

Udderly Impressive

Like a fine wine or a vintage car some things just get better with age and the Alberta 4-H Dairy Show is no exception. This year marked the 65th anniversary of this great event, which is not only a huge accomplishment for Alberta 4-H but also for the members and volunteers who continue to make this show such a success.

The dairy show participants had a full schedule in front of them as they competed in a variety of tasks over the three day event, held July 13 – 15 in Olds, AB. Judging, showing judging, a dairy husbandry quiz and a clipping competition all kept the participants on the go. Each of these tasks was designed to give members the opportunity to showcase their skills, as well as build on them for the following 4-H year and in future endeavours.

Senior-member participant Katelyn Crest has witnessed the skill development provided from attending the show. “The dairy show provides for a fun learning environment. You get to know everyone quickly and it’s a great experience to keep learning right from the juniors to the seniors.”

Members also took part in conformation and showmanship competitions as well as participated in the many social activities this show offers.

“Hosting the Provincial 4-H Dairy Show is an excellent opportunity for our youth to get together and learn from each other,” Andrea Church, Calgary & South 4-H Regional Specialist commented. “The longevity of this program is a true testament to the passion 4-Hers have to their projects.”

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