

## Vermont Juniors Earn Production Awards

Though the Vermont Jersey Breeders Association did not hold its annual meeting this year due to the pandemic, the youth production contest continued. Three members of the McReynolds family at Lucky Hill Farm in Danville received prizes for their entries based on m.e. protein. Two of the three cows to earn certificates are products of the national Jersey organization's Pot O'Gold program. The juniors also earned cash prizes for their winnings.

Andrew McReynolds earned the top prize with Lucky Hill Lemon Butterscotch. The Very Good-84% daughter of Steinhauers Samson Lemonhead, GJPI +40, produced a record with a first lactation m.e. of 22,791-1,234-960. Actual production for the 1-10 record is 16,282 lbs. milk, 907 lbs. fat and 706 lbs. protein.

Andrew purchased the dam of "Butterscotch," Avi-Lanche Dazz Buttermilk 12564, Excellent-93%, at the Pot O'Gold Sale in 2014 from Avi-Lanche Jerseys, Dalhart, Texas. She won the 2017 Pot O'Gold Production Contest. She produced a record with a dollar value of \$8,097.34 to win the contest and has subsequently produced a top record of 21,780 lbs. milk, 1,247 lbs. fat and 881 lbs. protein at 4-11.

Luke McReynolds placed second with JX Cedar Mtn Farm Topeka Garnet {4}. The Excellent-91% daughter of Heartland Merchant Topeka-ET, GJPI -32, made a 4-6 record with an m.e. of 24,244-1,226-856. Like his brother, Luke purchased "Garnet {4}" from Kerry Gawalt of Hartland, Vt., at the 2014 Pot O'Gold Sale. She placed eighth in the production contest three years later.

Abby McReynolds earned the third prize with JX Cedar Mtn Farm Colton Bridget {5}, Excellent-90%. The daughter of Chilli Action Colton-ET, GJPI -63, made a first lactation with an m.e. of 22,091-1,099-778 at 1-8.