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# Van Buren Youth Fair

Hartford, Michigan



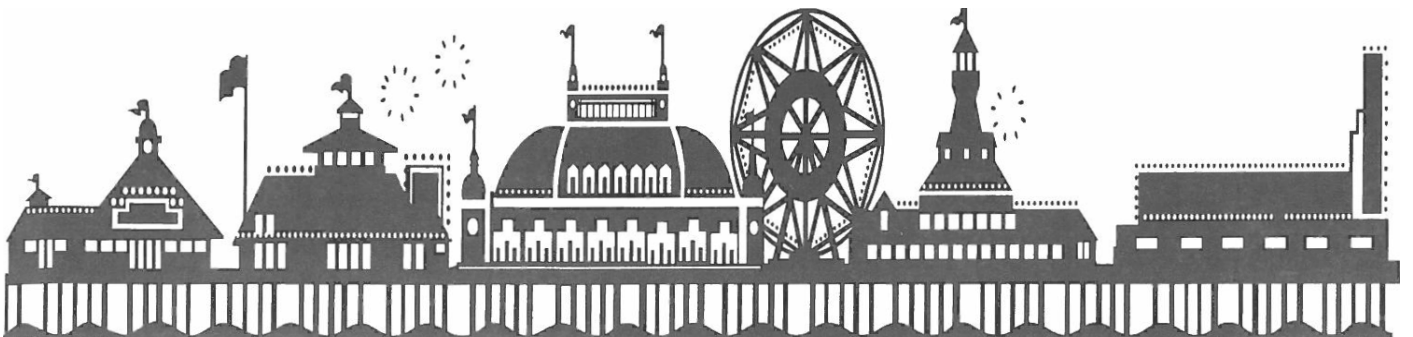
## General Admission Season Pass

Adult - \$7.00    Adult - \$20.00

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## *WELCOME TO THE 68TH ANNUAL VAN BUREN YOUTH FAIR*

The Van Buren Youth Fair Board of Directors and I are happily preparing for the 68th Annual Van Buren Youth Fair. Last year was an amazing year and we are ready to welcome everyone back for another great fair season.

The 2023 Fair season promises to be amazing. We have some great entertainment lined up for the week. Monday night features Farm Stock Tractor Pulls in the grandstand and Magic Cloud Balloon tethered rides. On Tuesday, the grandstand will be filled for NTPA Tractor Pulls. Wednesday is Kid's Day with Ride Bracelet specials along with KOI drag racing returning to the grandstands. Rounding out the week are TNT demolition derby on Thursday night and the Super Kicker Rodeo on Friday night followed with breathtaking fireworks. The week ends with a bang on Saturday with the Night of Destruction, bump & run demo derby from Unique Motor Sports. Skerbeck Entertainment Group will also be on hand to deliver the action-packed electrifying rides that are sure to thrill all ages. Our Commercial Building, 4-H Building, and delicious Food Vendors will also be ready to welcome the community.

The Board of Directors wishes to express our appreciation and gratitude to those who work endlessly to help make our fair one of the best fairs in our area. The Board would like to thank our dedicated and committed Superintendents, Volunteers, Key Leaders, and Extension Educator for everything that is done before, during, and after fair season. Thank you to our extraordinary exhibitors and their wonderful families who work tirelessly with their projects year round and provide support and encouragement for our youth. We would also like to give utmost recognition to our County Fire Departments, EMS Services, and our Sheriff Department's Mounted and Reserve Divisions who provide our safety and security during fair week.

I am honored to serve as Board President for the 2023 Van Buren Youth Fair Board of Directors. Thank you to the members of the Van Buren Youth Fair Board who are committed to the success of our fair.

Sincerely,

Patrick Burnell  
President  
Van Buren Youth Fair Board

## **FAIR OFFICERS & COMMITTEES**

**Fair Office Phone:** (269) 621-2038

President: **Pat Burnell** – (269) 941-3413

Vice President: **Gary Consford** – (269) 355-0994

Secretary: **Iris Swift** – (269) 268-8549

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Asst. Treasurer: **Ken Tomsa, Sr.** – 269-506-3738

Asst. Treasurer: **Stephanie Zabavski** – (269) 720-0192

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Inside Commercial Exhibits – **Paul Garrod – Debbie Glover**

Outside Commercial Exhibits – **Melva Thayer – Ken Tomsa, Sr.**

Building & Grounds – **Ken Tomsa, Sr. – Gary Consford – Corey Conklin**

Premium Book – **Iris Swift – Stephanie Zabavski – Gary Consford**

Advertising – **Paul Garrod – Ken Tomsa, Sr. – Iris Swift**

Entertainment – **Paul Garrod – Ken Tomsa, Sr. – Brian Rumsey – Corey Conklin**

Small Animals – **Colleen Burke – Gary Consford – Amy Mortimore**

Draft Horses – **Debbie Glover – Stephanie Zabavski**

Horses – **Iris Swift – Ken Tomsa, Sr.**

Electrical – **Corey Conklin – Gary Consford – Ken Tomsa, Sr.**

Track & Stage – **Ken Tomsa, Sr. – Corey Conklin – Gary Consford**

4-H Camping – **Ken Tomsa, Sr. – Pat Burnell**

Commercial Camping – **Ken Tomsa, Sr. – Melva Thayer – Stephanie Zabavski**

Tickets & Gates – **Debbie Glover – Brian Rumsey – Amy Mortimore**

Computer Operations – **Stephanie Zabavski – Iris Swift – Gary Consford – Colleen Burke**

Sponsorships – **Colleen Burke – Iris Swift**

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**Sheriff Dan Abbott – Capt. Raven Reed**

**Janice Zerbe, 4-H Youth Development Educator – (269) 657-8213**

### **LARGE LIVESTOCK COMMITTEE**

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Treasurer – Craig Klett

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Vice-President – Makayla King

Secretary – Mary Darling

Treasurer – Denise King

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Chairman – Jennifer Chandler

Vice-Chairman – Terri Tripp-Novotny

Secretary – Beth Brindley

Treasurer – Kevin Novotny

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Secretary/Treasurer – Margie Godines

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President – Wendy Fisher

Vice-President – Terri Tripp-Novotny

Secretary – Nancy Wheatley

Treasurer – Ken Tomsa, Sr.

### **VAN BUREN 4-H LEADERS ASSOC.**

President – Alex deFinta

Vice-President – Amy Mortimore

Secretary – Mary Darling

Treasurer – Carisa Hostetler

# **VAN BUREN YOUTH FAIR HARTFORD, MI.**

## **CODE OF CONDUCT**

Anyone attending the Van Buren Youth Fair either as an exhibitor, parent, spectator, superintendent/asst. superintendent, judge or fair official must conduct themselves in a manner consistent with the following IAFE National Code of Show Ring Ethics and the Van Buren Fair code listed below. These codes of conduct are not limited to the show ring, but are applicable to all departments, activities and events associated with the Van Buren Youth Fair. Physical, Sexual or Verbal Harassment will not be tolerated. Financial delinquencies will not be tolerated. Consequences to violating this code of conduct may include, but are not limited to:

- Verbal warning documented.
- Written warning with acknowledgement of receipt.
- Removal from fair grounds.
- Suspension, reduction and/or loss of premiums.
- Suspension, reduction and/or loss of auction proceeds.
- Loss of future show privileges.
- Loss of Van Buren Youth Fair Association membership and/or leadership positions.
- Notification to local fairs as to disciplinary actions taken.

## **IAFE (INTERNATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF FAIRS AND EXPOSITIONS)**

### **CODE OF SHOW RING ETHICS**

Exhibitors of animals at livestock shows shall at all times deport themselves with honesty and good sportsmanship. Their conduct in this competitive environment shall always reflect the highest standards of honor and dignity to promote the advancement of agriculture education. This code applies to junior as well as open class exhibitors who compete in structured classes of competition. This code applies to all livestock offered in any event at a livestock show. In addition to the "IAFE Code of Show Ring Ethics." Fairs and livestock may have rules and regulations which they impose on the local, county, state and provincial and national levels.

All youth leaders working with junior exhibitors are under an affirmative responsibility to do more than avoid improper conduct or questionable acts. Their moral values must be so certain and positive that those younger and more pliable will be influenced by their fine example. Owners, exhibitors, fitters, trainers and absolutely responsible persons who violate the code of ethics will forfeit premiums, awards, and auction proceeds and shall be prohibited from future exhibition in accordance with the rules adopted by the respective fairs and livestock shows. Exhibitors who violate this code of ethics demean the integrity of all livestock exhibitors and should be prohibited from competition at all livestock shows in the United States and Canada

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Direct criticism or interference with a judge, fair or livestock show superintendent/asst. superintendent, other exhibitors, breed representatives, or show officials before, during, or after the competitive event is prohibited. In the furtherance of their official duty, all judges, fair and livestock show superintendents/asst. superintendents, or other show officials shall be treated with courtesy, cooperation and respect and no person shall direct abusive or threatening conduct toward them.

Parents have a special responsibility to set positive examples and serve as a positive role model for youth by what they do and say. This includes but is not limited to conducting themselves in a manner that demonstrates the utmost respect for other parents, exhibitors, superintendents/asst. superintendents, judges and fair officials. They are to follow instructions with regard to show and judging procedures as outlined in the fair book by judges, superintendents / asst. superintendents and fair officials.



## **EMERGENCY SERVICE**

Fire protection and emergency medical service at the fair grounds are provided to the fair by area fire departments and ambulance service. Emergencies should be reported immediately to the fair office in Building 1 or the fairgrounds fire station.

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### **PREMIUM NOTICE**

All exhibits must remain on display Monday through Sunday morning of fair week to qualify for premiums. No exhibits will be released prior to 8:00 a.m. Sunday, except animals which will be released according to the instructions of each department's species. The Fair Association will not be responsible for exhibits left at the fairgrounds after 1:00 p.m. on Sunday or for loss by theft during fair week. The decision of the judges is final in all classes.

Premium checks will be mailed to all exhibitors by August 31, 2023

**BOOTHS MUST BE DISMANTLED BY Sunday, July 23, 2023**

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### **PREMIUM BOOK COVER CONTEST**

Plaque sponsored by: Tod Kubiszak Family  
Gift Cards Sponsored by: 4-H Leaders Association

### **WINNER:**

**Shelby Bilyk – Young Explorers**

Honorable Mention: Rebecca Kane – Almena Happy Helpers  
Natalie Reidenbach – Almena Happy Helpers

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PETS, OTHER THAN SERVICE DOGS AND CONCESSIONAIRES' DOGS HOUSED ON THE GROUND, ARE NOT PERMITTED ON THE GROUNDS. EXHIBIT DOGS WILL BE KEPT AT THE FAIR ONE DAY ONLY; 1 HOUR BEFORE SHOW STARTS AND 1 HOUR AFTER SHOW ENDS. THIS INCLUDES ANIMALS FOR THE YOUTH PARADE ON Saturday, July 22, 2023

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### **SHIRT AND SHOES REQUIRED AT ALL TIMES**

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**The following are NOT allowed on fair grounds at any time:**

**Bikes**  
**Roller Blades or Skates**  
**Skate Boards**  
**4 Wheelers (3 Wheelers)\***  
**Golf Carts\***

**\*Fair Board owned and leased excluded**

Dear Exhibitor,

We are glad that you will be exhibiting at the Van Buren Youth Fair in 2023! You will need to register all your exhibits by June 15th. **Beginning in 2022 all registration forms must be completed online. Go to the Van Buren Youth Fair website: [www.vanburenyouthfair.com](http://www.vanburenyouthfair.com).** Since we will not be accepting late registrations this year, you will not be able to bring exhibits to the fair that have not been pre-registered by June 15<sup>th</sup>. See below for further instructions. If you plan to enter animal exhibits, you will need registration entry forms, available online at [www.VanBurenYouthFair.com](http://www.VanBurenYouthFair.com). Any questions call the following:

Iris Swift: (269) 268-8549 or Gary Consford: (269) 355-0994  
Janice Zerbe at the Extension office: (269) 657-8213 extension #3.

We look forward to seeing you at the Fair!

Kind Regards,  
Van Buren Youth Fair Board

**Here are a few helpful hints to make it easier to enter exhibits at the Van Buren Youth Fair:**

- Your exhibitor number will be the first initial of your last name and the last four digits of your social security number.
- Be sure to fill out all of the information on the entry form.
- Do not include exhibits for more than one person on an entry form.
- Some classes are determined by age – Use your age as of January 1<sup>st</sup> current year.
- Exhibitors showing Differently Abled should specify ‘DIFFERENTLY ABLED’ on the form.
- Double check your completed entry form. Be sure all class numbers are listed correctly.

**EXHIBITOR’S GUIDELINE FOR ONLINE REGISTRATION - ENTRY FORMS ARE DUE JUNE 15.**

1. Go to the Van Buren Youth Fair website: [www.vanburenyouthfair.com](http://www.vanburenyouthfair.com).
2. Click on the link for online entries to register as an exhibitor.
3. Complete registration:
4. Provide first and last name.
5. Select “New” if your signing up for 2023 or “Previously Registered” if you have already signed up for 2023 fair year.
6. Instructions for “New” exhibitors.
  - a) Complete registration form. This requires creating a password.
  - b) All items with a blue star are required.
  - c) Exhibitor number is the first letter of the exhibitor’s last name plus the last four (4) digits of the Exhibitor’s social security number. ( i.e.: A1234)
  - d) Select “Continue” to confirm registration and proceed to the next step.
  - e) Create entries.
7. Select the Department.
8. Select the Division.
9. Select the Class.
10. Fill out all requested information.
11. Add entry.
12. Repeat the process for each entry desired.
13. After all entries are completed select “Continue” to go to “Fee Items”.
14. Fee Items
15. Select appropriate fees per your entries. Please see the Fair Book for requirements.
16. The fee for “Exhibitor’s Pass” is required.
17. Select “next”.
18. Confirm entries.
19. Click on “Checkout”.
20. Follow instructions for payment.

# Van Buren Youth Fair

## 2024 Award Sponsor

Name to be used for publicity \_\_\_\_\_

Contact Person \_\_ Phone \_\_\_\_\_

Street \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Indicate below which categories you prefer to sponsor:

<input type="checkbox"/> Beef	<input type="checkbox"/> Pocket Pets	<input type="checkbox"/> Horse
<input type="checkbox"/> Dairy	<input type="checkbox"/> Goats	<input type="checkbox"/> Draft Horse, Pulling Contests
<input type="checkbox"/> Sheep	<input type="checkbox"/> Poultry	<input type="checkbox"/> Open Draft Horse Show
<input type="checkbox"/> Swine	<input type="checkbox"/> Rabbits	<input type="checkbox"/> Farm Stock
<input type="checkbox"/> Dogs	<input type="checkbox"/> Cats	<input type="checkbox"/> Special Awards - High Point, Sweepstakes,
<input type="checkbox"/> Please use wherever needed		<input type="checkbox"/> Memorials

If you would like to sponsor a specific award, list below:

### SPECIES

### NAME OF TROPHY/AWARD

\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

*We try to match your request as closely as possible. However, the person who sponsored the award last year will have first choice at sponsoring the award again until February 1. After the February 1 due date, selections will be made on a first come first serve basis. To be sure your sponsorship is printed in the fair book; it must be received by February 15.*

Type of Award	Quantity	Amt.	Total
Trophy		\$15.00	
Plaque		\$15.00	
Banners (for Beef, Dairy, Sheep & Swine only)		\$30.00	
Sweepstakes Trophies Small Animal - \$50.00 Large Animal - \$50.00		\$50.00	
Dogs High Point - \$50.00 Reserve High Point - \$50.00 Cats High Point - \$50.00		\$50.00	
TOTAL			

Please make checks payable to: "Van Buren Youth Fair" - THANK YOU FOR YOUR SUPPORT!

### Send to:

Debbie Glover  
P.O. BOX 271  
Hartford, MI 49057

Date Received	Check # / Cash	Amount	Initials

# Van Buren Youth Fair

## MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION - 2023-2024

(VALID: OCTOBER 31, 2023 - OCTOBER 31, 2024)

NAME: \_\_\_\_\_ PHONE: \_\_\_\_\_  
(PLEASE PRINT)

ADDRESS: \_\_\_\_\_  
(STREET) (CITY) (STATE) (ZIP)

APPLICATION SUBMITTED: \_\_\_\_\_ RECEIVED: \_\_\_\_\_

APPLICANT'S SIGNATURE: \_\_\_\_\_

MEMBERSHIP FEE: \$15.00 PER YEAR

RETURN TO: SECRETARY

MEMBERSHIP DEADLINE: JUNE 15, 2024

VAN BUREN YOUTH FAIR

MAKE CHECKS PAYABLE TO: PO BOX 271

"VAN BUREN YOUTH FAIR" HARTFORD, MI 49057

AMOUNT PAID: \_\_\_\_\_ DATE PAID: \_\_\_\_\_ CASH \_\_\_\_\_ CHECK \_\_\_\_\_

RECEIVED BY: \_\_\_\_\_



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Exhibitor Camping – Ken Tomsa, Sr. – (269) 506-3738 and Gary Consford – (269) 355-0994

Commercial Camping – Ken Tomsa, Sr. – (269) 506-3738

- 1 **ALL CAMPERS / RV'S MUST BE ACCESSIBLE FOR QUICK HOOKUP AND REMOVAL, FACING OUT, PER FIRE MARSHALL.**
- 2 First priority for campsite availability will be Fair Board Members, Superintendents, Leaders, Exhibitors with their immediate family and Vendors. (This rule will be effective beginning with the 2017 Fair.)
- 3 Camper stickers must be picked up at the fair office on the Saturday or Sunday preceding the fair between 9:00 a.m. and 6:00 p.m.
- 4 Campsites must have adult supervision.
- 5 Normal check in time is Saturday and Sunday from 8:00 am – 6:00 p.m.
- 6 Campers will be allowed on grounds beginning at noon the Friday prior to fair week at an additional charge of \$20.00 per day for Friday.
  - Any camper on grounds before noon on Friday without *PRIOR* approval of camping committee will result in a penalty charge of \$40.00 plus the per day charge.
  - All early check ins must report to the Fair Board Office to register and pay for the additional days. Do **NOT** go directly to the campsite. Early in hours are Friday – 12:00 noon to 8:00 p.m.
- 7 One immediate family unit (camper or tent) per campsite. Screen tents /shelters are allowed for storage, dining, etc., but not sleeping.
- 8 Anyone camping, under the age of 18 **MUST** be accompanied by an adult guardian.
- 9 Only one vehicle with a camping sticker will be allowed at the campsite. All other vehicles are to be parked in the designated parking lot.
- 10 **THERE IS TO BE ABSOLUTELY NO DISCHARGE OF WATER OR WASTE ON THE GROUND**, by order of the Health Department and the DEQ. Gray water disposal will only be allowed at the designated dump site.
- 11 Keep grounds neat and clean around camper. Campers are responsible for disposal of trash in designated dumpster containers.
- 12 Quiet hours: 11:00 p.m. – 7:00 a.m. Any camper or campers may be asked to leave for being disorderly.
- 13 **Absolutely no early** removal of campers unless authorized by camp committee. (This can result in forfeiting your camp lot.)
- 14 All campers are to be off of the fairgrounds on Sunday (end of the fair week).
- 15 **Campsite Renewal Registration** – Friday of the fair, at the fair office beginning at 8:00am – deadline is January 1<sup>st</sup> of the next year for all campsites to be paid in full. All \$20.00 deposits are non-refundable. If balance is not paid by January 1<sup>st</sup>, deposit will be lost and campsite may be resold. Renewal fee for all campsites includes two (2) season passes.
- 16 **NO CAMP FIRES OF ANY KIND, PER FIRE MARSHALL.**
- 17 **No Dogs are allowed in the Exhibitor campground or in campers.**
- 18 Any camper not following the above rules is subject to being red-tagged, which will affect their eligibility for campsite renewal.
- 19 Open alcohol containers are prohibited throughout the fairgrounds. Any alcohol **MUST** be kept within the camper/campsite in a covered container.
- 20 Controlled substances (including marijuana) are **NOT** allowed anywhere on the Van Buren Youth Fairgrounds.

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**Under the  
Community Tent  
Monday Night**

**July 17<sup>th</sup>  
7:00 p.m.**



Ever seen a balloon flying and wonder what it would be like? This year you can come check out Magic Clouds Balloon Corporation's Hot Air Balloons! We will be offering Tethered Balloon Rides for a small fee. This is your chance to get up close and personal with these giant balloons! These are not your average party balloons, Sapphire (Pictured Below) is a 4+ Passenger Hot Air Balloon that holds 105,000 cubic feet of air.



## **TETHERED RIDES**



**\*\*All Activities are Weather Permitting\*\***



[Balloon Rides Over Battle Creek]  
[FaceBook.com/BCBalloonRides](https://www.facebook.com/BCBalloonRides)

**Tethered Balloon Rides - 7 pm  
FREE VIEWING  
Ride Pricing To Be Announced  
Monday, July 17, 2023**

# **Monday Night Entertainment**

## **Farm Stock Tractor Pulls**



**Monday, July 17, 2023**

**Registration starts at 3 p.m.**

**Pull starting at 6 p.m.**

# Hartford NTPA Nationals

TUESDAY

**JULY 18TH  
2023**

**7 PM**



## CHAMPIONSHIP TRUCK & TRACTOR PULL



### Classes:

**Super Farm Tractors  
4 Wheel Drive Trucks  
Modified Minis**

### Admission:

Ages 6 & Up **\$10**  
Ages 5 & Under **FREE!!**



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**Wednesday, July 19, 2023**

# **KIDS DAY**

## **Bike With Helmet Giveaway**



**Sign up is Wednesday, July 19<sup>th</sup>**

**Location for Sign-up and drawing will be announced.**

**AND**

**Michigan State University Extension is partnering with the Van Buren Youth Fair to offer Exploration at the Fair on Wednesday, July 19. MSU Extension will be offering hands on educational activities around different program areas. The first 200 youth ages 5-12 along with an adult to visit each station will receive a free ride band for that day. Ride bands are sponsored by the Van Buren Youth Fair.**

# KOI Drag Racing

## Van Buren Youth Fair

**Lawrence, MI**

**July 19**

Eliminations at  
7:00 pm with practice  
and registration  
starting at 5:00 pm



**\$20 entry fee for Diesel with 100% payback. \$10 entry fee on all other classes with 100% payback.**

**Kids classes**  
Quads  
Dirtbikes  
Modified classes  
Open Classes  
SXS Classes

### **CLASSES**

**Diesel**  
**Gas**  
2 wheel drive  
4 wheel drive  
Buggies  
Semis

**FB: KOI DRAG RACING**  
**WWW.KOIDRAGRACING.COM**  
**contact Lewis at 859-576-7380**

**Wednesday, July 19, 2023, 7:00 p.m.**

**\$10.00 Adults**

**\$5.00 Children 6-12 Yrs**

**Children 5 Yrs and under free**

**Pit Passes All Ages Additional \$10.00**

# PEDAL TRACTOR PULL



Friday, July 21 12:00 Noon  
Contact: Ken and Latisha Tomsa  
(269) 214-8376

## PRIZES TROPHIES RIBBONS

Participants must be correct AGE the day of the Pull

### BOYS

Ages: 5-6  
7-8  
9-10  
11-12  
13-14  
15-16

### GIRLS

Ages: 5-6  
7-8  
9-10  
11-12  
13-14  
15-16

ADULT TRUCK PULL  
(TEENAGERS, WOMEN AND MEN)  
Ages: 17 and OVER

\$2.00 Entry Fee

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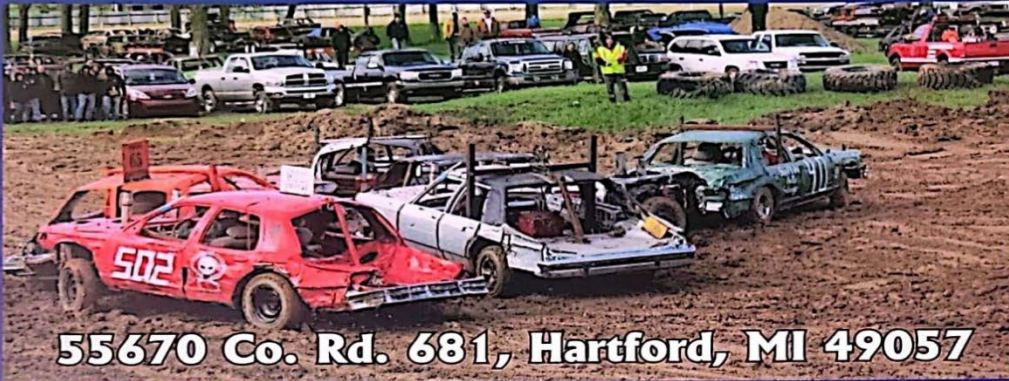
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# Van Buren County Outstanding 4-H'er

## Amanda Towne



Amanda has been in 4-H for 12 years and is dual enrolled in the Young Explorers 4-H Club and the Van Buren Voyagers 4-h Club. Amanda is 17 years old and is a senior at Paw Paw High School. She is the daughter of Cary and Emmeline Towne. Amanda stated that her 4-H experience has helped her develop important life skills and how to apply those skills in activities at both school and home. She has also served as Vice-President of the Van Buren Voyagers 4-H Club, Secretary for the Young Explorers 4-H Club and several other officer positions throughout her 4-H career. Amanda shared that the opportunities she has been given in 4-H have helped her explore interests, open her mind to new things and learn from others' perspectives. In the future, Amanda plans to study molecular biology and environmental sciences, she is exploring the possibility of becoming a geneticist or ecologist.

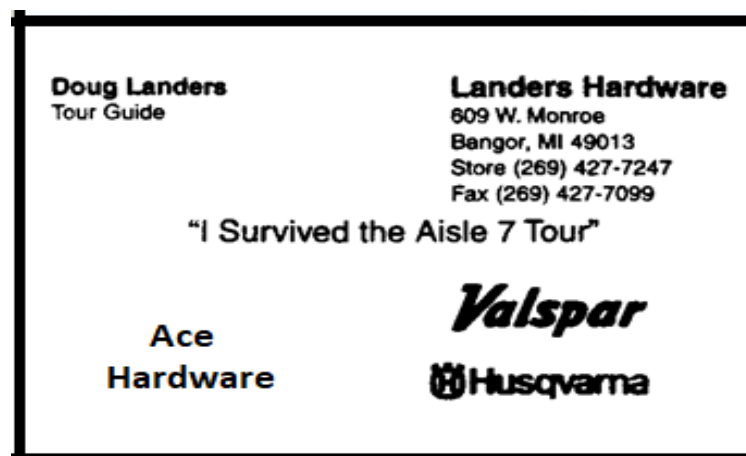
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# **VAN BUREN COUNTY ROAD COMMISSION**

**FROM**

**THE VAN BUREN YOUTH FAIR ASSOCIATION**

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# JUDGING SCHEDULE

## Non-animal exhibits

### **Saturday, July 15 – 9:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m.**

All still exhibits will be judged on Saturday, July 15, 9:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. There will be no judging on Monday unless special arrangements are made in advance. A 30 minute lunch break will be from 12 noon to 12:30 p.m.

### Home Economics

Personal Appearance Family Living  
Foods & Nutrition

### Arts and Crafts

Fine Arts  
Crafts  
Folk pattern Crafts

### Hobbies

Collections  
Misc. Hobbies  
Physical Science  
Horticulture, Floriculture and Crops  
Photography

### Science

Natural Science  
Animal Science

### Miscellaneous

International – Citizenship – Leadership  
Leisure Education – Emergency Preparedness  
Folk patterns – Non-Competitive Exhibitors

## Animal Exhibit Schedule

### **Sunday, July 9**

5:00 – 6:20 p.m.	Live Weigh-In Carcass
6:30 p.m.	Live Carcass Class
	Evaluation, Fairgrounds

### **Monday, July 10**

6:00 p.m.	Carcass Judging
	Pease Packing

### **Saturday, July 15**

12:00 p.m.	Dog Show
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### **Sunday, July 16**

12:00 p.m.	Rabbit Judging
12:00 – 2:00 p.m.	Poultry Market Interviews
1:00 – 6:00 p.m.	SMAC Auction Pictures

### **Monday, July 17**

8:00 a.m.	Goat Judging
10:00 a.m.	Beef Judging
11:00 a.m.	Pocket Pet Judging
2:00 p.m.	Horses - Driving
4:00 p.m.	Cat Show
6:00 p.m.	Horses – Gymkhana Day 1

### **Tuesday, July 18**

8:00 a.m.	Poultry Show
8:30 a.m.	Horses – English Day
9:00 a.m.	Swine Judging

### **Wednesday, July 19**

8:30 a.m.	Horses – Western Day
9:00 a.m.	Sheep Judging
10:00 a.m.	Adult Draft Horse/Mule/Pony Show
11:00 a.m.	Youth Draft Horse Show
5:00 p.m.	Dairy Judging

### **Thursday, July 20**

8:30 a.m.	Horses – Gymkhana Day 2
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### **Friday, July 21**

8:30 a.m.	Horses – Versatility, Trail, Pattern Class & Costume Class
9-11 a.m.	Oral Interviews for Livestock Exhibitors
10:00 a.m.	Jr/Sr Small Animal Showmanship Sweepstakes

### **Saturday, July 22**

9:00 a.m.	Jr/Sr Large Animal Showmanship Sweepstakes
12:00 noon	Horse Exhibitor Awards
1:00 p.m.	Small Animal Exhibitor Awards
2:00 p.m.	Cat and Dog Exhibitors Awards
3:00 p.m.	Large Livestock Awards
6:00 p.m.	Youth Parade

# EXHIBITOR RULES

## ALL Exhibitors and ALL Animal Species.

**Any animal shown in a market class may not be shown in a breed class.**

1. Youth who are enrolled members of a registered Van Buren County 4-H Club, FFA Chapter or Boy & Girl Scout organization and all youth 6 years of age up to and including 19 years of age as of January 1, current year may enter at the Van Buren Youth Fair. HRH is open to persons age 6-26 years of age as of January 1<sup>st</sup> of the current calendar year.

Differently Abled exhibitors may continue to exhibit until the age of 26. Differently Abled exhibitors must be 6 to 26 years of age by January 1 of the fair year who have been determined to be eligible for special education services by the local school district. Exhibitors may participate in classes under the educational projects and demonstration projects. Exhibitors shall follow all rules according to their species/exhibit/class. If they choose to participate in a regular class (instead of the Friday Differently Abled Show which allows for some small market animals), they should enter the Differently Abled Showmanship class for the species to be shown. The exhibit will be shown in the showmanship age class for their species. Differently Abled exhibitors ages 19 to 26 will show their exhibit in the highest senior showmanship class. Superintendents will work with the exhibitor, their family, and the Differently Abled Superintendent to make appropriate arrangements. These arrangements may include showing a different time, being accompanied by a teen mentor/adult, etc. Differently Abled exhibitors will receive a special showmanship trophy. Differently Abled exhibitors (ages 6 to 26) may show in market classes **ONLY** if the exhibitor owns the market animal to be exhibited.

Any exhibitor entering large livestock (beef and dairy steers, beef and dairy feeders, producing dairy cows, sheep, swine) will be required to fill out a W-9 Form and turn it in with their June 15<sup>th</sup> preregistration forms.

- All exhibitors are required to have a Social Security No.
2. An exhibitor may earn up to a maximum of \$75.00 in premium money. This does not include the sale of market animals. Youth may enter as many exhibits as each department allows. They are eligible for Best of Show and Merit Awards on all exhibits entered.
  3. The exhibitor must have taken an active part in the production of the project from which the exhibit is selected and must be able to submit evidence to this effect if asked to do so. For market livestock, exhibitor must be owner.
  4. **ALL EXHIBITS MUST BE PRE-REGISTERED BY JUNE 15. Beginning in 2022 all registration forms must be completed online. Go to the Van Buren Youth Fair website: [www.vanburenyouthfair.com](http://www.vanburenyouthfair.com). See page 8 for instructions.**

Enter exhibit animals according to the following schedule:

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| Dogs                      | - 11:00 a.m., Saturday, July 15             |
| Pocket Pets               | - 2:00 p.m. – 3:00 p.m., Saturday, July 15  |
| Rabbits                   | - 10:00 – 12 Noon, Saturday, July 15        |
| Poultry and Pullorum Test | - 7:00 a.m. – 10:00 a.m., Saturday, July 15 |

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| Goats              | - 5:00 p.m. – 8:00 p.m., Saturday, July 15<br>(All goats must be checked by the veterinarian) |
| Draft Horses       | - 8:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m., Sunday, July 16  |
| Horses             | - 10:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m., Sunday, July 16   |
| Beef, Sheep, Dairy | - 7:00 p.m. – 10:00 p.m., Saturday, July 15   |
| Swine              | - 7:00 p.m. – 10:00 p.m., Sunday July 16  |
| MLE Exhibitors     | - 7:00 p.m. – 10:00 p.m., Sunday July 16<br>With proof of participation at MLE                |
| Cats               | - 3:30 p.m., Monday, July 17  |

**NO LARGE ANIMALS WILL BE ALLOWED TO CHECK IN ON MONDAY.**

All horses must be checked by the veterinarian and have a negative Coggins Test.

