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German Holstein Show 2015

Lady Gaga is the easy winner

After 2 years, the EWE-Arena in Oldenburg was under the banner of Holstein cattle again. The 200 most promising red & white and black & white contenders from all over Germany competed in 7 categories to determine the German national champion. Culmination was the Grand Championship in front of a large crowd of show-enthusiastic domestic and international spectators.

Red Holstein

With the Red Holstein heifers, Destry daughter KOE Lotta of Köster KG in Steinfurt won ahead of Ladd P daughter Lila of the Derboven family of Warpe. In the young cow category followed Picolo daughter Chicca, owned by Gerd Gerdes of Bad Zwischenahn, and Laron P daughter Jamira of Bürger-Grebe GbR in Korbach. With the old cows, judge Klaus-Dieter Augustin of Neuendorf went into raptures and finally decided in favor of Talent daughter GHH Marie, owned by Kastens Holsteins GbR in Stuhr, ahead of RH Maxima (sire: Talent) of Henrik Wille of Herbergen.

Holstein

At the same time, Manfred Uhrig of Sulzbach got his dream job done and chose the winners and the runner-ups from the contingent of 150 black & white Holsteins. The first ground on the rostrum broke Lavanguard heifer BcH Amy, owned by RZB am Werder in Coswig, ahead of Yorick daughter SLH Naked, owned by the Schulte-Lohmöller family of Rhede. As the day's first highlight, BcH Amy then prevailed over the Red Holstein Heifer Champion in the rivalry for the Junior Champion title.

In the young cow category, Heidi, a daughter of the German Goldwyn son Gabino, of Günter Köhne of Friedeburg, commandingly triumphed and beat Destry daughter FG Madame (owner: Henrik Wille, Herbergen) to second place. Judge Uhrig attested the 3rd and 4th calvers a quality never seen before. The top was made of the Intermediate Champion, Knowledge daughter Franka of Peter Wreesmann-Greuer GbR in Lastrup, ahead of Reserve Intermediate Champion ZR Imke, sired by Goldwyn and owned by Thomas Rohdemann of Großheide.

In the eagerly awaited mature cow classes, Modest daughter Lady Gaga clearly ensured victory for her owners, Henrik Wille of Herbergen and Friedrich Köster of

Steinfurt. Runner-up was BOP Jamaica, sired by Shottle and owned by Volke/Hauck GbR in Bad Arolsen.

Grand Champion

Climax of any show is the Grand Championship, and here that moment too was awaited with bated breath. Amidst fog patches and at the sound of music, the top type animal of the National German Young Breeders Competition as well as all champions of the different categories were escorted into the ring for a showdown. After boosting music, the Grand Champion was finally crowned. To the strains of Lady Gaga's song "Poker Face", Henrik Wille, Friedrich Köster and their show team celebrated their exceptional cow, Lady Gaga, Germany's Grand Champion 2015. After the throughout successful event, breeders, visitors and organizers could head for home with a contented smile on their face.

Impressive progeny groups

Like in the past years, the progeny showcase was embedded in the core of the show event. A total of 8 daughter groups from bulls already used as genomic young sires were presented. In an impressive way they reflected the good results of the German breeding programs. The audience chose the Monreal daughters as the best progeny group. But Snowflake and Snow RC too were highly regarded by the breeders. Judge Jürgen Hobbie of Wangerland selected the cows to stand 1st and 2nd in those groups, and he finally awarded Monreal daughter Mona Lisa of Oellrich GbR winner of the progeny showcase.

The progeny groups

<u>Sire</u>	<u>Pedigree</u>	<u>Owner</u>
Carlos	Jeeves x Goldwyn x Justice	RA/RSH
Dertour	Destry x Loren-Red x Bacculum	RSH
Dixieland	Destry x Shottle x Lentini	LTR/ZBH
Mind Pp	Mitey x Lawn Boy x Riverland	RUW
Monitor	Man-O-Man x Bolton x Goldwyn	VOST
Monreal	Man-O-Man x Shottle x Lukas	MAR
Snow RDC	Snowman x Spencer x Roumare	MAR
Snowflake	Snowman x Goldwyn x Outside	RUW

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