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2011 Royal Black and White Spectacle

Brantford, ON November 22, 2011— The Ricoh Coliseum was the backdrop for another fantastic National Holstein Show at the Royal Agricultural Winter Fair in Toronto, ON. Poised with excellent reasons, Brian Carscadden, Guelph ON placed a large show of 337 head, which was equally split between heifers and cows. Assisting Official Judge Carscadden was David Crack Jr., of Richmond, QC.

A very strong Junior show made for an excellent show, watched by a huge audience—a larger audience than in previous years. Selected **Junior Champion** was VT-Pond-View Gwyn Libby-ET owned by partners Sjendi Farms, Velthuis Farms Ltd, and Ardross Holsteins, Grimsby, ON. The black stylish first-place Intermediate Calf, Lafontaine Aftershock Arrie, was named **Reserve Junior Champion** for Richard and Shannon Allyn, Donald Dubois, Ferme Lafontaine, and Christian Roberge, Canaan, CT. Following closely behind for **Honourable Mention Junior Champion** was Delcreek Fatal Attraction, the first-place Senior Calf owned by Jeff Butler, Frank & Diane Borba, Durrer Dairy, Chebanse, IL.

First-place **Junior Breeder's Herd** of seven strong herds was awarded to the three senior animals of Crovalley Holsteins, Hastings, ON. **Premier Exhibitor** of the Junior show was won by Ferme Jean-Paul Petitclerc & Fils Inc of St. Basile, QC, who also captured **Premier Breeder** of the Junior Show; tying with Kingsway Farms, Hastings, ON for the Premier Breeder honour.

The afternoon began with very large milking cow classes, and when it came time to select **Intermediate Champion**, Judge Carscadden selected first-place Junior Three-Year-Old, Silvermaple Damion Camomile, owned by Stanhope-Wedgwood, Victoria, BC and Cobble Hill, BC, and Ben and Suzanne Cuthbert, Ladysmith, BC. *Camomille* was described as a handy winner for Intermediate Champion for her "Balance, blending of parts, and mammary system— she puts it all together," praised Carscadden. Following in as **Reserve Intermediate Champion** was Pineland Goldwyn Tidbit, owned by Pierre Boulet, Montmagny, QC.

The spectacle of Grand Champion brought the packed crowd to its feet as the judge selected Eastside Lewisdale Missy **Grand Champion** of the spectacular National Black and White Holstein show. *Missy*, owned by Morsan Farms LTD, Ponoka, AB; Van Ruinen Dairy LTD, Lacombe, AB; Mark Butz, Cedar Rapids, IA; Gert Andreasen, Ponoka, AB; and Georges Uebelhardt, Ponoka, AB was recently Grand Champion and Supreme Champion at World Dairy Expo 2011. Carscadden described his final line-up of Champion cows in contention for Grand Champion as "good uddered cows that exhibit balance and while they may not be the biggest cows, they must be the best."

Following Missy for **Reserve Grand Champion** was the second Five-Year-Old, RF Goldwyn Hailey, who Carscadden said “stopped him in his tracks” with her mammary system. **Hailey** was named Best Udder of the National Black and White Holstein Show. She is owned by Gen-Com Holsteins LTD of Notre Dame Du Bon Conseil, QC. The first-place winner of the Longtime Production Class, Stone-Front Iron Pasta, was then tapped **Honourable Mention Grand Champion** Cow for owners Mike and Julie Duckett, Rudolph, WI.

Winning **Senior Breeder’s Herd** in a tight class of five Breeder’s herd went to the stylish group from Ferme Jacobs, Cap-Santé, QC. Named **Overall Premier Breeder** of the Black and White show for the first-time was Eastside Holsteins of Charlottetown, PEI. Eastside bred the first-place Five-Year-Old, and second and third Junior Two-Year-Olds. Gen-Com Holsteins was awarded the **Overall Premier Exhibitor** after owning and exhibiting many top-placing animals in numerous classes.