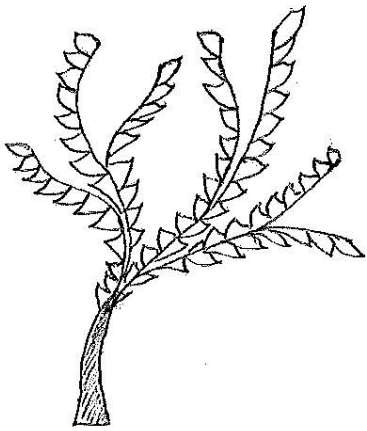
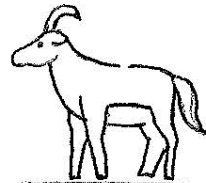
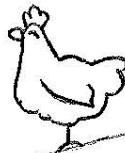
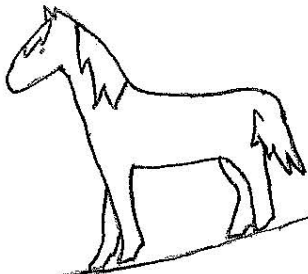
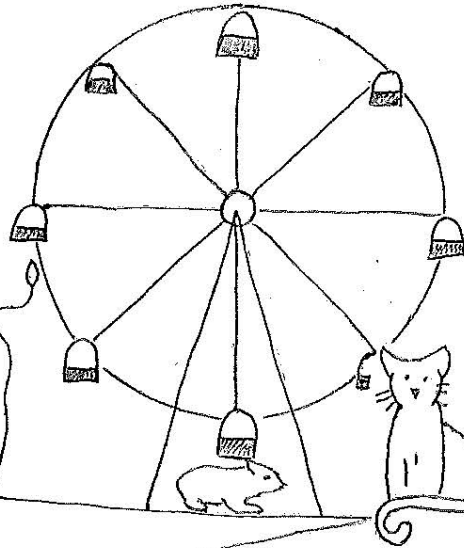
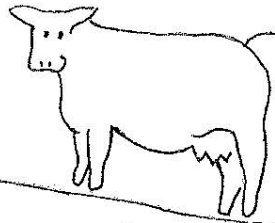


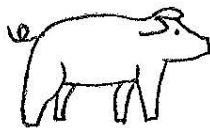
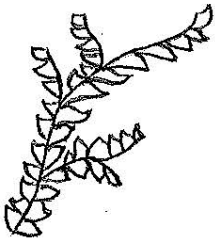
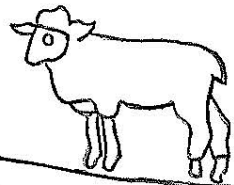
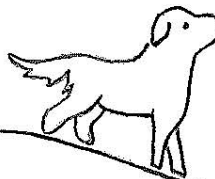
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## Season Pass

Adult - \$35.00

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Children - \$25.00 (Age 6 thru 12)

5 and under – FREE



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*WELCOME TO THE 69<sup>th</sup> ANNUAL  
VAN BUREN YOUTH FAIR*

The Van Buren Youth Fair Board of Directors and I are happily preparing for the 69<sup>th</sup> 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 2024 fair season promises to be amazing this year. We now have a one price admission and grandstand entertainment. Monday night will feature Farm Stock Tractor Pulls and Magic Clouds Balloon rides. On Tuesday the grandstand will be filled for the NTPA tractor pulls. Wednesday is Kid's Day with ride bracelet specials along with the Fair Fiesta Extravaganza featuring live music, and a mechanical bull. Thursday night is the return of the TNT Demolition Derby. Friday brings the always popular Super Kicker Rodeo with fireworks at dusk. The week ends with a bang on Saturday with Night of Destruction, Bump & Run Demo Derby from Unique Motorsports. 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 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 the dedicated and committed Superintendents, Volunteers, Key Leaders, and Extension Educator for everything that is done before, during, and after fair season. Thank you to the 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 2024 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

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# **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 fairgrounds.
- 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.

# **VAN BUREN YOUTH FAIR**

## **CODE OF CONDUCT**

Anyone attending the Van Buren Youth Fair either as an exhibitor, parent, spectator, superintendent/asst. superintendent, judge and/or fair official must conduct themselves in a manner that demonstrates the utmost respect for other parents, exhibitors, superintendent / asst. superintendents, judges and fair officials. They are to follow instructions with regard to show and judging procedures as outlined in the fair book and by judges, superintendents/asst. superintendents and fair officials.

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.

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## **EMERGENCY SERVICE**

Fire protection and emergency medical service at the fairgrounds 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 6:00 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, 2024

**Booths Must Be Dismantled By Sunday, July 21, 2024**

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### **PREMIUM BOOK COVER CONTEST**

Plaque sponsored by: Tod Kubiszak Family

Gift Cards Sponsored by: Van Buren County 4-H Leaders Association

### **WINNER:**

**Porsha Tomsa – South Haven Jay Dees**

**Honorable Mention: Owen Hamre – 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 20, 2024

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

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**The following are NOT allowed on fairgrounds 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 2024! You will need to register all your exhibits by June 15<sup>th</sup>, **go to the Van Buren Youth Fair website: [www.vanburenyouthfair.com](http://www.vanburenyouthfair.com)**. Since we will not be accepting late registrations, 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

### **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, age is determined as of January 1.
4. Provide first and last name.
5. Select "New" if your signing up for 2024 or "Previously Registered" if you have already signed up for 2024 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 the 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

## 2025 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**

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*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 (Beef, Dairy, Sheep & Swine only)		\$30.00	
Sweepstakes Trophies		\$50.00	
Small Animal - \$50.00			
Large Animal - \$50.00			
Dogs High Point - \$50.00		\$50.00	
Reserve High Point - \$50.00			
Cats High Point - \$50.00			
<b>TOTAL</b>			

