

## 2004 State 4H Livestock Judging Contest Results

The State 4H Livestock Judging Contest was held in the brand new Alphin-Stuart Arena at Virginia Tech on Saturday, June 26. Fifteen counties sent a total of 106 contestants to test their knowledge of livestock evaluation. The contest included 3 classes of beef cattle, 3 classes of swine, and 2 classes of sheep. Several of the classes included information on animal performance and genetic merit to consider along with the visual traits. Questions were asked on a class of pigs and on a class of sheep. Junior members gave a set of oral reasons on a class of cattle, and senior members gave 3 sets of oral reasons, one per species.

### Team Rankings Junior Division

Rank	Team Name	Total Scores
1	Highland A	1451
2	Giles	1451
3	Shenandoah A	1444
4	Augusta A	1440
5	Washington A	1435
6	Wythe	1419
7	Highland B	1374
8	Botetourt	1358
9	Washington B	1339
10	Pittsylvania	1305
11	Rockbridge A	1285
12	Montgomery	1276
13	Amelia	1224
14	Shenandoah B	1214

The Junior division consisted of members who are between 9 and 13 years old. In the junior contest there were 55 contestants and 14 teams of at least 3 members, from 13 different counties. Results of the top-scoring teams and individuals based on their total score are shown here.

All 4 members of the winning team from Highland County and the second-place team from Giles County were among the top-20 high placing individuals. This made for a very tight competition between these 2 groups, with the oral-reasons tie breaker needed to determine the first place team.

### Individual Rankings, Total Scores Juniors

Rank	Contestant Name	Team Name	Total Scores
1	Wyatt Hall	Giles	499
2	Cody Ryman	Shenandoah A	498
3	Zac Mitchell	Washington A	495
4	Scott Neil	Highland A	492
5	Matt Heldreth	Wythe	489
6	Justin Neil	Highland A	488
7	Terra Thomas	Washington B	486
8	Laura Kate Reeves	Augusta A	485
9	Cara Delp	Wythe	483
10	Aaron Heishman	Shenandoah A	482
11	Sam Ellington	Highland B	481
12	Clay Brubaker	Rockingham	481
13	Katie Jo Reeves	Augusta A	478
14	Bly Patterson	Augusta A	477
15	Martha Poe	Giles	476
16	Zach McCann	Giles	476
17	Matt Hall	Giles	476
18	Roy Malcolm	Highland A	471
19	Kari Obaugh	Highland A	471
20	Bradley Copenhaver	Washington A	471

## Team Rankings Senior Division

Rank	Team Name	Total Scores	Total Reasons
1	Rockingham A	1784	385
2	Augusta A	1783	410
3	Augusta B	1767	394
4	Wythe B	1766	382
5	Giles	1733	356
6	Rockingham B	1726	381
7	Shenandoah A	1698	361
8	Washington	1698	360
9	Augusta C	1664	365
10	Pittsylvania A	1660	365
11	Wythe A	1650	366
12	Clarke	1546	352

In the Senior Contest (members 14 to 19 years old) there were 51 contestants from 12 different counties which comprised 12 teams of at least 3 members. This was also a close contest with just a single point providing the margin of victory. Once again, both the first and second-place teams had all 4 of their team members placing as top-25 individuals. For a tie of either teams or individuals, the oral reasons score was used as the tie-breaker.

The top-10 placing individuals are now candidates for the State 4H Livestock Judging Team, which competes in various regional and national contests this fall.

## Senior Division Individual Rankings - Total Scores

Rank	Contestant Name	Team Name	Total Scores	Total Reasons
1	Katelyn Koontz	Rockingham A	611	130
2	Hunter Musser	Wythe B	610	132
3	Sarah Heizer	Augusta A	608	137
4	Hannah Burtner	Augusta B	600	137
5	Brandon Reeves	Augusta B	600	133
6	Cindy Koontz	Rockingham B	597	132
7	Jonathan Burner	Page	595	131
8	Graham Winn	Pittsylvania A	593	128
9	Josh Back	Augusta A	592	132
10	Matthew Earman	Rockingham B	591	132
11	Kymerly Hammer	Rockingham A	591	124
12	Kyle Clevenger	Frederick	588	129
13	Kelly Henderson	Giles	585	118
14	Will Earhart	Augusta A	583	135
15	Hunter Wilson	Wythe B	583	130
16	David Liskey	Rockingham A	582	131
17	Sarah Joseph	Rockingham A	580	123
18	Michael DeBord	Wythe A	580	122
19	Amy Henderson	Giles	577	121
20	Katie Boyd	Frederick	575	118
21	Jonathan Reynolds	Washington	573	122
22	Chad Delp	Wythe B	573	120
23	Chris Ellke	Amelia	573	119
24	Brad Bennett	Augusta A	572	138
25	Rebecca Poe	Giles	571	117

A complete set of results for all divisions of competition and individual scores for every contestant for every class can be found at the 4H Livestock Website. That site address is <http://www.ext.vt.edu/resources/4h/livestock/index.html>. From the menu select "Contest Results", then the 2004 Livestock Judging Contest.