5. **All equine must have a current negative Coggins Test and present it to show officials to enter fairgrounds. A copy of the Coggins test must be given to the Fair Board to be placed on file.**
6. All exhibits must remain on display Monday through Sunday morning of Fair week to qualify for premiums except for horse exhibits registered for the “Daily Haul-In Option”.
7. Exhibit release time:  
Still Exhibits: Sunday, July 23, 2023, 8:00 a.m. - 12:00 noon  
Small animals: Sunday, July 23, 2023, 6:00 a.m. – 8:00 a.m.  
Breeding Stock: Saturday, July 22, 2023 11:00 p.m. – midnight  
Breeding animals for dairy, beef and sheep **ONLY**.  
BEEF, DAIRY, SHEEP, SWINE –  
Sunday, July 23<sup>rd</sup> – 12:01 a.m. to 9:00 a.m.  
Trucks loading for slaughter/market haul preferences at loading docks. All other trucks must wait. Animals shown in the market classes and/or sold through the livestock auction may **ONLY** leave at this time.
8. The Fair Association will not be responsible for exhibits left at the fairgrounds after 1:00 p.m., Sunday, July 23, 2023.
9. There must be an entry tag for each exhibit with the exception of all large animal classes to include: Beef, Sheep, Swine, Dairy, Horse, Goats and Dogs.
10. Each exhibitor will assume all risks in making an exhibit entry.
11. Advanced entries must be made for ALL exhibits by June 15: **Beginning in 2022 all registration forms must be completed online. Go to the Van Buren Youth Fair website: [www.vanburenyouthfair.com](http://www.vanburenyouthfair.com). See p. 7 for instructions.**

12. Animal exhibit superintendents and assistant superintendents will act as supervisors of exhibits in their respective divisions.
  13. No exhibits other than those provided for in the following premium list will be accepted.
  14. The decision of the judge is final in all classes. Any harassment of the judge by a parent or individual will result in immediate dismissal from the grounds. If the person does not leave voluntarily, he/she will be escorted off the fairgrounds by a Law Enforcement Official.
  15. The current Van Buren Youth Fair Board of Directors Judges' Committee contracts all judges for the fair.
  16. Ribbons and Rosettes will be awarded as stated in each Dept.
  17. If funding is not available from the State of Michigan, the Fair reserves the right to pro-rate all Premiums.
  18. No youth exhibitor except those authorized by Division Superintendents and the Fair Management are permitted to stay overnight in the barns.
  19. Exhibit halls close at 11:00 p.m. each day of the fair week.
  20. All youth exhibitor passes will be pre-sold. When a youth submits their June 15th Fair Pre-registration form they need to attach \$5.00 for their fair pass. Youth will then pick up their pass on Saturday or Sunday after they have entered their exhibit at the Fair.
  21. Current 4-H Leaders and 4-H Leader Spouses will be able to purchase their passes on Saturday, July 17 or Sunday, July 18 for \$7 and \$10.
  22. Superintendents/Assistant Superintendents are given picture badges to be used as admittance to the Fair. Spouses may purchase a week pass for \$10.00
  23. Posse members are admitted with Sheriff's badges and ID's. Posse spouses may purchase a week pass for \$10.00
  24. Adult Draft Horse Exhibitors may purchase a week pass for \$7.00. Spouses may purchase a week pass for \$10.00.
  25. FOR FIRE AND PEDESTRIAN SAFETY, ALL VEHICLES PARKED NEAR BUILDINGS AND OTHER EXHIBIT AREAS MUST BE MOVED TO THE PARKING LOT BY 9:00 AM UNTIL 11:00 PM EACH DAY.
  26. Youth entering a contest of any kind during Fair Week are under the jurisdiction of the Fair Association and do so at his/her own risk.
  27. Anyone needing service of a Veterinarian or a Medical Doctor shall be responsible for cost of services rendered.
  28. Posters are not required with notebooks unless specified in the Entry Guidelines for that category.
  29. An exhibit that clearly demonstrates two different areas may be judged in both classes. For example, an entomology exhibit – may be judged by entomology (insects) and woodworking (display case). An exhibit that demonstrates two similar crafts or types of needlework cannot be judged twice. For example: A ceramic Santa Clause may not be entered under both "Ceramics" and "Holiday Crafts".
  30. An exhibitor who is unable to present on judging day should attach a short description of how he/she made the exhibit and what he/she learned.
  31. An exhibitor is not eligible for a Merit Award or a Best of Show if he/she is not present for the judging of the exhibit.
  32. Still exhibit projects must be made during the past year.
  33. Showmanship Classes are required for all species. The exhibitor must comply on a species basis. If they do not, then they will be deemed ineligible to participate in any and all activities for that particular species, i.e. Market Classes and Auction. Sale Animals must remain housed on the fairgrounds and taken care of by the exhibitor until Sunday AM check out. The removal of the animal at that time is the responsibility of the exhibitor.
  34. The Fair Board of Directors shall have complete control of the Youth Fair including all activities, exhibits, rules and shows.
  35. All youth exhibiting animals (cats, dogs, draft horses, horses, large livestock, or small animals) at the Van Buren Youth Fair are **REQUIRED** to have completed an approved educational class to be eligible to exhibit at the Van Buren Youth Fair.
  36. Superintendents/Assistant Superintendents are appointed annually by the Fair Board of Directors. They are required to sign a contract and have a criminal history check.
  37. The fair has legal authority to require drug testing under the Animal Industry Act, Act 466 of 1988, as amended, in Section 40(3): "A fair exhibition, exposition, or show authority may require additional testing or vaccination of animals before entry and during the fair, exhibition, exposition or show".
- AT THE FAIR:**
4. Verify the animal you are about to test, identify any tattoos, ear tags or ear notches that are on the animal. Whenever possible use USDA official identification vs. farm identification. Be sure to include this information on the "Sample Tag".
  5. Present the container for examination to the animal representative/exhibitor, making sure to verify with the animal representative that the security seal has not been

previously broken. If the sample container is rejected for any reason, use another container and return the defective one to the laboratory.

*NOTE: The animal representative must remain with the animal at all times during the sample collection Process.*

- 6 Record the seal# in the top right box of the "Sample Transmittal Packing List".
- 7 Open the container by pressing upward on the tab marked open, breaking the seal.
- 8 Place the container in the catching stick; fold the lid back and anchor it under the metal finger welded on the handle.
- 9 If a urine sample cannot be obtained, a Michigan Licensed Veterinarian/Veterinarian Technician may collect five tubes of blood from the animal. Each tube of blood must be identified with one of the six small sticker tags provided on the "Sample Tag". Place the five labeled blood tubes inside a plastic sample container and seal as described below.
- 10 After collecting the sample, close the lid and snap it completely shut. Loop the barbed plastic strip on the sample container through the two holes in the container tabs and pull snug. Apply a short piece of evidence tape across that protruding end of the plastic barbed strip and also across the lid and down sides of the container.
- 11 Complete the information on a "Sample Tag" substituting the name of the fair for "Track", the name of the animal (Grand Champion Steer, Reserve Champion Swine, etc.) for "Horse" and ear tag number or other unique identification number for "Tattoo". After the animal representative has watched the sample collection and sealing, they must sign under "Witness" on the sample tag. The person collecting the sample must sign under the "Sample By" and the "Sample Tag"
- 12 Place one completed large sticker tag from the top of the "Sample Tag" on the top of the sample container over the evidence tape and the other completed large sticker tag on the side of the container. The remaining portion of the completed "Sample Tag" must be kept and NOT returned to the lab.
- 13 Lock the sealed and labeled sample container in a metal can.  
*NOTE: Once the can is locked it cannot be opened until it reaches the lab.*
- 14 Samples must be held secure and cold until transferred to the laboratory.  
*NOTE: Urine may be frozen. Blood must be kept refrigerated and never be frozen.*
  - Any discarded needles should be placed in an approved "Sharps" container by the veterinarian/veterinarian technician.
  - When all sample collection has been completed, fill out the "Sample Transmittal Packing List". The packing list must identify

the tag number of all samples included in the case.

Enclosed the completed "Sample Transmittal Packing List", any unused supplies and regenerated/refrozen freezer packs in the case and seal it with the provided intact case seal.

#### **AFTER SAMPLE COLLECTION IS COMPLETED:**

- Transport samples to the lab either in person or by overnight express. Arrange samples to arrive at the lab during normal business hours (7:30 a.m. - 5:00 p.m. Monday through Friday) The lab is located on the campus of Michigan State University at: 1615 South Harrison Road, East Lansing, MI 48823.
- Collect and retain signed Animal Certification Forms and the remaining portion of the completed "Sample Tag".

*NOTE: Both of these documents should be kept in a secure place for cross-reference when sample results are received. In the event of a positive result these documents must be kept as evidence.*

**ANY AND/OR ALL EXPENSES INCURRED REGARDING DRUG TESTING WILL BE THE RESPONSIBILITY OF THE EXHIBITORS. IF A CLAIM REGARDING THE DRUG TESTING IS FOUND TO BE FALSE; THE PERSON THAT FILED THE COMPLAINT WILL BE RESPONSIBLE FOR EXPENSES INCURRED.**

38. Complaint and Appeals Procedure: Any exhibitor may file a written complaint regarding any of the following:

- Conflict of interest of the judge
- Disqualification of an exhibit or exhibitor
- Exhibitor, group leader or superintendent behavior
- Eligibility of the exhibit.

The complaint must be accompanied by a \$75.00 fee payable to the Van Buren Fair Board Association within ten (10) days after the end of the fair. The Fair Board Association will review, investigate and issue a notice of findings and recommended actions within ten (10) days of the date of the filed complaint. If the exhibitor is not satisfied with the Fair Board Association's decision they may make an appeal to the Michigan Department of Agriculture within forty-five (45) days of filing the initial complaint with the Fair Board Association. The Michigan Department of Agriculture shall have sixty (60) days after receipt of any appropriately filed appeal to investigate the complaint and shall issue a finding of fact and notice of department action and any recommended actions for the Association. If the complaint is found to be a false accusation, the \$75.00 filing fee will remain with the Fair Board Association. If the complaint is found to have merit, the exhibitor filing the complaint will be refunded the \$75.00 filing fee. The person whom the complaint was filed against will be responsible for any and/or all expenses incurred.

# LIVESTOCK EXHIBIT RULES

**Barn Superintendent: Matt Butler (269) 998-9123**

**Asst. Barn Superintendent: Tim Schipper (269) 377-3116**

**Asst. Barn Superintendent: Chad Terry – 269-929-3684**

Exhibitors shall observe the following rules for all market and breed livestock species.

All animals will be checked by the Veterinarian appointed by the Fair Board before entering the Fair. The Veterinarian will make the determination if the animal's health meets the standards and are not showing clinical signs of disease.

1. Tagging of all livestock shall be done by ownership deadlines using the tag numbers assigned to the individual families. Each exhibitor will sign a statement agreeing to follow the rules set forth in the Fair Book, and that they are the owners of the tagged animals.

Species	To Be Tagged	To be Entered	Range/Pounds	Deadline
Beef Breeding	RFID Tags	1 each class		May 1
Market Steers	Total of 4 steers one must be a Dairy steer	2 live Steers 1 Carcass Steer	900# and up	Dec. 31
Beef and/or Dairy				
Feeder Calf: Beef and/or Dairy	3 (Beef and/or Dairy)	2 (Beef and/or Dairy)	250# to 674#	May 1
Sheep Breeding	1 each class	1 each class		May 1
Market Lambs	Total of 4	2 each 1 carcass lamb	84# and up	May 1
Swine Market Hogs	RFID Tags required Total of 4	2 live hogs 1 carcass hog	220# to 300#	May 1
Dairy Ownership Record				May 1
Van Buren Born & Raised				Dec. 31

2. Advanced entries for all animal exhibits shall be made on or before June 15<sup>th</sup>. **Beginning in 2022 all registration forms must be completed online. Go to the Van Buren Youth Fair website: [www.vanburenyouthfair.com](http://www.vanburenyouthfair.com). See p. 8 for instructions.** Exhibitor tag #'s need to be on entry forms.

**Any exhibitor entering large livestock (Beef/Dairy Steers, Beef/Dairy Feeders, Swine, Sheep, and Producing Dairy Cows) will be required to fill out a W-9 Form and turn it in with their June 15<sup>th</sup> Pre-registration forms. A 1099 will be mailed to all exhibitors who earn more than \$600.00 as required by the IRS.**

3. All exhibitors in the large livestock areas will be assessed a \$20.00 exhibit fee per animal exhibited. This includes beef, feeders, swine, sheep, dairy and breeding stock for all species. The \$20.00 exhibit fee will be collected as follows:
  - A. All animals sold through the auction will have the \$20.00 per animal deducted from the auction checks along with the

3% commission and other fees as stated in the Fair Premium Book. If an exhibitor chooses the option not to sell through the auction, the \$20.00 exhibit fee is required to be paid no later than the stated deadlines for choosing the option not to sell as stated in the Livestock Exhibit Rules #11.

- B. Dairy exhibitors will have the \$20.00 exhibit fee deducted from the "Gallon of Milk" auction check. The total number of dairy animals exhibited times \$20.00 will be deducted from the auction proceeds before the profits are distributed according to the schedule stated in the Fair Premium Book.
  - C. Breeding stock in all species will be required to pay the \$20.00 exhibit fee per exhibitor per animal with the June 15<sup>th</sup> registration form.
4. Animals exhibiting any of the following conditions, symptoms, or behavior shall not be permitted to enter the shows.
    - A. Animals (Steers, Beef Breeding, Feeders Calves, Dairy Jr. Calf and older and sheep) shall have no horns or any growth on head more than 3/4" long or they will be sent home. Dehorning should be done 4 to 6 weeks before the fair.
    - B. All male livestock species must be castrated 4 to 6 weeks prior to the fair. This includes swine, beef, dairy, beef/dairy feeders and Sheep. Male livestock born during the current fair may remain for fair week.
    - C. External parasites, lice, ticks, mange or other obviously disease or unthrifty animals (all species) bleeding, open sores & wounds will not be allowed to enter.
    - D. Failure to lead or be handled by the exhibitor in or out of the show ring (all species at halter, collar or lead strap).
  5. As part of the entry process, exhibitors shall report to the species superintendent upon arrival at the arena or stabling area. The Beef, Feeder, Swine, Sheep and Dairy Superintendents shall be responsible for ruling on qualifications of animals to be entered in their respective divisions. An exhibitor wishing to challenge a superintendent's decision shall do so in writing to the Fair Management before 10:00 p.m. Monday of fair.
  6. At weigh in a panel consisting of large livestock superintendents shall identify the market animals not eligible to sell in the finish market animal sale and explain their reasons to the exhibitor.
  7. Market and Non-Market Livestock Record Books shall be turned in to the Division Superintendents. All interviews will be held on Friday.
  8. All Beef, Sheep and Dairy need to be stabled or penned on Saturday, July 15 from 7:00 p.m. to 10:00 p.m. Swine and exhibitors participating at the Michigan Livestock Expo (MLE) will check in on Sunday, July 16 from 7:00 p.m. to 10:00 p.m. MLE exhibitors must provide proof of participation at MLE. MLE Exhibitors must complete the additional paperwork due on June 15 with entry forms.
 

**Swine that have been exhibited at MLE or any other exhibition that has occurred less than 14 days prior to swine check-in will not be permitted to exhibit at the Van Buren Youth Fair.**
  9. All State Health and Sanitation requirements must be met by all exhibitors. Refer to Health Regulations website at [www.michigan.gov/mda-exhibitinfo](http://www.michigan.gov/mda-exhibitinfo).
  10. All market animals will be weighed upon arrival at the designated times:

Beef/Dairy Steers, Feeders and Sheep: Saturday, July 15  
from 7:00 p.m. to 10:00 p.m.  
Dairy Cows and Heifers: Saturday, July 15  
from 7:00 p.m. to 10:00 p.m.  
Swine and MLE Exhibitors: Sunday, July 16  
from 7:00 p.m. to 10:00 p.m.

All animals will be weighed one time only. If all of an exhibitor's animals of a species do not make weight, the exhibitor may choose one of their animals to show in showmanship provided there is space available, but they will not be allowed to participate in market classes or Large Livestock Auction.

The first two animals of each species per exhibitor that make weight will be the animals that stay on the fairgrounds. Any other animals of that species brought by that exhibitor will not be weighed,

11. Grand and Reserve Grand Champion Market Animals (Beef, Lamb, Swine) must be sold at the Market Livestock Fair Auction. All other eligible exhibitors with Market Livestock shall have the option to sell or not sell. They must notify and turn in the Non-Market Animal Form with the exhibitor's fee to the respective superintendent no later than Wednesday at 12:00 p.m. except for sheep. Sheep must notify the superintendent and turn in the Non-Market Animal Form no later than Wednesday at 3:00 p.m. if they choose to not sell. If any exhibitor chooses to sell at the auction, the animal becomes the property of the buyer at the time the auctioneer recognized the buyer. Any animal pulled from the sale will become the responsibility of the exhibitor to arrange for necessary trucking.

The exhibitors of beef, swine, sheep and beef/dairy feeders or gallon of milk sold through the Livestock Auction bought by any buyer (including exhibitor buy backs) is required to pay a \$20.00 exhibitor's fee and a 3% commission fee to the Large Livestock Auction. The commission fees will be deducted from the gross amount of each exhibitor's auction check. The commission fee includes accounting costs, advertising, awards, auctioneer gift cards, large livestock scholarships, herdsman's awards, office supplies, printing of sale bill, and trucking. In addition, the following items will be deducted from each exhibitor's auction check: Chuck Wagon, Beef, Lamb, and Swine check-off and photographs, amounts to be determined.

All auction bills are expected to be paid in full within 60 days of July 20, 2023. After that date, a fee of 2% will be added monthly to unpaid balances and financial collection proceedings will be sought.

Failure of any buyer to make payment in full, including accrued interest, by June 1, 2023 will result in ineligibility to participate in the 2023 auction.

All out of state buyers must provide a Bank Letter of Credit or have payment approved by the fair prior to the commencement of the auction.

A maximum of one re-sale is permitted per animal.

A gallon of milk will be sold during the auction. The profits will be divided as follows:

25% goes to the Grand Champion Dairy Cow  
15% goes to the Reserve Grand Champion Dairy Cow  
10% goes to the Grand Champion Heifer  
5% goes to the Reserve Grand Champion Heifer

42% will be divided with the non-champion dairy animals with 3% going to the Milk Exhibitor's Fund. If there are less than 9 non-champion animals, each exhibitor will receive 4% with the remaining amount being donated to the Milk Exhibitor's Fund.

If there is no exhibitor in the above categories, the amount will be donated to the Milk Exhibitor's Fund, which is used to purchase supplies and milking equipment.

Up to two (2) 8" x 10" photographs will be provided free of charge to the buyer(s) of the Gallon of Milk. If more photographs are required, the cost of the photographs and plaques will come from the purchase price of the gallon of Milk prior to splitting it among the dairy exhibitors.

12. Exhibitor must be 9 years old to exhibit a mature dairy female. No animals other than those shown in the market classes shall be sold at the Fair Auction.
13. All animals in the livestock classes must be properly cared for throughout the entire period of the Fair. All morning chores will be completed by 9:00 a.m. Animals need to be fed in the evening between 5:30 and 7:00, with the exception of the Dairy cattle, who will determine their schedule based on the milking schedule. All evening chores should be completed by 7:00 p.m. Exhibitors must wear appropriate foot attire during chores and when working with their animals.
14. TB Testing for cattle are to meet the movement requirements in the State of Michigan as per the current MDA Health Regulations. Information can be found at [www.michigan.gov/mdaexhibitorinfo](http://www.michigan.gov/mdaexhibitorinfo).  
  
All Sheep are required to have a USDA Ear Tag or Tattoo.
15. All bovine must have a RFID ear tag before leaving the producers facility.
16. All Swine must have an RFID ear tag to be entered as an exhibit at the Van Buren Youth Fair.
17. NATIVE MICHIGAN SWINE ARE NOT REQUIRED TO HAVE A PSEUDORABIES TEST TO EXHIBIT AT THE FAIR. OUT OF STATE SWINE—SEE THE CURRENT MDA HEALTH REGULATIONS ON FILE IN THE COMPUTER OFFICE.
18. Livestock checks will be sent out as soon as incoming funds are available, but no later than August 31st. Sunday Clean-Up is expected to be done by the exhibitors or a superintendent approved representative. Exhibitors or representative must be at the livestock barn at 6:30 a.m. Sunday morning. A clean up charge of \$25.00 per animal will be charged to any exhibitor who fails to assist with the barn and grounds cleanup as recorded by the species superintendents.
19. Showmanship classes are required for all species. The exhibitor must show the animal tagged in their name for the showmanship class. The exhibitor must comply on a species basis. If they do not, they will be deemed ineligible to participate in any and all activities for that particular species. i.e. Market Classes and Auction Sales.

20. All animals must remain housed on the fairground and shall be taken care of by the **exhibitor until the** scheduled exhibit release times as outlined in rule #28. The removal of the animal at the time is the responsibility of the exhibitor.
21. Showmanship Age Divisions are: (Age as of January 1 of the current calendar year)  
Pee Wee I Division — 6 to 7 (born 7/1-12/31) years of age  
Pee Wee II Division — 7 (born 1/1 – 6/30) to 8 years of age  
Young I Division — 9 to 10 years of age  
Young II Division — 11 to 12 years of age  
Junior Division — 13 to 14 years of age  
Senior I Division — 15 to 16 years of age  
Senior II Division — 17 to 19 years of age
22. Grooming of livestock during the fair week is the responsibility of the exhibitor with minimal assistance from their immediate family, leader, or fellow exhibitor for guidance. *Any outside professional groomers will result in the disqualification of the exhibitor.*
23. All animals shown at the Van Buren Youth Fair must be properly cared for or the premium money will be withheld. This includes animals being fed and watered at least twice a day. The stall and animals should be kept clean. If the requirements are not met, there will be two warnings issued. After the third warning, the exhibitor will be asked to remove the animal from the fair and the exhibitor will not be allowed to show the following year. Final dismissal shall rest with the Species Superintendent, Barn Superintendent and the Large Livestock Committee. This process will be documented with the exhibitor's signature as acknowledgement. The exhibitor will be asked to leave if he/she refuses to sign.
24. During livestock shows, there **MUST BE AT LEAST TWO AND NOT MORE THAN FOUR ADULTS** in the show ring (not the parents of the exhibitor), unless determined by the species superintendent more are needed for safety reasons. As a safety precaution the superintendents are requesting the following:  
**Swine:** The superintendents would like all parents to sit in the stands and not be in the staging area.  
**Beef:** The superintendents would like one adult per animal in the staging area. Then once the exhibitor and animal are in the ring, we ask that the adults meet the exhibitor and animal at the exit gate to go back to the barn.  
**Feeders:** The superintendents would like to have one adult in the staging area with exhibitors, especially the Pee Wee Classes. Then please meet your exhibitor at the exit gate to help return the animals to the barn.  
**Sheep:** The superintendents will notify parents if they need to leave the staging area.  
**Dairy:** The superintendents will notify parents if they need to leave the staging area.
25. The following "age" rules shall apply for all Market Livestock:  
A. Market Lambs: Born Dec. 1 or after the year of fair.  
B. Market Steers: under 24 months of age at Fair Time  
C. Beef & Dairy Type Feeder Calves: Born Jan. 1 or after the year of the fair.  
D. Swine: 220# to 300#
26. Breed or weight classification champion rosettes, trophy, or banners will not be awarded when in the opinion of the judges the exhibit animal does not merit the award.
27. No youth exhibitor, except that authorized by Division Superintendents and the Fair Management, is permitted to stay overnight in the barn.
28. Exhibit release times for all animal exhibits are:  
**BEEF/DAIRY STEERS, FEEDERS, SHEEP & SWINE:**  
Saturday, July 22<sup>nd</sup> from 11:01 p.m. to Sunday at 3:00 a.m.  
**BEEF, DAIRY, SHEEP BREEDING ANIMALS:**  
Saturday, July 22<sup>nd</sup> from 10:00 p.m. to 11:00 p.m.  
**BUYER PICK UP**  
Sunday, July 23<sup>rd</sup> from 6:00 a.m. to 7:00 a.m.  
  
All animals shown in the market classes and/or sold through the livestock auction may NOT leave at this time. Animals are to be released only with Superintendent's continued approval and acknowledgement. All sale destinations are final at noon on Saturday. No exceptions.
29. Beef-type feeder calves may be crossbred beef and dairy, straight bred beef or crossbred beef. All calves must be off the cow by June 15<sup>th</sup> and tagged by May 1<sup>st</sup>.
30. Gates between feeder calves are optional. Gates will be required for dividing clubs.
31. When showing more than 1 animal in a class—the person assisting the exhibitor must be a current exhibitor at the Van Buren Youth Fair.
32. All exhibitors are responsible for making sure their market animals meet the acceptable withdrawal deadlines to avoid drug residue.
33. Generators will not be allowed around the livestock barn unless specifically approved by the Fair Board.
34. Appropriate show attire, i.e.: Dress type shirt or blouse. No midriff and/or cleavage showing. Dark or light-colored dress pants or dark jeans with no holes. No shorts or sweat-pants. Leather or safety type shoes are required. No Hats. Fair volunteers are welcome but are expected to set an example regarding dress code and foot attire.
35. At the Awards Program, Exhibitors that receive trophies and banners will only receive their trophies with the exchange of a Thank You Card, stamped and addressed to the sponsor of that award.
36. All animals must be clearly identified with a sign above the pen before Monday morning of fair week. Exhibitors can obtain an identification sign at weigh-in or from a superintendent. All signs must remain above the pen until Sunday at 6:00 a.m. during cleanup of the barn.
37. The Fair has legal authority to require drug testing under the Animal Industry Act, Act 466 of 1988, as amended in Section 40(3): "A fair, exhibition, exposition, or show authority may require additional testing or vaccination of animals before entry and during the fair, exhibition, exposition or show."  
See complete rules and instructions on Page ?? under "Exhibitor Rules" Item 36.
38. Exhibitors or immediate family must attend exhibitors' meeting the first Sunday of the fair at 4:00 p.m. in the Livestock Arena. MLE participants must notify the Large Livestock Committee if they are going to be late or unable to attend.

39. Exhibitors shall be advised the fair environment can lead to increased disease susceptibility. Please read the attached MSU Extension bulletin #2841 entitled Biosecurity for Livestock Exhibitors. The Fair Board recommends the suggestions found in this bulletin be utilized for the benefit of both exhibitors and the general public.

## LIVESTOCK PROJECT EVALUATION

Friday, July 21, 2023 9:00 a.m. – 11:00 a.m.

Youth will demonstrate livestock knowledge by selecting, maintaining care and feeding and exhibiting a finished livestock project.

Beef, Dairy, Sheep & Swine Livestock Project Evaluations will be held Friday, July 21, 2023 from 9:00am – 11:00am. Exhibitors should be in the barn by their animals. The Livestock Project Evaluation process is an educational program. It will be based on the following outline:

### INTERVIEW: 35 Points

Exhibitor will have a short (3-5 minute) interview with the judge. Young exhibitors will be asked questions about caring for their animal(s). Questions for older exhibitors will be more difficult. Possible topics include:

*Care of the Animal	*Profit/Loss	*Retail Meat Cuts
*Rate of Gain	*Breeds	*Health Care/Diseases
*Feed Efficiency	*Genetics	*Animal Industry Trends

### RECORD BOOK: 35 Points

Exhibitors should present their record book to the judge at the time of the interview. Livestock record books will be judged on:

- \*Completeness
- \*Neatness
- \*Accuracy of Information

### ANIMAL: 35 Points

The live animal will be judged at the time of the interview. The judge will look for:

- \*Evidence of exhibitor's care for the animal
- \*Cleanliness

### 105 TOTAL Points

RATING: A. 105 – 80 Points B. 79 – 45 Points C. 44 – 0 Points

\*Record books are available from the Extension Office.

Livestock Exhibitors (ages 6-8) use Pee Wee Record Books

Livestock Exhibitors (ages 9-19) use the Michigan 4-H Animal Market

Project Record Book:

Three Age Divisions – 9 to 12  
13 to 15  
16 to 19

Breeding Stock use 4-H Animal Non-Market Project Record Books:

Three Age Divisions – 9 to 12  
13 to 15  
16 to 19

## LIVESTOCK CONTESTS & SPECIAL AWARDS

### Section a. Large Livestock Showmanship Sweepstakes

Sweepstakes Superintendent – Bev Rajzer (269) 423-8688

Asst. Superintendent – Taylor Shannon (269) 655-6026

Saturday, July 22<sup>nd</sup> - 9:00 a.m.

1. There shall be two divisions in the Showmanship Sweepstakes:

Junior - 9 to 14 years of age during current calendar year.

Senior - 15 to 19 years of age during the current calendar year.

Class 175 Senior Showmanship Sweepstakes

Class 176 Junior Showmanship Sweepstakes

2. The following species shall participate in Showmanship Sweepstakes: (Beef, Dairy, Dairy Goats, Horse, Sheep, Swine & Feeder Calf).

Exhibitors shall be selected from the Young and Junior age groups for the Junior Sweepstakes and from the Senior I and Senior II age groups for the Senior sweepstakes.

3. In each Sweepstakes Division, contestants will show all seven species: Beef, Dairy, Dairy Goat, Horse, Sheep, Swine, Feeder Calf
4. There will be a drawing to match Jr. & Sr. exhibitors to form seven teams. Each Jr./Sr. team will work together to learn about the species in the Sweepstakes competition. A short written test will be administered to all contestants on Friday at 9 a.m. The results of this test will be used in the event of a "tie" in judging. Animals to be used for sweepstakes will be assigned to contestants as they enter the show arena on Saturday morning.
5. If an exhibitor wins more than one species showmanship run-off, the first place exhibitor may choose which species to represent. The second place winner will then represent the species the first place exhibitor does not wish to represent. In the event there is no alternate showman for a species then the first place showman must represent that species. Species representatives must inform the Sweepstakes Superintendent of which species they will represent by 8:00 p.m. on Wednesday. For example: George wins first place with his hog, and Mary wins second place. George wins first place with his feeder, and Karen wins second place. George decides to represent feeders in the Showmanship Sweepstakes Contest. Mary would then represent swine in the competition.
6. Each sweepstakes contestant shall show competitively against the other six contestants in each respective livestock division and may not show any of their own animals in any classes.
7. All animals to be used in sweepstakes will be chosen by a committee of superintendents and turned into the Sweepstakes Superintendent by 8 p.m. on Wednesday.
8. Species will be shown in the following order:  
1. Horses 2. Goats 3. Swine 4. Lambs  
5. Dairy 6. Beef 7. Feeder Calf  
Sweepstakes Superintendents reserve the right to change the show order.
9. The Sweepstakes Contests shall be held on Saturday at 9:00 a.m. in the Large Livestock Arena. Exhibitors are to report to the Superintendent no later than 8:45 a.m. The Sr. exhibitors will show first followed by Jr. exhibitors in each species. Judges and showman will have designated seating areas in the makeup area of the Large Livestock Show Arena. All parents and bystanders will be asked to sit in the bleachers.
- (Parents, bystanders and/or any other spectator will not be permitted to view the show from rail or fence area of the Large Livestock Arena)
10. Appropriate show attire: official sweepstakes showmanship shirt, if provided. If no sweepstakes showmanship shirt is provided, a dress type shirt or blouse (with collar). No midriff showing. Jeans with NO HOLES. No shorts, sweatpants or hats. You must wear leather or safety type shoes.
11. Scoring in each division contest shall be as follows:  
a. Points shall be awarded contestants based on their placing in each ring. First place will receive 1 point; 2nd place 2 points, etc.  
b. The contestant scoring the lowest total points in each division shall be declared the Sweepstakes Champion. The next lowest point will be declared the Sweepstakes Reserve Champion.

c. In the event of a "tie" at the conclusion of the contest, the test results previously administered will be used to determine the winner.

12. Winners shall be announced at the end of the sweepstakes contest rather than after each species. A trophy will be presented to the champion in each division and all contestants shall receive placing rosettes.

13. At the conclusion of the program, any contestant who wishes to know their judging results, may get them from the Superintendent. These results will be given to the contestants only and individually.

#### **Section b - LARGE LIVESTOCK RECORD BOOK CONTEST**

To recognize outstanding achievement in record keeping for large livestock projects, the Van Buren County Farm Bureau will present awards to the top three exhibitors in the Beef, Sheep, Swine, and Dairy Division.

Record books will be reviewed and judged by a committee with representatives from the Farm Bureau, the Large Livestock Committee and the Fair Board. Judging will be based upon completeness, accuracy, and neatness of the record Book.

**\*Record books are available from the Extension Office.**

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	1 <sup>st</sup> place	2 <sup>nd</sup> place	3 <sup>rd</sup> place
Beef	\$15.00	\$10.00	\$5.00
Sheep	15.00	10.00	5.00
Swine	15.00	10.00	5.00
Dairy	15.00	10.00	5.00

#### **Section c - LIVESTOCK HERDSMANSHIP**

Judges will review the barns daily (Monday through Friday) between the hours of 10:00 A.M. - 8:00 P.M. Winners will be announced Saturday afternoon. First-Third place awards will be given in each species. Herdsmanship will be judged for Beef, Swine, Dairy, Sheep, and Feeders. The judging will be based on clean well-fitted animals, clean aisle, stall, and tack areas. Judged also on eye appeal of exhibit and identification of your group.

Herdsmanship Awards: (to be paid by Large Livestock Committee)

1st place - \$20.00 check 2nd place - \$15.00 check 3rd place - \$10.00 check

#### **Section d - "AG OLYMPICS"**

**Superintendent - Lori Alexander - 269-217-0072**

**Assistant superintendent - Leah Pillar**

Information about the Ag Olympics contest will be announced during fair week.

#### **DIVISION II - SPECIAL AWARDS**

**Section a - SUSAN MELVIN MEMORIAL SR.**

**SWINE SHOWMANSHIP TROPHY**

To honor the memory of Susan Melvin, Bloomingdale, 1977 Fair royalty Queen and Senior I Swine Showmanship winner, a trophy will be presented to the winner of the Senior Swine Showmanship competition. The exhibitor may keep the trophy in his/her possession until the following year, at which time it is to be returned to the Swine Superintendent. A permanent trophy will be presented to each annual winner thereafter. This year's trophy is supported by the Van Buren County 4-H Leaders Assoc.



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<b>Grand Champion Barrow</b>	<i>Swine</i>	Van Buren Conservation District
<b>Grand Champion Gilt</b>	<i>Swine</i>	Grandpa's Orchard
<b>Reserve Champion Barrow</b>	<i>Swine</i>	Matthew Moser
<b>Reserve Champion Gilt</b>	<i>Swine</i>	Belltown Farms
<b>Grand Champion Carcass</b>	<i>Swine</i>	Midwest Energy & Communications
<b>Reserve Champion Carcass</b>	<i>Swine</i>	EJ & Sonia McNamara
<b>Grand Champion Beef Steer</b>	<i>Beef</i>	Paul Korsom
<b>Grand Champion Dairy Steer</b>	<i>Beef</i>	Decatur Feed
<b>Reserve Champion Beef Steer</b>	<i>Beef</i>	Kusmack Properties LLC
<b>Reserve Champion Dairy Steer</b>	<i>Beef</i>	Beeching Farms
<b>Reserve Champion Dairy Steer</b>	<i>Beef</i>	Jon Armiger
<b>Grand Champion Carcass</b>	<i>Beef</i>	Blaine Nye
<b>Reserve Champion Carcass</b>	<i>Beef</i>	C5 Electric
<b>Gallon of Milk</b>	<i>Dairy - Milk</i>	Van Buren County Milk Buyers
<b>Grand Champion Hvy. Wt. Dairy Feeder</b>	<i>Dairy Feeder</i>	Tammy & Keith Dykstra
<b>Reserve Champion Hvy. Wt. Dairy Feeder</b>	<i>Dairy Feeder</i>	Jacob Brooks
<b>Reserve Champion Lt. Wt. Dairy Feeder</b>	<i>Dairy Feeder</i>	Klein Farm and Seed Sales LLC
<b>Grand Champion Wether</b>	<i>Sheep</i>	Crystal Flash
<b>Grand Champion Ewe</b>	<i>Sheep</i>	Friends of Molly Kubiszak
<b>Reserve Champion Wether</b>	<i>Sheep</i>	Decatur Feed
<b>Reserve Champion Ewe</b>	<i>Sheep</i>	Dan & Carisa Hostetler
<b>Grand Champion Carcass</b>	<i>Sheep</i>	Forker Farms
<b>Reserve Champion Carcass</b>	<i>Sheep</i>	Grasshopper Farms

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Grasshopper Farms	Pickle Street Veterinary Services	



## Biosecurity for Livestock Exhibitors

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**L**ivestock exhibitions are an important part of agriculture in the United States. They provide an opportunity for youth to participate in an activity focused on agriculture and the livestock industry. Livestock exhibitions are also an important marketing tool for seedstock producers, providing an opportunity to showcase their animals and to evaluate breeding programs by directly comparing their animals with others.

Unfortunately, livestock exhibitions are a potential threat to the health of individual animals, the herds



from which they originate and the industry they represent. Exhibitions create an environment that results in the intermingling of animals that are of different species, breed, age and sex and come from many different

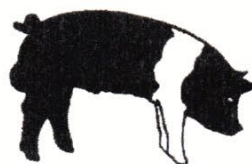
locations and management backgrounds. Travel, close confinement in unfamiliar settings and other stressors can lead to increased disease susceptibility. Stress can also cause animals that may be carriers of disease pathogens to shed these organisms in high quantities. In addition, exhibitions allow people from a wide variety of backgrounds and interests to have close contact with animals. All of these factors put exhibit animals at high risk of becoming exposed to disease pathogens and becoming sick and spreading the disease. Biosecurity precautions can be taken to reduce this risk to exhibit animals.