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

**Send to:**

Debbie Glover  
 P.O. BOX 27  
 Hartford, MI 49057

Date Received	Check # / Cash	Amount	Initials

# Van Buren Youth Fair

## MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION - 2024-2025

(VALID: OCTOBER 31, 2024 - OCTOBER 31, 2025)

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone \_\_\_\_\_

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

Application Submitted: \_\_\_\_\_ Received: \_\_\_\_\_

Applicant's Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

Membership Fee: \$15.00 Per Year  
Membership Deadline: JUNE 15, 2025  
Make Checks Payable to  
"Van Buren Youth Fair"

Return To: Secretary  
Van Buren Youth Fair  
PO BOX 271  
Hartford, MI 49057

Amount Paid: \_\_\_\_\_ Date Paid: \_\_\_\_\_ Cash \_\_\_\_\_ Check \_\_\_\_\_

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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. Priority for campsite availability will be Fair Board Members, Superintendents, Leaders, Exhibitors with their immediate family and Vendors.
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. Check in times are Saturday and Sunday from 8:00 am – 6:00 p.m.
6. Campers will be allowed on the 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 and Saturday of the fair, at the fair office beginning at 8:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m. deadline is June 1<sup>st</sup> of the next year for all campsites to be paid in full. All \$25.00 deposits are non-refundable. If balance is not paid by June 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 campfires 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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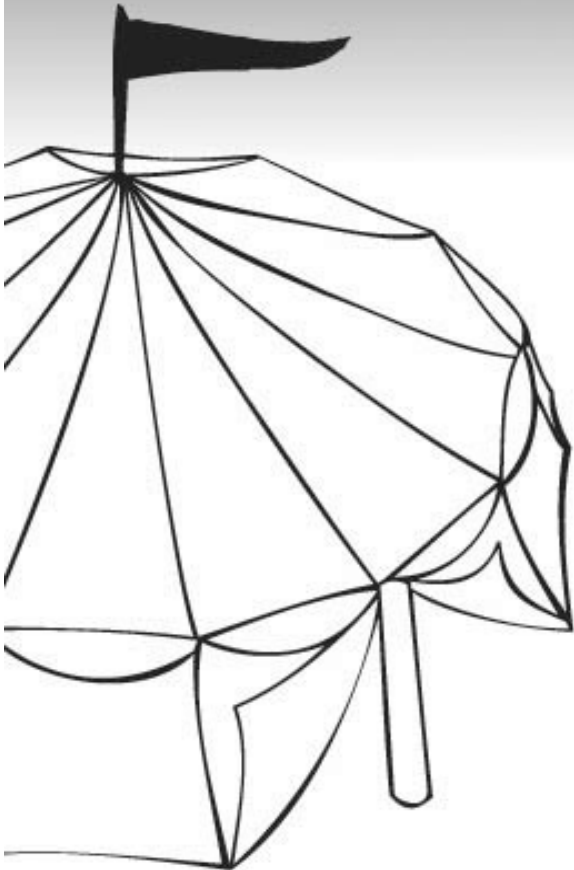
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**THE VAN BUREN YOUTH FAIR ASSOCIATION**

**THANK YOU!! THANK YOU!! THANK YOU!!**



**Come watch the stars of our  
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**Under the  
Community Tent  
Monday Night**

**July 15<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



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

**Tethered Balloon Rides – 7:00 p.m.  
FREE VIEWING  
Ride Pricing To Be Announced  
Monday, July 15, 2024**



# Monday Night Entertainment

## Farm Stock Tractor Pulls



**Monday, July 15, 2024**

Registration starts at 3:00 p.m.

Pull starting at 6:00 p.m.

# HARTFORD NTPA NATIONALS

Van Buren Youth Fair  
55670 Co. Rd. 681 - Hartford, MI 49057



**July 16, 7pm**

Super Farm 

TWD Trucks 

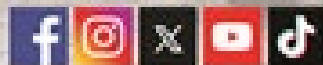
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**Admission**

**FREE**

With paid general fair admission  
Tickets are located at the Main Fair Gates



[NTPApull.com](http://NTPApull.com) [VanBurenYouthFair.com](http://VanBurenYouthFair.com)



**Tuesday, July 16, 2024**

# Kids Day

## Bike With Helmet Giveaway



Sign up is Wednesday, July 17<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 17.

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.

# Tapper

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Kids Day is sponsored  
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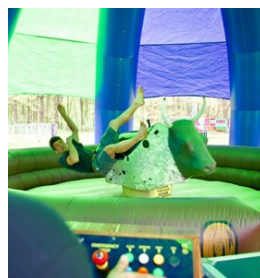
# Wednesday Night Entertainment

## Fair Fiesta Extravaganza

Wednesday, July 17, 2024, 7:00 p.m.



Special Guest Abel Munoz performing at 8 p.m. with Super Nova



Featuring live performances by Grupo Entrega Total and Super Nova, heart pounding mechanical bull riding and so much more!

