

Young Keeps Childhood Love for Goats as Adult

INFATUATION WITH NEIGHBORS BABIES GOATS TURNS INTO LIFELONG PASSION FOR BRADEN YOUNG

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Braden Young, 19, has been showing market goats since she was just 7-years-old. Young got her start in goats when a new neighbor, who worked for the Department of Agriculture, moved in next door. "When I was a little girl I would go over there when she would be

kidding them in the winter time, and play with the babies," she said. This will be her 13th year showing Mercer County Fair.

"Market means they are meat goats. So they are sold and judged based on their muscling." She described how you want the goats to be thick in some areas but long and lean in others. "Basically you want all of those areas to fit

together really well and look complete," she said.

Young said the process of getting the goats hind ends to be strong and thick is actually kind of funny. "It's kind of like a gym for a goat. Sometimes we work with them on what is called a chariot. Essentially you put their front feet up on the chariot and pull them behind a gator or a lawn mower. It helps them focus on their back legs and build more muscle."

Young is now a sophomore at the University of Kentucky majoring in animal sciences. She hopes to attend Auburn for vet school after graduation. In addition to showing goats, she shows Quarter Horses in the Western Pleasure All Around.

This year she will be showing six different goats, all around the age of five months, at the Market Goat Show on July 30 at the Mercer County Fair.



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Braden Young poses with her 5-month-old goat, Princess, who won her first show at the Lincoln Trail District Goat Show this year.



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