These four individuals have all shown a lot of dedication to the team, by attending countless practices so they were ready for contest day.”

UW-Madison Team Placed:
- 2nd Team Overall (2103 points) University of Minnesota was 1st with 2105 points
- 1st Oral Reasons
- 1st Ayrshire
- 2nd Jersey
- 3rd Guernsey
- 4th Holstein

Individual Awards & Members:
Cassie Endres – Waunakee, WI – Dairy Science - Senior
- 3rd Overall
- 2nd Overall Oral Reasons
- 2nd Ayrshire
- 5th Jerseys
Laura Finely – Lake Mills, WI – Life Sciences Communication with an emphasis in Dairy Science – Senior
  • 4th Overall
  • 3rd Ayrshire

Anna Blake – Pine River, WI – Dairy Science and Spanish - Senior
  • 1st Ayrshire

Mackenzie Cash – Beloit, WI – Animal Science – Senior
  • 6th Overall Oral Reasons

The UW Foundation’s David P. Dickson Student Activity Fund sponsors the team. For more information about UW-Madison Dairy Judging and other UW-Madison Dairy Science news, visit www.dysci.wisc.edu/.

Names for photo:
Left to right – Mackenzie Cash, Anna Blake, Laura Finely, Cassie Endres, and Brain Kelroy