# VAN BUREN YOUTH FAIR

## ★ DEMOLITION DERBY NIGHT ★

**Thursday, July 18th 7:30PM**

→ **55670 CR 681 Hartford, MI 49057** ←

- Big car motor swap
- Small car stock fwd
- Compact lite weld
- Youth stock fwd
- MWFA street stock (gut n go)

Powerwheels free entry ages 3 to 10

**ALL CARS MUST BE REGISTERED BY 6:30 PM**

FOR MORE INFO, CALL 231-425-6990

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**\$20 PIT PASSES ALL AGES**

**DEMOLITION DERBY**

**CASH PRIZES TROPHIES & AWARDS**

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**Thursday, July 18, 2024 7:30 p.m.**

Pit Passes All Ages \$20.00

# PEDAL TRACTOR PULL



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

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Participants must be correct AGE the day of the Pull

## BOYS

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

## GIRLS

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

## ADULT TRUCK PULL (TEENAGERS, WOMEN AND MEN)

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**Friday Night Entertainment**

**Super Kicker Rodeo**



**Friday, July 19, 2024 at 7:00 p.m.**



# ***SEVEN 4PYRO, LLC***

***JOE SCHELEIE***

***Join us for fireworks night at the  
Van Buren Youth Fair!***

***Friday, July 19, 2024***





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# **NIGHT OF DESTRUCTION**



**SATURDAY JULY 20TH, 2024 AT 6 P.M.**

- Mid-Season Off Road Derby Championship
- \$3000 to win Stock Class
- \$1000 to win Modified Class
- We will also have NEW Mini Wedge Class - tell all your friends about it!
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**Saturday, July 20, 2024 at 6:00 p.m.**

**PIT PASSES AVAILABLE TO DRIVER AND CREW ONLY**

# Van Buren County Outstanding 4-H'er Makayla King



Makayla is a member of the Almena Happy Helpers 4-H Club and has been involved in 4-H for 9 years. She is currently a senior attending Mattawan High School and Kalamazoo Valley Community College where she is enrolled in the middle college program. Makayla says when she started 4-H she was extremely nervous and shy, this is no longer the case as she has taken on many leadership roles. Makayla has served as an officer for her club, a teen leader for different projects and has been the vice-president for SMAC. Through her years in 4-H she has learned responsibility, patience, record keeping, and time management. After graduation Makayla plans to attend Michigan State University and study Veterinary Science because of her 4-H experiences.

**A BIG Thank You to all the following:  
2023 Van Buren Youth Fair ~ Large Livestock Auction Buyers**

<b>Champion Title</b>	<b>Species</b>	<b>Buyer Name</b>
Grand Champion Barrow	<i>Swine</i>	Matthew Moser
Grand Champion Gilt	<i>Swine</i>	Caron Custom Homes
Reserve Champion Barrow	<i>Swine</i>	48th Street Metal Works
Reserve Champion Gilt	<i>Swine</i>	Kennedy Construction
Grand Champion Carcass	<i>Swine</i>	Caron Custom Homes
Reserve Champion Carcass	<i>Swine</i>	Grasshopper Farms
		Derek Lietzau Insurance Group- Farm Bureau Insurance
Grand Champion Beef Steer	<i>Beef</i>	Pakkers Inc
Grand Champion Dairy Steer	<i>Beef</i>	Klett Development
Reserve Champion Beef Steer	<i>Beef</i>	Michigan Mixed Animal Veterinarian Services
Reserve Champion Dairy Steer	<i>Beef</i>	Paw Paw Village Drug
Grand Champion Carcass	<i>Beef</i>	Keith & Tammy Dykstra
Reserve Champion Carcass	<i>Beef</i>	Hostetler Crazy Acres
Reserve Champion Lt. Wt. Beef Feeder	<i>Beef Feeder</i>	Van Buren County Milk Buyers
	<i>Milk</i>	Matthew Moser
Grand Champion Lt. Wt. Dairy Feeder	<i>Dairy Feeder</i>	Adam & Cindy O'Brien
Reserve Champion Lt. Wt. Dairy Feeder	<i>Dairy Feeder</i>	Marana Group
Grand Champion Wether	<i>Sheep</i>	Special K Club Lambs
Grand Champion Ewe	<i>Sheep</i>	Decatur Feed
Reserve Champion Wether	<i>Sheep</i>	Strobel Farms
Reserve Champion Ewe	<i>Sheep</i>	Grasshopper Farms
Grand Champion Carcass	<i>Sheep</i>	Hunts Hillside
Reserve Champion Carcass	<i>Sheep</i>	

A&A's Little Red Shed Farm Market  
Aaron Dykstra  
Adam & Cindy O'Brien  
Advance Poured walls  
Beam Family in Honor of Elizabeth's 100 Birthday  
Belltown Farms  
Bert Hybels Inc  
Blaine Nye  
Bloomingdale Communications, Inc.  
Brian & Julie Rumsey  
Brookside Farms  
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Corey Conklin  
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Crystal Flash  
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Decatur Feed  
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Farm Bureau Insurance  
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Endeavor Ag & Energy  
Eric & Raschell Hickmott  
Expedition Log Homes  
Farm Bureau Brandon Yanna  
Field Plumbing & Heating, Inc.  
Fleetwood's Heating & Cooling  
Flower Veil Farms  
Flying Hooves Farm  
Grand Acres Farm  
Grandpa Terry  
Grasshopper Farms  
Greenstone Farm Credit Services  
Iris Swift  
Janet Tripp  
Jarred Dykstra & Bridgett Bush  
Jeffrey & Kristine Hinson  
Jensen's RV Park & Motel  
Kalamazoo County State Bank  
Karl Sell  
Karleigh and Brock Stamp  
Keith & Tammy Dykstra  
Klett Development  
Kusmack Farms