### What is Biosecurity?

Biosecurity can be defined as those practices designed to prevent the introduction of a harmful agent into a defined setting. In livestock operations, this means preventing harmful agents such as viruses, bacteria, parasites or toxins from coming in contact with livestock. Biosecurity measures can be implemented on a national, state or herd level. Responsibility for herd-level biosecurity usu-

ally rests with the herd owner. To be successful, a biosecurity plan must address factors important in overall animal health (vaccinations, nutrition, ventilation), how traffic (movement of people, animals and equipment) will be regulated, and how cleaning and disinfection procedures will be used to reduce pathogen levels.

### Biosecurity for Livestock Exhibitors



The following biosecurity guidelines can be used to reduce the risk of exhibition animals becoming sick and spreading diseases.

#### *Before taking animals to an exhibit:*

- Make sure that animal exhibitions adhere to the following guidelines to reduce the risk of disease spread from animal to animal at the event site:
  - Provide clean and properly disinfected animal housing facilities with adequate room and ventilation.
  - Provide access to fresh water.
  - Require veterinary examinations of all animals participating in the event to ensure that only healthy animals are exhibited.
  - Enforce all local, state and national animal exhibition regulations.
- Work with your veterinarian to establish a herd health program. Ensure that the home herd is well vaccinated before any animal attends shows or fairs.
- Do not bring any visibly sick or unthrifty animals to a fair or show.

- Complete all tests and procedures required by a show, county or state fair regulations, including disease screening, vaccinations and physical examinations. Have available the appropriate paperwork documenting that these activities have been completed.
- Minimize stress prior to the fair by providing a clean, dry and comfortable environment, plenty of water and the same feeds that will be taken to the fair.
- Transport animals to fairs and shows in clean trailers. Do not transport other exhibitors' animals in the same trailer. If possible, avoid the use of commercial trailers.

#### *During the fair:*

- Keep your animals as comfortable as you can to help reduce stress. Provide adequate bedding and plenty of air movement (fans).



- Make sure clean water is always available and that the animals get the same feed as they eat at home.
- Minimize nose-to-nose contact with animals from other farms. Avoid contact with manure from other animals.
- Keep wheelbarrow tires, pitchforks and feeding equipment clean and free of manure.
- Avoid sharing grooming equipment and feed and water containers. If you loan equipment to someone, clean and disinfect it when it is returned.
- For milking animals it is best to bring a portable milking machine from your farm. Avoid sharing milking units.

- Discourage fair visitors from petting or feeding your animals. Post signs asking visitors not to touch or feed the animals.



- Practice good personal hygiene.

#### *After the fair:*

- Upon return, house show animals in a facility separate from the rest of the herd for 3 to 4 weeks. Ideally, this would be in a completely separate place to avoid contact or airborne transmission of disease. If this is not possible, it should be a separate pen in a different building or at least a separate corner of the barn. Work routine should be modified so that returning animals are attended to last.
- Clean and disinfect all of your equipment before it is used again at home.
- Minimize stress by making sure animals are comfortable, well fed and watered. This will give them the best chance to fight off any infection picked up at the fair.
- Monitor animals for signs of disease, such as fever, diarrhea, skin abnormalities, heel warts, mastitis or abortions. Most diseases are more easily treated if caught early. Call your veterinarian at the first sign that your animal may be sick.

Exhibiting livestock can be an enjoyable and educational experience. Following a few simple guidelines to help keep your livestock healthy during the show season can pay big dividends.

For more information on biosecurity, go to <http://cvm.msu.edu/extension>.



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## 2022 Van Buren Youth Fair - Small Livestock Sale Buyers

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 Market Goat Carcass - Grand Champion- Elizabeth Racop  
 Market Goat Carcass - Reserve Grand Champion- Jonathan Burke  
 Light Weight Non Dairy- Grand Champion - Craig Family Livestock  
 Light Weight Non Dairy- Grand Champion - Marana Group  
 Dairy Market Goats - Grand Champion - Riverbend Cattle  
 Dairy Market Goats - Grand Champion - SMAC Error Account  
 Light Weight Non Dairy- Reserve Grand Champion - Hartsell Promotions  
 Light Weight Non Dairy- Reserve Grand Champion - Rising Starr Farm  
 Dairy Market Goats - Reserve Grand Champion - Riverbend Cattle  
 Pen of Two Turkeys - Grand Champion - Forker Farms  
 Pen of Three Ducks - Grand Champion - Forker Farms  
 Pen of Three Chickens Roasters - Grand Champion - Quality Cylinder Service LLC  
 Pen of Two Turkeys - Reserve Grand Champion - Field Plumbing & Heating  
 Pen Of Three Chickens Broilers - Reserve Grand Champion - Forker Farms  
 Pen of Three Ducks - Reserve Grand Champion - Sell Farm  
 Pen of Three Rabbits - Grand Champion - Shoemaker's Garage  
 Pen of Three Rabbits - Reserve Grand Champion- Shoemaker's Garage  
 Dozen Eggs - Grand Champion - EJ & Sonia McNamara  
 Dozen Eggs - Reserve Grand Champion - Honor Credit Union

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 Sandy Ridge Farm  
 Henderson Power  
 Frenches' Gardening Service  
 Stan & Mary Darling  
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 Phyllis Seiler  
 Gouker Auctioneer  
 Marcellus Auto & Farm Supply  
 Emmaline Towne  
 Turner Farms  
 Ron & Kandy Dixon  
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 Jon Stermer  
 Smokin Butcher  
 Tractor Supply South Haven  
 Van Buren Youth Fair  
 Son Kissed Acres  
 Excavation & Trucks  
 Southwestern Michigan Feed  
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 Dan Bohle  
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 Shannon Moore  
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 Captured Simplicity  
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Craig Farms  
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 Dan & Carisa Hostetler  
 Seelye Chevrolet/GMC - South Haven  
 Sew on in Longarm Quilting  
 Jacob LaRue  
 Twenty-Two Hair & Wellness Salon  
 TNT Farms  
 Dave & Joyce Deines  
 Rickli & Daughter Farms  
 Lori Alexander  
 Midwest Energy & Communications  
 Crossroads Food Animal Veterinary  
 Service  
 Marvin Henderson  
 Kelly Hunter Photography  
 Hard Rocks Farm, The Percival Family  
 Hartford Speedway  
 Fleetwoods Heating and Cooling  
 Jack Stermer  
 Field Plumbing & Heating  
 Fleetwood Farms  
 Renoma Westphal  
 South HavenFamily Dentistry  
 Unitech  
 Engel Family  
 Fleetwood Farms Two  
 Misty Hollow Farm  
 Janet Tripp  
 Vicki Alexander  
 Tapper Auto Group  
 Decatur Feed LLC  
 Warren Sell  
 BurkeTurkey

Gorilla Farms  
 Scott Griffin  
 Joanne Kennedy  
 Pine Grove Greenhouse  
 Peacock Rocks  
 Mary Moss  
 David & A.C. Aldag  
 Tim Schipper  
 Wendie Honeysett  
 Denise Husted  
 Richard Bus  
 Linda Irwin  
 Lake Michigan Mailers  
 Shawn & Melissa Emmons  
 Austin Terry  
 Gene Sahr Farm  
 West Michigan Air Care  
 Felix Gallegos  
 Scott Flick Concrete Construction  
 Gary Vanlandingham  
 Thomas House  
 Jean Hartmann  
 Cameron Higgs  
 Robert Branch  
 Beverly Ransler  
 Compton, Inc. South Haven  
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 Tammy Dykstra  
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 Tom Stermer  
 Sharon Zitek  
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 Oak Ridge Feed & Pet Salon  
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 Arlington Trading Post  
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 Sell Farm  
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 Hostetler Crazy Acres  
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 Ashley Leighton  
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# CARCASS RULES

**Superintendent: Carisa Hostetler (269)377-9998**

**Asst. Superintendent: Dan Hostetler (269)377-9262**

LIVE WEIGH-IN: Sunday, July 9, 2023 –

5:00 to 6:20 p.m. at Van Buren Youth Fairgrounds

CARCASS JUDGING: Monday, July 10, 2023 –

6:00 p.m. at Pease Packing

## For All Species

1. All animals must be weighed in from 5:00 p.m. to 6:20 p.m. on the day of the live evaluation at the fairgrounds.
2. One animal per species may be entered.
3. The show will start at 6:30 p.m. in the following order: Swine, Sheep, Goats and Beef.
4. Show attire must be worn for live and hanging evaluation. Jackets/Sweatshirts are permitted after pictures at the hanging evaluation. No flip flops are allowed.
5. Judging will be 100% judged on hanging score for all species.
6. Exhibitors must be present for both the live and hanging evaluations. (Unless approval has been given by the fair board.)
7. Grand and Reserve placing for all species will be sold at the Large Animal Auction at the Fair. Goat Carcasses will be sold at the Small Animal Auction.
8. Exhibitors are responsible to pay all processing expenses for their animals (except for Grand and Reserve Champion placings). All animals must be processed at Pease Packing.
9. All carcass exhibitors must exhibit at fair with a breeding or market animal in the species they are showing a carcass animal in.
10. There is a \$10 fee per animal for transporting to the processing plant. This will be collected at the time of the live show at the fairgrounds. Grand and Reserve Champions will be given their fee back after the awards presentation.
11. All Beef animals must be broke to lead, clipping them is optional. Sheep must be shorn and Goats must be clipped.

## Swine Requirements

<b>Swine Carcass Class:</b>	A	B	C
Class 232 – Swine Carcass	7.00	6.00	5.00
Class 234 – Grand & Reserve Grand Champion Swine Carcass			

Exhibitors in class 232 will receive Placing Rosettes (1-5 place). First and Second place exhibitors in class 233 will receive Grand and Reserve Grand Champion Trophies and Banners.

1. Carcasses will be measured at the 10<sup>th</sup> rib for Loin Eye Area. Any LEA measuring less than 4.5 square inches will result in disqualification.
2. Carcasses will be measured for fat depth, which can be no less than .2” and no more than 1.25”. Any

measurements outside this range will result in disqualification.

3. If the 10<sup>th</sup> rib fat measurement is less than 0.40” it will be entered into the equation at 0.40” giving no advantage to leaner carcasses.
4. If the judge determines that the carcass is PSE this will also lead to a disqualification.

## Sheep & Goat Requirements

<b>Sheep Carcass Class:</b>	A	B	C
Class 128 – Sheep Carcass	7.00	6.00	5.00
Class 129 – Grand & Reserve Grand Champion Sheep Carcass			

1. Fat Thickness will be measured at the 12<sup>th</sup> rib, which can be no less than .1”. Any measurement less than .1” will result in a disqualification.
2. Any measurement less than 2.10 square inches for the rib-eye area will also result in a disqualification.

<b>Goat Carcass Class:</b>	A	B	C
Class 189 – Goat Carcass	7.00	6.00	5.00
Class 190 – Grand & Reserve Grand Champion Goat Carcass			

Exhibitors in classes 127 & 189 will receive Placing Rosettes (1-5 place). First and Second place exhibitors in classes 128 & 190 will receive Grand and Reserve Grand Champion Trophies and Banners.

## Beef Requirements

<b>Beef Carcass Class:</b>	A	B	C
Class 86 – Beef Carcass	7.00	6.00	5.00
Class 87 – Grand & Reserve Grand Champion Swine Carcass			

Exhibitors in class 84 will receive Placing Rosettes (1-5 place). First and Second place exhibitors in class 85 will receive Grand and Reserve Grand Champion Trophies and Banners.

1. Carcasses ranked by best combination of yield and quality grades.
  - a. Minimum quality grade for Yield grade 1, 2, & 3 carcasses is **Choice-**. All carcasses achieving the minimum **Choice-** quality grade and 3.99 yield grades will be ranked by yield grade.
  - b. **Select+** quality grade 1 & 2 carcasses ranked next by yield grade.
  - c. **Choice-** Yield grade 4 carcasses ranked next by yield grade.
  - d. **Select-** and lower quality carcasses and yield grade 5 carcasses ranked by judge’s discretion

# RATE OF GAIN

Superintendent: Karen Kubiszak (269) 254-4085

Asst. Superintendent: Marcia Sieber (269) 501-0600

## FOR ALL SPECIES:

1. Participation in "Rate of Gain" is encouraged.
2. Official beginning weights will be recorded at the Van Buren Fairgrounds on
  - a. Saturday, December 17<sup>th</sup>  
HOURS: 10:00 am – 2:00 pm
  - b. Saturday, April 29<sup>th</sup> HOURS: 10:00 am – 2:00 pm
  - c. Sunday, April 30<sup>th</sup> HOURS: 1:00 pm – 3:00 pm
  - d. Exhibitors attending the Winter Beef Show at MSU may use those recorded weights as beginning weights but MUST text a picture of their class sheet with weight to the Superintendent (269-254-4085) no later than December 31, 2022.
3. Tagging will be offered for FREE, but exhibitor is responsible to pay the Tag fee.
4. Official ending weights will be determined at weigh-in for the species that have completed the requirements and are exhibited at the fair.
5. RATE OF GAIN Awards will be announced during fair week.

### MARKET BEEF RATE OF GAIN:

**Saturday, December 17<sup>th</sup> – Hours: 10:00 am – 3:00 pm**

DEPT 4, Division II, Section f – MARKET BEEF RATE OF GAIN

Class 86 – Beef Steer Rate of Gain

Class 87 – Grand Champion & Reserve

Champion Beef Steer Rate of Gain

Class 88 – Dairy Beef Steer Rate of Gain

Class 89 – Grand Champion & Reserve

Champion Dairy Steer Rate of Gain

(A) Premium 2.25 lbs. per day and above (\$5.00)

(B) Premium 1.80 – 2.24 lbs. per day (\$4.00)

(C) Premium 1.79 lbs. per day and below (\$3.00)

### FEEDER CALF RATE OF GAIN :

**Saturday, April 29<sup>th</sup> – Hours: 10:00 am – 2:00 pm**

**Sunday, April 30<sup>th</sup> – Hours: 1:00 pm – 3:00 pm**

DEPT 4, Division I, Section d – FEEDER CALF RATE OF GAIN

Class 53 – Beef Feeder Calf Rate of Gain

Class 54 – Grand Champion and Reserve



Champion Beef Feeder Calf Rate of Gain

Class 55 – Dairy Feeder Calf Rate of Gain

Class 56 – Grand Champion and Reserve

Champion Dairy Feeder Calf Rate of Gain

(A) Premium 2.25 lbs. per day and above (\$5.00)

(B) Premium 1.80 – 2.24 lbs. per day (\$4.00)

(C) Premium 1.79 lbs. per day and below (\$3.00)

### SHEEP RATE OF GAIN:

**Saturday, April 29<sup>th</sup> – Hours: 10:00 am**

**Sunday, April 30<sup>th</sup> – Hours: 1:00 pm – 3:00 pm**

DEPT 6, Division I, Section f – SHEEP RATE OF GAIN

Class 129 – Market Lamb Rate of Gain

Class 130 – Grand Champion and Reserve Champion Sheep Rate of Gain

(A) Premium .70 lbs. per day and above (\$5.00)

(B) Premium .58 - .69 lbs. per day (\$4.00)

(C) Premium .30 - .57 lbs. per day 7 (\$3.00)

### SWINE RATE OF GAIN:

**Saturday, April 29<sup>th</sup> – Hours: 10:00 am – 2:00 pm**

**Sunday, April 30<sup>th</sup> - Hours 1:00 pm – 3:00 pm**

DEPT 10, Division I, Section e – SWINE RATE OF GAIN

Class 234 – Market Hogs Rate of Gain

Class 235 – Grand Champion and Reserve Champion Swine Rate of Gain

(A) Premium 1.90 pounds per day and above (\$5.00)

(B) Premium 1.75 – 1.89 lbs. per day (\$4.00)

(C) Premium 1.74 lbs. per day and below (\$3.00)

## SMALL ANIMAL EXHIBIT RULES

1. All small animal exhibitors must submit a small animal pen reservation for each species and a fair registration form by June 15. For more information, contact the MSU Extension Office
2. All small animal exhibitors must pay a non-refundable \$10.00 per family due on June 15 along with pen registration forms. Make checks payable to Van Buren Youth Fair – SMAC. This money goes to SMAC Treasury for cages and needed supplies. If the \$10.00 fee is not paid, the exhibitor(s) will not be allowed to show.
3. All small animal exhibitors showing auction animals must submit a form W-9 to the Van Buren Fair office by June 15.
4. All small animals entered must be free of infectious diseases. No animals may be in the barn/put in cages until they are inspected by the Superintendent or designee. Animals that do not pass inspection must be taken home. Animals that develop symptoms during fair week must be taken home. Animals that have lice, ticks, mange, external parasites or other disease or unthrifty condition will be sent home.
5. All pens must be labeled with at least exhibitor name. Identification cards will be available at the time of check-in or you may provide your own.
6. Exhibitors must furnish their own feed and water containers and animals must be fed daily and have water continuously.
7. Small animal exhibitors must provide their own sawdust and/or bedding.
8. Pens and exhibit area should be kept clean during the week. Pens must be cleaned and put away before leaving the fair grounds on Sunday at the end of fair week.
9. All exhibitors must attend or be represented at a mandatory Small Animal Exhibitors meeting in the species they are exhibiting as follows: Rabbits, Pocket Pets, Poultry, and/or Goats.
10. Exhibitor must show his/her own animal in showmanship classes.
11. Ownership Deadline: Refer to species rules.
12. **Dress code: Long sleeved white shirt with black pants.**  
Goat exhibitors must follow rules in the Goat section (Dept. 8 – Goats, page 55). Exhibitors are required to wear show clothes during all small animal classes, for auction pictures, and while selling animals at the SMAC auction. Any exhibitor not in show clothes will not be allowed to participate in the show and/or sell his/her animal(s).
13. Entry time for animals are as follows:
 

a. Pocket Pets	2 p.m. - 3 p.m. Saturday, July 15
b. Rabbits	10 a.m. - 12 p.m. Saturday, July 15
c. Poultry - Pullorum Testing	7 a.m. - 10 a.m. Saturday, July 15
d. Poultry - Check-in	8 a.m. - 10 a.m. Saturday, July 15
e. Goats	5 p.m. - 8 p.m. Saturday, July 15
14. Only animals entered in market classes may be sold at the Small Animal Auction. A market pen is any commercial breed raised for market.
15. Grand and Reserve Grand Champion Market Animals must be sold at the auction. All exhibitors may sell their market animals. Any exhibitor that does not wish to sell their market animal(s) must inform the species superintendent by noon on Tuesday, July 18, 2023
16. All market exhibitors are required to be present at the auction. If a conflict arises, the exhibitor must contact the species superintendent by Tuesday, July 18, 2023. All auction decisions are at the discretion of the species superintendent.
17. Release times and cleanup for small animals are Sunday, 6:00 am - 8:00 am. Exhibitors are required to stay until released by their species superintendent.
18. Sunday cleanup is expected to be done by exhibitors or other designated persons. A clean up fee of \$25.00 will be assessed if pens are not cleaned. The fee will be taken from the auction check or be billed to the exhibitor. If the fee is not paid, the exhibitor will not be allowed to show the next year.
19. Small Animal auction checks will be sent to exhibitors as soon as incoming funds are available, but no later than August 31.
20. A thank you card must be filled out and handed to the superintendent at the awards ceremony on Saturday to receive trophies. Cards will be sold during the auction on Wednesday of fair week.
21. All market exhibitors are encouraged to hang a personalized thank you to their buyer(s) and send a personalized thank you.
22. Exhibitors' animals will be selected by the Superintendent for Showmanship Sweepstakes. Any exhibitors not wanting their animal chosen must inform the species superintendent at check-in.
23. Accommodations for Special Needs exhibitors will be provided as needed.
24. Any animal sold through the Small Animal Auction bought by any buyer (including donations received) will be charged a 6% commission fee to the Small Animal Committee account. The 6% commission fee will be deducted from each exhibitor's auction check after the auction photo plaque cost is deducted. The commission fee includes accounting costs, advertising, auctioneer gift cards, office supplies, and printing of sale bill.
25. All exhibitors who participate in the Small Animal Auction are required to submit a stamped thank you card, addressed to their buyer(s), to the appropriate superintendent prior to check out on Sunday.
26. All animals in the small animal classes which are offered for sale and sold at the fair SMAC auction must be properly cared for by the exhibitor throughout the entire period of the fair.
27. Differently Abled exhibitors shall follow all rules according to their species. If they choose to participate in a regular class (instead of the Friday Differently Abled Show which allows for some small market animals), they should enter the Differently Abled Showmanship class for the species to be shown. The exhibit will be shown in the showmanship age class for their species. Differently Abled exhibitors ages 19 to 26 will show their exhibit in the highest senior showmanship class. Superintendents will work with the exhibitor, their family, and the Differently Abled Superintendent to make appropriate arrangements. These arrangements may include showing at a different time, being accompanied by a teen mentor/adult, etc. Differently Abled exhibitors will receive a special showmanship trophy. Differently Abled are not eligible for Small Animal Sweepstakes. Differently Abled exhibitors interested in showing small market animals without exhibiting their own animal throughout Fair week should work with a teen mentor to enter the Friday Differently Abled Show.

## **Small Animal Showmanship** **Sweepstakes**

**Friday, July 21, 2023**

**Judging begins at 10:00 a.m.**

**Superintendent: Denise King (269) 271-5052**

**Asst. Superintendent: Megan Vasquez – (269) 655-6200**

1. There shall be two divisions in the Small Animal Showmanship Sweepstakes: Juniors: 13-14 years of age during the current calendar year and Seniors: 15-19 years of age during the current calendar year.
2. First place individuals in each species will be eligible to compete.
3. If an exhibitor wins more than one species for the showmanship, he/she may choose what species he/she will represent. The next place showmanship winner will represent the species that he/she chooses not to show.
4. An exhibitor must inform the superintendent if he/she chooses not to participate in the Sweepstakes. The next placing will then move into the contest.
5. The following species shall participate in the Small Animal Showmanship Sweepstakes: Chickens, Other Poultry, Rabbits, Cavies, and Lab Animals.
6. In each Sweepstakes division contestants will show all five species.
7. There will be a mandatory meeting on Wednesday during fair week at 12:00 p.m. at the Fairgrounds 4-H Office with all contestants or their proxies present.
8. The Sweepstakes contest will be held on Friday, July 21, 2023 beginning at 10:00 a.m. Participants should be at Barn #7 no later than 9:30 am. The Juniors and Seniors will show in a "round robin":
9. All contestants must wear show clothes during the competition: Long sleeve white shirt with black pants.
10. Scoring in each division contest is as follows:
  - a. Points shall be awarded to contestants based on their placing in each species. First place will receive one point, second place two points, etc.
  - b. After showing all five species, the contestant scoring the lowest total points shall be declared Small Animal Showmanship Sweepstakes Champion for the Junior and Senior Class.

- c. In the event of a tie at the conclusion of the contest, the contestants involved will be asked to answer the breaking questions selected randomly from a list prepared in advance by the judges/superintendents. The winner will be chosen based on the Judges' decision. The Judge's decision is final.

11. Winners will be announced at the end of the Sweepstakes contest, rather than after each species. A trophy and rosette will be presented to the Champion in each division. Second through fifth place will receive placing rosettes.



# Van Buren Youth Fair Event Schedule

## June 15

Fair registration deadline

## Saturday, July 15

7:00 a.m. – 10:00 a.m.	Pullorum Testing/Enter Poultry
9:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m.	Judging of ALL STILL EXHIBITS 30 Minute Lunch (Noon to 12:30 p.m.)
10:00 a.m. – 12 Noon	Enter Rabbits
12:00 Noon	Dog Show
2:00 p.m. - 3:00 p.m.	Enter Pocket Pets
5:00 p.m. – 8:00 p.m.	Enter Goats
7:00 p.m. – 10:00 p.m.	Enter Beef, Sheep and Dairy

## Sunday, July 16

8:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m.	Enter Draft Horses
10:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m.	Enter Horses
12:00 Noon	Rabbit Judging - Barn #7
4:00 p.m.	Horses – Senior Rides and Social Gathering
6:00 p.m. – 7:00 p.m.	Enter Dairy
7:00 p.m. – 10:00 p.m.	Enter Swine
7:00 p.m. – 10:00 p.m.	MLE Participants Enter Livestock

## Monday, July 17

### ARMED FORCES DAY

**Free admission for Veterans and Active Military until 5 p.m.**

8:00 a.m.	Goat Judging
10:00 a.m.	Beef Judging
11:00 a.m.	Pocket Pets Judging
1:00 p.m.	Armed Services Day Program
2:00 p.m.	Driving – Horses – Horse Arena
3:00 p.m.	Gymkhana – Horses – Makeup Arena
4:00 p.m.	Cat Show
6:00 p.m.	Farm Stock Tractor Pull (Signup begins at 3:00 p.m.)
7:00 p.m.	Youth Talent Show
7:00 p.m.	<b>Magic Cloud Balloons – Tethered Rides Hillside Entertainment</b>

## Tuesday, July 18

**MIDWAY OPENS at 3:00 p.m.**

### LADIES DAY & SENIOR CITIZENS DAY

**Free Admission for Ladies (19 and over) and Seniors until 5 p.m.**

8:00 a.m.	Poultry Judging
8:30 a.m.	English Horse and Pony Show - Horse Arena
9:00 a.m.	Swine Judging - Livestock Arena
7:00 p.m.	<b>Hartford NTPA Nationals: Super Farm Tractors, 2 Wheel Drive Pickups Mini Modifieds Hillside Entertainment</b>

## Wednesday, July 19

**MIDWAY OPENS at 1:00 p.m.**

### KIDS' DAY

**FREE ADMISSION 18 YRS & UNDER UNTIL 5:00 P.M.**

8:30 a.m.	Western Horse & Pony Show - Horse Arena
9:00 a.m.	Sheep Judging - Livestock Arena
10:00 a.m.	Adult Draft Horse Show – Draft Horse Arena
11:00 a.m.	Youth Draft Horse Show - Draft Horse Arena
3:00 p.m.	Small Market Animal Buyer Registration
4:00 p.m.	Small Market Animal Auction (Goats, Gallon of Milk, Rabbits, Eggs, Poultry) See Buyer's Letter for Order of Sale
5:00 p.m.	Dairy Judging (Livestock Arena)
7:00 p.m.	<b>KOI Drag Racing Hillside Entertainment</b>

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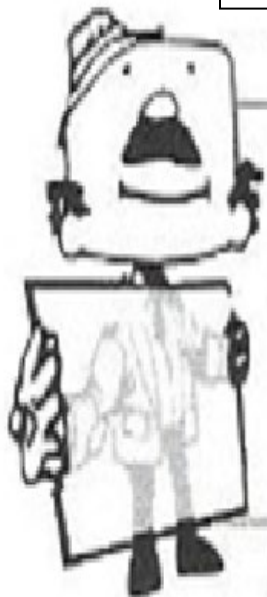
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## **Thursday, July 20**

### **MIDWAY OPENS at 3:00 p.m.**

- 8:30 a.m. Gymkhana Horse & Pony Show - Horse Arena
- 9:00 a.m. Livestock Buyer Registration
- 10:00 a.m. Livestock Auction  
(Beef, Beef Feeders, Dairy Feeders, Milk, Sheep, Swine)  
**See Buyer's Letter for Order of Sale**
- 1:00 p.m. Pony Pull (Draft Horse Arena)
- 7:30 p.m. TNT Demolition Derby**  
**Hillside Entertainment**

## **Friday, July 21**

### **MIDWAY OPENS at 3:00 p.m.**

- 8:30 a.m. Trail, Versatility, Pattern & Costume Show –  
Horse Arenas
- 10:00 a.m. Small Animal Sweepstakes - Barn #7
- 12:00 Noon Pedal Tractor Pull – Barn #7
- 7:00 p.m. Super Kicker Rodeo Production**  
**Hillside Entertainment**
- 9:00 p.m. FIREWORKS**
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## **MIDWAY HOURS**

### **May be adjusted due to covid guidelines.**

- Tuesday – 3 p.m. to Closing  
Wednesday – 1 p.m. to Closing  
Thursday – 3 p.m. to Closing  
Friday – 3 p.m. to Closing  
Saturday – 3 p.m. to Closing

**Amusement Attractions have height restrictions.**

**Grandstand Tickets sold at all Fair Ticket Booth**

## **Saturday, July 22**

### **MIDWAY OPENS at 3:00 p.m.**

- 9:00 a.m. Large Livestock Jr/Sr Showmanship Sweepstakes
- 10:00 a.m. Michigan Horsepulling Boat Association-  
Hillside Track Area
- 12 Noon Horse Exhibitor Awards Program  
Horse Show Arena
- 1:00 p.m. Small Animal Exhibitor Awards Program  
Large Livestock Show Arena
- 1:00 p.m. Open Draft Horse/Mule/Pony Hitch Show -  
Draft Horse Arena
- 2:00 p.m. Cat and Dog Exhibitors Awards Program  
Large Livestock Show Arena
- 3:00 p.m. Livestock Exhibitors Awards Program  
Large Livestock Show Arena
- 6:00 p.m. Youth Parade – Large Livestock Arena
- 7:00 p.m. Unique Motor Sports Demolition Derby**  
**Hillside Entertainment**

## **Sunday, July 23**

Animal Exhibits release: See Exhibitor Rules – P. 26 - Rule #7

Pick up non-animal Exhibits

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## **HILLSIDE SEATING**

### **Monday**

### **Tethered Hot Air Balloon Rides**

### **Free Viewing**

Ride Prices Determined by Vendor

### **Tuesday**

- Ages 6 and over - \$10.00  
Ages 5 and Under - FREE  
Pit Passes - All ages - \$10.00

### **Wednesday**

- Ages 13 and over - \$10.00  
Ages 6-12 - \$5.00  
Ages 5 and Under - FREE  
Pit Passes – All ages - \$10.00

### **Thursday**

- Ages 6 and over - \$10.00  
Ages 5 and Under - FREE  
Pit Passes – all ages - \$20.00

### **Friday & Saturday**

- Ages 6 and over - \$10.00  
Ages 5 and Under – FREE  
Pit Passes for Drivers and Crew Only

### **Weekly Passes - Good for all 6 nights**

- 13 and over - \$40.00  
Ages 6-12 - \$30.00  
Ages 5 and Under - FREE

**ALL PIT PASSES FEES ARE IN ADDITION TO HILLSIDE  
ENTRANCE FEES ON TUESDAY, WEDNESDAY & THURSDAY**

## DEPT. 2 - DAIRY

Wednesday, July 19 5:00 p.m.

**Superintendent: Colleen Overacker (269) 377-7217**

**Assist. Superintendent: Angel Wold (269) 655-4758**

Exhibitors of milk-producing dairy cows and milk-producing dairy goats will be advised that these animals will be exposed to swine. For biosecurity considerations and federal law; milk produced at this fair is not suitable for human consumption. Milk shall be disposed of in a proper manner.

### **DIVISION 1 – DAIRY CATTLE**

#### **Section a – SHOWMANSHIP**

Exhibitors in classes 1, 2, 4-6 and 8 will receive Showmanship Rosettes (1-5 places). All exhibitors in class 8 will receive participation ribbons. First place exhibitors in classes 1, 2, 4-6 and 8 will receive trophies.

Class 1 – Senior II Showman (17-19 years old)

Class 2 – Senior I Showman (15-16 years old)

Class 3 – Senior Champion Showmanship Run-Off

Class 4 – Junior Showman (13-14 years old)

Class 5 – Young II Showman (11-12 years old)

Class 6 – Young I Showman (9-10 years old)

Class 7 – Junior Championship Run-Off

Class 8 – Pee Wee Showman (6 – 8 years old)

The first place exhibitors in Class 3 & 7 will be the representatives for the Large Livestock Showmanship Sweepstakes competition.

**Section a1 – Class 1 - Differently Abled Showmanship (6-26 years). This exhibit will be shown in the showmanship age classes listed in Section a above based on the exhibitor's age on January 1<sup>st</sup>.**

#### **Section b – DAIRY BREEDS**

	A	B	C
Class 9 – Junior Calf – female only (Born 1/1 to 7/1 current year)	7.00	6.00	5.00
Class 10 – Senior Calf (Born 7/1 – 12/31 last year)	7.00	6.00	5.00
Class 11 – Dairy Heifer (born before 7/1 last year)	7.00	6.00	5.00
Class 12 – Grand & Reserve Grand Champion Heifer (1 <sup>st</sup> and 2 <sup>nd</sup> places of classes 8 – 10)			
Class 13 – Dairy Cows	8.00	7.00	6.00
Class 14 – Exhibitor's Herd (2 animals owned by one exhibitor)	7.00	6.00	5.00
Class 15 – Dam-Daughter (Owned by one exhibitor)	7.00	6.00	5.00

**Exhibitor must be 9 years old as of January 1<sup>st</sup> of the current year to exhibit a mature dairy female in Dept. 2, Classes 10 – 15.**

Exhibitors in Classes 9 – 11, class 13, classes 14 – 15 will receive placing rosettes (1-5) and A, B, C ribbons. First and second place winners of 12 and 13 will receive Champion and Reserve Champion Trophies and Banners. The first place winners in class 12 and 13 will receive \$15.00 and the second place winners will receive \$10.00.

#### **Section c – DAIRY PROJECT EVALUATION**

Learning objective: Youth will demonstrate livestock knowledge by selecting, maintaining care, feeding & exhibiting a finished livestock project.

	A	B	C
Class 21 – Dairy Evaluation	10.00	8.00	6.00

Exhibitors in Class 21 will receive A, B, C ribbons. Dairy exhibitors will have an oral interview with the judge on Friday from 9:00 a.m. to 11:00 a.m.

## DEPT 4 – BEEF

Monday, July 17 10:00 A.M.

### DIVISION I - BEEF & DAIRY FEEDER CALF

Superintendent: Marcia Sieber (269) 501-0600

Assistant Superintendent: Taylor Streit

Assistant Superintendent: J. J. DeVries

### Section a – FEEDER CALF SHOWMANSHIP

Exhibitors in classes 25, 26, 28-30 and 32-33 will receive Placing Rosettes (1-5 place). First place exhibitors in classes 25-33 will receive a trophy. First place exhibitors in classes 32-33 will receive a participation ribbon.

Class 25 – Senior II Feeder Calf Showmanship (17-19 years)

Class 26 – Senior I Feeder Calf Showmanship (15-16 years)

Class 27 – Senior Champion Feeder Calf Showmanship Run-off

Class 28 – Junior Feeder Calf Showmanship (13-14 years)

Class 29 – Young II Feeder Calf Showmanship (11-12 years)

Class 30 – Young I Feeder Calf Showmanship (9-10 years)

Class 31 – Junior Champion Feeder Calf Showmanship Run-off

Class 32 – Pee Wee II Feeder Calf Showmanship (7 born 1/1 – 6/30 & 8 years)

Class 33 – Pee Wee I Feeder Calf Showmanship (6 & 7 born 7/1 – 12/31 years)

The first place exhibitors in Class 27 and 31 will be the representatives for the Large Livestock Showmanship Sweepstakes.

### Section a1 – Class 1 – Differently Abled Showmanship (6-26 yrs.)

This exhibit will be shown in the showmanship age classes listed in Section a above based on the exhibitor's age on January 1<sup>st</sup>.

