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Cal Poly Dairy Cattle Judging Team Wins National Test

SAN LUIS OBISPO -- Cal Poly's dairy cattle judging team won the team trophy in the 35th All-American Dairy Cattle Collegiate Judging Contest held earlier this week in Harrisburg, Pa., and a member of the team was the highest-scoring individual in the national competition.

As well as first overall, the team won first in Jersey, Brown Swiss, and Holstein breeds, second in presenting oral reasons, and third in Guernsey and Ayrshire breeds.

Kate Briggs, a dairy science senior from Turner, Maine, scored highest in Reasons, Holstein, Ayrshire and Brown Swiss divisions, as well as taking the High-Individual prize.

Other team members, all dairy science majors, were Katie Hilt, Ferndale, Wash., who finished sixth-highest individual overall, and Jessica Becker, Petaluma, eighth. Devin Gioletti, Turlock, was the team's alternate.

Cal Poly's dairy cattle judging team is coached by Dairy Science Professor Stan Henderson.

This is the fourth time Cal Poly has won the 35-year-old contest. The last time was in 1981. This year 13 universities competed, with Cornell placing second and Penn State third.

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