Labrador Farm  
Lawton Pallet Service  
Marana Group  
McLellan & Strohm  
Michael Gray  
Michigan Mixed Animal Veterinarian Services  
Michigan Paving and Materials Co.  
Midwest Energy & Communications  
Mike and Jackie Obrien  
Molnar Construction  
Nesbitt Farms - In memory of Gordon Nesbitt  
Newell Insurance Agency  
Nicholas & Kristen Mead  
Nutrien Ag Solutions  
Omni Credit Union  
Owsiany Farm  
Pakkers Inc  
Parmelee Farms  
Patten Monument  
Phil Beeching Farm  
Pickle Street Veterinary Services  
Pri Mar Petroleum/Weber Oil Service  
Pursley Brother's  
Quality Assured Plastics  
Rajzer Farm Market  
Ransler Farms  
Red Arrow Dairy  
Richard Yarbrough  
Rick Poest  
Ricky Mead  
Riverbend Cattle  
Scott Flick Concrete Construction  
Shoemaker Garage  
Sill Farms Market  
Southwestern MI Dust Control  
Southwestern Michigan College  
Steven Shultz  
Straightline Red Angus  
Tammy & Keith Dykstra  
Terry & Grace Zimmerman  
Tim & Nicole Schipper  
Tim Shroyer  
Travis & Kristy Gumpert  
True Blue Farms  
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Grand Champion Market Chickens	Poultry	Quality Cylinder Service LLC
Grand Champion Market Ducks	Poultry	Southwestern Michigan Feed
Grand Champion Market Turkeys	Poultry	Streich Farms
Grand Champion Marketing A Dozen Eggs	Poultry	Kristine Hinson
Reserve Champion Market Chickens	Poultry	Quality Cylinder Service LLC
Reserve Champion Market Ducks	Poultry	Ron and Kandy Dixon & Schutz Roofing Supply
Reserve Champion Market Turkeys	Poultry	Streich Farms
Reserve Champion Marketing A Dozen Eggs	Poultry	Turner Farms
Grand Champion Market Rabbits	Rabbits	Travis & Kristy Gumpert
Reserve Champion Market Rabbits	Rabbits	K & L Photography LLC
Grand Champion Dairy Market Goats	Goats	Hostetler Crazy Acres, Sell Farms and Hidden Spring Boer Goats
Grand Champion Non Dairy Market Goats	Goats	Craig Family Livestock and Marana Group
Grand Champion Goat Carcass Class	Goats	Elizabeth Racop
Grand Champion Dairy Breeding Goats	Goats	Decatur Feed LLC
Reserve Champion Dairy Market Goats	Goats	Sell Farm
Reserve Champion Non Dairy Market Goats	Goats	Sapphire Farms
Reserve Champion Goat Carcass Class	Goats	Southwestern Michigan Feed
Arcadia Chemical	Marana Group	Swank Strawberry Acres
Biggby Coffee South Haven	Megan Vasquez	Thunderfoot Farm
Charles Douglas	Michael Stickels	Travis & Kristy Gumpert
Chisholm Farm	Michigan Mixed Animal Veterinary	
D & J Family Farms	Philip Beeching	
Decatur Feed LLC	Quality Cylinder Service LLC	
Derek Mathieu	Reynnells Storage	
Flower Veil Farms	Robert Lawrence	
Golden Plain Farm	Ron and Kandy Dixon	
Grasshopper Farms	Santa	
Guru Computers	Sapphire Farms/Goodlyfe	
Henderson Power	Schutz Roofing Supply	
Hostetler Crazy Acres	Sew On In	
Janet Tripp	Shoemaker's Garage	
Kimberly & Jonny Jermyn	Southwestern Michigan Feed	
Kristine Hinson	Streich Farms	

## **DEPT. 2 - DAIRY**

Monday, July 15 - 10:00 a.m.

Superintendent: Colleen Burke (269) 615-3343

Assistance Superintendent:

Angel Wold (269) 655-4758

This department must abide by all VBYP and Large Livestock rules at the back of the book.

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.

TRIAL FOR 2024- Mature Milking Cows will be allowed to come in for the day of the show only. Must arrive by 8:00 a.m. and leave by 8:00 p.m.

### **Division I - 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 Showmanship (17-19 years old)

Class 2 - Senior I Showmanship (15-16 years old)

Class 3 - Senior Champion Showmanship Run-Off

Class 4 - Junior Showmanship (13-14 years old)

Class 5 - Young II Showmanship (11-12 years old)

Class 6 - Young I Showmanship (9-10 years old)

Class 7 - Junior Championship Run-Off

Class 8 - Pee Wee Showmanship (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 - Differently Abled Showmanship**

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

#### **Section b – Dairy Breeds**

Class 9 - Junior Calf - female only  
(Born 1/1 to 7/1 current year)

Class 10 - Senior Calf  
(Born 7/1 - 12/31 last year)

Class 11 - Dairy Heifer  
(Born before 7/1 last year)

Class 12 - Grand & Reserve Grand Champion Heifer  
(1st and 2nd places of classes 8-10)

Class 13 - Dairy Cows

Class 14 - Exhibitor's Herd  
(2 animals owned by one exhibitor)

Class 15 - Dam-Daughter  
(Owned by one exhibitor)

Exhibitor must be 9 years old as of January 1st 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. Premium for classes 9-11 and 14-15 are A (\$7), B (\$6) and C (\$5). Premium for class 13 is A (\$8), B (\$7) and C (\$6). 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**

See Livestock Project Evaluation at the back of the book for more details.

Class 21 - Dairy Evaluation

Exhibitors in Class 21 will receive A (\$10), B (\$8), C (\$6) ribbons and premiums. 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 15 - 1:00 p.m.

Superintendent: Marcia Sieber (269) 501-0600

Assistant Superintendent:

J. J. DeVries (269) 329-9079

This department must abide by all VBYP and Large Livestock rules at the back of the book.

### **Division I - Beef & Dairy Feeder Calf**

#### **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, 26, 28-30 and 32-33 will receive a trophy. All exhibitors in classes 32-33 will receive a participation ribbon.