### Section b – BEEF FEEDER CALF MARKET ANIMALS

**LIGHTWEIGHT CLASS – MINIMUM OF 250 POUNDS – MAXIMUM OF 400 POUNDS**

**HEAVYWEIGHT CLASS – MINIMUM OF 401 POUND – MAXIMUM OF 675 POUNDS**

Class 34 – Lightweight Beef Feeder

Class 35 – Lightweight Beef Feeder

Class 36 – Lightweight Beef Feeder

Class 37 – Lightweight Grand and Reserve Grand Champion Beef Feeder

Class 38 – Heavyweight Beef Feeder

Class 39 – Heavyweight Beef Feeder

Class 40 – Heavyweight Beef Feeder

Class 41 – Heavyweight Grand and Reserve Grand Champion Beef Feeder

Class 42 – Supreme Beef Feeder Champion

Heavyweight Beef Feeder Champion vs

Lightweight Beef Feeder Champion

### Section c – DAIRY FEEDER CALF MARKET ANIMALS

**LIGHTWEIGHT CLASS – MINIMUM OF 250 POUNDS – MAXIMUM OF 400 POUNDS**

**HEAVYWEIGHT CLASS – MINIMUM OF 401 POUND – MAXIMUM OF 675 POUNDS**

Class 43 – Lightweight Dairy Feeder

Class 44 – Lightweight Dairy Feeder

Class 45 – Lightweight Dairy Feeder

Class 46 – Lightweight Dairy Feeder

Class 47 – Lightweight Grand and Reserve Grand Champion Dairy Feeder

Class 48 – Heavyweight Dairy Feeder

Class 49 – Heavyweight Dairy Feeder

Class 50 – Heavyweight Dairy Feeder

Class 51 – Heavyweight Dairy Feeder

Class 52 – Heavyweight Grand and Reserve Grand Champion Dairy Feeder

Class 53 – Supreme Champion Dairy Feeder  
Heavyweight Dairy Feeder Champion vs  
Lightweight Dairy Feeder Champion

Exhibitors in classes 34-36, 38-40, 43-47, 48-51 will receive A, B, C ribbons and Placing Rosettes (1-5 place). First and second place exhibitors in classes 37, 41, 47, & 52 will receive a Grand and Reserve Grand Champion Trophy and Banner. Classes 42 and 53 will receive an award.

### Section d – FEEDER CALF PROJECT EVALUATION

Learning Objective: Youth will demonstrate livestock knowledge by selecting, maintaining care, feeding, and exhibiting a finished feeder project.

	A	B	C
Class 54 – Feeder Evaluation	10.00	8.00	6.00

Feeder exhibitors will have a short interview with the judge on Friday beginning at 9:00 a.m. and ending at 11:00 a.m. Rating will be based on interview, record book and animal.

### Section e – FEEDER CALF RATE OF GAIN

Superintendent: Karen Kubiszak (269) 254-4085

Assistant Superintendent: Marcia Sieber (269) 501-0600

### RATE OF GAIN RULES – SEE PAGE 41

PREMIUMS	A	B	C
	5.00	4.00	3.00

(A) Premium – 2.25 lbs. per day and above

(B) Premium – 1.80 – 2.24 lbs. per day

(C) Premium – 1.79 lbs. per day and below

Class 55 – Beef Feeder Calf Rate of Gain

Class 56 – Grand and Reserve Grand Champion Beef Feeder Calf

Class 57 – Dairy Feeder Calf Rate of Gain

Class 58 – Grand and Reserve Grand Champion Dairy Feeder Calf

Grand Champion and Reserve Grand 'champion exhibitors will receive an award and a sign will be placed above the animal pens. There will be a 30 minute break to allow the judge time to eat and for exhibitors to get their animals ready for the next show.

## **DIVISION II – BEEF BREEDING**

**Superintendent: Jessica Terry (269) 377-7307**

**Assistant Superintendent: Jared Dykstra (269) 370-3293**

EXHIBITOR MUST BE 9 YEARS OF AGE AS OF JANUARY 1<sup>ST</sup> OF THE CURRENT YEAR TO SHOW IN BEEF BREEDING CLASSES 59-60.

### **Section a – BEEF BREEDING**

	A	B	C
Class 59 – Beef Calf-female only	5.00	4.00	3.00
Class 60 – Beef Heifer Senior Calf	6.00	5.00	4.00
Born 7/1 last year to 1/1 current year			
Class 61 – Beef Heifer	7.00	6.00	5.00
Born 7/1 year before last to 7/1 last year			
Class 62 – Beef Cow	7.00	6.00	5.00
Class 63 – Beef Breed Grand and Reserve Grand Champion			

Exhibitors in classes 59-63 will receive A, B, C and Placing Rosettes (1-5 place). First and Second place exhibitors in class 63 will receive a Grand Champion or Reserve Grand Champion Trophy and Banner. The first place winner in class 63 will receive \$15.00. The second place winner in Class 63 will receive \$10.00.

## **DIVISION III – BEEF AND DAIRY STEERS**

**Superintendent: Jessica Terry (269) 377-7307**

**Assistant Superintendent: Jared Dykstra (269) 370-3293**

EXHIBITOR MUST BE 9 YEARS OF AGE AS OF JANUARY 1<sup>ST</sup> OF THE CURRENT YEAR TO SHOW IN BEEF MARKET CLASSES 71-83.

### **Section a – BEEF AND DAIRY STEER SHOWMANSHIP**

- Class 64 – Senior II Showmanship (17-19 years)
- Class 65 – Senior I Showmanship (15-16 years)
- Class 66 – Senior Champion Showmanship Run-off
- Class 67 – Junior Showmanship (13-14 years)
- Class 68 – Young II Showmanship (11-12 years)
- Class 69 – Young I Showmanship (9-10 years)
- Class 70 – Junior Champion Showmanship Run-off

Exhibitors in Classes 64-65, 67-69 will receive Placing Rosette (1-5). First place exhibitors will receive a trophy.

The first place exhibitors in Class 66 and 70 will be the representatives for the Large Livestock Showmanship Sweepstakes.

**Section a1 – Class 1 - Differently Abled Showmanship (6-26 years)** This exhibit will be shown in the showmanship age classes listed in Section a above based on the exhibitor's age on January 1<sup>st</sup>.

There will be a 15 minute break to allow exhibitors to prepare for the next show.

### **Section b – MARKET BEEF ANIMALS**

WEIGHT DIVISIONS DETERMINED AFTER WEIGH-IN

- Class 71 – Market Beef
- Class 72 – Market Beef
- Class 73 – Market Beef
- Class 74 – Market Beef
- Class 75 – Market Beef
- Class 76 – Market Beef
- Class 77 – Market Beef

Class 78 – Market Beef

Class 79 – Market Animal Grand Champion & Reserve Grand Champion

Class 80 – Dairy Breed Steer

Class 81 – Dairy Breed Steer

Class 82 – Dairy Breed Steer Grand Champion & Reserve Grand Champion Steers

Class 83 – Van Buren County Born & Raised

Completed forms for Class 83 must be turned in by December 31<sup>st</sup>. Ribbons will be awarded to the Grand Champion & Reserve Grand Champion Van Buren County Born & Raised Market Animal. This class will not affect the Market Placing Sale Order.

Exhibitors in classes 71-78 and 80-81 will receive A, B, C Ribbons & Placing Rosettes (1-5 place). First and second place in classes 79 & 82 will receive a Grand Champion and Reserve Grand Champion trophy, a belt buckle and a banner.

### **Section c – BEEF PROJECT EVALUATION**

Learning Objective: Youth will demonstrate livestock knowledge by selecting, maintaining care, feeding and exhibiting a finished livestock project.

	A	B	C
Class 84 – Beef Evaluation	10.00	8.00	6.00
Class 85 – Beef Breeding Stock Evaluation	10.00	8.00	6.00

Beef exhibitors will have a short interview with the judge on Friday, beginning at 9:00 a.m. and ending at 11:00 a.m. Rating will be based on interview, record book, and animal.

### **Section d – BEEF CARCASS CLASS**

**Superintendent: Carisa Hostetler (269) 377-9998**

**Assistant Superintendent: Dan Hostetler (269) 377-9262**

	A	B	C
Class 86 – Beef Carcass	7.00	6.00	5.00
Class 87 – Grand and Reserve Grand Champion Beef Carcass			

Exhibitors in class 86 will receive Placing Rosettes (1-5 place). First and Second place exhibitors in 87 will receive Grand Champion and Reserve Grand Champion Trophies and Banners.

### **BEEF CARCASS RULES – SEE PAGE 40**

### **Section e – RATE OF GAIN**

**Superintendent: Karen Kubisak (269) 254-4085**

**Assistant Superintendent: Marcia Sieber (269) 501-0600**

### **RATE OF GAIN RULES – SEE PAGE 41**

PREMIUMS	A	B	C
	5.00	4.00	3.00
(A) Premium – 2.25 lbs. per day and above			
(B) Premium – 1.80 – 2.24 lbs. per day			
(C) Premium – 1.79 lbs. per day and below			

Class 88 – Beef Steer Rate of Gain

Class 89 – Grand Champion & Reserve Grand Champion Beef Steer Rate of Gain

Class 90 – Dairy Beef Steer Rate of Gain

Class 91 – Grand Champion & Reserve Grand Champion Dairy Beef Steer Rate of Gain

Grand Champion and Reserve Grand Champion exhibitors in Class 91 will receive an award and a sign will be placed above the animal pen.

# DEPT 6 – SHEEP

Wednesday, July 19 9:00 a.m.

Superintendent: Katie Klett (989) 621-8380

Superintendent: Craig Klett

Assistant Superintendent: Heather Burleson (517) 974-7780

## DIVISION 1 – SHEEP

ALL SHEEP ARE REQUIRED TO HAVE A USDA EAR TAG

### Section a – SHEEP SHOWMANSHIP

Exhibitors in classes 100, 101, 103-105, 107-108 will receive Placing Rosettes (1-5 place). First place exhibitors will receive a trophy. All exhibitors in class 105-106 will receive a participation ribbon.

Class 100 – Senior II Showmanship (17-19 years)

Class 101 – Senior I Showmanship (15-16 years)

Class 102 – Senior Champion Showmanship Run-off

Class 103 – Junior Showmanship (13-14 years)

Class 104 – Young II Showmanship (11-12 years)

Class 105 – Young I Showmanship (9-10 years)

Class 106 – Junior Champion Showmanship Run-off

Class 107 – Pee Wee II Showmanship (7 Born 1/1 – 6/30 & 8 years)

Class 108 – Pee Wee I Showmanship (6 & 7 born 7/1 -12/31 years)

The first place exhibitors in Class 102 and 106 will be the representatives for the Large Livestock Showmanship Sweepstakes.

### Section a1 – Class 1 - Differently Abled Showmanship (6-26 years)

This exhibit will be shown in the showmanship age classes listed in Section a above based on the exhibitor's age on January 1<sup>st</sup>.

### Section b – BREEDING SHEEP

(Market ewes may not be shown as breeding stock)

	A	B	C
Class 109 – Aged Ewe	5.00	4.50	4.00

Over 2 year of age and has

had lambs, no older than 7 years of age.

Class 110 – Yearling Ewe	5.00	4.50	4.00
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Born after 1/1 of previous year possibly bred once

Class 111 – Ewe Lamb	5.00	4.50	4.00
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Born 1/1 or after of current year

Class 112 – Grand and Reserve Grand Champion Ewe

Exhibitors in classes 109 – 111 will receive an A, B, C ribbon and Placing Rosettes (1-5 place). First and Second place in class 112 will receive a Grand Champion and Reserve Grand Champion Rosettes. The first place winner in class 112 will receive \$15.00. The second place winner in Class 112 will receive \$10.00.

### Section c – MARKET WETHER

Class 113 – Market Wether

Class 114 – Market Wether

Class 115 – Market Wether

Class 116 – Market Wether

Class 117 – Market Wether

### Section d – MARKET EWE

Class 118 – Market Ewe

Class 119 – Market Ewe

Class 120 – Market Ewe

Class 121 – Market Ewe

Class 122 – Market Ewe

### Section e – MARKET LAMB CHAMPIONSHIPS

Class 123 – Grand and Reserve Grand Champion Wether

Class 124 – Grand and Reserve Grand Champion Ewe

Class 125 – Supreme Champion Lamb

Grand Champion Wether vs. Grand Champion Ewe

Exhibitors in classes 113 – 122 will receive A, B, C ribbons and Placing Rosettes (1-5 place). First and Second place winners in classes 123 – 124 will receive a Grand Champion and Reserve Grand Champion trophy and a banner. Class 125 will receive an award.

### Section f – SHEEP PROJECT EVALUATION

Learning Objective: Youth will demonstrate livestock knowledge by selecting, maintaining care, feeding, and exhibiting a finished livestock project.

Exhibitors in class 126 & 127 will receive A, B, C ribbons.

	A	B	C
Class 126 – Market Lamb Evaluation	10.00	8.00	6.00
Class 127 – Breeding Sheep Evaluation	10.00	8.00	6.00

Sheep exhibitors will have a short interview with the judge on Friday beginning at 9:00 a.m. and ending at 11:00 a.m. Rating will be based on the interview, record book and animal.

### Section g – SHEEP CARCASS CLASS

Superintendent: Carisa Hostetler (269) 377-9998

Assistant Superintendent: Dan Hostetler (269) 377-9262

	A	B	C
Class 128 – Lamb Carcass	7.00	6.00	5.00
Class 129 – Grand and Reserve Grand Champion Sheep Carcass			

Exhibitors in Class 128 will receive A, B, C ribbons and Placing Rosettes (1-5 place). First and second place exhibitors in Class 129 will receive a trophy and a banner.

### SHEEP CARCASS RULES – SEE PAGE 40

### Section h – SHEEP RATE OF GAIN

Superintendent: Karen Kubiszak

Assistant Superintendent: Marcia Sieber (269) 501-0600

### RATE OF GAIN RULES – SEE PAGE 41

PREMIUMS	A	B	C
	5.00	4.00	3.00

(A) Premiums -- .70 lbs. per day and above

(B) Premiums -- .58 - .69 lbs. per day

(C) Premiums -- .30 - .57 lbs. per day

Class 130 – Market Lamb Rate of Gain

Class 131 – Grand and Reserve Grand Champion Lamb Rate of Gain

Grand Champion and Reserve Grand Champion exhibitors in Class 131 will receive an award and a sign will be placed above the animal pen.

## DEPT 8 – GOATS

### MONDAY, July 17 8:00 A.M.

**Superintendent: Heather Oxley (269) 341-5445**  
**Asst. Superintendent: Deanna Fritz (269) 621-5831**

**Check-In Time – 5:00 p.m. – 8:00 p.m. Saturday**  
**Exhibitor rules will be provided at check-in.**  
**Judging Time – 8:00 a.m. Monday**  
**Market Pictures – 1:00 p.m. – 6:00 p.m. Sunday**

Exhibitors of milk producing dairy cows and milk producing dairy goats be advised that these animals will be exposed to swine. For biosecurity considerations and federal law; milk produced at this fair is not suitable for human consumption. Milk shall be disposed of in a proper manner.

#### GOAT SHOW RULES

- a. Goat exhibitors must follow the SMALL ANIMAL EXHIBIT RULES and the Posted Barn Rules.
2. Goats must be in the exhibitor's possession by May 1 of the current year, except for kids born to a doe owned by the exhibitor.
3. All Goats are required to have a U.S.D.A. Ear Tag or tattoo verified by registration papers and/or physical tag. There will be a mandatory market goat tag verification on Saturday, May 2nd from 5-7 p.m.
4. No horns allowed on Market goats, Pet wethers or Dairy breed class goats. Non-dairy breed class goats may show in horns. Market goats and pet wethers having more than 1" scurs will be turned away at check-in. No open wounds, lice or mites on animals allowed. Animals shall appear clean and in good healthy weight.
5. Exhibitors will enter and show only Does or Wethers – no Bucks or Buck Kids over 4 weeks of age permitted. Buck kids are not allowed to be shown in the goat show.
6. Does entered in classes 165-168 must have freshened in the current year. Does two years old that have never freshened are not eligible to be entered or shown in the goat show.
7. Exhibitors may enter only one (1) market goat per market class. Market goats are to be born on or after December 1 prior to the current fair year but must be at least 8 weeks of age by enter day. Goats weighing less than 50 pounds will be sent home at time of weigh-in **unless also are pre-signed up for an age appropriate Pet Wether or Doeling class.** Goats shown in classes 156 and 157 may be sold at the Small Market Animal Auction (at the discretion of the exhibitor.) Please notify the goat superintendents by noon on Tuesday of Fair Week if you do not want to sell your goat at auction. Grand and Reserve Grand Champion market goats shown in classes 156, 157 and 190 (Carcass Class) must be sold at the SMAC auction.

8. Show ring and auction dress code will follow breed standard.  
Dairy: Black/white pants, white collared, long or short sleeve shirt. NO GRAPHICS  
Market: Black/Dark jean pants, Button up long or short sleeve shirt. NO GRAPHICS
9. Goats within three weeks of kidding will not be allowed.
10. All Market Goats shall have collars. Dairy Goats may be handled in the show ring with COLLARS ONLY. Collars or Halters are permitted on Non-Dairy breed goats.
11. All goats must be broke to lead and be manageable by the exhibitor in and out of the show ring. Unmanageable goats will not be permitted in the show ring.
12. All exhibitors are required to bring bedding, hay and grain and other supplies (buckets, hay feeders, feed dishes, etc.) to care for animals during the week.
13. No parents are allowed past the show ring, the entrance to the show ring, or the show tables. Only approved show help with tags may enter the show area.
14. Grand Champion Milk Bucket will be sold at the SMAC auction with proceeds going to the exhibitor winning Grand Champion of the Senior Dairy Doe class.

#### **DIVISION I – GOATS**

##### **Section a – GOAT SHOWMANSHIP**

Exhibitors in classes 150–153 and 155 will receive placing rosettes (1-5). First place exhibitor will receive a trophy. All exhibitors in class 155 will receive a participation rosette.

- Class 150 - Senior Showmanship (15-19 yrs.)
- Class 151 - Junior Showmanship (13-14 yrs.)
- Class 152 - Young II Showmanship (11-12 yrs.)
- Class 153 - Young I Showmanship (9-10 yrs.)
- Class 154 - Junior Champion Showmanship Run-off  
(1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> place winners of Classes 151-153)
- Class 155 - Pee Wee Showmanship (6-8 yrs.)

Junior Champ. Showmanship Winner (Class 154) advances to Junior Showmanship Large Livestock Sweepstakes.

Senior Champ. Showmanship Winner (Class 150) advances to Senior Showmanship Large Livestock Sweepstakes.

**Section a1 – Class 1 - Differently Abled Showmanship (6-26 years)**  
**This exhibit will be shown in the showmanship age classes listed in Section a above based on the exhibitor's age on January 1<sup>st</sup>.**

## Section b - MARKET GOATS

Exhibitors in classes 156-157 receive A, B, C ribbons and Placing Rosettes (1-5 place).

	A	B	C
Premiums for Classes 156 & 157	3.00	2.50	2.00

Class 156 – Dairy Market Goats

Class 157 - Non-Dairy market Goats (any other non-dairy breed including meat/dairy crossbreeds)

1st & 2nd place winners of Class 156-157 will receive Grand Champion and Reserve Grand Champion trophies and rosette.

## Section c - WETHER CLASS – NO HORNS

Exhibitors wishing to show non-market wethers (i.e. pets or goats that may not make market weight) may show them in one of the classes below. If this is the only animal entered, it must be entered and shown in a showmanship class as well.

Exhibitors in classes 158 - 159 will receive A, B, C and Placing Ribbons (1-5)

	A	B	C
Premiums for classes 158 & 159	3.00	2.50	2.00
Class 158- Junior Pet Wethers (Under 1 year)			
Class 159 - Senior Pet Wethers (1 year and older)			

## Section d - DAIRY BREEDING GOATS

Exhibitors in classes – 160-163, 165-168, 170-174 receive A, B, C and Placing Ribbons (1-5)

	A	B	C
Premiums for Classes 160-163:	3.00	2.50	2.00
Class 160- Doe kid I (under 4 mos.)			
Class 161 - Doe kid II (4 mos. and under 9 mos.)			
Class 162 - Senior Doe Kid (9 mos. and under 15 mos.)			
Class 163 - Doeling (15 mos. and under 2 yrs. Never freshened)			
Class 164 - Jr. Champion & Reserve Champion Doe (1 <sup>st</sup> & 2 <sup>nd</sup> Place from classes 160-163)			
Class 164 receives Trophy & Rosettes			

	A	B	C
Premiums for Classes 165-166:	4.00	3.50	3.00
Class 165 - Yearling Milker (under 2 yrs.,)			
Class 166 – Junior Milker (2 yrs. and under 3 yrs.)			

	5.00	4.50	4.00
Premiums for Classes 167-168:			
Class 167 - Senior Milker (3 yrs. and under 5 yrs.)			
Class 168 - Aged Milker (5 yrs. and over)			
Class 169 - Sr. Champion & Reserve Champion Doe (1 <sup>st</sup> & 2 <sup>nd</sup> Place from classes 165 - 168)			
Class 169 receives Trophy & Rosettes			

	3.00	2.50	2.00
Premiums for Classes 170-174			
Class 170 – Best Udder			
Class 171 – Produce of Dam (2 Does from same dam)			
Class 172 – Dam-Daughter			

Exhibitors may enter in only 1 of the following classes.

Class 173 – Breeders Trio (3 Breeding age Does owned by one Exhibitor or family)

Class 174 – Breeders Herd (4 Breeding age Does owned by one Exhibitor or family)

## Section d - NON- DAIRY BREEDING GOATS

Exhibitors in classes – 175-177, 179-182, 184-187, receive A, B, C and Placing Ribbons (1-5)

	A	B	C
Premiums for classes 175-178	4.00	3.50	3.00
Class 175 - Jr. Doe (up to 3 yrs.)			
Class 176 - Sr. Doe (3 yrs. and under 5yrs)	5.00	4.50	4.00
Class 177 - Aged Doe (5 yrs. and over)			
Class 178 - Sr. Champion & Reserve Champion Doe (1st & 2nd Place from classes 175-177)			
Class 178 receives Trophy & Rosettes			

	A	B	C
Premiums for classes 179-182	3.00	2.50	2.00
Class 179 - Doe Kid I (under 4 mos.)			
Class 180 - Doe Kid II (4 mos. and under 9 mos.)			
Class 181 - Sr. Doe Kid (9 mos. and under 15 mos.)			
Class 182 - Doeling (15 mos. and under 2 yrs.) (never freshened)			
Class 183 – Jr. Champion & Res. Champion Doe (1st & 2nd place of classes 179- 182.)			
Class 183 receives Trophy & Rosettes			

	A	B	C
Premiums for classes 184-187	3.00	2.50	2.00
Class 184 - Dam-Daughter			
Class 185 - Produce of Dam (2 Does from same dam)			

Exhibitors may enter in only 1 of the following classes.

Class 186 – Breeders Trio (3 Breeding age Does owned by one exhibitor)

Class 187 – Breeders Herd (4 Breeding age Does owned by one Exhibitor)

Class 188 - Best Doe in Show

Trophy & Rosette

(All does that received Grand Champion placings)

## Section f - CARCASS CLASS

**Superintendent: Carisa Hostetler (269) 377-9998**

**Assistant Superintendent: Dan Hostetler**

Exhibitors in Class 189 will receive A, B, C, ribbons and placing Rosettes (1-5). First and second place exhibitors in Class 190 will receive a trophy and a banner. Exhibitors in this class will follow all Carcass Rules.

	A	B	C
Class 189 Goat Carcass	7.00	6.00	5.00
Class 190 Grand and Reserve Champion Carcass Goat			

## GOAT CARCASS RULES – SEE PAGE 40

## Section g - GOAT RECORD BOOK CONTEST

To recognize outstanding achievement in record keeping for a Goat project, **Adams Funeral Home of Paw Paw** will present awards to the top exhibitor in the following divisions:

Peewee (6-8) Beginner (9-12) Intermediate (13-14) Advanced (15-19)  
Exhibitors will receive A, B, C, ratings. First place winners in each division will receive a \$15.00 cash prize. Record books are judged on completeness, accuracy, and neatness. Winners will be announced at the awards ceremony on Saturday July 25<sup>th</sup> at 1:00 p.m.

Record books are available from the Extension Office and must be turned in to the superintendent at check-in on Sunday at the beginning of fair week.

## DEPT 10 – SWINE

**Tuesday, July 18 9:00 A.M.**

**Superintendent: Steve Hostetler (918) 344-6624**

**Superintendent: Travis Gumpert (269) 214-7765**

**Assistant Superintendent: Bev Rajzer (269) 423-8688**

**Assistant Superintendent: Nicholas Mead (269) 655-5145**

NATIVE MICHIGAN SWINE ARE NOT REQUIRED TO HAVE A PSEUDORABIES TEST TO EXHIBIT AT THE FAIR.

OUT OF STATE SWINE—SEE THE CURRENT MDA HEALTH REGULATIONS ON FILE IN THE COMPUTER OFFICE.

ALL SWINE ARE REQUIRED TO HAVE AN RFID TAG.

Exhibitors will provide their own sawdust/shavings.

### DIVISION I – SWINE

#### Section a – SHOWMANSHIP

Exhibitors in Classes 200, 201, 203-205, and 207-208 will receive Placing Rosettes (1-5 place). First place exhibitors will receive a trophy. All exhibitors in Classes 207 & 208 will receive a participation ribbon.

- Class 200 – Senior II Showmanship (17-19 years)
- Class 201 – Senior I Showmanship (15-16 years)
- Class 202 – Senior Champion Showmanship Run-Off
- Class 203 – Junior Showmanship (13-14 years)
- Class 204 – Young II Showmanship (11-12 years)
- Class 205 – Young I Showmanship (9-10 years)
- Class 206 – Junior Champion Showmanship Run-Off
- Class 207 – Pee Wee II Showmanship (7 born 1/1 to 6/30 & 8 years)
- Class 208 – Pee Wee I Showmanship (6 & 7 born 7/1 to 12/31)

The first place exhibitors in Class 202 & Class 206 will be the representatives for the Large Livestock Showmanship Sweepstakes Competition.

#### Section a1 – Class 1 - Differently Abled Showmanship (6-26 years).

This exhibit will be shown in the showmanship

age classes listed in Section a above based on the exhibitor's age on January 1<sup>st</sup>.

#### Section b – MARKET BARROWS

(Weight Division determined after weigh-in)

- Class 209 – Market Barrow
- Class 210 – Market Barrow
- Class 211 – Market Barrow
- Class 212 – Market Barrow
- Class 213 – Market Barrow
- Class 214 – Market Barrow
- Class 215 – Market Barrow
- Class 216 – Market Barrow
- Class 217 – Market Barrow
- Class 218 – Market Barrow
- Class 219 – Grand & Reserve Grand Champion Market Barrow

#### Section c – MARKET GILTS

- Class 220 – Market Gilt
- Class 221 – Market Gilt
- Class 222 – Market Gilt
- Class 223 – Market Gilt

Class 224 – Market Gilt

Class 225 – Market Gilt

Class 226 – Market Gilt

Class 227 – Market Gilt

Class 228 – Market Gilt

Class 229 – Market Gilt

Class 230 – Grand & Reserve Grand Champion Market Gilt

Class 231 – Supreme Swine Champion

Grand Champion Barrow vs Grand Champion Gilt

Exhibitors in Classes 209 – 218 and Classes 220 – 229 will receive A, B, C ribbons and Placing Rosettes (1-5 place). First and Second place winners in Class 219 and Class 230 will receive a Grand Champion or Reserve Grand Champion trophy and a banner. Class 231 will receive an award,

#### Section d – SWINE PROJECT EVALUATIONS

Learning Objective: Youth will demonstrate livestock knowledge by selecting, maintaining care, feeding, and exhibiting a finished livestock project.

	A	B	C
Class 232 – Swine Evaluation	10.00	8.00	6.00
Swine exhibitors will have a short interview with the judge on Friday beginning at 9:00 a.m. and ending at 11:00 a.m. Rating will be based on the interview, the record book, and the animal.			

#### Section e – SWINE CARCASS CLASS

**Superintendent: Carisa Hostetler (269) 377-9998**

**Assistant Superintendent: Dan Hostetler (269) 377-9262**

	A	B	C
Class 233 – Swine Carcass	7.00	6.00	5.00
Class 234 – Grand & Reserve Grand Champion Swine Carcass			

Exhibitors in Class 233 will receive A, B, C ribbons and Placing Rosettes (1-5 place). First and second place exhibitors in Class 234 will receive a Grand Champion or Reserve Grand Champion trophy and a banner.

#### SWINE CARCASS RULES – SEE PAGE 40

#### Section f – SWINE RATE OF GAIN

**Superintendent: Karen Kubiszak (269) 254-4085**

**Assistant Superintendent: Marcia Sieber (269) 501-0600**

PREMIUMS	A	B	C
	5.00	4.00	3.00

(A) Premiums – 1.90 lbs. per day and above

(B) Premiums – 1.75 – 1.89 lbs. per day

(C) Premiums – 1.75 lbs. per day and below

Class 235 – Swine Rate of Gain

Class 236 – Grand and Reserve Grand Champion Swine Rate of Gain

Grand Champion and Reserve Grand Champion exhibitors in Class 236 will receive an award and a sign will be placed above the animal pen.

#### RATE OF GAIN RULES – SEE PAGE 41

## DEPT 12 – POULTRY

**Tuesday, July 18 8:00 A.M.**

**Superintendent: Megan Vasquez (269)655-6200**

**Asst. Superintendent: Jenni Miller (269) 655-7158**

**Asst. Superintendent: Denise King (269) 271-5052**

Judging Time: 8:00 a.m. – Tuesday, July 18

Pullorum Testing / Check-in Time: 7:00 a.m. to 10:00 a.m.

Saturday, July 15

Market Poultry Interviews: 12:00 p.m. to 2:00 p.m. – Sunday, July 16

Auction Time: 4:00 p.m. – Wednesday, July 19

Release Time: 6:00 a.m. to 8:00 a.m. – Saturday, July 23

Market Pictures: Sunday, 1:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m.

### **General Poultry Rules**

1. All poultry exhibitors must read and follow the Small Animal Exhibit Rules.
2. A **Mandatory Poultry Meeting** will be held prior to the show.
3. Michigan Department of Agriculture (MDA) requires **all** poultry (except waterfowl, pigeons, and doves) to originate from pullorum-typhoid clean flock or have a negative official test within 90 days before fair. **Proof of Negative Pullorum Test must be shown at check-in.** Exhibitors are encouraged to have their birds tested before they arrive at the fair. Birds that arrive untested at check-in will be tested in a designated area outside the poultry barn.
4. No exhibit is to be placed in the building until it has been examined by the Superintendent or representative. Per MDA health rules, All Birds Must be free of Disease, MITES and LICE. Birds with parasites and/or symptoms of disease will be sent home.
5. All Birds must come into the barn *clean* on entry day. Dirty, unhealthy, unthrifty, underweight, and overweight birds will not be allowed to enter and will be sent home.
6. Each exhibitor is required to show in showmanship *and* in at least one of the production, market or exhibition classes.
7. Dress clothes are required for the show and the auction. Long sleeved white shirt and black pants.
8. Twice daily cleaning, feeding, and watering are the responsibilities of the exhibitor. Exhibitors are responsible for their own feed and bedding.
9. *All Market Poultry are required to submit a Market Record Sheet and W-9 by 2:00 pm on Sunday, July 18<sup>th</sup> to be eligible to auction market birds. Egg class will be required to submit an egg notebook.* Forms are available at the extension office or on-line at [www.vanburenyouthfair.com](http://www.vanburenyouthfair.com).
10. Exhibitors are required to sign assist with barn clean-up on Sunday morning. Failure to do so will result in forfeiture of premiums.
11. Market Poultry must be loaded by the exhibitor or representative. A \$5 per pen fee will be deducted from auction check if not present.
12. Market Poultry Interviews are mandatory. If an interview is not completed, the exhibitor will not receive their premium. Completed Market Records can be turned in at this time.
13. No poultry that have been vaccinated against Infectious Laryngotracheitis (ILT) will be allowed to exhibit at fair. Check with producer and ask for paperwork if buying chicks.
14. No shipping or transporting crates or cages will be allowed to be stored in the barn or exhibition area.

## **DIVISION I – POULTRY**

### **Section a – POULTRY SHOWMANSHIP**

1. Exhibitor may enter only **one** showmanship class.
2. Showmanship will follow Michigan State 4-H Fitting & Showing Guidelines.
3. Exhibitor must use their own bird.
4. Show clothes and close toe shoes must be worn.
5. Exhibitors in the following classes will receive 1-5 placings and 1<sup>st</sup> place exhibitors will receive a trophy.
6. Junior Showman winners (254 & 258) and Senior Showman winners (255 & 259) advance to Small Animal Showmanship Sweepstakes.

Class 250 – Pee Wee I Chicken Showman (6 to young 7 (born 7/1 to 12/31) years of age).

Class 251 – Pee Wee II Chicken Showman (older 7 (born 1/1 to 6/30) to 8 years of age).

Class 252 – Young I Chicken Showman (9-10)

Class 253 – Young II Chicken Showman (11-12)

Class 254 – Junior Chicken Showman (13-14)

Class 255 – Senior Chicken Showman (15-19)

Class 256 – Pee Wee Other Poultry Showman (6-8)

Class 257 – Young Other Poultry Showman (9-12)

Class 258 – Junior Other Poultry Showman (13-14)

Class 259 – Senior Other Poultry Showman (15-19)

### **Section b – EGG PRODUCTION**

Premium A (3.00) B (2.50) C (2.00)

1. Shown in pairs and pair must be the same breed.
2. Laying chickens judged mainly on health, color of skin, comb color, distance between pin bones, and uniformity.
3. Pullets must be 3 months old and fully feathered.
4. Exhibitors in the following classes will receive A, B, C ratings and 1-5 placing ribbons. Grand and Reserve will receive trophies and Rosettes.

Class 260 – Pair of Pullets (Hatched current year)

Class 261 – Pair of Hens (Hatched prior years)

Class 262 – Grand and Reserve Champion Production

### **Section c – MARKET POULTRY**

1. A market record must be completed for each market class entered.
2. All market poultry must be banded.
3. Weight class will be determined when birds are weighed in at check in. Intended classes must be entered on Registration forms.
4. An Exhibitor may enter in only **two** market species.
5. Judged mainly on conformation, finish, and uniformity.
6. Exhibitors in the following classes will receive 1-5 placing ribbons. Grand and Reserve Grand will receive trophies and Rosettes.

### **Commercial Market Poultry**

Any commercially (crossbred or genetically altered) designed market chickens and turkeys (White and Bronze Breasted). All Commercial poultry must be hatched after January 1st of the current year.

### **Market Chickens**

- Class 263 - Pen of 3 Chickens (Broilers 3.5–6 lbs. ea.) **OR**  
Class 264— Pen of 3 Chickens (Roaster 6.1-15 lbs. ea.)  
Class 265- Grand & Reserve Champion Market Chicken

### **Market Turkeys**

- Class 266- Pen of 2 Turkeys (min.weight 14 lbs. each)  
Class 267- Grand & Reserve Champion Market Turkey

### **Market Ducks**

- Class 271- Pen of 3 Ducks (min. weight 5 lbs. each)  
Class 272- Pen of 2 Geese (min. weight 10 lbs. each)  
Class 273- Grand & Res. Champion Market Waterfowl

### **Section d – EXHIBITION POULTRY**

Premium A (3.00) B (2.50) C (2.00)

1. Classes will be judged according to the **American Poultry Association Standard of Perfection Guidelines**.
2. Must be at least 3 months of age and fully feathered.
3. Exhibitors in the following classes will receive A, B, C ratings and 1-5 placing ribbons. Grand and Reserve will receive trophies and Rosettes.

#### **Standard Chicken**

May only show in **one** Male Standard class *and/or* **one** Female Standard class

- Class 274 – Cockerel (male less than 1 year) **OR**  
Class 275 – Cock (male 1 year and over)  
Class 276 – Pullet (female less than 1 year) **OR**  
Class 277 – Hen (female 1 year and over)

#### **Bantam Chicken**

May only show in **one** Male Bantam class *and/or* **one** Female Bantam class.