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

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

Class 27 - Senior Champion Feeder Calf  
Showmanship Run-off

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

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

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

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 old)

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

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

#### **Section a1 - Differently Abled Showmanship**

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

#### **Section b - Beef Feeder Calf Market Animals**

Lightweight Class - Minimum of 250 Pounds -  
Maximum of 400 Pounds

Heavyweight Class - Minimum of 402 Pounds -  
Maximum of 676 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 402 Pounds -  
Maximum of 676 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 Feed

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, 43-46, 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**

See Livestock Project Evaluation at the back of the book for more details.

Class 54 - Feeder Evaluation

Exhibitors in Class 54 will receive A (\$10), B (\$8), C (\$6) ribbons and premiums.

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

See Rate of Gain Rules at the front of the book.

A Premium (\$5) - 2.25 lbs. per day and above

B Premium (\$4) - 1.80 - 2.24 lbs. per day

C Premium (\$3) - 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: Melinda Burnell

Assistant Superintendent: Brady Burnell

Exhibitors must be 9 years of age as of January 1<sup>st</sup> of the current year to show in Beef Breeding classes 61-62.

### **Section a - Beef Breeding**

Class 59 - Beef Calf-female only

Class 60 - Beef Heifer Senior Calf

Born 7/1 last year to 1/1 current year

Class 61 -Beef Heifer

Born 7/1 year before last to 7/1 last year

Class 62 - Beef Cow

Class 63 - Beef Breed Grand and Reserve Grand Champion

Exhibitors in classes 59-62 will receive A, B, C and Placing Rosettes (1-5 place). Premiums for class 59 are A (\$5), B (\$4), and C (\$3); class 60 are A (\$6), B (\$5), and C (\$4); classes 61 and 62 are A (\$7), B (\$6), and C (\$5). 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 Market Animals**

Superintendent: Melinda Burnell (269) 207-3912

Assistant Superintendent:

Brady Burnell (269) 303-2995

Exhibitors must be 9 years of age as of January 1<sup>st</sup> of the current year to show in Beef and Dairy Market Animal classes 71-83.

### **Section a - Beef and Dairy Steer Showmanship**

Class 64 - Senior II Showmanship (17-19 years old)

Class 65 - Senior I Showmanship (15-16 years old)

Class 66 - Senior Champion Showmanship Run-off

Class 67 - Junior Showmanship (13-14 years old)

Class 68 - Young II Showmanship (11-12 years old)

Class 69 - Young I Showmanship (9-10 years old)

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 - Differently Abled Showmanship**

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

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

## **Section b – Beef and Dairy Market 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 - Beef Market Animal Grand Champion & Reserve Grand Champion  
Class 80 - Market Dairy  
Class 81 - Market Dairy  
Class 82 - Dairy Market Animal Grand Champion & Reserve Grand Champion Steers  
Class 83 – Van Buren County Born & Raised  
Completed forms for Class 83 must be turned in by December 31st. 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 and Dairy Market Animal Project Evaluation**

See Livestock Project Evaluation at the back of the book for more details.

Class 84 - Beef and Dairy Market Animal Evaluation  
Class 85 - Beef Breeding Stock Evaluation

Exhibitors in classes 84 and 85 will receive A (\$10), B (\$8), C (\$6) ribbons and premiums.

Beef and Dairy Market Animal 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

Class 86 - Beef Carcass

Class 87 - Grand and Reserve Grand Champion Beef Carcass

Exhibitors in Class 86 will receive A (\$7), B (\$6) and C (\$5) premiums. 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.

See Carcass Rules at the back of the book.

## **Section e - Rate of Gain**

Superintendent: Karen Kubiszak (269) 254-4085

Assistant Superintendent:

Marcia Sieber (269) 501-0600

See Rate of Gain Rules at the front of the book.

A Premium (\$5) - 2.25 lbs. per day and above

B Premium (\$4) - 1.80 - 2.24 lbs. per day

C Premium (\$3) - 1.79 lbs. per day and below

Class 88 - Beef Market Animal Rate of Gain

Class 89 - Grand Champion & Reserve Grand

Champion Beef Market Animal Rate of Gain

Class 90 – Dairy Beef Market Animal Rate of Gain

Class 91 - Grand Champion & Reserve Grand

Champion Dairy Beef Market Animal Rate of Gain

Grand Champion and Reserve Grand Champion exhibitors in classes 89 and 91 will receive an award and a sign will be placed above the animal pen.

## **DEPT 6 - SHEEP**

Wednesday, July 17 - 10:00 a.m.

Superintendent: Katie Klett (989) 621-8380

Superintendent: Craig Klett

This department must abide by all VBYF and Large Livestock rules at the back of the book.

All sheep are required to have a USDA ear tag.

### **Division I - Sheep**

#### **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 107-108 will receive a participation ribbon.

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

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

Class 102 - Senior Champion Showmanship Run-off

Class 103 - Junior Showmanship (13-14 years old)

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

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

Class 106 - Junior Champion Showmanship Run-off

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

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

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

#### **Section a1 - Differently Abled Showmanship**

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

#### **Section b - Breeding Sheep**

Market ewes may not be shown as breeding stock.

Class 109 - Aged Ewe

Over 2 years of age and has had lambs, no older than 7 years of age.

Class 110 - Yearling Ewe

Born after 1/1 of previous year possibly bred once.

Class 111 - Ewe Lamb

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, premium A (\$5), B (\$4) and C (\$3) 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**

See Livestock Project Evaluation at the back of the book for more details.

Exhibitors in classes 126 and 127 will receive A (\$10), B (\$8), C (\$6) ribbons and premiums.