- Class 278 - Cockerel (male less than 1 year) **OR**  
Class 279 - Cock (male 1 year and over)  
Class 280 - Pullet (female less than 1 year) **OR**  
Class 281 – Hen (female 1 year and over)  
Class 282 – Grand & Reserve Overall Male Chicken  
Class 283 – Grand & Reserve Overall Female Chicken

#### **Waterfowl**

- Class 284 – Drake (male)  
Class 285 – Duck (female)  
Class 286 – Gander (male)  
Class 287 – Goose (female)  
Class 288 – Grand & Reserve Male Waterfowl  
Class 289 – Grand & Reserve Female Waterfowl

#### **Turkey**

- Class 290 – Turkey (male)  
Class 291 – Turkey (female)  
Class 292 – Grand & Reserve Exhibition Turkey

### **Section e – MARKETING A DOZEN EGGS**

Class 293 Premium A (2.00) B (1.75) C (1.50)

1. Exhibitors are limited to one dozen and must be exhibiting a poultry project.
2. A Notebook is required and to be submitted with the eggs on show day.

3. Each entry will be judged on the consistency of color, shape and size of eggs, and the quality and effectiveness of notebook and egg presentation.
4. 1<sup>st</sup> & 2<sup>nd</sup> place exhibitors will receive Champion & Reserve Champion Trophies and Rosettes.
5. Grand and Reserve Eggs will be auctioned at the start of the poultry sale.

### **Section f – MARKET POULTRY INTERVIEW**

Premium A (3.00) B (2.50) C (2.00)

- Class 294 – Pee Wee (6-8)  
Class 295 - Young (9-12)  
Class 296 – Junior (13-14)  
Class 297 – Senior (15-19)

### **POULTRY RECORD BOOK CONTEST**

To recognize outstanding achievement in record keeping for the poultry project.

Adam's Funeral Home in Paw Paw will present awards to the top exhibitor in the following divisions:

Pee Wee (6-8) Beginner (9-12)  
Intermediate (13-14) Advanced (15-19)

Exhibitors will receive A, B, C ratings.

First place winners in each division will receive a \$15.00 monetary prize. Record books will be judged on completeness, accuracy and neatness. Winners will be announced at the Small Animal Awards Ceremony. Record books are available from the Extension Office and must be turned in to the Superintendent at check-in.

# DEPT 14 – RABBITS

**SUNDAY, JULY 16 12:00 NOON**

**Superintendent: Amber Ostlund (269) 720-6822**

**Asst. Superintendent: Cherry Brown (269) 668-6813**

## GENERAL RABBIT RULES

**Check-in: Saturday – 10:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m.**

**Mandatory Meeting: Sunday – 11:30 a.m.**

**Judging: Sunday – 12:00 p.m.**

**Market Pictures: Sunday – 12:00 p.m. to 2:00 p.m.**

1. All Rabbit exhibitors must follow the SMALL ANIMAL EXHIBIT RULES.
2. Rabbit exhibitors may sign up six single and a market pen of three rabbits. Rabbit exhibitors will be allowed to show four single entries and a market pen of three rabbits.
3. All rabbits entered must be free of disease. Animals with signs of illness will be sent home. Rabbits must be clean with nails trimmed prior to check in.
4. All exhibitors must show in a showmanship class. The showmanship rabbit must be one of the single entries or one of the market rabbits.
5. Dress code: black pants with long-sleeved white shirt.
6. Breed class rabbits must be owned by the exhibitors by May 1 preceding the fair.
7. Rabbit market pens shall weigh 3 ½ to 5 ½ lbs. per rabbit at 69 days of age or younger as of show day. Market pens must be a commercial breed and owned by the exhibitor by June 15 preceding the fair. Underweight and overweight rabbits will not be allowed to enter.
8. Rabbit judging will be based on the A.R.B.A. Standard of Perfection. Showmanship judging will follow Michigan State 4-H Rabbit Fitting and Showing Guidelines.
9. All Breed rabbits are to be tattooed. Market rabbits will be identified by the superintendent at check-in on Saturday.
10. No Crossbred rabbits will be allowed to enter.
11. Padlocks on cages are recommended. The Van Buren Youth Fair, superintendents, leaders and S.M.A.C. are not responsible for lost, escaped, or stolen rabbits.
12. Rabbit exhibitors must provide food and wood shavings during fair week.

## **DIVISION I - RABBITS**

### **Section a – SHOWMANSHIP**

Exhibitors in classes 300-305 will receive placing rosettes (1-5)

First place exhibitors will receive trophies. All exhibitors in Class 300 & 301 will receive a participation rosette.

- Class 300 - Pee Wee I (6-7 (born 7/1-12/31) yrs. of age)
- Class 301 - Pee Wee II (7 (born 1/1-6/30) - 8 yrs. of age)
- Class 302 - Young I (9-10 yrs.)
- Class 303 - Young II (11-12 yrs.)
- Class 304 - Junior (13-14 yrs.)
- Class 305 - Senior (15-19 yrs.)

**Section a1 – Class 1 - Differently Abled Showmanship (6-26 years).**  
**This exhibit will be shown in the showmanship age classes listed in Section a above based on the exhibitor's age on January 1<sup>st</sup>.**

### **Section b - MARKET RABBITS**

Exhibitors in class 306 receive A, B, C ribbons and placing rosettes (1-5). Grand and Reserve will receive trophies and Rosettes.

	A	B	C
Class 306 - Pen of 3 market Rabbits	4.00	3.50	3.00
Class 307 - Grand & Res. Grand Champion Market Pen			

### **Section c - CALIFORNIANS**

Exhibitors in classes 308-371 will receive A, B, C ribbons

Premiums for Classes 308 - 310..... 3.00 2.50 2.00

- Class 308 - Senior Buck (over 8 months)
- Class 309 - Senior Doe (over 8 months)
- Class 310 - Intermediate Buck (6-8 months)
- Class 311 - Intermediate Doe (6-8 months)
- Class 312 - Junior Buck (3-6 months)
- Class 313 - Junior Doe (3-6 months)

Class descriptions and premiums for Section d thru Section h are the same as Section c.

### **Section d - NEW ZEALANDS (RED, WHITE, BLACK)**

Class 314, 315, 316, 317, 318, 319

### **Section e - SATINS (ALL COLORS)**

Class 320, 321, 322, 323, 324, 325

### **Section f – ENGLISH LOP**

Class 326, 327, 328, 329, 330, 331

### **Section g – FLEMISH GIANT**

Class 332, 333, 334, 335, 336, 337

### **Section h - ALL OTHER PURE BRED COMMERCIAL BREEDS**

Class 338, 339, 340, 341, 342, 343

### **Section i – DUTCH**

- Class 344 - Senior Buck (over 6 months)
- Class 345 - Senior Doe (over 6 months)
- Class 346 - Junior Buck (3-6 months)
- Class 347 - Junior Doe (3-6 months)

Class descriptions for Section j thru Section o are the same as Section i.

### **Section j - NETHERLAND DWARF**

Class 348, 349, 350, 351

### **Section k – HOLLAND LOP**

Class 352, 353, 354, 355

### **Section l – POLISH**

Class 356, 357, 358, 359

**Section m - MINI LOP**

Class 360, 361, 362, 363

**Section n - MINI-REX**

Class 364, 365, 366, 367

**Section o - ALL OTHER PUREBRED FANCY BREEDS**

Class 368, 369, 370, 371

**Section p - CHAMPION BREEDING RABBIT**

Class 371 – Grand & Reserve Grand Champion – Commercial  
Rabbit Trophy and Rosettes

Class 372 – Grand & Reserve Grand Champion – Fancy Rabbit  
Trophy and Rosettes

Rosettes will be presented to the exhibitor of the Best of Breed and  
Best Opposite for all breed classes.

**Section q – RABBIT RECORD BOOK CONTEST**

To recognize outstanding achievement in record keeping for a rabbit  
project. **Adam's Funeral Home in Paw Paw** will present awards to  
the top exhibitor in the following divisions.

Peewee (6-8) Beginner (9-12) Intermediate (13-14) Advanced (15-19)

Exhibitors will receive A, B, C ratings.

First place winners in each division will receive a \$15.00 cash prize.

Record books will be judged on completeness, accuracy, and neatness.  
Winners will be announced at the awards ceremony on Saturday.

Record books are available from the Extension Office and must be  
turned into the Superintendent at check-in.



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# DEPT 15 - POCKET PETS

## MONDAY, JULY 17 11:00 A.M.

**Superintendent: Mary Darling (269) 624-6944**  
**Asst. Superintendent: Bridgette Saidla**

**Check-in: Saturday – 2:00 p.m. to 3:00 p.m.**  
**Mandatory Meeting: Saturday – 3:00 p.m.**  
**Judging: Monday – 11:00 a.m.**

### GENERAL POCKET PET RULES

1. All cavy lab animal exhibitors must follow the SMALL ANIMAL EXHIBIT RULES.
2. A MANDATORY POCKET PET MEETING will be held at 3:00 p.m. on Saturday the day of check-in.
3. Cavies and lab animals must be owned by exhibitor by June 1 preceding fair.
4. Dress code: black pants with long-sleeved white shirt
5. All pens must be labeled with exhibitor name, age, club, & breed.
6. Exhibitors may not enter more than eight cavies and no more than six lab animals.
7. Showmanship is a required class.
8. Exhibitor must show his/her own entry in showmanship class
9. Cavy judging shall be based on ARBA Cavy Standards of Perfection.
10. All cavies must have a tattoo or ear tag. Lab Animal Judging will be based on ARMA Standards of Perfection and the American Hamster Association Standards of Perfection.
11. Showmanship judging will follow Michigan State 4-H Cavy Fitting and Showing Guidelines.
12. Sow and Boars shall be caged separately.
13. Mixed Breed animals may be shown. They should be placed in the Breed Class they most closely resemble.
14. Age/wt. groups are to be according to A.R.B.A. standards for cavies.
15. All cages must be locked. The Van Buren Youth Fair, superintendents, leaders and S.M.A.C. are not responsible for lost, escaped or stolen animals.
16. Lab animal exhibitors must provide their own cage, bedding, and feed during fair week.
17. A pair of lab animals may be either a male & female or two of the same sex.
18. Cavy exhibitors must provide bedding and feed during fair week.

### **DIVISION I**

#### **Section a – SHOWMANSHIP**

The first place exhibitors in Class 402, 403, 406, and 407 will be representatives for the Small Animal Showmanship Sweepstakes.

Exhibitors in classes 400-407 will receive placing rosettes (1-5) First place exhibitors will receive trophies. Exhibitors in classes 400 & 404 receive participation rosettes.

Class 400 - Cavy Pee Wee (6-8 yrs. of age)  
Class 401 - Cavy Young (9-12 yrs. of age)  
Class 402 - Cavy Junior (13-14 yrs. of age)  
Class 403 - Cavy Senior (15-19 yrs. of age)  
Class 404 - Lab Animal Pee Wee (6-8 yrs. of age)  
Class 405 - Lab Animal Young (9-12 yrs. of age)  
Class 406 - Lab Animal Junior (13-14 yrs. of age)  
Class 407 - Lab Animal Senior (15-19 yrs. of age)

Premiums for classes 408-413, 415-420, 422-427, 429-434, 436-441, 443-448, 450-455, 458-463 are: A, B, C ribbons & 1-5 placing rosettes.

A- \$3.00      B- \$2.50      C- \$2.00

**Section a1 – Class 1 - Differently Abled Showmanship (6-26 years).**  
**This exhibit will be shown in the showmanship age classes listed in Section a above based on the exhibitor's age on January 1<sup>st</sup>.**

#### **Section b – ABYSSINIANS**

Class 408 - Junior Abyssinian Boar  
Class 409 - Junior Abyssinian Sow  
Class 410 - Intermediate Abyssinian Boar  
Class 411 - Intermediate Abyssinian Sow  
Class 412 - Senior Abyssinian Boar  
Class 413 - Senior Abyssinian Sow  
Class 414 - Best Abyssinian  
(1st place from classes 408 - 413) Best of Breed Rosette

Section c thru Section h will have the same class descriptions, awards, and premiums as Section b.

#### **Section c – AMERICANS**

Class 415, 416, 417, 418, 419, 420, 421

#### **Section d – PERUVIANS**

Class 422, 423, 424, 425, 426, 427, 428

#### **Section e – SILKIES**

Class 429, 430, 431, 432, 433, 434, 435

#### **Section f – TEDDIES**

Class 436, 437, 438, 439, 440, 441, 442

#### **Section g - WHITE CRESTEDS**

Class 443, 444, 445, 446, 447, 448, 449

#### **Section h - RARE BREEDS**

Class 450, 451, 452, 453, 454, 455, 456

#### **Section i - GRAND AND RESERVE CHAMPION CAVY**

(1st place from Classes 414, 421, 428, 435, 442, 449, 456)

Class 457 - Grand and Reserve Grand Champion will receive a trophy for Grand Champion & Reserve Champion Trophy and Rosettes.

**Section j - LAB ANIMALS (rats)**

- Class 458 - Single Male
- Class 459 - Single Female
- Class 460 - Pair of rats

**Section k - OTHER LAB ANIMALS (No reptiles)**

- Class 461 - Single Male
- Class 462 - Single Female
- Class 463 - Pair of Other Lab Animals

**Section l - GRAND AND RESERVE CHAMPION LAB ANIMAL**  
(1st place from classes 458, 459, 461, 462)

Class 464 - Grand and Reserve Champion Lab Animal will receive Grand Champion and Reserve Champion Trophy and Rosettes.

**Section m - GRAND AND RESERVE CHAMPION PAIR OF LAB ANIMALS**  
(1st place from classes 460 and 463)

Class 465 - Grand and Reserve Champion Lab Animal will receive Grand Champion and Reserve Champion Trophy and Rosettes.

**Section n - COSTUME CLASS**  
1-5 placing rosettes

Class 470 - Costume Class

**Section o - POCKET PET RECORD BOOK CONTEST**

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Record books will be judged on completeness, accuracy, and neatness.  
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**Pee wee (6-8) Beginner (9-12) Intermediate (13-14) Advanced (15-19)**



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## DEPT 16 - HORSE & PONY

**Barn Superintendent: Kevin Novotny (269) 214-0889**

**Horse Show Superintendent: Terri Novotny (269) 214-1921**

**Fair Board Representatives: Ken Tomsa (269) 506-3738**  
**Iris Swift (269) 268-8549**

Horse Registration Forms By 5:00 p.m. on May 1<sup>st</sup>  
Fair Entry & Jump Consent Forms June 15<sup>th</sup>  
Thursday: Set up 6:00 p.m. pre-fair  
Sunday: Fair Check-in Time 10:00 a.m.–2:00 pm pre-fair  
Sunday: Senior Rides/Meet and Greet 4:00 p.m.  
Monday: Driving/Gymkhana 2:00 p.m. and 3:30 p.m.  
Tuesday: English Show 8:30 a.m.  
Wednesday: Western Show 8:30 a.m.  
Thursday: Gymkhana 8:30 a.m.  
Friday: Versatility/Trail/Costume 8:30 a.m.  
Saturday: Awards/Fun Activity @ Noon  
Sunday Fair Check-out Time 6:00 a.m. – 9:00 a.m.

All **Horse Registration Forms** must be received at the Extension Office by **May 1st**. ((MSU Extension Office, 801 Hazen St, Paw Paw, MI 49079 269-657-8213). Items due at the Extension Office by **June 15<sup>th</sup>** are: **Fair Entry Forms** for all Departments at Fair and **Jumping Consent Forms**. **Beginning in 2022 all registration forms must be completed online. Go to the Van Buren Youth Fair website: [www.vanburenyouthfair.com](http://www.vanburenyouthfair.com). See p. 8 for instructions.**

1. All equine exhibitors must read and follow the EXHIBITORS RULES in the Fair Book and the current VBYF Horse and Pony Rules.
2. A negative EIA (Coggins) test that is valid through fair week should be presented to the check-in veterinarian prior to admission to the fairgrounds. An additional copy of this Coggins along with your 3x5 Emergency Card must also be provided, preferably at the pre-Thursday fair set-up meeting. No equine will be admitted unless their Coggins copy is provided no later than check-in.
3. Stallions will be allowed only during the year foaled.
4. Exhibitors shall lead their animals unless in exercise and show areas. Exhibitors are the only ones allowed to ride their animals. Exercise times are from 6:00 am to 9:00 pm. Pee Wee exhibitors must be accompanied by a responsible adult during exercise time.
5. All exhibitors must participate in a showmanship class; and all equine over 3 years of age (with the exception of "in-hand") must show in an equitation/horsemanship class. Consequences for missing either class will be loss of premium, no further classes may be entered, and the equine must remain until 6:00 am Sunday with proper care and exercise. We will do our best to work with you if there is a conflict due to showing other species.
6. The Fair Board's CODE OF CONDUCT will be strictly enforced. Unsportsmanlike conduct or other objectionable behavior will not be tolerated and may result in removal from the horse complex. Also, exhibitors may lose state selection, points, and/or trophies.
7. The veterinarian and/or judge may determine if an equine should be permitted on the fairgrounds or in the show arena. If they are unable, a horse superintendent will locate an alternate qualified person to assist in the decision. The following conditions will be assessed:

- a) Horses shall not show any signs of contagious disease.
  - b) Horses shall not show obvious lameness.
  - c) Horses shall not be infested with external parasites, fleas, ticks, rain rot or be otherwise obviously diseased or unthrifty.
  - d) Horses shall not be underweight. They need to be in proper condition to undergo the stresses of fair week. Please be sure your horse is being fed properly before, during, and after fair.
8. Any protests or complaints shall follow the guidelines in the Fair Book under "Exhibitor's Rules: Complaint and Appeals Procedure."
  9. Premiums: A - \$7.00, B - \$6.00, C - \$5.00

### SPECIAL AWARDS

**4-H HIGH POINT REVOLVING ALL AROUND TROPHY**  
**4-H HIGH POINT REVOLVING GYMKHANA TROPHY**  
**4-H HIGH POINT REVOLVING ENGLISH HORSE TROPHY**  
**4-H HIGH POINT REVOLVING WESTERN HORSE TROPHY**  
**4-H HIGH POINT REVOLVING ENGLISH PONY TROPHY**  
**HIGH POINT IN-HAND AWARD**  
**HIGH POINT WALK/TROT AWARD**  
**HIGH POINT JUNIOR AWARD**  
**HIGH POINT SENIOR AWARD**

### SPECIAL MEMORIAL AWARDS

#### **ABBY BAKER MEMORIAL REVOLVING TROPHY**

This is in memory of Abby Baker who died from a brain tumor at the age of 15 in 1988. Abby loved to ride and show her pony for several years prior to her illness. 4-H activities and showing at the fair were an annual highlight. This trophy for High Point Western Pony is sponsored by her family.

#### **STEPHANIE TUCKER MEMORIAL PEE WEE TROPHY**

Stephanie was a 4-Her for many years and a horse exhibitor from 1972 – 1976. Because of Stephanie's interest in young riders, her family donated this revolving trophy for the ones that are not normally in contention to receive a trophy. They hope to encourage the Pee Wee horse and pony exhibitors with this award.

#### **AFTON NEWTON MEMORIAL ALL AROUND PONY TROPHY**

Afton's parents want to sponsor this revolving trophy in loving memory of their daughter who enjoyed riding ponies and helping children. Showing at this fair brought Afton great joy. During her years of showing from 1989 – 2001, she won the overall high point, grand champion equitation, and other awards all while riding a pony. Afton also rode on the Pony of Americas circuit, where she excelled and won many state, national, international, and world championships. Afton's parents want to encourage and reward exhibitors who ride a pony at the fair. They hope other children will enjoy showing their pony as much as Afton.

## **DIVISION I: MONDAY – DRIVING & GYMKHANA**

### **Sec. a – DRIVING - 2:00 P.M.**

These classes receive rosettes for 1st through 5th place.

- Class 490 – Ground Driving- Open to ALL
- Class 491 – Miniature horse driving

### **Sec. b – GYMKHANA DAY 1 –3:00 P.M.**

Mandatory Gymkhana inspection will be in the make-up arena at 3:00 p.m. All classes (except HRH) receive rosettes for 1st -5th place. HRH receive 1st place ribbons.

- Class 492 – HRH Speed/Action (6-26)
- Class 493 – Pee Wee Speed/Action (9 and under)
- Class 494 – Walk/Trot Speed/Action - (10-19)
- Class 495 – Junior Speed/Action (10-14)
- Class 496 – Senior Speed/Action (15-19)
- Class 497 – HRH Keyhole (6-26)
- Class 498 – Pee Wee Keyhole (9 and under)
- Class 499 – Walk/Trot Keyhole- (10-19)
- Class 500 – Junior Keyhole (10-14)
- Class 501 – Senior Keyhole (15-19)

## **DIVISION II: TUESDAY - ENGLISH DAY – 8:30 A.M.**

All classes receive rosettes for 1st through 5th place. 1st place in showmanship, equitation, and In-Hand jumping receive awards. 1st, 2<sup>nd</sup>, 3<sup>rd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> place winners from showmanship classes (except Pee Wee) are eligible for Champion Showmanship. English Equitation and Pleasure classes may be ridden as hunt seat or saddle seat.

### **Sec. a – SHOWMANSHIP**

- Class 502 – Pee Wee English Showmanship ( $\leq 9$ ) (horse/pony)
- Class 503 – Junior English Showmanship (10 – 14) (horse /pony)
- Class 504 – Senior English Showmanship (15 – 19) (horse/pony)

### **Sec. b – EQUITATION AND PLEASURE**

- Class 505 – In-Hand Jumping (6 – 19)
- Class 506 – Equitation over Fences (10 – 19)
- Class 507 - Hunter over Fences (10-19)
- Class 508
- Class 509 – Pee Wee English Equitation (6-9)
- Class 510 –Walk/Trot English Equitation (10-19)
- Class 511 – Pony English Equitation (10 -19)
- Class 512
- Class 513 – Junior English Equitation (10 -14)
- Class 514
- Class 515 – Senior English Equitation (15 -19)
- Class 516 – Junior English Equitation Champion (1st-4<sup>th</sup> (if  $\leq 14$ ), from 511, & 513
- Class 517 – Senior English Equitation Champion (1st-4<sup>th</sup> (if  $\geq 15$ ), from 511, & 515
- Class 518 – Pee Wee English Pleasure (6-9)
- Class 519 –Walk/Trot English Pleasure (10-19)
- Class 520 – Pony English Pleasure (10-19)
- Class 521

Class 522 – Junior English Pleasure (10 -14)

Class 523

Class 524 – Senior English Pleasure (15 -19)

Class 525 – Junior English Pleasure Champion (10-14)

(1st-4<sup>th</sup> (if  $\leq 14$ ), from 520, & 522

Class 526 – Senior English Pleasure Champion (15-19) (1st -4<sup>th</sup> (if  $\geq 15$ ), from 520, 524

### **Sec. c - DRESSAGE**

Class 527 – Dressage Training Level Test 1 (10-19)

Class 528 – Dressage Training Level Test 3 (10-19)

Class 529 – Western Dressage -Basic Level Test 3 (10-19)

## **DIVISION III: WEDNESDAY – WESTERN DAY – 8:30 A.M.**

All classes (except HRH) receive rosettes for 1st through 5th place. 1st place in showmanship and horsemanship receive awards (except HRH). 1st, 2<sup>nd</sup>, 3<sup>rd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> place winners from showmanship classes are eligible for Champion Showmanship. HRH classes receive 1st place rosettes.

### **Sec. a - SHOWMANSHIP**

- Class 530 – In-Hand Showmanship (6 – 19)
- Class 531 – Lead Line Showmanship (6 - 8) (English/Western)
- Class 532 – HRH Showmanship (6 – 26) (English/Western)
- Class 533 – Pee Wee Western Showmanship (6 - 9)
- Class 534 – Walk/Trot Showmanship (10 – 19) (English/Western)
- Class 535 – Western Pony Showmanship (10 – 19)
- Class 536
- Class 537 – Junior Western Showmanship (10 – 14)
- Class 538
- Class 539 – Senior Western Showmanship (15– 19)
- Class 540 – Gymkhana Showmanship (10 – 19) Class 541 – Junior Champion Showmanship (1st – 4<sup>th</sup> (if  $\leq 14$ ) from 503, 535, 537, & 540
- Class 542 – Senior Champion Showmanship (1st – 4<sup>th</sup> (if  $\geq 15$ ) from 504, 535, 539, & 540

Junior and Senior Champions of 541 and 542 advance to the Showmanship Sweepstakes.

### **Sec. b – HORSEMANSHIP AND PLEASURE**

- Class 543 – Lead Line Equitation /Horsemanship (6-8) (English/Western)
- Class 544 – H RH Equitation /Horsemanship (6-26) (English/Western)
- Class 545 – Pee Wee Western Horsemanship (6-9)
- Class 546 – Walk/Trot Western Horsemanship (10-19)
- Class 547 – Lead Line Pleasure (6-8) (English/Western)
- Class 548 – HRH Pleasure (6-26) (English/Western)
- Class 549 – Pee Wee Western Pleasure (6-9)
- Class 550 – Walk/Trot Western Pleasure (10-19)
- Class 551 – Pony Western Horsemanship (10-19) 0 Class 552
- Class 553 – Junior Western Horsemanship (10 -14)
- Class 554

Class 555 – Senior Western Horsemanship (15 -19)  
 Class 556 – Gymkhana Western Horsemanship (10-19)  
 Class 557 – Junior Western Horsemanship Champion (1st-4<sup>th</sup>  
                   (if  $\leq 14$ ), from 551, 553, & 556  
 Class 558 – Senior Western Horsemanship Champion  
                   (1st-4<sup>th</sup> (if  $\geq 15$ ), from 551, 555, & 556  
 Class 559 – Pony Western Pleasure (10-19)  
 Class 560  
 Class 561 – Junior Western Pleasure (10 -14)  
 Class 562  
 Class 563 – Senior Western Pleasure (15 -19)  
 Class 564 – Gymkhana Western Pleasure (10-19)  
 Class 565 – Junior Western Pleasure Champion  
                   (1st-4<sup>th</sup> (if  $\leq 14$ ) from 559, 561, 564)  
 Class 566 – Senior Western Pleasure Champion  
                   (1st- 4<sup>th</sup> (if  $\geq 15$ ), from 559, 563, 564)

Class 589 – In-Hand Trail (6-19)  
 Class 590 – Junior Trail (10-14)  
 Class 591 – Senior Trail (15-19)  
 Class 592 – Western Pattern Class (10-19) Even years: Reining  
                   Pattern 2 / Odd years: Green Western Riding Pattern 3  
 Class 593 – Costume Class – Open to ALL (6-19)

#### **DIVISION IV: THURSDAY: GYMKHANA DAY 2 – 8:30 A.M.**

##### **Sec. a – POLES, BARRELS AND FLAGS**

Mandatory Gymkhana inspection will be in the make-up arena at 8:30 a.m. All classes (except HRH) receive rosettes for 1st -5th place. HRH receive 1st place ribbon

Class 567 – In-Hand Poles (6-19)  
 Class 568 – HRH Poles (6-26)  
 Class 569 – Pee Wee Poles (9 and under)  
 Class 570 – Walk/Trot Poles (10-19)  
 Class 571 – Junior Poles (10-14)  
 Class 572 – Senior Poles (15-19)  
 Class 573 – In-Hand Barrels (6-19)  
 Class 574 – HRH Barrels (6-26)  
 Class 575 – Pee Wee Barrels (9 and under)  
 Class 576 – Walk/Trot Barrels (10-19)  
 Class 577 – Junior Barrels (10-14)  
 Class 578 – Senior Barrels (15-19)  
 Class 579 – HRH Flags (6-26)  
 Class 580 – Pee Wee Flags (9 and under)  
 Class 581 – Walk/Trot Flags (10-19)  
 Class 582 – Junior Flags (10-14)  
 Class 583 – Senior Flags (15-19)

#### **DIVISION V: FRIDAY: PERFORMANCE DAY– 8:30 A.M.**

##### **Sec. a – VERSATILITY, TRAIL, PATTERN CLASS, AND COSTUME CLASS**

All classes (except HRH) receive rosettes for 1st -5th place. HRH receive 1st place ribbon. Versatility winners receive an award.

Class 584 – Junior Versatility (10 – 14)  
 Class 585 – Senior Versatility (15 – 19)  
 Class 586 – HRH Trail (6-26)  
 Class 587 – Pee Wee Trail (6-9)  
 Class 588 – Walk/Trot Trail (10-19)



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# DEPT 17 – ADULT DRAFT HORSES

## WEDNESDAY, JULY 19 10:00 A.M.

Superintendents: John & Tina Streeter (269) 621-4491

### DIVISION I – OPEN ADULT DRAFT HORSE/DRAFT MULE HALTER DRAFT PONY/DRAFT PONY MULE CLASSES

1. **All draft equines must have negative Coggins test and must provide a copy to be filed at fair board office**
2. All draft equines that will be stabled at the fairgrounds must be preregistered no later than June 15. **Beginning in 2022 all registration forms must be completed online. Go to the Van Buren Youth Fair website: [www.vanburenyouthfair.com](http://www.vanburenyouthfair.com). See page 8 for instructions.**
3. Draft equines are to be stabled on Sunday at the beginning of fair week. (8:00- 2:00 p.m.)
4. All draft equines will be checked by the veterinarian before entering the fairgrounds. It is highly recommended that all draft equines receive the tetanus, encephalitis and flu vaccination before being brought to the fair.
5. Draft equines must be Michigan owned and must be stabled at the grounds the week of the fair in order to be shown.
6. All draft equine exhibit owners must be a member of the Van Buren Draft Club in order for their draft equines to be stabled at the fair.
7. All exhibitors/owners must abide by the Van Buren Draft Club's current guidelines and the Van Buren Youth Fair Association's Code of Conduct.
8. All draft equines stabled in the draft horse barn must have a minimum of 50% bloodline of a recognized draft horse or draft pony breed.
9. Draft ponies must be a minimum of 49" at maturity (5 years and over).
10. Base date of age of animal is January 1 of current year.
11. No stallions allowed after year foaled.
12. Draft equines that are not of suitable body condition will not be permitted to be stabled at the fairgrounds.
13. Entry fee for classes 602-622 is \$3.00 per class.
14. Classes may be combined at the discretion of the Superintendent.
15. Fun shows for all ages will be announced with minimal entry fees payable at the time of the show.

**Youth showmanship classes will immediately follow adult halter classes. Youth harness and riding classes will follow the respective classes of the adult classes. (i.e., adult cart classes, youth cart classes, adult two-horse hitch classes, youth two-horse hitch classes.)**

#### Section a – SHOWMANSHIP

1-5 Placing rosettes for classes 600 and 601

Class 600 – Showmanship – Draft Horses/Mules  
Class 601 – Showmanship – Draft Pony/Mules

#### Section b – HALTER CLASSES

1-5 Placing rosettes for classes 602 and 622

Class 602 – Foals (all breeds)  
Class 603 – Mare and Foal (all breeds)  
Class 604 – Yearling fillies – Draft Horse  
Class 605 – Yearling fillies – Draft Pony  
Class 606 – Yearling geldings – Draft Horse  
Class 607 – Yearling geldings – Draft Pony  
Class 608 – 2 year old mares – Draft Horse  
Class 609 – 2 year old mares – Draft Pony  
Class 610 – 2 year old geldings – Draft Horse  
Class 611 – 2 year old geldings – Draft Pony  
Class 612 – 3-4 year old mares – Draft Horse  
Class 613 – 3-4 year old mares – Draft Pony  
Class 614 – 3-4 year old geldings – Draft Horse  
Class 615 – 3-4 year old geldings – Draft Pony  
Class 616 – 5 years & over mares – Draft Horse  
Class 617 – 5 years & over mares – Draft Pony  
Class 618 – 5 years & over geldings – Draft Horse  
Class 619 – 5 years & over geldings – Draft Pony  
Class 620 – Mules (mare or gelding)  
Class 621 – Matched Pair (mare or gelding) –  
Draft Horse/Draft Horse Mule  
Class 622 – Matched Pair (mare or gelding) –  
Draft Pony/Draft Pony Mule  
Class 623 – Grand Champion and Reserve  
Grand Champion Mare  
Draft Horse/Draft Mule  
Class 624 – Grand Champion and Reserve  
Grand Champion Mare  
Draft Pony/Draft Pony Mule  
Class 625 – Grand Champion and Reserve  
Grand Champion Gelding  
Draft Horse/Draft Mule  
Class 626 – Grand Champion and Reserve  
Grand Champion Gelding  
Draft Pony/Draft Pony Mule  
1<sup>st</sup> & 2<sup>nd</sup> place winners in class 623, 624, 625 & 626 each receive a rosette.

#### Section c – HARNESS CLASSES

Entry fees for classes 627-631 is \$3.00 per class

1<sup>st</sup> Place Trophy for classes 627-631

Class 627 – Ladies Cart  
Class 628 – Men's Cart  
Class 629 – Two Horse Show Hitch  
(show harness & wagon)  
Class 630 – Farm Team Hitch  
(farm harness & wagon)

#### Section d – RIDING CLASS

Class 631 – English or Western  
(walk, trot)

## Section e – UTILITY CLASSES

**THURSDAY, JULY 20 – 7:00 P.M.**

Entry fees for classes 632-633 is \$3.00 per class.

1<sup>st</sup> Place Trophy

Class 632 – Obstacle Course

Class 633 – Log Pull

## **DIVISION II – OPEN DRAFT HORSE HITCH**

**SATURDAY, JULY 22 - 10:00 A.M.**

Superintendents: John & Tina Streeter (269) 621-4491

**16. All draft equines must have negative Coggins test and must provide a copy to be filed at the fair board office.**

17. All exhibitors/owners must abide by the Van Buren Youth Fair Association's Code of Conduct.

18. Hitches to be hitched to a suitable wagon of show type.

19. Farm Team Hitch to be shown in farm harness and farm wagon only.

20. The same horse may be shown in both cart classes.

21. Hitches may be required by judge to do individual maneuvers.

22. Entry Fees – Single hitch, \$3.00 per class, all others \$5.00 (no entry fee required for class 638).

23. Single owner not required on multiple hitch classes.

24. Scoring is as follows:

20% neatness & cleanliness of wagon, driver & equipment.

20% quality & uniformity of color & size of team.

60% manner, performance of team & ability of driver.

25. Admission to grounds limited to two persons per team.

26. Classes may be combined at the discretion of the Superintendents.

27. Classes are open for either draft horses or draft ponies unless otherwise specified.

28. Draft mules and draft pony mules may be shown in classes specified for either draft mules or draft pony mules.

## Section a - HITCH CLASSES

1<sup>st</sup> Place trophy and 1-5 placing rosettes for class 638 only.

Premiums for classes 634 – 643 (excluding class 638)

1<sup>st</sup> - \$40.003<sup>rd</sup> - \$30.005<sup>th</sup> - \$20.00

2<sup>nd</sup> - \$35.004<sup>th</sup> - \$25.006<sup>th</sup> - \$15.00

Class 634 - Ladies Draft Horse Cart

Class 635 - Ladies Draft Pony/Draft Pony Mule Cart

Class 636 - Mens Draft Horse Cart

Class 637 - Mens Draft Pony/Draft Pony Mule Cart

Class 638 - Youth Draft Horse/Draft Pony Cart

Class 639 - Light Horse Pleasure Driving

Class 640 - Tandem Draft Horse Cart

Class 641 - Tandem Draft Pony/Draft Pony Mule Cart

Class 642 - Light Horse Reinsmanship

Class 643 - Single Draft Horse Four-Wheel Vehicle

Premiums for classes 644 – 650

1<sup>st</sup> - \$60.003<sup>rd</sup> - \$40.005<sup>th</sup> - \$30.00

2<sup>nd</sup> - \$50.004<sup>th</sup> - \$35.006<sup>th</sup> - \$25.00

Class 644 - Draft Mule Team Hitch

Class 645 - Draft Horse Team (show harness & wagon)

Class 646 - Draft Pony/Draft Pony Mule Team

Class 647 - Light Horse Pairs

Class 648 - Farm Draft Hitch (farm harness & wagon)

Class 649 - Draft Horse Unicorn Hitch

Class 650 - Draft Pony/Draft Pony Mule Unicorn Hitch

Premiums for classes 651 - 654

1<sup>st</sup> - \$70.003<sup>rd</sup> - \$50.005<sup>th</sup> - \$30.00

2<sup>nd</sup> - \$60.004<sup>th</sup> - \$40.006<sup>th</sup> - \$25.00

Class 651 - Four Draft Horse Hitch

Class 652 - Four Draft Mule Hitch

Class 653 - Four Draft Pony/Draft Pony Mule Hitch

Class 654 - Six Draft Horse/Mule Hitch

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# DEPT 18 - YOUTH DRAFT HORSES

## WEDNESDAY, JULY 19 10:00 A.M.

Superintendents: John & Tina Streeter (269) 621-4491

### EXHIBIT GUIDELINES

1. All draft equines must have negative Coggins test and provide a copy to be filed at the fair board office.
2. Draft equines must be stabled on Sunday at the beginning of fair week. (8:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m.)
3. All draft equines will be checked by the veterinarian before entering the fairgrounds. It is highly recommended that all draft equines receive the tetanus, encephalitis and flu vaccination before being brought to the fair.
4. All exhibitors/owners must abide by the Van Buren Draft Club's current guidelines and the Van Buren Youth Fair Association's Code of Conduct.
5. All draft equine exhibit owners must be a member of the Van Buren Draft Club in order to be stabled at the fair.
6. Draft equines stabled in the draft horse barn must have a minimum of 50% bloodline of a recognized draft horse or draft pony breed.
7. Draft ponies must be a minimum of 49" at maturity (5 years and over).
8. No stallions allowed after year foaled.
9. Draft equines that are not of suitable body condition will not be permitted to be stabled at the fairgrounds.
10. Showmanship is a required class for all exhibitors. Halter classes are optional. One adult is to be within easy access to animal of a Pee Wee exhibitor.
11. Limit of 1 exhibitor per horse per showmanship class.
12. All exhibitors must attend a minimum of 3 organized combined practices.
13. All exhibitors must attend a minimum of 2 educational meetings.
14. Driving exhibitors must attend a minimum of 2 driving practice sessions.
15. All exhibitors must complete and exhibit a "draft equine notebook".
16. All exhibitors must fulfill a daily work schedule during fair week.
17. Exhibitors will show in casual or dress pants, nice top or shirt, leather type boots or shoes.
18. There must be an adult with youth whenever an animal is taken into the arena or is hitched for any reason.

Youth showmanship classes will immediately follow adult halter classes. Youth harness and riding classes will follow the respective classes of the adult classes. (i.e., adult cart classes, youth cart classes, adult two-horse hitch classes, youth two-horse hitch classes.)

### DIVISION I - DRAFT HORSE CLASSES

Classes may be combined at the discretion of the Superintendents.

#### Section a - SHOWMANSHIP

Classes 655-658 will receive A, B, C ribbons and placing rosettes (1-5). First place exhibitors will receive trophies.

All exhibitors in class 658 will receive participation ribbons.

Premiums for classes 655-658

	A	B	C
	\$7.00	\$6.00	\$5.00
Class 655 - Senior Exhibitors (15-19 yrs.)			
Class 656 - Junior Exhibitors (13-14 yrs.)			
Class 657 - Young Exhibitors (9-12 yrs.)			
Class 658 - Pee Wee Exhibitors (6-8 yrs.)			

#### Section b - HARNESS CLASS

1. Youth must have an adult on vehicle and must have a header at ringside.
2. Horse must be hitched to a suitable vehicle for each class section.
3. No Pee Wee Exhibitors

Trophy and 1-5 placing rosettes will be awarded for classes 659-662.

Class 659 - Cart Class (9-13 yrs.)  
Class 660 - Cart Class (14-19 yrs.)  
Class 661 - 2 Horse Hitch (9-13 yrs.)  
Class 662 - 2 Horse Hitch (14-19 yrs.)

#### Section c - RIDING CLASS

1. No Pee Wee Exhibitors.
2. Judged at the walk and trot.

Trophy and 1-5 placing rosettes will be awarded for class 663

Class 663 - Riding Class (English or Western)



# DEPT 22 – DOGS

**SATURDAY, JULY 15 12:00 NOON**

**Superintendent: Kimberley Guy (269) 615-7114**

**Asst. Superintendent: Nancy Wheatley (269) 415-0240**

If you are signing up as a differently abled exhibitor, please contact the Superintendent for special accommodations when Fair forms are turned in.

## DOG CARE AND TRAINING RULES

1. All dogs to be exhibited at the fair **must** be kept on leash or crated except when in the show ring. Exhibitors must present dog's current Rabies and DHLPP record and license or tag to 4-H Club Leader prior to the show date. Bordatella-Kennel Cough vaccination is highly recommended. Exhibitor **must bring** a copy of these records to the registration table at the fair.
2. All Dogs must and be registered at the Extension office by May 1<sup>st</sup>.
3. Exhibitors should dress appropriately for the show and appear neat and clean in the show ring. Flat shoes are required; no sandals, high heels, or boots. Long hair should be tied back. Slacks are acceptable for showmanship and encouraged for obedience, agility, and rally. For girl's showmanship – skirts, culottes, dresses no shorter than fingertip length recommended. For boy, dress slacks and shirt/tie recommended, jacket/suits optional. Halter tops, low-cut blouses, spaghetti straps, shorts, hats, miniskirts, denim, and bare midriffs are NOT acceptable. Judges will be made aware of the dress code before judging.
4. If the exhibitor is showing an animal not their own, they must have had access to the dog for training from March of fair year.
5. Exhibit dogs will be kept at the fair one day only, Saturday. All dogs must have a crate available during the show and stay within the designated dog show area.
6. Exhibitors may exhibit one dog in each class.
7. All judge's decisions will be final.
8. If there is only one exhibitor in a particular class, he must make 50% of the TOTAL SCORE to qualify for a trophy.
9. If an exhibitor has advanced, he may not drop back to a lower class with the same dog(s).
10. An exhibitor may remain in the same class for a maximum of three years, except Sub-Novice A and Novice A exhibitors who must move up to Sub-Novice B and Novice B the following year. The exceptions are: if the exhibitor receives a score that is less than 170 for all classes except Sub-Novice A and Novice A. The exhibitor is responsible for keeping their score sheets from the past years for verification by the Superintendent.
11. Any dog or exhibitor showing excessive aggression, determined by show officials, shall be removed from show and shall not exhibit.
12. Exhibitors will need to check-in with the Superintendent at 11:00am on Saturday to receive an exhibitor number and final show instructions.
13. Female dogs in season may not participate in the show. If you expect that your dog may come into season at fair time, check with your vet, there is a shot available to prevent the season from starting. If your dog is in season, another dog may be substituted at the fair with proof of required vaccinations and verification that exhibitor has trained this animal. Exhibitor must inform Superintendent as soon as aware.
14. A dog may be shown by only one exhibitor in Obedience classes.

15. Any dog/handler team with an obedience title earned by January 1 of the current year must exhibit in the next highest class or Title Holder's Class. A dog who has earned one or two legs in AKC or UKC obedience competition may compete in that class. Inexperienced Handler/Titled dog should start in Novice A (this is an exception to the Sub-Novice rules). Experienced handler/Titled dog start at the next highest class or Title Holder's Class.
16. Scoring will be done on a point system as suggested by AKC and 4-H Dog Care and Training Project.
17. Show Committee will inspect all dogs prior to entry in the show for health and disposition.
18. In obedience classes a dog must have a slip or buckle collar and a six foot leather or web lead.
19. Exhibitors must enter in a showmanship class.
20. Dogs must be a minimum of 6 months by June 15, current year.
21. Exhibitors entering in Class 692 must be enrolled in either Leader Dogs for the Blind or Paws with a Cause. They must enter a showmanship class. The dog may not enter any other Obedience classes.
22. Questions regarding compliance of these rules should be directed to the Superintendent.
23. Level A classes are for members who will be competing at a level for the first year. Level B classes are for members who have competed in the "A" class previously.
24. An exhibitor can show up to two dogs, but he/she may not have more than one entry per class.
25. Set-up and tear down of the Dog Show is a required part of the completion of the project; eligibility for premiums and high points is at the discretion of the Superintendent.
26. Differently Abled exhibitors may continue to exhibit until the age of 26. Exhibitors shall follow all rules according to their species. They should enter the showmanship age class for their species. Differently Abled exhibitors ages 19 to 26 should continue in the senior showmanship class. Superintendent will work with the exhibitor, their family, and the Differently Abled Superintendent to make appropriate arrangements. These arrangements may include showing at a different time, being accompanied by a teen mentor/adult, etc. Differently Abled exhibitors will receive a special showmanship trophy.

## DIVISION 1 – DOGS

### Section a – SHOWMANSHIP (JUNIOR HANDLING)

Class 675 – 680 will receive a trophy and placing rosettes

Class 675 – Champion Showmanship (13-19 years)

Exhibitors ages 13-19 with three or more previous 1<sup>st</sup> or 2<sup>nd</sup> place 4-H, AKC, or UKC sponsored wins in Classes 676-679 in Showmanship in previous years should compete in the Champion Class.

Class 676 – Senior Showmanship (15-19 years)

Class 677 – Junior Showmanship (13-14 years)

Class 678 – Young I Showmanship (9-10 years)

Class 679 – Young II Showmanship (11-12 years)

Class 680 – Pee Wee Showmanship (6-8 years)

The top two exhibitors in classes 675-679 will compete for the Overall Showmanship Champion. Trophies and rosettes for Grand and Reserve Overall Showmanship will be awarded.

### Section b – OBEDIENCE

- Class 681 – Sub-Novice A  
(On lead inexperienced trainer with an inexperienced dog, never shown before)
- Class 682 – Sub-Novice B (6-11 years)
- Class 683 – Sub-Novice B (12-19 years)
- Class 684 – Novice A
- Class 685 – Novice B
- Class 686 – Title Holder (Dogs with AKC or UKC obedience title)
- Class 687 – Graduate Novice Obedience
- Class 688 – Open
- Class 689 – Utility

- Class 690 – Brace  
Brace is the showing of two dogs working obedience together on the same leash on brace attachment at the same time. On or off leash brace is optional.
- Class 691 – Team  
A team of four dogs and four handlers that compete as a group performing the Novice exercises.
- Class 692 – Service Dogs  
See rule 20

	A	B	C
Premiums for classes 681 thru 690	4.00	3.50	3.00

Exhibitors in classes 681-685, and class 687 and 690 receive Dog Obedience rosettes (1-5) and A, B, C ribbons. First place exhibitors in these classes will also receive a trophy. First place exhibitors in classes 686, 688, and 689, will receive a Grand Champion rosette. First place exhibitors in Class 691 each receive a Grand Champion rosette (4 total)

### Section c – COSTUME CLASS

Grand and Reserve Trophies and Rosettes

Costumes (dog/handler/both) will be judged on creativity, originality, and youth's description of how the costume was personally designed and created.

- Class 693 – Costume under 12 years of age
- Class 694 – Costume 12 years of age and over

### Section d – AGILITY

#### DOG AGILITY RULES

- D. In Agility classes, buckle collars without tags only. Leashes must not be greater than 6'. Leashes must be made of leather or web only.
- E. Agility exhibitors must have a minimum of 6 months obedience training with exhibiting dog before the current fair year date and be entered in any obedience class with exhibiting dog to participate in any agility class.
- F. Agility exhibitors must be familiar with Agility equipment.
- G. Agility walk-through without dog will be done at the beginning of each class.
- H. Agility will be scored according to State 4-H Agility rules.
- I. For complete guidelines contact the MSU Extension Office.
- J. The exhibitor must currently be in or have participated in obedience training.
- K. Dog jump height information should be included on the Small Animal Entry form and exhibitors should show their jump height card at Dog Show registration.
- L. An experienced handler/new dog or new handler/experienced dog must enter in Beginner B or higher classes.
- M. Exhibitors may show only one dog in each class.

- Class 695 – Beginner Agility A (6-11 years)  
First year beginner, on leash, handler may go over jumps with dog.
- Class 696 – Beginner Agility A (12-19 years)  
First year beginner, on leash, handler may go over jumps with dog.
- Class 697 – Beginner Agility B (6-11 years)  
2<sup>nd</sup>-3<sup>rd</sup> year beginners, on leash, handler may go over jumps with dog
- Class 698 – Beginner Agility B (12-19 years)  
2<sup>nd</sup>-3<sup>rd</sup> year beginners, on leash, handler may go over jumps with dog
- Class 699 – Intermediate Agility A  
First year intermediate, optional leash, handler may go over jumps with dog. One year previous experience in Beginner Agility is required.
- Class 700 – Intermediate Agility B  
2<sup>nd</sup>-3<sup>rd</sup> year intermediate, off leash, handler may NOT go over jumps with dog.
- Class 701 – Advanced Agility  
Off leash, handler may NOT go over jumps with dog. One year previous experience in Intermediate Agility required.
- Class 702 – Veterans Agility  
Dogs that have existing physical limitations causing unnecessary stress to the dog if they participate in agility (veterinary statement and superintendent pre-approval required – form available at Extension Office). Jump/equipment heights to be set according to 8" dog height, with no teeter totter obstacle.

All exhibitors in classes 695-702 will receive placing rosettes.

There will be a Grand Champion in each class for 695-702. Grand Champion will receive a trophy.

### Section e – RALLY OBEDIENCE

#### RALLY RULES

1. Rally exhibitors must have a minimum of six months obedience training before the current fair year date and be entered in any obedience class to participate in any Rally classes.
2. Rally exhibitors must be familiar with rally signage and equipment.
3. Rally walk-through without dog will be done at the beginning of each class.
4. Rally will follow AKC Rally regulations and will use AKC signs. Go to [www.akc.org](http://www.akc.org) for signs, rules, and regulations.
5. The exhibitor must currently be in or have participated in obedience training.
6. An experienced handler/new dog or new handler/experienced dog must enter in Novice B or higher classes.
7. Exhibitors may show only one dog in each class.

- Class 703 – Novice A - First year beginners
- Class 704 – Novice B - 2<sup>nd</sup>/3<sup>rd</sup> year beginners
- Class 705 – Advanced - 1<sup>st</sup>/2<sup>nd</sup> year intermediate – Off Leash
- Class 706 – Excellent - Advanced – Off Leash

All exhibitors in classes 703-706 will receive 1-5 rosettes.

There will be a Grand Champion in each class for 703-706. Grand Champion will receive a trophy.

For Freestyle Obedience and Team Obedience Demonstrations, see Department 73, Individual/Team demonstration.

A High Points and Reserve High Points trophy will be awarded to the highest combined total scores in Obedience, Rally, and Agility. If more than one dog is used by a handler, the dog used in Showmanship MUST also be used in all four events to be eligible for the high point trophy. Ties will be based on showmanship placements, followed by record book in the event of a second tie.

#### **Section f – DOG RECORD BOOK CONTEST**

To recognize outstanding achievement in record keeping for a dog project, awards will be presented to the top exhibitor in the following divisions.

Pee Wee (6-8)

Young (9-12)

Junior (13-14)

Senior (15-19)

Exhibitors will receive A, B, C ratings. First place winners in each division will receive a \$15.00 cash prize and a Best of Show rosette.

Record books should be turned into the Dog Superintendent upon registering on the day of the Dog Show. Record books will be judged on completeness, accuracy, neatness, and interview. Interview times will be announced the day of the show. Winners will be announced at the Domestic Animal Awards ceremony on Saturday. Record books are available from the Extension office.

There will be a Grand Champion in each class for 703-706. Grand Champion will receive a trophy.

## **DEPT 23 - CATS**

### **MONDAY, JULY 17 4:00 P.M.**

**Superintendent: Denise Noble (269)303-5407**

**Asst. Superintendent: Nancy Wheatley (269)415-0240**

If you are differently abled, please contact the Superintendent for special accommodations when Fair Forms are turned in.

#### **CAT/KITTEN EXHIBITOR RULES**

1. A cat may not be shown by more than one exhibitor for breed class. An exhibitor can show up to two cats/kittens, but he/she may not have more than one entry per class. If an animal is used for more than one showmanship class, the youngest exhibitor must show first.
2. Harnesses with identification tags are mandatory. Collars are appropriate but cat must also be on harness.
3. For Breed Class, Cats must be in the exhibitor's possession by May 1<sup>st</sup>. All Cats must and be registered at the Extension office by May 1<sup>st</sup>. The cat must be fed and cared for by the exhibitor.
4. Cats/Kittens must be entered in both Section B & Section C.
5. The exhibitor must be present while judging takes place.
6. An exhibitor's attire should be neat and clean. The show dress code includes a light colored long sleeved shirt and dark colored pants or jeans. Flat shoes are required, no sandals, Long hair should be tied back.

For Freestyle Obedience and Team Obedience Demonstrations, see Department 73, Individual/Team demonstration.

A High Points and Reserve High Points trophy will be awarded to the highest combined total scores in Obedience, Rally, and Agility. If more than one dog is used by a handler, the dog used in Showmanship MUST also be used in all four events to be eligible for the high point trophy. Ties will be based on showmanship placements, followed by record book in the event of a second tie.

#### **Section f – DOG RECORD BOOK CONTEST**

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Senior (15-19)

Exhibitors will receive A, B, C ratings. First place winners in each division will receive a \$15.00 cash prize and a Best of Show rosette.

Record books should be turned into the Dog Superintendent upon registering on the day of the Dog Show. Record books will be judged on completeness, accuracy, neatness, and interview. Interview times will be announced the day of the show. Winners will be announced at the Domestic Animal Awards ceremony on Saturday. Record books are available from the Extension office.

#### **7. Class Definitions:**

Cat - older than 12 months on the date of the show.

Kitten - 4-12 months old on the date of the show.

Purebred - Conforms to the standard of the breed.

Registration papers are not required

Household - Mixed Breed.

8. Cats/kittens must be checked in at the show area by a superintendent between 3:30-3:45 p.m. on Monday.

9. No obviously pregnant females or kittens less than 4 months of age are eligible to show. No cats in season are allowed to be shown. All cats should have their nails clipped or be declawed for the protection of the judge and exhibitors.

**\*NOTE :** This is a youth event. Do not have the cat declawed if you plan to enter other shows. This will be a disqualification at some cat shows.

10. Exhibitors must present cat's current certificates stating that they have had the following inoculations - rabies and distemper/calias/rhinotrach (Feline 30in01). Rabies must be veterinarian certified; Feline 3-in-1 can be veterinarian certified or must have accompanying documentation including date of purchase, receipt, and bottle labels proving inoculation. It is highly recommended that cats also have the feline leukemia and pneumatic inoculations. No feline leukemia positive cats are allowed to show at the fair.

11. Cats infected with lice, fleas, or ear mites will automatically be marked down.

12. Cats must be brought to the show in a carrier on the day of the show and kept under control at all times. Cats will not be kept at the fairgrounds overnight.
13. Animal Science notebooks will be judged on Saturday and must be displayed throughout fair week. Notebooks are listed in Dept. 72. Cat Record books are due to the Superintendent on Monday.
14. For cage decorations, exhibitors will use their own cages/carriers and the decorated cage must fit on the table provided. Cage decorations will be judged on creativity, originality, and youth's description of how decorations and/or costumes were personally designed and created.
15. Cat product will be judged on creativity, originality, workmanship, and exhibitor's product design created by them. Scoring occurs in the following categories: Creativity, Originality, Workmanship, Exhibitor Participation, Business Plan, Financials, Promotion, Interview, and Age Consideration.
16. Exhibitors are encouraged to bring a towel or carpet square for their cat to rest on during breed classes.
17. Differently Abled exhibitors may continue to exhibit until the age of 26. Exhibitors shall follow all rules according to their species. They should enter the showmanship age class for their species; exhibitors 19+ years, should continue in the senior showmanship class. Superintendent will work with the exhibitor, their family, and the Differently Abled Superintendent to make appropriate arrangements. These arrangements may include showing a different time, being accompanied by a teen mentor/adult, etc. Differently Abled exhibitors will receive a special showmanship trophy

## **DIVISION I- CATS**

### **Section a - CAT/KITTEN EXHIBITS**

Class 720 Cage Decorations (Cat and Kitten)

First and second place winners in Class 720 will receive Champion and Reserve Champion Rosettes.

### **Section b - CAT/KITTEN CLASS**

	A	B	C
Premiums for classes 721-725	4.00	3.50	3.00

Class 721	Purebred Kitten (4-12 mo.)
Class 722	Household Kitten (4-12 mo.)
Class 723	Purebred Cat (older than 12 months)
Class 724	Household Cat (female, older than 12 months)
Class 725	Household Cat (male, older than 12 months)
Class 726	Grand and Reserve Grand Champion

Exhibitors in Classes 721-725 receive A, B, C ribbons and Placing Ribbons (1-5). Winners in Class 726 (eligible classes include 723 – 725) will receive Grand and Reserve Grand trophies.

### **Section c - CAT/KITTEN SHOWMANSHIP**

Class 727	Pee Wee Showman (6-8 yrs.)
Class 728	Young I Showman (9-10 yrs.)
Class 729	Young II Showman (11-12 yrs.)
Class 730	Junior Showman (13-14 yrs.)
Class 731	Senior Showman (15-19 yrs.)
Class 732	Champion Showman (13-19 yrs.)

Exhibitors ages 13-19 with three or more previous 1st or 2nd place 4H sponsored wins in Classes 728 – 731 Showmanship in previous years must compete in the Champion Showmanship class.

Exhibitors in classes 727-732 receive Showmanship Rosettes (1-5 place). All exhibitors in Class 727 receive Participation Rosettes. First place winners in Classes 727-732 receive Showmanship Trophies.

### **Section d - CAT PRODUCT**

Class 733 Cat Product (to be judged on day of cat show)

Premium for Class 733 - A/\$1.50; B/\$1.25; C/\$1.00

Best of Show and Merit rosettes will be awarded to the top two products.

### **Section e - CATTITUDE**

Cattitude is a feline game of skill designed specifically for cat behaviors. Cats may remain in the same class for no more than two years before advancing to the next class.

Class 734	Beginner
Class 735	Intermediate
Class 736	Advanced

Exhibitors in classes 734-736 receive Rosettes (1-5)

### **Section f - CAT RECORD BOOK CONTEST**

To recognize outstanding achievement in record keeping for a cat project, awards will be presented to the top exhibitor in the following divisions:

Pee Wee (6-8)  
Young (9-12)  
Junior (13-14)  
Senior (15-19)

Exhibitors will receive A, B, C ratings. First place winners in each division will receive a \$15.00 cash prize and a Best of Show rosette.

Record books should be turned into the Cat Superintendent upon registering on the day of the Cat Show. Record books will be judged on completeness, accuracy, and neatness. Winners will be announced at the Domestic Animal Awards ceremony on Saturday. Record books are available from the Extension office.

A High Points trophy will be awarded to the highest combined total scores in Showmanship, Breed, Cat Product Entrepreneur, and Record book. Ties will be based on showmanship placements, followed by record book in the event of a second tie. Exhibitors will be required to designate in advance, one cat for high points.

SHOWMANSHIP (Possible 100)	BREED (Possible 100)	CAT PRODUCT (Possible 100)	RECORD BOOK (Possible 100)
1 <sup>st</sup> – 100	1 <sup>st</sup> – 100	Actual Score	1 <sup>st</sup> – 100
2 <sup>nd</sup> – 80	2 <sup>nd</sup> – 80		A/Blue – 80
3 <sup>rd</sup> – 60	3 <sup>rd</sup> – 60		B/Red – 60
4 <sup>th</sup> – 40	4 <sup>th</sup> – 40		C/White - 40
5 <sup>th</sup> – 20	5 <sup>th</sup> – 20		

# STILL PROJECTS

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## DEPT 60 – NEEDLEWORK

### DIVISION 1- PERSONAL APPEARANCE

Age Guidelines: Pee Wee - Age 6-8, Young - Age 9-11,  
Junior - Age 12-14, Senior - Age 15-19

Premiums for Classes 740 – 787	A	B	C
Pee Wee	1.50	1.25	1.00
Young	1.50	1.25	1.00
Junior	2.00	1.75	1.50
Senior	3.00	2.50	2.00

#### Section a - SEWING EXHIBITS

Class 740	Pee Wee - Single garment
Class 741	Pee Wee - Any other item sewn
Class 742	Young - Single garment
Class 743	Young - Garments (Sportswear, etc.)
Class 744	Young - Any other item sewn
Class 745	Junior - Single garment
Class 746	Junior - Garments (Sportswear, etc.)
Class 747	Junior - Any other item sewn
Class 748	Senior - Single garment
Class 749	Senior - Sportswear, etc.
Class 750	Senior - Suit, coat, or formal
Class 751	Senior - Any other item sewn

#### Section b – PERSONALIZATION

Personalized items include garments that have been modified by the exhibitor to reflect his/her personal tastes. Techniques include fabric painting, applique, cross stitch, needlework, tie dye, photo transfer and other methods of personalizing an item. Exhibitors may personalize garments they have sewn or purchased.

Class 752	Pee Wee – Personalized garment
Class 753	Young – Personalized garment
Class 754	Junior – Personalized garment
Class 755	Senior – Personalized garment

#### Section c – BUYMANSHIP

Youth explore their options and use decision making skills in the area of clothing purchases.

Buymanship is a program that teaches consumer skills and decision-making in the area of clothing purchases. Exhibits include purchased garment(s) AND a poster (14"x22") or notebook with information on cost reason for choosing item(s), etc.

Class 756	Pee Wee - Buymanship exhibit
Class 757	Young - Buymanship exhibit
Class 758	Junior - Buymanship exhibit
Class 759	Senior - Buymanship exhibit

#### Section d - KNITTING EXHIBITS

Class 760	Pee Wee - Handmade knitted item
Class 761	Pee Wee - Machine-made knitted item
Class 762	Young - Handmade knitted item
Class 763	Young - Machine-made knitted item
Class 764	Junior- Handmade knitted item
Class 765	Junior- Machine-made knitted item
Class 766	Senior - Handmade knitted item
Class 767	Senior - Machine-made knitted item

#### Section e - CROCHET EXHIBITS

Class 768	Pee Wee - Crocheted item
Class 769	Young - Crocheted item
Class 770	Junior - Crocheted item
Class 771	Senior - Crocheted item

#### Section f – NEEDLEPOINT, EMBROIDERY, CROSS-STITCH AND OTHERS

Class 772	– Pee Wee
Class 773	– Young
Class 774	– Junior
Class 775	– Senior

#### Section g – PLASTIC CANVAS

Class 776	– Pee Wee
Class 777	– Young
Class 778	– Junior
Class 779	– Senior

#### Section h - QUILTING

Class 780	– Pee Wee
Class 781	– Young
Class 782	– Junior
Class 783	– Senior

#### Section i - PROGRESSIVE QUILT

Show the work in progress by adding a new piece/pieces each year.

Class 784	Pee Wee - Progressive Quilt
Class 785	Young - Progressive Quilt
Class 786	Junior - Progressive Quilt
Class 787	Senior - Progressive Quilt

#### Section j - EDUCATIONAL EXHIBITS

Youth will display the information that they learned through the study of sewing, personalization, buymanship, knitting and crocheting projects.

Educational exhibits are posters (14"x22"), reports, notebooks, or displays with information about something the exhibitor learned through his/her sewing, personalization, buymanship, knitting or crocheting project. Examples include: Three types of seam finishes for a sewn garment; Technique used for the personalization of a garment; Cost comparisons of similar garment for the buymanship project; or Basic knitting or crochet stitches.

	A	B	C
Premiums for classes 788, 789, 790 & 795	2.00	1.75	1.50
Class 788 Ed. Exhibit (Ages 6-9)			
Class 789 Ed. Exhibit (Ages 9-19)			

### Section k - PERSONAL GROOMING

Class 790 - Poster or notebook related to learning activity

### Section l - ACCESSORIES - RIBBONS ONLY

Class 791	Accessory - Hair decorations
Class 792	Accessory - Shoes
Class 793	Accessory - Purses
Class 794	Other accessories - Scarves, Belts, etc.

## DIVISION II- FAMILY LIVING

### Section a - The Family & Home Design

To explore and investigate color harmony, furniture, etc. and incorporate the knowledge in everyday examples of family living.

Class 795	Education exhibit (notebook or poster 14" x 22") Containing pictures collected and written report about color harmony, furniture, etc.
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### SPECIAL AWARDS

A "Best of Show: rosette will be presented to the top exhibitor in the following groups of classes 750 - 788 & Class 793.

#### Bea Funk Memorial Award

All Exhibitors who receive a merit or best of show in crocheting, knitting or sewing will be judged on a separate judging sheet for this award. If they win this award; their name will be placed on a plaque for display by the 4-H Office during fair. Bea Funk was a long-time leader for these projects.

## DEPT 61 - CULINARY ARTS

### DIVISION 1 - FOODS & NUTRITION

#### Rules and Regulations:

1. All foods judging will be done Saturday, from 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. Products will not be accepted for judging at any other time.
2. One entry only per class.
3. No commercial mixes will be allowed.
4. 3"x5" recipe card must accompany all products in Classes 800 through 810 and classes 821 and 822.
5. Cookies and cake squares should be of uniform size (See Classes 800 and 801).
6. No cream pies or pies with a cream base will be accepted.
7. All entries in Classes 800 - 805, should be displayed on a paper plate and in a plastic bag.
8. Entries must be in the Classes named (specialty items to be judged in Class 809)
9. The Judge's decision will be final.

10. All foods' entries must be acceptable products. Judges may or may not taste food entries.

Learning Objective for Section b, c and e: To encourage the youth to develop and enhance their knowledge of Outdoor Cooking, Food Preservation and/or Folk patterns Foods.

### Section a - INDOOR MEALS

	A	B	C
Premiums for Classes 800 – 805	1.50	1.25	1.00
Class 800 - Four cookies or cookie squares (Limited to Exhibitors ages 6 – 12) Cookies approximately 2" in diameter. Cookie squares cut Approximately 2" x 2"			
Class 801 - Four unfrosted cupcakes or cake squares. Cake squares cut approximately 2"x 2"			
Class 802 - One-half loaf quick bread			
Class 803 - Four muffins or biscuits.			
Class 804 - Four yeast rolls or 1/2 loaf yeast bread			
Class 805 - Nutritious Snacks			

	A	B	C
Premiums for Classes 806 – 815	2.00	1.75	1.50
Class 806 - Fancy or filled yeast bread consists of 1 loaf, ring or square of the baked goods.			
Class 807 - One two-crust fruit pie.			
Class 808 - Whole Cakes (includes layered cakes, sponge, chiffon and angel food cakes, loaf cakes and coffee cakes)			
Class 809 - Any other Food Preparation Exhibit (Creative recipes and specialties)			
Class 810 - One-dish meals (casseroles accompanied by poster and recipe card. Must include a good source of complete protein plus at least two other food groups.			
Class 811 - One decorated cake, cupcake, or cupcake grouping. To be judged as a decorated project only.			
Class 812 - Candy Making			

### Section b - OUTDOOR MEALS

To encourage the youth to develop and enhance their knowledge of Outdoor Cooking.

- Class 813 - A poster (14"x22"), notebook or recipe collection showing types of fires for outdoor cooking techniques and safety precautions.
- Class 814 - Two pieces of homemade equipment for use in outdoor meals, accompanied by a poster (14"x22") or notebook giving complete directions for their use.
- Class 815 - Food item made using outdoor cooking techniques.

### Section c - FOOD PRESERVATION

To encourage the youth to develop and enhance their knowledge of Food Preservation.

(Must be processed according to current safety guidelines). (Classes 816 - 821 should be labeled with processing method and date processed.) Jar may be of varying shapes and sizes.

- Class 816 - Three (3) jars of fruit
- Class 817 - Three (3) jars of vegetables.

- Class 818 - Three (3) jars of jams, jellies, pickles or relishes.  
 Class 819 - Three (3) jars of honey  
 Class 820 - Three (3) jars of maple syrup  
 Class 821 - Three (3) jars of canned meats  
 Class 822 - One package of frozen vegetable or fruit and (14"x22") poster showing process in freezing foods.  
 Class 823 - Any other exhibit related to the preservation of food (equipment - posters etc.)  
 Class 824- Dried Foods Section

#### **Section d – Microwave Cooking**

- Class 825 - Any baked product (cakes, cookies, etc.)  
 Class 826 - Other foods (casseroles, meats, vegetables, etc.)

#### **Section e - FOLK PATTERNS FOODS**

To encourage the youth to develop and enhance their knowledge of Folk patterns Foods.

- Class 827- Foodways Notebook (Family traditions, etc.)  
 Class 828 - Recipe collection. Notebook or card file (with box) with recipes from foreign countries as well as United States in appropriate categories such as main dishes, desserts, salads, etc. Recipes must be dated with the year collected. At least 25 new recipes must be added each year.  
 Class 829 - Ethnic Foods  
 Class 830 - Holiday Foods

#### **Section f - EDUCATIONAL EXHIBITS**

Encourage youth to investigate the nutrition of food and other related topics.

- Class 831 - A poster (14"x22") on Nutrition or any other food related topic.(Examples: "Basic Four" food groups, balanced meals, nutritious snacks, party meals, table settings, etc.)  
 Class 832 Food Science

#### **SPECIAL AWARDS**

A "Best of Show" award Rosette will be presented to the exhibitor of the top exhibit in each section based on the following:

- Number of exhibitors in the class.
- Quality of the exhibit

#### **Section g – Jar Creations**

Bring dry ingredients in a jar with instructions attached AND the final product for the judge to sample. 3" x 5" recipe card with complete recipe must accompany all final products in classes 833-836.

- Class 833 – Drink in a jar  
 Class 834 – Dip in a jar  
 Class 835 – Cookies, Bread, Cake, etc. in a jar  
 Class 836 – Soups in a jar

## **DEPT 62 - FINE ARTS**

#### **ENTRY GUIDELINES**

1. An exhibitor may not enter more than one exhibit per class.
2. Categories determined by skill level and number of years in project. Suggested guidelines are as follows:  
 Beginner - 1-2 years in craft  
 Intermediate - 3-4 years in craft  
 Advanced - over 4 years in craft  
 (If an exhibitor's skill level does not match suggested guidelines, a project leader or parent may determine entry category.)
3. Items that have previously been exhibited cannot be shown again.
4. An exhibit that clearly demonstrates two different skills may be judged in both classes. For example, a woodworking exhibit that has been tole painted may be judged twice. However, a ceramic Santa Claus may not be entered under both "Ceramics" and "Holiday Crafts".

#### **DIVISION I- FINE ARTS**

All paintings and drawings should be framed or appropriately finished. Includes creative writing. Must be original unless otherwise noted in each section.

Premiums for Division I - Classes 850 through 895 are as follows:

	A	B	C
Beginner	1.50	1.25	1.00
Intermediate	2.00	1.75	1.50
Advanced	2.50	2.25	2.00

#### **Section a – TOLE AND OTHER FINE PAINTING**

Plaques, China, etc.