Class 126 - Market Lamb Evaluation  
Class 127 - Breeding Sheep Evaluation

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

Class 128 - Lamb Carcass  
Class 129 - Grand and Reserve Grand Champion  
Sheep Carcass

Exhibitors in Class 128 will receive A (\$7), B (\$6), C (\$5) ribbons and Placing Rosettes (1-5 place). First and second place exhibitors in Class 129 will receive a trophy and a banner.

See Carcass Rules at the back of the book.

### **Section h- Sheep Rate of Gain**

Superintendent: Karen Kubiszak

Assistant Superintendent:

Marcia Sieber (269) 501-0600

See Rate of Gain Rules at the back of the book.

A Premiums (\$5) - .70 lbs. per day and above  
B Premiums (\$4) - .58 - .69 lbs. per day  
C Premiums (\$3) - .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.



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## **DEPT 8 - GOATS**

Monday, July 15 - 8:00 a.m.

Superintendent: Heather Oxley (269) 341-5445

Assistance. Superintendent:

Emmeline Towne

This department must abide by all VBYF and Small Animal rules at the back of the book.

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.

### **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 years old)
- Class 151 - Junior Showmanship (13-14 years old)
- Class 152 - Young II Showmanship (11-12 years old)
- Class 153 - Young I Showmanship (9-10 years old)
- 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 years old)

The first place exhibitors in Class 150 and 154 will be representatives for the Large Livestock Showmanship Sweepstakes.

#### **Section a1 - Differently Abled Showmanship**

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

#### **Section b - Market Goats**

Exhibitors in classes 156-157 receive A (\$3), B (\$2.50), C (\$2) ribbons and premiums and Placing Rosettes (1-5 place). 1st & 2nd place winners of Class 156-157 will receive Grand Champion and Reserve Grand Champion trophies and rosette.

Class 156 - Dairy Market Goats

Class 157 - Non-Dairy market Goats

(any other non-dairy breed including meat/dairy crossbreeds)

#### **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 (\$3), B (\$2.50), C (\$2) and Placing Ribbons (1-5).

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, and C and Placing Ribbons (1-5).

Premiums for Classes 160-163: A (\$3), B (\$2.50) and C (\$2).

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

(1st & 2nd Place from classes 160-163)

Class 164 receives Trophy & Rosettes

Premiums for Classes 165-166: A (\$4), B (\$3.50) and C (\$3).

Class 165 - Yearling Milker (under 2 yrs.)

Class 166 - Junior Milker (2 yrs. and under 3 yrs.)

Premiums for Classes 167-168: A (\$5), B (\$4.50), C (\$4)

Class 167 - Senior Milker (3 yrs. to 4 yrs.)  
Class 168 - Aged Milker (5 yrs. and over)  
Class 169 - Sr. Champion & Reserve Champion Doe  
(1st & 2nd Place from classes 165 - 168)  
Class 169 receives Trophy & Rosettes.

Premiums for Classes 170-174: A (\$3), B (\$2.50)  
and C (\$2).

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, and C (\$3) and Placing Ribbons (1-5).

Premiums for Classes 175-177: A (\$4), B (\$3.50)  
and C (\$3).

Class 175 - Jr. Doe (up to 3 yrs.)  
Class 176 - Sr. Doe (3 yrs. to 4 yrs.)  
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

Exhibitors in classes 179-182 receive A (\$3),  
B (\$2.50), C (\$2) and Placing Ribbons (1-5).

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

Exhibitors in classes 184-187 receive A (\$3), B  
(\$2.50), C (\$2) and Placing Ribbons (1-5).

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 (\$7), B (\$6),  
C (\$5), ribbons and placing Rosettes (1-5). First and  
second place exhibitors in Class 190 will receive a  
trophy and a banner.

Class 189 Goat Carcass  
Class 190 Grand and Reserve Champion Carcass  
Goat

See Carcass Rules at the back of the book.

#### **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 years old),  
Beginner (9-12 years old), Intermediate (13-15 years  
old), Advanced (16-19 years old).

Exhibitors will receive A, B, C, ratings. First place  
winners in each division will receive a \$15.00  
monetary prize. Record books are judged on  
completeness, accuracy, and neatness. Winners will  
be announced at the Small Animal Awards on  
Saturday at 1:00 p.m.

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

## **DEPT 10 - SWINE**

Tuesday, July 16 - 10:00 a.m.

Superintendent: Steve Hostetler (918) 344-6624  
Assistant Superintendent: Bev Rajzer (269) 423-8688  
Assistant Superintendent: Matt Ashbrook  
Assistant Superintendent: Tim Shroyer

This department must abide by all VBYF and Large Livestock rules at the back of the book.

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 a RFID tag.

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

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

#### **Section a1 - Differently Abled Showmanship**

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

#### **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 Gilt**

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**

See Livestock Project Evaluation at the back of the book for more details.

Exhibitors in Class 232 will receive A (\$10), B (\$8), C (\$6) ribbons and premiums.

Class 232 - Swine Evaluation

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

Class 233 - Swine Carcass

Class 234 - Grand & Reserve Grand Champion Swine Carcass

Exhibitors in Class 233 will receive A (\$7), B (\$6), C (\$5) 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.

See Carcass Rules at the back of the book.

### **Section f - Swine Rate of Gain**

Superintendent: Karen Kubiszak (269) 254-4085

Assistant Superintendent:

Marcia Sieber (269) 501-0600

A Premiums (\$5) - .90 lbs. per day and above

B Premiums (\$4) - 1.75 - 1.89 lbs. per day

C Premiums (\$3) - 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.

See Rate of Gain Rules at the back of the book.



## DEPT 12 – POULTRY

Tuesday, July 16 - 8:00 a.m.