- Class 850 Beginner  
 Class 851 Intermediate  
 Class 852 Advanced

#### **Section b – OIL OR ACRYLIC PAINTING**

Still Life, Landscape, Portrait, or Abstract

- Class 853 Beginner  
 Class 854 Intermediate  
 Class 855 Advanced

#### **Section c – WATERCOLOR PAINTING**

Still Life, Landscape, Portrait, or Abstract

- Class 866 Beginner  
 Class 867 Intermediate  
 Class 868 Advanced

#### **Section d – MISC. PAINTING**

Masks, etc.

- Class 869 Beginner  
 Class 870 Intermediate  
 Class 871 Advanced

#### **Section e – DRAWINGS**

Pencil, Charcoal, Chalk, Ink or Other Medium

##### Still Life:

- Class 872 Beginner  
 Class 873 Intermediate  
 Class 874 Advanced

##### Portraits:

- Class 875 Beginner  
 Class 876 Intermediate  
 Class 877 Advanced

Landscape:

Class 878	Beginner	Class 881	Beginner
Class 879	Intermediate	Class 882	Intermediate
Class 880	Advanced	Class 883	Advanced

Abstract:

Class 908 Advanced

**Section d – WOODWORKING**

Class 909	Beginner
Class 910	Intermediate
Class 911	Advanced

**Section e - WOODBURNING**

Class 912	Beginner
Class 913	Intermediate
Class 914	Advanced

**Section f - BLACKSMITHING**

Class 915	Beginner
Class 916	Intermediate
Class 917	Advanced

**Section g - COUNTRY PAINTING**

Class 918	Beginner
Class 919	Intermediate
Class 920	Advanced

**Section h - COUNTRY CRAFTS - WOODEN ARTICLES**

Class 921	Beginner
Class 922	Intermediate
Class 923	Advanced

**Section i - PINEWOOD DERBY CAR**

The youth will design and construct a pinewood derby car to meet the standard requirements: Width shall not exceed 2 3/4", Length shall not exceed 7" and Weight shall not exceed 5 ounces.

Class 924	Beginner
Class 925	Intermediate
Class 926	Advanced

**Section j - DECORATED HATS**

Class 927	Beginner
Class 928	Intermediate
Class 929	Advanced

**Section k - LEATHER**

Class 930	Beginner
Class 931	Intermediate
Class 932	Advanced

**Section l – BUTTON ART**

Class 933	Beginner
Class 934	Intermediate
Class 935	Advanced

**Section m - STRING ART**

Class 936	Beginner
Class 937	Intermediate
Class 938	Advanced

**Section n – CLAY POT CRAFTS**

Class 939	Beginner
Class 940	Intermediate
Class 941	Advanced

Landscape:

Class 878	Beginner	Class 881	Beginner
Class 879	Intermediate	Class 882	Intermediate
Class 880	Advanced	Class 883	Advanced

**Section f – CARTOONING**

Ink, Pencil, Charcoal, Chalk, Tempera or Other Medium

Class 884	Beginner
Class 885	Intermediate
Class 886	Advanced

**Section g - CALLIGRAPHY**

Two styles of calligraphy are to be included in exhibit

Class 887	Beginner
Class 888	Intermediate
Class 889	Advanced

**Section h - COLLAGE/MOSAIC**

Any medium may be used.

Class 890	Beginner
Class 891	Intermediate
Class 892	Advanced

**Section i - SCULPTURE**

Any medium may be used.

Class 893	Beginner
Class 894	Intermediate
Class 895	Advanced

**SPECIAL AWARDS**

A "Best of Show" award Rosette may be presented to the exhibitor of the top exhibit in each section based on the following:

- Number of exhibitors in the class
- Quality of the exhibit

## DEPT 63 – FOLK ARTS

**DIVISION I – CRAFTS**

Encourage youth to explore and expand their craft skills in various areas.

Premiums for Division I- Classes 900 through 977 are as follows:

	A	B	C
Beginner	1.50	1.25	1.00
Intermediate	2.00	1.75	1.50
Advanced	2.50	2.25	2.00

**Section a - CERAMICS AND POTTERY**

Class 900	Beginner
Class 901	Intermediate
Class 902	Advanced

**Section b - WHITEWARE/PLASTER OF PARIS**

Class 903	Beginner
Class 904	Intermediate
Class 905	Advanced

**Section c - WOODCARVING**

Class 906	Beginner
Class 907	Intermediate

**Section o – DECORATED WREATHS**

Class 942 Beginner  
 Class 943 Intermediate  
 Class 944 Advanced

**Section p – TIEDYE/BATIK/OTHER TEXTILES**

Class 945 Beginner  
 Class 946 Intermediate  
 Class 947 Advanced

**Section q – GARDEN ROCKS - STONES - TILES**

Class 948 Beginner  
 Class 949 Intermediate  
 Class 950 Advanced

**Section r – LIQUID EMBROIDERY - FABRIC PAINTING**

Class 951 Beginner  
 Class 952 Intermediate  
 Class 953 Advanced

**Section s – LATCHHOOK • RAGWORK • NEEDLEPUNCH**

Class 954 Beginner  
 Class 955 Intermediate  
 Class 956 Advanced

**Section t – SAND ART**

Class 957 Beginner  
 Class 958 Intermediate  
 Class 959 Advanced

**Section u – DOUGH ART**

Class 960 Beginner  
 Class 961 Intermediate  
 Class 962 Advanced

**Section v – CHRISTMAS/THANKSGIVING CRAFTS**

Class 963 Beginner  
 Class 964 Intermediate  
 Class 965 Advanced

**Section w – OTHER HOLIDAY CRAFTS**

Valentines, St. Patrick's, 4th of July, Halloween

Class 966 Beginner  
 Class 967 Intermediate  
 Class 968 Advanced

**Section x – ORNAMENTS**

Class 969 Beginner  
 Class 970 Intermediate  
 Class 971 Advanced

**Section y – DECOUPAGE & CLEAR CAST**

Class 972 Beginner  
 Class 973 Intermediate  
 Class 974 Advanced

**Section z – MISCELLANEOUS**

Film Flowers, Copper Tooling, Wire Art, Macramé and other similar crafts

Class 975 Beginner  
 Class 976 Intermediate  
 Class 977 Advanced

**DIVISION II – FOLK PATTERN CRAFTS**

Encourage youth to explore, investigate and experience new techniques used in various Folk Pattern Crafts.

Premiums for Division II- Classes 978 through 1037 are as follows:

	A	B	C
Beginner	1.50	1.25	1.00
Intermediate	2.00	1.75	1.50
Advanced	2.50	2.25	2.00

**Section a – JEWELRY**

Class 978 Beginner  
 Class 979 Intermediate  
 Class 980 Advanced

**Section b – DIAMOND PAINTING**

Class 981 Beginner  
 Class 982 Intermediate  
 Class 983 Advanced

**Section c – GAMES**

Class 984 Beginner  
 Class 985 Intermediate  
 Class 986 Advanced

**Section d – BEAD CRAFTS**

Class 987 Beginner  
 Class 988 Intermediate  
 Class 989 Advanced

**Section e – BASKETRY**

Class 990 Beginner  
 Class 991 Intermediate  
 Class 992 Advanced

**Section f – PADDED PICTURE FRAMES/PHOTO ALBUMS**

Class 993 Beginner  
 Class 994 Intermediate  
 Class 995 Advanced

**Section g – SCRAPBOOKING**

Class 996 Beginner  
 Class 997 Intermediate  
 Class 998 Advanced

**Section h – STENCILING**

Class 999 Beginner  
 Class 1000 Intermediate  
 Class 1001 Advanced

**Section i – TIN PUNCH**

Class 1002 Beginner  
 Class 1003 Intermediate  
 Class 1004 Advanced

**Section j – SOAP MAKING**

Class 1005 Beginner  
 Class 1006 Intermediate  
 Class 1007 Advanced

**Section k – STAINED GLASS (ARTIFICIAL OR LEADED)**

Class 1008 Beginner  
 Class 1009 Intermediate  
 Class 1010 Advanced

**Section l – SCARECROWS (MUST BE UNDER 48" TALL)**

Class 1011 Beginner  
 Class 1012 Intermediate  
 Class 1013 Advanced

**Section m – TWISTED PAPER CRAFTS**

(Baskets, flowers, etc.)

Class 1014 Beginner  
 Class 1015 Intermediate  
 Class 1016 Advanced

**Section n – BATH SALTS / CRYSTALS**

Class 1017 Beginner  
 Class 1018 Intermediate  
 Class 1019 Advanced

**Section o – CANDLEMAKING**

Class 1020 Beginner  
 Class 1021 Intermediate  
 Class 1022 Advanced

**Section p – DOLLS, ANGELS, STUFFED TOYS AND LACE BEARS**

Corn husk, Raffia, Applehead, Clothespin, Dip & Drape. Soft Sculpture, Raggedy Ann & Andy, Spoon, Knitted and Crocheted dolls or toys

Class 1023 Beginner  
 Class 1024 Intermediate  
 Class 1025 Advanced

**Section q – GLASS ETCHING / EMBOSSING**

Class 1026 Beginner  
 Class 1027 Intermediate  
 Class 1028 Advanced

**Section r – FLEECE (Blankets, Pillows, Garments, etc.)**

Class 1029 Beginner  
 Class 1030 Intermediate  
 Class 1031 Advanced

**Section s – RUBBER STAMPING**

Class 1032 Beginner  
 Class 1033 Intermediate  
 Class 1034 Advanced

**Section t – STATIONARY MAKING**

Class 1035 Beginner  
 Class 1036 Intermediate  
 Class 1037 Advanced

**Section u – PAPER CRAFTS**

Class 1038 Beginner  
 Class 1039 Intermediate  
 Class 1040 Advanced

**Section v – FAIRY HOUSES**

Class 1041 Beginner  
 Class 1042 Intermediate  
 Class 1043 Advanced

**Section w – WALKING STICKS**

Class 1044 Beginner  
 Class 1045 Intermediate  
 Class 1046 Advanced

**Section x – WEAVING/SPINNING**

Class 1047 Beginner  
 Class 1048 Intermediate  
 Class 1049 Advanced

**SPECIAL AWARDS**

A "Best of Show" award rosette may be presented to the top exhibitor in each section based on the following:

- Number of exhibitors in the class
- Quality of the exhibits

## DEPT 64 - PHOTOGRAPHY

### DIVISION I - PHOTOGRAPHY

**ENTRY GUIDELINES****1. Exhibit Category Definitions:**

**BEGINNER:** Exhibitor with 1 or 2 years' experience in the project.

**INTERMEDIATE:** Exhibitor with 3 or 4 years' experience in the project.

**ADVANCED:** Exhibitors with 5 or more years' experience in the project.

- Pictures for class 1050 are to be mounted on a poster board 14"x22" using rubber cement. Photos for classes 1051-1052 and 1054 may be matted or mounted on poster board.
- Colored slides are to be displayed in a protective, clear plastic page, along with written description of slides.
- Ribbons and rosettes will be awarded for all places as listed for each class unless otherwise specified.
- All photos must be taken by the exhibitor.

**Section a – BEGINNER**

A	B	C
1.50	1.25	1.00

Class 1050 – Six standard-sized pictures that follow a theme (Black & White or color) of any subject(s)

### Section b – INTERMEDIATE

	A	B	C
	2.00	1.75	1.50
Class 1051 – Two 8" X 10" or Four 5" X 7" pictures (black & white or color)			
Class 1052 – Two 8" X 10" or Four 5" X 7" pictures (black & white or color – pictures of any subject(s) printed by exhibitor)			
Class 1053 – Photo album containing 15 or more photos			

### Section c – ADVANCED

	A	B	C
	3.00	2.50	2.00
Class 1054 – Three 8" X 10" (black & white or color) – pictures of any subject(s) Printed by exhibitor)			
Class 1055 – 10 to 15 color slides 35mm or 2 ¼" X 2 ¼" of any Subject(s) properly displayed			
Class 1056 – Photo album containing 25 or more photos			
Class 1057 – Digital Photography – Edited Pictures			

#### **SPECIAL AWARDS**

A "Best of Show" Award Rosette will be presented to the top exhibitor in the following classes or groups of classes.

## DEPT 67 - FLORICULTURE

### DIVISION I - VEGETABLES & FRUITS

1. Exhibitors may enter only one exhibit per class.
2. For information about selecting vegetables for exhibit, pick up a copy of publication 4-H-1175 at the Extension Office.

#### Section a – VEGETABLES

	A	B	C
	1.50	1.25	1.00
Class 1060 One plate of one variety grown			
Class 1061 One box of 3 varieties	2.00	1.75	1.50
Class 1062 One box of 5 varieties	3.00	2.50	2.00
Class 1063 Education Exhibit	2.00	1.75	1.50
All ages Poster, 14" X 22", with garden photos and Notebook containing gardening plans and cultural practices.			
Class 1064 Potted Vegetable Plant	2.00	1.75	1.50
All ages Tomatoes or other plants in suitable containers.			

#### Section b - FRUITS

Class 1065 Plate of Fruit grown	2.00	1.75	1.50
3 apples, pears, peaches or plums			
Class 1066 1 pt. box of blueberries	2.00	1.75	1.50
Or strawberries			
Class 1067 Cherries or Other Fruit	2.00	1.75	1.50

### DIVISION II – FLOWERS

1. Flower exhibitors shall not make more than one entry per class.
2. Use of disposable containers is recommended.

3. Some foliage should be retained on specimens and collections.
4. Flowers exhibited are to be grown by the exhibitor unless Otherwise specified in class description.
5. All live flower arrangements are to be created by the exhibitor At the fair in the presence of the judge.

#### Section a – CUT FLOWER

	A	B	C
Premiums for classed 1068 – 1071	1.50	1.25	1.00
Class 1068 Annuals – one flower any size with foliage (age 5-8)			
Class 1069 Annuals – Choose one: Three Flowers Under 3 ½" size One Flower over 3 ½" size			
Class 1070 Perennials – Choose one: Three Flowers Under 3 ½" size One Flower over 3 ½" size			
Class 1071 Gladiolas – one spike with foliage			
Premiums for classed 1072 -1073	2.00	1.75	1.50
Class 1072 Mixed Bouquet – 3 or more different annual and/or Perennial flowers in one container.			
Class 1073 Rose – one specimen with foliage			

#### Section b - ARRANGEMENTS

	A	B	C
Premiums for classed 1074 -1078	3.00	2.50	2.00
Class 1074 Flower arrangement using flowers grown by exhibitor			
Class 1075 Flower arrangement using flowers not grown by exhibitor			
Class 1076 Flower arrangement using dried, flowers and natural materials.			
Class 1077 Flower arrangement using artificial flowers and materials			
Class 1078 Corsage			
Premiums for classes 1079 -1080	2.00	1.75	1.50
Class 1079 Plaques made from dried materials and/or dried flowers			
Class 1080 Christmas or holiday decorations using dried Materials and/or dried flowers.			

#### **SPECIAL AWARDS**

A "Best of Show" award rosette may be presented to the top exhibitor in each section based on the following:

- Number of exhibitors in the class
- Quality of the exhibits

## DEPT 68 - HORTICULTURE

### DIVISION I - HORTICULTURE

#### Section a – LANDSCAPING

	A	B	C
Premiums for classed 1082 – 1089	2.00	1.75	1.50
Class 1082 Educational exhibit consisting of a notebook and/or a 14" X 22" poster relating to the landscaping activity			
Class 1083 Potted tree or bush			

### Section b – INDOOR GARDENS

- Class 1084 Potted houseplant – foliage or flowering plant  
Class 1085 Indoor bulbs, corms or tubers in one container  
Class 1086 Dish gardens – terrariums

### Section c – HORTICULTURE FOLKPATTERNS

- Class 1087 Herb gardens  
Class 1088 Flower gardening  
Class 1089 Potpourri

### DIVISION II – CROPS

#### Section a – SMALL GRAINS – 4 quart container

	A	B	C
Premiums for classed 1090 – 1099	1.50	1.25	1.00
Class 1090 Wheat			
Class 1091 Oats			
Class 1092 Any other small grain not listed above			

#### Section b – FIELD CROPS OTHER THAN GRAIN

- Class 1093 Potatoes (32 tubers – 1 variety)  
Class 1094 Soybeans (4 quarts)  
Class 1095 Legume Seed (4 quarts)  
Class 1096 Hay – 1 bale slice 6” thick, tied securely  
Class 1097 Corn – 10 ears or 4 quarts shelled  
Class 1098 Corn – 3 stalks with roots & soil attached and Properly bagged  
Class 1099 Any other field crop not listed above

#### SPECIAL AWARDS

A “Best of Show” award rosette may be presented to the top exhibitor in each section based on the following:

- Number of exhibitors in the class
- Quality of the exhibits

## DEPT 69 – SCIENCE

### DIVISION I – SCIENCE

#### Section a – WEATHER & ASTRONOMY

	A	B	C
Class 1100 Weather Station	3.00	2.50	2.00
Class 1101 Poster showing cloud formation	2.00	1.75	1.00
Class 1102 Any other weather education	2.00	1.75	1.00
Class 1103 Astronomy	2.00	1.75	1.00

To encourage youth to explore, investigate and experience new events/occurrences through the studies of the various sciences.

	A	B	C
Premiums for classes 1104 - 1121	2.00	1.75	1.50

#### Section b – ELECTRICAL

- Class 1104 Electricity: Exhibit articles made  
Class 1105 Electronics – articles made  
Class 1106 Any other electrical or electronics Educational exhibit

### Section c – WELDING

- Class 1107 Welding – Exhibit may consist Of display showing major types of welds  
Class 1108 Welded article (table, etc.)

### Section d – PETROLEUM POWER

- Class 1109 Automotive  
Class 1110 Small Engines  
Class 1111 Recreational vehicles (motorcycles, 3 wheelers, etc.)  
Class 1112 Tractor Care & Operation

### Section e – COMPUTER SCIENCE

- Class 1113 Printout of an existing program  
Class 1114 Program developed by exhibitor  
Class 1115 Educational exhibit (Poster 14” X 22”, notebook, report, Etc.)

### Section f – MACHINING

To achieve a comprehensive understanding of how metal products are produced using standard machining practices.

Present a finished product made with any type of metal, steel, brass or aluminum.

- Class 1116 Beginner  
Class 1117 Intermediate  
Class 1118 Advanced

### Section g – 2 & 3D MECHANICAL DRAWING

To achieve a comprehensive understanding of how to present mathematical data as a working document in 2 or 3 dimensional picture views.

Present a blueprint with specific details and dimensions.

- Class 1119 Beginner  
Class 1120 Intermediate  
Class 1121 Advanced

### Section h – AVIATION – RIBBONS ONLY

- Class 1122 Beginner  
Class 1123 Intermediate  
Class 1124 Advanced

#### SPECIAL AWARDS

A “Best of Show” award rosette may be presented to the top exhibitor in each section based on the following:

- Number of exhibitors in the class
- Quality of the exhibits

## DEPT 70 – NATURAL RESOURCES

### DIVISION I – NATURAL SCIENCE

#### ENTRY GUIDELINES

All educational exhibits will consist of (1) 14” X 22” poster, or (2) a notebook, or (3) display of the articles made or collected unless otherwise specified by the class description or (4) Photo Journal which consists of 8 to 12 photos taken by the exhibitor with a caption for each picture.

To encourage youth to explore, investigate and experience new events/occurrences through the studies of the various sciences.

### Section a – PLANT SCIENCE

	A	B	C
Premiums for classes 1125 - 1135	2.00	1.75	1.50
Class 1125	Basic Plant Science – educational exhibit relating to Parts of a seed, germination, propagation, etc.		
Class 1126	Educational exhibit of 20 labeled weeds.		
Class 1127	Crop Science educational exhibit relating to crop Production, soils, fertilizers, etc.		

### Section b – CONSERVATION

#### (NATURAL RESOURCES ENVIRONMENTAL EDUCATION)

Class 1128	Basic Conservation & Youth education exhibit (including water)		
Class 1129	Forestry		
Class 1130	Wildlife		
Class 1131	Other Natural Resources Environmental Education exhibits		
Class 1132	Nature notebook, poster or photo journal. Subjects include wildflowers, native Michigan wildflowers, invasive species, trees/shrubs, lichens/mushrooms and wild plants.		
Class 1133	Bird Study – Notebook, 14” X 22” poster or photo journal.		
Class 1134	Pheasant & Pheasant Habitat project record and poster		
Class 1135	Rocks & Minerals, 10 specimens mounted and identified (add a minimum of 5 rocks for each year)		

	A	B	C
Premiums for classes 1136 – 1147	3.00	2.50	2.00

Class 1136	Rocks & Minerals (any age) – Special display of specific rocks (Metamorphic, Igneous, Sedimentary) or special study and display of rock polishing, jewelry making and like activities		
Class 1137	Paper Making		
Class 1138	Recycling: Make a new useful item from an existing household product that would have become trash.		
Class 1139	Recycling: Repair a renew an object that would have been thrown in the trash so it can be used again or longer (show/explain what needed to be done)		
Class 1140	Recycling: Make a compost or recycle container for your kitchen, garage, or backyard.		
Class 1141	Recycling: Exhibit showing the life of a natural resource from its original state, to its manufacture, to its use by humans, to its disposal.		
Class 1142	Educational exhibit, notebook or poster (14” X 22”) on how to recycle, what you can do to help. Etc.		
Class 1143	Taxidermy		
Class 1144	Project Fish – Tackle craft – Beginner or Intermediate		
Class 1145	Project Fish – Tackle craft – Advanced		
Class 1146	Project Fish – Educational Notebook, Poster or Photo Journal		
Class 1147	Project Fish – Fishing Accessories		

### Section c – ENTOMOLOGY

	A	B	C
Premiums for class 1148	1.50	1.25	1.00
Class 1148	Basic Entomology I: Collect & Exhibit as adult Species from 8 orders		

	A	B	C
Premiums for classes 1149 - 1150	2.00	1.75	1.50

Class 1149	Basic Entomology II: Collect & Exhibit 50 adult Species from 11 orders		
Class 1150	Basic Entomology III: Collect & exhibit 100 adult species from 14 orders		

	A	B	C
Premiums for classes 1151 - 1159	3.00	2.50	2.00
Class 1151	Basic Entomology IV: Collect & Exhibit 175 adult species from 16 orders		
Class 1152	Basic Entomology V: Collect & Exhibit 250 adult species from 16 orders		
Class 1153	Basic Entomology VI: Collect & exhibit 300 adult species from 16 orders		
Class 1154	Entomology Science I – Special collections: Collect, prepare and preserve 25 different moths and/or butterflies		
Class 1155	Entomology Science III – Entomological Studies: This can include videos, photos, observations, live specimen exhibits, identification demonstration or drawing.		
Class 1156	Special Entomological, Skills I – Illustration: Prepare at least 5 illustrations (any medium) of insects showing form, habits, life cycle or other interesting information.		
Class 1157	Special Entomological, Skills II – Laminations: Prepare at least 20 wing laminations, including name for each species.		
Class 1158	Special Entomological, Skills III – Plastic embedment’s; prepare at least 5 plastic embedments of various insects and/or arthropods and include name of species where possible.		
Class 1159	Entomology – Other Project or Craft		

### **SPECIAL AWARDS**

A “Best of Show” award rosette may be presented to the top exhibitor in each section based on the following:

- Number of exhibitors in the class
- Quality of the exhibits

## DEPT 71 - ORGANIZATIONS

### DIVISION I – ORGANIZATIONS

All youth groups are invited to develop their booth exhibits around the theme of “**Pure Michigan**”. One of the criteria in judging the booth will relate to how well the group has carried out this representation.

#### Section a – 4-H CLUB – RIBBONS ONLY

Class 1160	Club Booth
Class 1161	Club Notebook or Scrapbook (Update for current year)
Class 1162	Club Educational Exhibit

#### Section b – FFA CHAPTER – RIBBONS ONLY

Class 1163	Chapter Educational Booth Exhibit
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#### Section c – BOY AND GIRL SCOUTS BOOTH EXHIBITS OTHER YOUTH GROUP BOOTH EXHIBITS – RIBBONS ONLY

Class 1164	Educational exhibit consisting of 14” X 22” poster or Notebook or a display of articles made relating to any Phase of Scouting.
Class 1165	Group Booth

**Section d – GROUP EDUCATIONAL EXHIBIT – RIBBON ONLY**

Must have at least 3 members and a theme.

Class 1166 Exhibit project made Newsletters, etc.

Beginner - 1-2 years in the project

Intermediate - 3-4 years in the project

Advance - over 4 years in the project

If the exhibitor's skill level does not match the suggested guidelines, a project leader or parent may determine the entry category.

**DEPT 72 - EDUCATIONAL****DIVISION I – EDUCATIONAL**

Premiums for classes 1170 - 1186	A	B	C
	2.00	1.75	1.50

**Section a – WEB DESIGN**

Bring in flash drive with your created web (website setup)

Class 1170	Beginner
Class 1171	Intermediate
Class 1172	Advanced

**Section b – WRITING**

To encourage youth to develop and enhance their writing skills.

**Short Stories: Young Authors:**

Class 1175	Beginner	Class 1178	Beginner
Class 1176	Intermediate	Class 1179	Intermediate
Class 1177	Advanced	Class 1180	Advanced

**Poetry, Music, Other Writing**

Class 1181	Beginner
Class 1182	Intermediate
Class 1183	Advanced

**Section c – FILM RELATED PROJECTS**

Class 1184	Beginner
Class 1185	Intermediate
Class 1186	Advanced

**DIVISION II – COLLECTIONS****ENTRY GUIDELINES**

One entry per class.

All collections in classes 1187-1216 MUST be accompanied by a notebook. Beginning in 1994, the collector will add the following to their notebook each year:

- A list of the items collected during the current year.
- A photograph of the new items collected. Photographs of the collection from previous years should also be included so the judge can see the growth of the collection.
- A "Collections Summary Sheet" Available from the Extension Office.
- Optional - The exhibitor may also want to include additional information about the collection in his/her notebook.  
(I.e. where items were purchased, cost of items, etc.)

1. Collections which have been exhibited in previous years with no new items added during current year will not be accepted.
2. Collections shall be exhibited in a neat, orderly and organized manner.
3. Valuable collections may be taken home after judging. If the exhibitor chooses to take the collection home, a poster (14"x22") or notebook must remain on exhibit along with a photograph of the entire collection.
4. New stickers should be exhibited separately from old stickers.
5. Entry category will be determined by the exhibitor's skill level and number of years in the project. Suggested guidelines are as follows:

**Section a – STAMPS – RIBBONS ONLY**

Class 1187	Beginner – Cancelled Stamps
Class 1188	Intermediate – Cancelled Stamps
Class 1189	Advanced – Canceled Stamps
Class 1190	Beginner – New Stamps
Class 1191	Intermediate – New Stamps
Class 1192	Advanced – New Stamps
Class 1193	Beginner – Plate blocks or First Day Covers
Class 1194	Intermediate – Plate blocks or First Day Covers
Class 1195	Advanced – Plate blocks or First Day Covers

**Section b – COINS – RIBBONS ONLY**

Class 1196	Beginner
Class 1197	Intermediate
Class 1198	Advanced

**Section c – DOLLS – ANIMALS - PUPPETS – RIBBONS ONLY**

Class 1199	Beginner
Class 1200	Intermediate
Class 1201	Advanced

**Section d – MINIATURE CARS – TRACTORS AND OTHER VEHICLES – RIBBONS ONLY**

Class 1202	Beginner
Class 1203	Intermediate
Class 1204	Advanced

**Section e – SPORTS CARDS – RIBBONS ONLY**

Class 1205	Beginner
Class 1206	Intermediate
Class 1207	Advanced

**Section f – STICKERS – RIBBONS ONLY**

Class 1208	Beginner
Class 1209	Intermediate
Class 1210	Advanced

**Section g – PINS AND BUTTONS – RIBBONS ONLY**

Class 1211	Beginner
Class 1212	Intermediate
Class 1213	Advanced

**Section h – OTHER COLLECTIONS – RIBBONS ONLY**

Class 1214	Beginner
Class 1215	Intermediate
Class 1216	Advanced

**DIVISION III – MISCELLANEOUS HOBBIES****Section a – MODEL BUILDING (Airplanes, Cars, etc.) RIBBONS ONLY**

Class 1217	Beginner
Class 1218	Intermediate
Class 1219	Advanced

**Section b – MODEL ROCKETRY – RIBBONS ONLY**

Class 1220	Beginner
Class 1221	Intermediate
Class 1222	Advanced

	A	B	C
Premiums for classes 1244	5.00	4.00	3.00
Class 1244	Passport – Country, State & County Study: Group Exhibit by Club consisting of an arrangement Of articles collected.		

**DIVISION IV****Section a - ANIMAL SCIENCE**

- 1 Exhibitors may not enter more than one exhibit per class.
- 2 Notebooks that have been entered in previous years must be divided by year so the judge can tell what has been added during the current year.
- 3 All notebooks & posters will be judged on Saturday
- 4 All posters must be 14" x 22"

	A	B	C
Premiums for classes 1223 – 1238	2.00	1.75	1.50
Class 1223	Dairy Notebook and/or poster		
Class 1224	Beef Notebook and/or poster		
Class 1225	Swine Notebook and/or poster		
Class 1226	Sheep Notebook and/or poster		
Class 1227	Veterinary Science Notebook and/or poster		
Class 1228	Goat Notebook and/or poster		
Class 1229	Rabbit Notebook and/or poster		
Class 1230	Poultry Notebook and/or poster		
Class 1231	Cavy Notebook and/or poster		
Class 1232	Horse Notebook – Contact your 4-H Leader/Ext Ofc		
Class 1233	Draft Horse Notebook and/or poster		
Class 1234	Dog Notebook and/or poster		
Class 1235	Cat Notebook and/or poster		
Class 1236	Pony/Mule Notebook and/or poster		
Class 1237	Other Animal Science exhibit (First aid kit, etc.)		
Class 1238	Equipment Construction (to be used with animals) (cages, water containers, food containers, etc.)		

**DIVISION V – INTERNATIONAL–CITIZENSHIP-LEADERSHIP****EXHIBIT GUIDELINES**

All Educational Exhibits in the following classes will consist of (1) a notebook, or (2) 14"x22" poster, or (3) display of articles made or collected unless otherwise specified by the class description.

Youth will display their knowledge of an international visit or study of a country, state or county.

**Section a - INTERNATIONAL & PASSPORT**

	A	B	C
Premiums for classes 1240 – 1242	3.00	2.50	2.00
Class 1240	International – A report on a country that the exhibitor has visited or has hosted a visitor from that country.		
Class 1241	Passport – Country, State & County Study: Note book or Poster detailing culture of Country, State or County		
Class 1242	Passport – Country, State & County Study Individual exhibit may consist of articles Collected such as dolls, crafts, etc.		

	A	B	C
Premiums for classes 1243	4.00	3.50	3.00
Class 1243	Passport – County, State & County Study: Group exhibit of 3 to 5 members consisting of Articles collected: Arts, Crafts, and Clothing, etc.		

**Section b – CITIZENSHIP**

Display what they have learned pertaining to citizenship. This may include projects, trips or community service activities.

	A	B	C
Premiums	3.00	2.50	2.00
Class 1245	Citizenship project or community service activity Conducted by an individual		
Class 1246	Citizenship project or community service activity Conducted by a group		
Class 1247	Educational Exhibit pertaining to Citizenship – Washington Focus, Capitol Experience or other Citizenship Program		

**Section c – LEADERSHIP**

Display what exhibitors have learned through their leadership skills

	A	B	C
Premiums for classes 1248 - 1251	3.00	2.50	2.00
Class 1248	Teen Leadership notebook		
Class 1249	Leadership Educational Exhibit		
Class 1250	Club Officer Notebook		
Class 1251	4H Member Summary/Record Book (contact MSU Extension office for current form)		

**Section d – SPECIAL AWARDS FOR INTERNATIONAL, CITIZENSHIP & LEADERSHIP**

Classes 1240 - 1251

A "Best of Show" award rosette may be presented to the top exhibitor in the following groups of classes:

**DIVISION VI – LEISURE EDUCATION**

Demonstrating the knowledge that the youth have gained through the study of life-long skills.

	A	B	C
Premiums for classes 1252 – 1263	2.00	1.75	1.50

**Section a – SHOOTING SPORTS**

Class 1252	Firearm and Hunter's Safety
Class 1253	Archery or Archery Equipment – Notebook, poster or photo journal
Class 1254	Educational Exhibit – Firearm – Notebook, poster or photo journal
Class 1255	BB Gun – Notebook, poster or photo journal
Class 1256	Shotgun – Notebook, poster or photo journal
Class 1257	Muzzleloader – Notebook, poster or photo journal
Class 1258	Rifle – Notebook, poster or photo journal
Class 1259	Outdoor Adventure Challenge – Equipment
Class 1260	Outdoor Adventure Challenge – Notebook, poster or photo journal

**Section b – SPORTS AND OUTDOOR RECREATION**

Class 1261	Educational exhibit relating to Golf, Softball, Bowling, Tennis, Skiing, or Other organized outdoor recreation.
Class 1262	Educational exhibit relating to Camping
Class 1263	Educational Exhibit relating to Challenge Project (winter survival, rock climbing, etc.)

## DIVISION VII – EMERGENCY PREPAREDNESS

Youth will develop and enhance their emergency preparedness skills.

### Section a – FIRST AID AND HEALTH (LIST CONTENTS)

Class 1264	Beginning First Aid Kit	1.50	1.25	1.00
Class 1265	Advanced First Aid Kit	2.00	1.75	1.50
	More complete First Aid Supplies			
Class 1266	Any other First Aid Exhibit	2.00	1.75	1.50

### Section b – SAFETY AND FIRE PREVENTION

Class 1267	Snowmobile Safety	2.00	1.75	1.50
	Educational Exhibit			
Class 1268	Bicycle Safety	2.00	1.75	1.50
	Educational Exhibit			
Class 1269	Farm & Home Safety	2.00	1.75	1.50
	Educational Exhibit			
Class 1270	Any other Safety Exhibit	2.00	1.75	1.50

## DIVISION VIII – FOLK PATTERNS

Youth will display their knowledge of various Folk patterns Projects through exploration and investigation.

Folk patterns is a project in which youth learn about traditions, skills and the folklore of their past. Other folk pattern sections are included in Dept. A, Folk pattern Foods and Dept. B Folk Patterns Crafts.

A Folk patterns exhibit may consist of a display of articles collected; a scrapbook containing pictures, drawings, or photographs and written narrative; a poster showing what was learned in the study area or other display representing folk pattern project work.

### Section a – FOLK PATTERNS EXHIBITS

	A	B	C
Premiums for classes 1271 – 1278	2.00	1.75	1.50
Class 1271	Family Folklore or Genealogy		
Class 1272	Photography (Historical Sites, Craftsmen, Festivals)		
Class 1273	Heritage Artifacts/collections, Historical Clothing		
Class 1274	Community Folklore, Ethnic celebrations		
Class 1275	Folkgames & toys, Folk Music		
Class 1276	Architecture, buildings, Shelters		
Class 1277	Wildlife & Trapping Lore, Indian Lore, Folk Medicine		
Class 1278	Any other not listed above		

A "Best of Show" award rosette may be presented to the top exhibitor in the above groups of classes.

## DIVISION IX - NON-COMPETITIVE YOUTH EXHIBITS FOR 6-8 YR. OLDS

Exhibitors may choose whether or not they want to enter in the non-competitive division. Youths who exhibit in this division will receive no premiums.

### 6-8 YEAR OLDS

#### NON-COMPETITIVE DIVISION EXHIBIT GUIDELINES

1. Youth between the ages of 6-8 are eligible to exhibit.
2. All entries must be the work of the individual exhibiting it.
3. 4-H members who have participated in several activities are encouraged to exhibit their favorite projects.

4. Youths may enter the following number of exhibits:

6 year old - 6 exhibits  
7 year old - 7 exhibits  
8 year old - 8 exhibits

5. Each child will have a short interview with a judge. He/she will be asked simple questions about how the exhibit was made, what he/she enjoyed most, etc.

6. Exhibits will not receive an A, B, C placing. Instead each child will receive a participant ribbon. Each child will receive a gift.

7. The exhibit must be displayed in the Youth Building during fair week. 4-H member exhibits will be displayed in the club booth. Exhibits must be picked up on Sunday, 8:00 a.m. to 12 noon.

### Section a – NON-COMPETITIVE DIVISION

Class 1279	Art	Class 1295	Recycling
Class 1280	Basic Computers	Class 1296	Rocks
Class 1281	Bicycling	Class 1297	Safety
Class 1282	Bird Study	Class 1298	Space Technology
Class 1283	Collections	Class 1299	Sports
Class 1284	Crafts	Class 1300	Stamps
Class 1285	Folk patterns	Class 1301	Trees
Class 1286	Foods	Class 1302	Wild Flowers
Class 1287	Gardening	Class 1303	Woodworking
Class 1288	Insects	Class 1304	Holiday Celebration
Class 1289	Natural Resources	Class 1305	Cloverbud Scrapbook
Class 1290	Nature	Class 1306	Show and Trail
Class 1291	Needlework	Class 1307	Animal Science
Class 1292	Passport		
Class 1293	Personal Appearance		
Class 1294	Photography		

## DEPT 73 – DEMONSTRATIONS

To encourage youth to develop and enhance their speaking, vocal acting, dance and instrumental skills.

### Division I – DEMONSTRATIONS

IMPORTANT: Contact the Extension Office by June 15 if you plan to give a performance or demonstration at the Van Buren Youth Fair. The schedule will be made out prior to the fair.

### Section a – DEMONSTRATIONS / ILLUSTRATED TALKS

Exhibitors in classes 1325 – 1328 will receive participation ribbons and a \$2.00 premium.

Class 1325	Individual Demonstration (Under 9 yrs.)
Class 1326	Individual Demonstration (9 – 13 yrs.)
Class 1327	Individual Demonstration (14 & over)
Class 1328	Team Demonstration

### Section b – YOUTH IN ACTION DEMONSTRATIONS

Informal presentation led by exhibitor with audience participation. (Contact the Extension Office for more information.) Exhibitors will receive a participation ribbon.

Class 1329	Demonstration	\$5.00 premium
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### Section c – TALENT SHOW

The Talent Show will be on Monday, July 17 at 7:00 p.m. Youth between the ages of 6 – 19 are invited to participate. Possible entries include dance, instrumental, vocals, mime, clowning, poetry, or a short speech. Acts should be between 2-5 minutes in length. A penalty will be assessed if an act is over 5 minutes in length. For singing performances, please bring music without vocals. Contact the Extension Office or the performing arts coordinator to request an application form. Vocal Arts will also be penalized if music accompaniment has vocals.

### **Performing Arts Coordinator: Paul Callens (269-808-4774)**

1. Exhibitors may enter only one in the performing arts program. One individual act or one group act.
2. All participants must complete both of the following:  
An application form which includes a description of the act (DUE 6/15) - Fair registration form. Be sure to list the correct class numbers on your fair registration form or you will not receive a premium.
3. All exhibitors will receive a participation ribbon.
4. Premiums for classes 1330 - 1340 will be \$2.50

Class 1330 - Mime Clowning - Any Age  
Class 1331 - Voice - Ages 6-8 - Group or Individual  
Class 1332 - Instrument - Ages 6-8 - Group or Individual  
Class 1333 - Dance - Ages 6-8 - Group or Individual  
Class 1334 - Voice - Ages 9-13 - Group or Individual  
Class 1335 - Instrument - Ages 9-13 - Group or Individual  
Class 1336 - Dance - Ages 9- 13 - Group or Individual  
Class 1337 - Voice - Ages 14-19 - Group or Individual  
Class 1338 - Instrument - Ages 14-19 - Group or Individual  
Class 1339 - Dance - Ages 14-19 - Group or Individual  
Class 1340 - Oratory (Speech/Poetry) Ages 6-19

## **DEPT. 90 – YOUTH PARADE Saturday, July 22**

### **DIVISION I**

#### **Section a - YOUTH PARADE CONTEST**

**Line up at 5:45 p.m. Parade begins at 6:00 p.m.**  
**Location – Large Livestock Arena**

Dogs and cats participating in the Youth Parade will be allowed on the grounds 1 hour before the parade and must be removed 1 hour after the parade. They must show current proof of vaccinations.

Entries to be returned to Mary Darling, or the Fair Board Office by 12:00 noon on Saturday, July 22<sup>nd</sup>. Please enter in classes 1361 – 1365. Grand Prize will be awarded at the time of the parade.

Class 1360 - Grand Prize ... \$25  
Class 1361 - Costume, Pet (Small Animals)  
Class 1362 - Costume, Pet (Large Animals)  
Class 1363 - Costume, Bicycle  
Class 1364 - Costume, Vehicle Drawn  
Class 1365 - All Others

Prizes for Class 1360 will be: \$25.00 and Grand Champion Ribbon

Prizes for Classes 1361-1365 will be:

1st - \$8.00 and placing ribbon  
2nd - \$6.00 and placing ribbon  
3rd - \$4.00 and placing ribbon  
4th - \$2.00 and placing ribbon  
5th – Placing ribbon

Class Number

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Name of Contestant

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Address

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4-H Club or Organization

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Type of Entry

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Name of Entry

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## DEPT. 100 – HORSE PULLING

### DIVISION I – OPEN HORSE PULLING CONTEST “OPEN TO THE WORLD”

#### Section a – Michigan Horse Pulling Boat Association

**SATURDAY, JULY 22 10:00 A.M.**

Representative: Adam Newland - (231) 937-5258

All horses must have a negative Coggins Test.

A copy of the Coggins test must be given to the Fair Board to be placed on file.

Entry fee: \$10.00

Class 1400

Premiums for Class 1400:

1 <sup>ST</sup> - \$350	6 <sup>TH</sup> - \$150
2 <sup>ND</sup> - \$300	7 <sup>TH</sup> - \$150
3 <sup>RD</sup> - \$250	8 <sup>TH</sup> - \$125
4 <sup>TH</sup> - \$200	9 <sup>TH</sup> - \$100
5 <sup>TH</sup> - \$175	10 <sup>TH</sup> - \$100

## DEPT 102 - PONY PULLING

### PONY PULL CONTEST

**THURSDAY, JULY 20 1:00 P.M.**

Secretary-Treasurer – Gina Sattison 296-4481

Rules of the Michigan Pony Dynamometer Association to govern. (on file at fairgrounds office)

1. Classification of Ponies will be 49 in. and under, 53 in. and under.
2. All contests are open to the world, unless specified by the Fair Board
3. Entry Fee - \$10 per team.
4. Admission to grounds limited to 2 persons per team.
- 5.

All horses must have a negative Coggins Test.

A copy of the Coggins test must be given to the Fair Board to be placed on file.

### DIVISION I – PONY PULLING

#### Section a - PONY PULLING CONTEST

Class 1416 - First Place Trophy

Class 1417 – First Place Trophy

Premiums for classes 1416 thru 1417

1416-1 - \$140	1417-1 - \$140	1417-9 - \$100
1416-2 - \$135	1417-2 - \$135	1417-10 - \$95
1416-3 - \$130	1417-3 - \$130	
1416-4 - \$125	1417-4 - \$125	
1416-5 - \$120	1417-5 - \$120	
1416-6 - \$115	1417-6 - \$115	
1416-7 - \$110	1417-7 - \$110	
1416-8 - \$105	1417-8 - \$105	

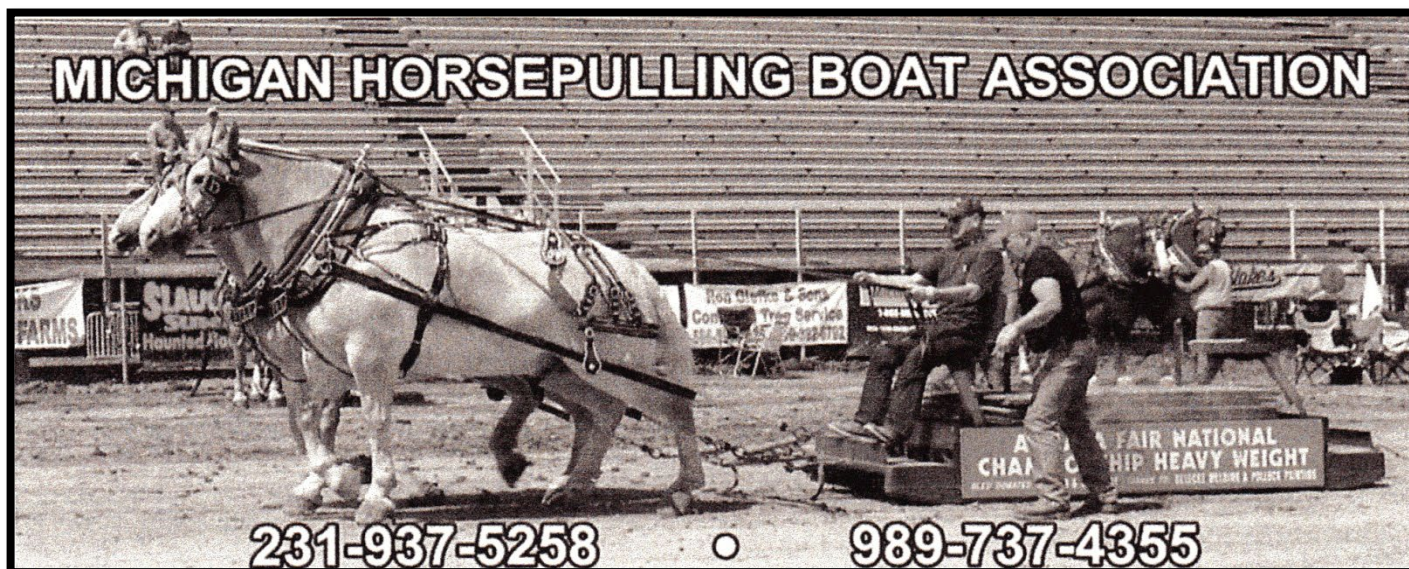
Lightweight Class Heavyweight Class

Class 1416 – 49” and Under Class 1417 53” and Under

#### Special – Record Breaker

49” (2750#) 53” (3175#)

1418 - \$50.00 1419 - \$50.00



# DEPT 103 - FARM STOCK TRACTOR PULLING

**MONDAY, JULY 17 - 6:00 p.m.**

**Co-Superintendent: Mendy Trowbridge (269-217-9050)**

**Co-Superintendent: Robert Trowbridge**

## **DIVISION I- FARM TRACTOR CONTESTS 2023 GENERAL RULES**

1. Farm Stock - a stock appearing farm tractor of standard *make* used for competitive pulling events.
2. STANDARD MAKE - not materially altered from original factory specifications. Tractors may not operate more than 15% over factory rated R.P.M. and horsepower or may not exceed 6 miles per hour.
3. Contest is open to all residents of Van Buren County and all adjoining counties. Two people per tractor allowed in grounds free, all others must pay gate admission.
4. Only tractors will be allowed within the track area.
5. All tractors to be weighed at the VBCYF Grounds starting at 3:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m. the day of the pull. All tractors in line at 5:00 p.m. will be allowed to weigh in.
6. All weights will include driver.
7. Limit two drivers per tractor per class – Two (2) classes only
8. Tractor may pull in more than one class. but must scale immediately after pull or be disqualified.
9. All pulls will be made with weight transfer machine.
10. All pulls will start with a tight chain, NO JERKING
11. Pull will be over when forward motion stops, as deemed by flagman. No tire digging allowed.
12. Failure to acknowledge flagmen at either end of the track will result in disqualification.
13. Driver must remain seated at all times during the pull and have at least one hand on the wheel at all times.
14. The first driver of each weight class will be designated the test puller and will have the option of accepting the pull or may drop to third in the class.
15. Only one pull will be allowed, unless there is a tie.
16. All tractors must be in park or neutral with driver's hands in the air during hooking the sled.
17. All tractors will be operated with muffler or straight pipe, minimum of 18" above the hood.
18. Any part of the tractor that comes off and falls to the ground or excessive loss of fluid while hooked to the sled, will be an automatic disqualification.
19. Any tractor operated in an unsafe manner will be cause for disqualification.
20. In case of disqualification, no refund of entry fee.
21. Decisions on all matters and operations of the pull will be that of the competition committee and will be final. There will be no protest.
22. Drivers are required to wear appropriate attire during the pull. Shirts, pants, work boots or closed toed shoes are required. Flip flops and sandals will not be allowed.
23. The Van Buren Fair, Board Members, Pull Superintendent, the Competition Committee, nor the Sled Operator will be held liable or

responsible for injury, theft or damage incurred while participating in this event. Signature at time of entry to the pits to this effect will be required.

## **FARM STOCK RULES MONDAY, JULY 18 - 6:00pm**

1. Engine number must match for model of tractor.
2. Tractor can only place one time per class.(i.e. same tractor with different driver cannot take two placings for prize money)
3. Contest is open to all residents of Van Buren County, and all adjoining counties.
4. Contest is open to all wheeled farm tractors with bar type tread only. Farm Stock tractors are not allowed to add weight of any kind if any parts of the 3-pt. hitch are removed.
5. RPM.'s will be checked by Superintendent's discretion of all stock classes.
6. Dual Wheels are optional
7. 4-wheel drive or front assist allowed should Contact Superintendent.
8. Tires must be of original condition with no cut or shaved areas.
9. Stationary drawbar to be 20" or less without weight transfer or hydraulic control assist. Hitch point must be a minimum of 18" from the center of rear axle. Measurement to be taken at center of clevis.
10. Clevis with a 3 1/2" or larger and a draw pin of 3/4" diameter minimum must be furnished by competitor.
11. Weights must not extend past the rear of the tractor.
12. Weights must not interfere with hook up.
13. Shift on the go as long as forward motion is not stopped is allowed.
14. Drivers will be allowed to stop and change gears in the first 75 feet of pull one time only.
15. Tractor must be identified by manufacturer model number and have original style hood, fenders, and/or cab in place.
16. Tractors must have a working p.t.o.
17. All tractors must have working brakes.
18. Any tractors not meeting rules will only be allowed for exhibition pulls.
19. Driver must be 16 years of age or older, with valid driver's license or have parents' signature.

**ENTRY FEE \$15.00 PER CLASS - ENTRY FEES NON-REFUNDABLE**

### **Section a - FARM STOCK**

Class 1450 - 0 to 6,000 pounds

Class 1451 - 6,001 to 8,000 pounds

Class 1452 - 8,001 to 10,000 pounds

Class 1453 - 10,001 to 13,000 pounds

Class 1454 - 13,001 to 16,000 pounds

Class 1455 - 16,001 to infinity and beyond

1<sup>st</sup> place trophy and premium for places 1-5 in classes 1450 – 1454

1<sup>st</sup> - \$85.00 4<sup>th</sup> - \$55.00

2<sup>nd</sup> - \$70.00 5<sup>th</sup> - \$50.00

3<sup>rd</sup> - \$65.00

Class 1456 – 12,000 lb. Altered Farm Stock

For Rules Contact Superintendent, Mendy Trowbridge

## 2023 Van Buren Youth Fair Award Sponsors TROPHIES / AWARDS

### Beef

Market Animal Grand Champion	Van Buren Co. Mounted Division	Grand Champion Lab Animal Pair	Van Buren Co. Mounted Division
Market Animal Reserve Champion	Van Buren Co. Reserve Association	Reserve Champion Lab Animal Pair	West Valley Livestock
Dairy Breed Steer Grand Champion	Van Buren Co. Reserve Association	Senior Showman – Cavy	Van Buren Co. Reserve Assn
Dairy Breed Steer Reserve Champion	Van Buren Co. Mounted Division	Junior Showman – Cavy	RB Blueberries, Inc.
Grand Champion Beef Carcass	Van Buren Co. Mounted Division	Young Showman – Cavy	Van Buren Co. Mounted Division
Reserve Champion Beef Carcass	Van Buren Co. Reserve Association	Pee Wee Showman – Cavy	Stan & Mary Darling
Heavyweight Grand Champion Beef Feeder	Conklin Family	Senior Showman – Lab Animal	Van Buren Co. Mounted Division
Heavyweight Reserve Champion Beef Feeder	West Valley Livestock	Junior Showman – Lab Animal	Mortimore Farms
Lightweight Grand Champion Beef Feeder	Van Buren Co. Mounted Division	Young Showman – Lab Animal	Van Buren Co. Mounted Division
Heavyweight Grand Champion Dairy Feeder	Conklin Family	Pee Wee Showman – Lab Animal	Kate's Pizza
Lightweight Reserve Champion Dairy Feeder	Van Buren Co. Reserve Association	<b>Dairy</b>	
Senior II Showman – Beef	Quality Cylinder Service, Inc.	Grand Champion Dairy Heifer	Grand Acres Farm Fred & Pat Garrod
Senior I Showman – Beef	Tom & Pam Stermer	Res. Champion Dairy Heifer	Wincie Armiger
Junior Showman – Beef	Van Buren Co. Mounted Division	Grand Champion Dairy Cow	Grand Acres Farm Fred & Pat Garrod
Young II Showman – Beef	Van Buren Co. Reserve Assn		
Young I Showman – Beef	Van Buren Co. Mounted Division	Senior II Dairy Showman	The Chisholm Family
Senior II Feeder Showmanship	Van Buren Co. Mounted Division	Senior I Dairy Showman	West Valley Livestock
Junior Feeder Showmanship	Van Buren Co. Reserve Assn	Junior Dairy Showman	Grand Acres Farm Fred & Pat Garrod
Young II Feeder Showmanship	Van Buren Co. Mounted Division	Young II Dairy Showman	Quality Cylinder Service, LLC
Young I Feeder Showmanship	Van Buren Co. Mounted Division	Young I Dairy Showman	Van Buren Co. Mounted Division
Pee Wee II Feeder Showmanship	Dan and Carissa Hostetler	Pee Wee Dairy Showman	Van Buren Co. Reserve Assn
Pee Wee I Feeder Showmanship	Van Buren Co. Mounted Division	<b>Dogs</b>	
<b>Cats</b>		Novice A	Eric and Janice Zerbe
Grand Champion Cat/Kitten	RB Blueberries, Inc.	Novice B	Denise Noble
Reserve Champion Cat/Kitten	Van Buren Co. Mounted Division	Brace	Van Buren Co. Reserve Assn
Champion Senior Showman	Van Buren Co. Reserve Assn	Sub – Novice A Obedience Champion	Van Buren Co. Mounted Division
Senior Showman	Gobles/Bangor Veterinary Clinic	Sub – Novice B Obedience Champion (6 – 11)	Van Buren Co. Reserve Assn
Junior Showman	Quality Cylinder, LLC	Sub – Novice B Obedience Champion (12-19)	Van Buren Co. Mounted Division
Young II Showman	Van Buren Co. Mounted Division	Graduate Novice Obedience	Van Buren Co. Mounted Division
Young I Showman	Van Buren Co. Reserve Assn.	Overall Champion – Showmanship Grand	Brad and Cathy Greene
Pee Wee Showman	Van Buren Co. Mounted Division		
<b>Pocket Pets</b>		Overall Champion – Showmanship Reserve	Gobles/Bangor Veterinary Clinic
Grand Champion Cavy	Porter Busy Fingers 4-H Club	Veterans Agility – Grand Champion Class	Van Buren Co. Mounted Division
Reserve Champion Cavy	Small Market Animal Committee	Senior Showman	Denise Noble
Grand Champion Lab Animal	Porter Busy Fingers 4-H Club	Junior Showman	Almena Happy Helpers
Reserve Champion Lab Animal	Van Buren Co. Mounted Division	Young II Showman (11-12)	Van Buren Co. Reserve Assn
		Young I Showman (9-10)	Van Buren Co. Mounted Division
		Pee Wee Showman	RB Blueberries, Inc.
		Costume Class Under 12	Van Buren Co. Mounted Division

Costume Class 12 and Over	Van Buren Co. Mounted Division
Beginning Agility A Champion (6-11)	Kate's Pizza
Beginning Agility A Champion (12-19)	Van Buren Co. Mounted Division
Beginning Agility B Champion (6-11)	Van Buren Co. Mounted Division
Beginning Agility B Champion (12-19)	Van Buren Co. Reserve Assn
Int. Agility A Champion	West Valley Livestock
Int. Agility B Champion	Van Buren Co. Mounted Division
Advance Agility Champion	Van Buren Co. Mounted Division
Rally – Novice A Champion	Denise Noble
Rally – Novice B Champion	Van Buren Co. Mounted Division
Rally – Advance Champion	Van Buren Co. Mounted Division
Excellent Advance Champion	Van Buren Co. Mounted Division

#### Draft Horses - Youth

Senior Showman	Van Buren Youth Fair
Junior Showman	Van Buren Youth Fair
Young Showman	Kate's Diner
Pee Wee Showman	Van Buren Youth Fair
Cart (14-19)	Van Buren Youth Fair
Cart (9-13)	Van Buren Youth Fair
Two Horse Hitch (14 – 19)	Van Buren Youth Fair
Two Horse Hitch (9-13)	Van Buren Youth Fair
Riding	Van Buren Youth Fair

#### Draft Horses – Adults

Adult Draft Ladies Cart	Van Buren Youth Fair
Adult Draft Mens Cart	Van Buren Youth Fair
Adult Draft Two Horse Show Hitch	Tina and John Streeter
Adult Draft Farm Hitch	Van Buren Youth Fair
Adult Draft Riding	Van Buren Youth Fair
Adult Draft Obstacle Course	Van Buren Youth Fair
Adult Draft Log Pull	Van Buren Youth Fair

#### Open Draft Horse Hitch Show (paying premiums only except for the Youth Cart Class)

Draft Horse Ladies Cart	Midway Electric, Inc.
Draft Pony/Mule Ladies Cart	Southwestern Michigan Horse and Buggy Club
Draft Horse Mens Cart	Louie and Margie Godines
Draft Pony/Mule Mens Cart	Southwestern Michigan Horse and Buggy Club
Youth Cart	Van Buren Co. Reserve Assn
Light Horse Pleasure Driving	RB Blueberries, Inc.
Draft Horse Tandem	Van Buren Youth Fair
Draft Pony/Mule Tandem	Van Buren Youth Fair
Light Horse Reinsmanship	Van Buren Youth Fair
Single Draft Horse 4 Wheel Vehicle	Van Buren Draft Club
Draft Mule Team	Van Buren Youth Fair
Draft Horse Show Team	John and Tina Streeter
Draft Pony/Mule Show Team	Van Buren Youth Fair

Light Horse Pairs	Van Buren Youth Fair
Farm Draft Team	Van Buren Co. Reserve Assn
Draft Horse Unicorn	Van Buren Youth Fair
Draft Pony/Mule Unicorn	Van Buren Youth Fair
Four Draft Horse Hitch	Van Buren Youth Fair
Four Draft Mule Hitch	Van Buren Youth Fair
Four Draft Pony/Mule Hitch	Van Buren Youth Fair
Six Draft Horse/Mule Hitch	Van Buren Draft Club

#### Goats

Grand Champion Dairy Market Goat	RB Blueberries, Inc.
Reserve Champion Dairy Market Goat	Small Market Animal Committee
Grand Champion Non Dairy Market Goat	Arcadia Chemical, Inc.
Reserve Champion Non Dairy Market Goat	Van Buren Co. Reserve Assn
Senior Champion Doe	Melva DeVries
Senior Reserve Champion Doe	Arcadia Chemical, Inc.
Junior Champion Doe	Arcadia Chemical, Inc.
Junior Reserve Champion Doe	Brad and Cathy Greene
Senior Champion Non Dairy Doe	Wild Reid Ranch
Senior Reserve Champion Non Dairy Doe	West Valley Livestock
Junior Champion Non Dairy Doe	Arcadia Chemical, Inc.
Junior Reserve Champion Non Dairy Doe	Van Buren Co. Mounted Division
Best Doe in Show	Arcadia Chemical, Inc.
Grand Champion Goat Carcass	Van Buren Co. Mounted Division
Reserve champion Goat Carcass	Van Buren Co. Mounted Division
Senior Showman	Melva DeVries
Junior Showman	Van Buren Co. Mounted Division
Young II Showman	Van Buren Co. Reserve Assn
Young I Showman	Van Buren Co. Mounted Division
Pee Wee Showman	Porter Busy Fingers 4-H Club

#### Horses

##### First place winners will receive a trophy in the following classes

Lead line Showmanship	Equine Ladies
Pee Wee English Showmanship	Mearing Acres
Pee Wee Western Showmanship	Tom and Carol Newton – In Memory of Afton Newton
Pee Wee English Equitation	Mearing Acres
Lead Line Equitation/Horsemanship	Equine Ladies
PeeWee Western Horsemanship	Equine Ladies

##### First place winners will receive an award in the following classes

Junior English Showmanship	Equine Ladies
Senior English Showmanship	Quality Cylinder, LLC
Pony Western Showmanship	Baker Family
In – Hand Showmanship	Dot Krohn
Walk/Trot Showmanship	Iris Swift
Junior Western Showmanship	Equine Ladies
Senior Western Showmanship	Eric and Janice Zerbe
Gymkhana Showmanship	Van Buren Co. Mounted Division

**First place winners will receive an award in the following classes**

Equitation Over Fences	John and Amy Branch
In – hand Jumping	Van Buren Reserve Assn.
Walk/Trot English Equitation	Equine Ladies
Pony English Equitation	Tom and Carol Newton – In Memory of Afton Newton
Junior English Equitation	Tom and Carol Newton – In Memory of Afton Newton
Senior English Equitation	Mearing Acres

**First place winners will receive an award in the following classes**

Walk/Trot Western Horsemanship	Tom and Carol Newton – In Memory of Afton Newton
Pony Western Horsemanship	Mearing Acres
Junior Western Horsemanship	Equine Ladies
Senior Western Horsemanship	Tom and Carol Newton – In Memory of Afton Newton
Gymkhana Western Horsemanship	Dot Krohn

**Special Trophies/Awards**

High Point All Around Horse (4-H)	Gobles/Bangor Veterinary Clinic
Afton Newton Memorial All Around Pony	Tom and Carol Newton – In Loving Memory of our Daughter- Afton Newton
High Point Gymkhana (4-H)	Van Buren Co. Mounted Division
High Point Western Horse (4-H)	Van Buren Co. Mounted Division
Abby Baker Memorial High Point Western Pony	Baker Family
High Point English Horse (4-H)	Van Buren Co Reserve Assn
Stephanie Tucker Memorial Pee Wee Trophy	West Valley Livestock
High Point In-Hand Award	Arcadia Chemical, Inc.
High Point Walk-Trot Award	Van Buren Co. Mounted Division
Junior High Point Award	Arcadia Chemical, Inc.
Senior High Point Award	Arcadia Chemical, Inc.
High Point English Pony 94-H)	Van Buren Reserve Assn.
Belt Buckle-Versatility Senior	Dr. Lauren Kerber Lyzenga, DVM
Belt Buckle-Versatility Junior	Van Buren Co. Mounted Division
Special Rosettes	John and Amy Branch

**Poultry**

Grand Champion Market Turkey	Small Market Animal Committee
Reserve Champion Market Turkey	RB Blueberries, Inc.
Grand Champion Market Waterfowl	Mortimore Farms
Reserve Champion Market Waterfowl	Van Buren Co. Mounted Division
Grand Champion Exhibition Turkey	West Valley Livestock
Reserve Champion Exhibition Turkey	Van Buren Co. Mounted Division

Grand Champion Male Waterfowl	Van Buren Co. Reserve Assn
Reserve Champion Male Waterfowl	Van Buren Co. Mounted Division
Grand Champion Market Chicken	Almena Happy Helpers
Reserve Champion Market Chicken	Van Buren Co. Mounted Division
Grand Champion Overall Male Chicken	Brad and Cathy Greene
Reserve champion Overall Male Chicken	Kate's Diner
Grand Champion Overall Female Chicken	Brad and Cathy Greene
Reserve Champion Overall Female Chicken	Van Buren Co. Mounted Division
Grand Champion Egg Production Pair	Van Buren Co. Mounted Division
Reserve Champion Egg Production Pair	Van Buren Co. Reserve Assn
Grand Champion Marketing Eggs	West Valley Livestock
Reserve Champion Marketing Eggs	Van Buren Co. Mounted Division
Senior Showman – Chickens	Eric and Janice Zerbe
Junior Showman – Chickens	Van Buren Co. Mounted Division
Young II Showman – Chickens	Van Buren Co. Mounted Division
Young I Showman – Chickens	Van Buren Co. Mounted Division
Pee Wee II Showman Chickens	Van Buren Co. Reserve Assn
Pee Wee I Showman-Chickens	Van Buren Co. Reserve Assn
Senior Showman –Other Poultry	Van Buren Co. Mounted Division
Junior Showman-Other Poultry	West Valley Livestock
Young Showman-Other Poultry	Van Buren Co. Mounted Division
Pee Wee Showman-Other Poultry	Van Buren Co. Reserve Assn

**Rabbits**

Grand Champion Market Pen of Rabbits	Arcadia Chemical, Inc.
Reserve Champion Market Pen of Rabbits	Small Market Animal Committee
Grand Champion Commercial Rabbit	Blue Jeans and Country Dreams
Reserve Champion Commercial Rabbit	Arcadia Chemical, Inc.
Grand Champion Fancy Rabbit	Kate's Pizza
Reserve Champion Fancy Rabbit	Brad and Cathy Greene
Senior Showman	Arcadia Chemical, Inc.
Junior Showman	RB Blueberries, Inc.
Young II Showman	Porter Busy Fingers 4-H Cub
Young I Showman	West Valley Livestock
Pee Wee II Showman	Deb and Ed Mercer
Pee Wee I Showman	Stan and Mary Darling
Best of Show - Rabbits	Arcadia Chemical, Inc.

## Sheep

Grand Champion Market Ewe	Eric and Janice Zerbe
Reserve Champion Market Ewe	Van Buren Co. Mounted Division
Grand Champion Market Wether	Van Buren Co. Mounted Division
Reserve Champion Market Wether	Van Buren Co. Mounted Division
Grand Champion Lamb Carcass	Van Buren Co. Reserve Assn
Reserve Champion Lamb Carcass	Van Buren Co. Mounted Division
Senior II Showman	Van Buren Co. Reserve Assn
Senior I Showman	Iris Swift
Junior Showman	West Valley Livestock
Young II Showman	Van Buren Co. Mounted Division
Young I Showman	Brad and Cathy Greene
Pee Wee II Showman	Dan and Carisa Hostetler
Pee Wee I Showman	Van Buren Co. Mounted Division

## Swine

Grand Champion Market Gilt	John and Sue Spivey
Reserve Champion Market Gilt	The Chisholm Family
Grand Champion Market Barrow	Wincie Armiger
Reserve Champion Market Barrow	Beverly and Steve Rajzer
Grand Champion Swine Carcass	Van Buren Co. Mounted Division
Reserve Champion Swine Carcass	West Valley Livestock
Senior II Showman	Van Buren Co. Reserve Assn
Senior I Showman	Beverly and Steve Rajzer
Junior Showman	Van Buren Co. Mounted Division
Young II Showman	Van Buren Co. Reserve Assn
Young I Showman	West Valley Livestock
Pee Wee II Showman	Dan and Carisa Hostetler
Pee Wee I Showman	Van Buren Co. Mounted Division
Alexander Zygodlo Memorial	Van Buren Co. Mounted Division

All Pedal Pull trophies for girls and boys ages 5-6, 7-8, 9-10, 11-12, 13-14, 15-16, sponsored by **Sattler's Leather**.  
Champion Teen and Women and Teen and Men pedal pull plaques ages 17 and OVER sponsored by the **Van Buren Youth Fair**

All Farm Stock pulling trophies – 0 to 6,000 pounds, 6,001 to 9,000 pounds, 9001 to 12,000 pounds, 12,001 – 16,000 pounds, and 16,000 pounds to infinity sponsored by the **Van Buren Youth Fair**

All Talent Show trophies – Mime Clowning ages 6-19, Voice ages 6-8, 9-13, 14-19. Instrument ages 6-8, 9-13, 14-19. Dance ages 6-8, 9-13, 14-19; And Oratory Speech/Poetry ages 6-19 sponsored by the **Van Buren Youth Fair**

## BANNERS

### Beef

Grand Champion Beef Steer	Brad and Cathy Greene
Reserve Champion Beef Steer	Van Buren Co. Reserve Assn.
Grand Champion Steer Carcass	Van Buren Youth Fair
Reserve Champion Steer Carcass	Van Buren Youth Fair
Heavyweight Grand Champion Beef Feeder	Van Buren Youth Fair
Heavyweight Reserve Champion Beef Feeder	Quality Cylinder, LLC
Lightweight Grand Champion Beef Feeder	Van Buren Youth Fair
Lightweight Reserve Champion Beef Feeder	Van Buren Youth Fair
Heavyweight Grand Champion Dairy Feeder	Van Buren Youth Fair
Heavyweight Reserve Champion Dairy Feeder	Quality Cylinder Service, LLC
Lightweight Grand Champion Dairy Feeder	Van Buren Youth Fair
Lightweight Reserve Champion Dairy Feeder	Van Buren Youth Fair

### Dairy

Grand Champion Heifer	Tom and Pam Stermer
Reserve Champion Heifer	Wincie Armiger
Grand Champion Cow	Wincie Armiger
Reserve Champion Cow	Kate's Diner

### Goats

Grand Champion Carcass	Van Buren Youth Fair
Reserve Champion Carcass	Van Buren Youth Fair
Grand Champion Market Wether	Van Buren Youth Fair
Reserve Champion Market Wether	Van Buren Youth Fair
Grand Champion Market Ewe	Van Buren Youth Fair
Reserve Champion Market Ewe	Van Buren Youth Fair
Grand Champion Goat Carcass	Van Buren Youth Fair
Reserve Champion Goat Carcass	Van Buren Youth Fair

### Sheep

Grand Champion Ewe	Kate's Pizza
Reserve Champion Ewe	Van Buren Co. Reserve Association
Grand Champion Wether	Van Buren Youth Fair
Reserve Champion Wether	Van Buren Youth Fair
Grand Champion Lamb Carcass	Van Buren Youth Fair
Reserve Champion Lamb Carcass	Van Buren Youth Fair

**Swine**

Grand Champion Market Gilt	John and Sue Spivey
Reserve Champion Market Gilt	Brad and Cathy Greene
Grand Champion Market Barrow	Beverly and Steve Rajzer
Reserve Champion Market Barrow	Quality Cylinder Service, Inc.
Grand Champion Swine Carcass	Wincie Armiger
Reserve Champion Swine Carcass	Van Buren Co. Reserve Assn.

**Special Awards**

High Point Champion – Dogs	Sherman Ampey
Reserve High Point Champion – Dogs	Jill Casanto
High Point Champion – Cats	Van Buren Youth Fair
Showmanship Sweepstakes Sr. -Large Animal	Beverly and Steve Rajzer
Showmanship Sweepstakes Jr.- Large Animal	Shannon Family
Showmanship Sweepstakes Sr.- Small Animal	Quality Cylinder Service, LLC
Showmanship Sweepstakes Jr. Small Animal	Van Buren Youth Fair
Susan Melvin Memorial	Van Buren Youth Fair



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