Superintendent: Megan Vasquez (269) 655-6200

Assistant Superintendent:

Jenni Miller (269) 655-7158

Assistant Superintendent:

Denise King (269) 271-5052

This department must abide by all VBYF and Small Animal rules at the back of the book.

### DIVISION I - Poultry

#### Section a - Poultry Showmanship

Exhibitors in classes 250-259 will receive 1-5 placings and 1<sup>st</sup> place exhibitors will receive a trophy. All exhibitors in classes 250, 251, 256 will receive a participation rosette.

Class 250 - Pee Wee I Chicken Showmanship  
(6 to young 7 (born 7/1 to 12/31) years old).

Class 251 - Pee Wee II Chicken Showmanship  
(older 7 (born 1/1 to 6/30) to 8 years old).

Class 252 - Young I Chicken Showmanship  
(9-10 years old)

Class 253 - Young II Chicken Showmanship  
(11-12 years old)

Class 254 - Junior Chicken Showmanship  
(13-14 years old)

Class 255 - Senior Chicken Showmanship  
(15-19 years old)

Class 256 - Pee Wee Other Poultry Showmanship  
(6-8 years old)

Class 257 - Young Other Poultry Showmanship  
(9-12 years old)

Class 258 - Junior Other Poultry Showmanship  
(13-14 years old)

Class 259 - Senior Other Poultry Showmanship  
(15-19 years old)

Junior Showman winners (254 & 258) and Senior Showman winners (255 & 259) advance to Small Animal Showmanship Sweepstakes.

#### Section b – Egg Production

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

Exhibitors in Class 260 and 261 will receive A (\$10), B (\$8), C (\$6) ribbons and premiums.

#### Section c – Market Poultry

Exhibitors in the following classes will receive 1-5 placing ribbons. Grand and Reserve Grand will receive trophies and Rosettes.

#### 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



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## **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**

Exhibitors in the following classes will receive A, B, C ratings and 1-5 placing ribbons. Grand and Reserve will receive trophies and Rosettes.

Exhibitors in Exhibition Poultry will receive A (\$3), B (\$2.50), C (\$2) ribbons and premiums.

## **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**

1<sup>st</sup> & 2<sup>nd</sup> place exhibitors will receive Champion & Reserve Champion Trophies and Rosettes.

Grand and Reserve Eggs will be auctioned at the start of the poultry sale.

Exhibitors in Class 293 will receive A (\$3), B (\$2.50), C (\$2) ribbons and premiums.

Class 293 - Dozen Eggs

## **Section f - Market Poultry Interview**

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

Exhibitors in Classes 294 -297 will receive A (\$3), B (\$2.50), C (\$2) ribbons and premiums.

## **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 (13-15), Advanced (16-19)

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 14 - 12:00 p.m.

Superintendent: Amber Ostlund (269) 720-6822

Assistant Superintendent:

Cherry Brown (269) 668-6813

This department must abide by all VBYF and Small Animal rules at the back of the book.

## 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 Showmanship

(6 -7 (born 7/1 - 12/31) years old)

Class 301 - Pee Wee II Showmanship

(7 (born 1/1 -6/30) - 8 years old)

Class 302 - Young I Showmanship (9-10 years old)

Class 303 - Young II Showmanship (11-12 years old)

Class 304 - Junior Showmanship (13-14 years old)

Class 305 - Senior Showmanship (15-19 years old)

### Section a1 - Differently Abled Showmanship

Class 1 - Differently Abled Showmanship (6-26 years old). 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 (\$4), B (\$3), C (\$2) ribbons, premiums, and placing rosettes (1-5). Grand and Reserve will receive trophies and Rosettes.

Class 306 - Pen of 3 market Rabbits

Class 307 - Grand & Res. Grand Champion Market Pen

### Section c - Californians

Exhibitors in classes 308-371 will receive A (\$3), B (\$2.50), and C (\$2) ribbons, and premiums.

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.

Pee Wee (6-8 years old), Beginner (9-12) years old, Intermediate (13-15 years old), Advanced (16-19 years old)

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 awards ceremony on Saturday.

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



## **DEPT 15 - POCKET PETS**

Monday, July 15 - 11:00 a.m.

Superintendent: Mary Darling (269) 624-6944

Assistant Superintendent: Bridgette Saidla

This department must abide by all VBYF and Small Animal rules at the back of the book.

### **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 Showmanship  
(6-8 years old)

Class 401 - Cavy Young Showmanship  
(9 -12 years old)

Class 402 - Cavy Junior Showmanship  
(13-14 years old)

Class 403 - Cavy Senior Showmanship  
(15-19 years old)

Class 404 - Lab Animal Pee Wee Showmanship  
(6-8 years old)

Class 405 - Lab Animal Young Showmanship  
(9-12 years old)

Class 406 - Lab Animal Junior Showmanship  
(13-14 years old)

Class 407 - Lab Animal Senior Showmanship  
(15-19 years old)

#### **Section a1 - Differently Abled Showmanship**

Class 1 - Differently Abled Showmanship (6-26 years old). 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>.

Exhibitors in classes 408-413, 415-420, 422-427, 429-434, 436-441, 443-448, 450-455, 458-463 will

receive A (\$3), B (\$2.50), C (\$2) ribbons and premiums & 1-5 placing rosettes.

#### **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

(1<sup>st</sup> 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**

(1<sup>st</sup> 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**

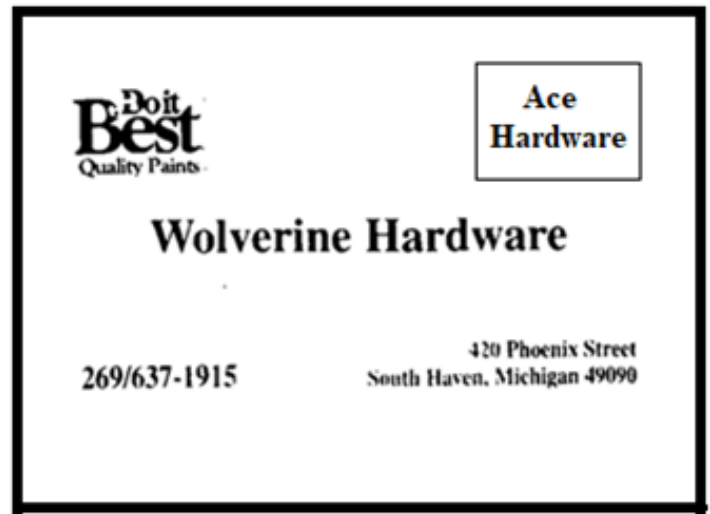
To recognize outstanding achievement in record keeping for a rabbit project, Adam's Funeral Home in Paw Paw will present awards to the top exhibitor in the following divisions.

Pee Wee (6-8 years old), Beginner (9-12 years old), Intermediate (13-15 years old), Advanced (16-19 years old)

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 awards ceremony on Saturday.

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



## **DEPT 16 - HORSE & PONY**

Monday, July 15 - 2:00 p.m. and 3:30 p.m.

Driving/Gymkhana

Tuesday, July 16 - 8:30 a.m. - English Show

Wednesday, July 17 - 8:30 a.m. - Western Show

Thursday, July 18 - 8:30 a.m. - Gymkhana

Friday, July 19 - 8:30 a.m. -

Versatility/Trail/Costume

Barn Superintendent:

Kevin Novotny (269) 214-0889

Horse Show Superintendent:

Terri Novotny (269) 214-1921

This department must abide by all VBYF and Horse rules at the back of the book.

### **Division I: Monday - Driving & Gymkhana**

#### **Section a - Driving - 2:00 p.m.**

These classes receive placing rosettes (1-5).

Class 490 - Ground Driving- Open to ALL

Class 491 - Miniature horse driving

#### **Section 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 placing rosettes (1-5). HRH classes receive 1<sup>st</sup> place ribbons.

Class 492 - HRH Speed/Action (6-26 years old)

Class 493 - Pee Wee Speed/Action  
(9 years old and under)

Class 494 - Walk/Trot Speed/Action  
(10-19 years old)

Class 495 - Junior Speed/Action (10-14 years old)

Class 496 - Senior Speed/Action (15-19 years old)

Class 497 - HRH Keyhole (6-26 years old)

Class 498 - Pee Wee Keyhole  
(9 years old and under)

Class 499 - Walk/Trot Keyhole (10-19 years old)

Class 500 - Junior Keyhole (10-14 years old)

Class 501 - Senior Keyhole (15-19 years old)

### **DIVISION II: Tuesday - English Day - 8:30 a.m.**

All classes receive placing rosettes (1-5). 1<sup>st</sup> place in showmanship, equitation, and In-Hand jumping receive awards.

1<sup>st</sup>, 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.

Exhibitors in classes 502-504 receive A (\$7), B (\$6), C (\$5) ribbons and premiums.

#### **Section a - Showmanship**

Class 502 - Pee Wee English Showmanship  
(9 years old and under) (horse/pony)

Class 503 - Junior English Showmanship  
(10-14 years old) (horse /pony)

Class 504 - Senior English Showmanship  
(15-19 years old) (horse/pony)

#### **Sec. b - Equitation and Pleasure**

Class 505 - In-Hand Jumping (6-19 years old)

Class 506 - Equitation over Fences (10-19 years old)

Class 507 - Hunter over Fences (10-19 years old)

Class 508

Class 509 - Pee Wee English Equitation  
(6-9 years old)

Class 510 - Walk/Trot English Equitation  
(10-19 years old)

Class 511 - Pony English Equitation  
(10-19 years old)

Class 512

Class 513 - Junior English Equitation  
(10-14 years old)

Class 514

Class 515 - Senior English Equitation  
(15-19 years old)

Class 516 - Junior English Equitation Champion  
(1<sup>st</sup>-4<sup>th</sup>) (if 14 years old or younger), from  
511, & 513

Class 517 - Senior English Equitation Champion  
(1<sup>st</sup>-4<sup>th</sup>) (if 15 years old or older), from 511,  
& 515

Class 518 - Pee Wee English Pleasure (6-9 years old)

Class 519 - Walk/Trot English Pleasure  
(10-19 years old)

Class 520 - Pony English Pleasure (10-19 years old)

Class 521

Class 522 - Junior English Pleasure  
(10-14 years old)  
Class 523  
Class 524 - Senior English Pleasure  
(15-19 years old)  
Class 525 - Junior English Pleasure Champion  
(10-14 years old) (1<sup>st</sup>-4<sup>th</sup>) (if 14 years old or  
under), from 520, & 522  
Class 526 - Senior English Pleasure Champion  
(15-19 years old) (1<sup>st</sup>-4<sup>th</sup>) (if 15 years old or  
older), from 520, 524

### Section c – Dressage

Class 527 - Dressage Training Level Test 1  
(10-19 years old)  
Class 528 - Dressage Training Level Test 3  
(10-19 years old)  
Class 529 - Western Dressage -Basic Level Test 3  
(10-19 years old)

### Division III: Wednesday - Western Day – 8:30 a.m.

All classes (except HRH) receive placing rosettes (1-5). 1<sup>st</sup> place in showmanship and horsemanship receive awards (except HRH). 1<sup>st</sup>, 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 1<sup>st</sup> place rosettes.

Exhibitors in classes 530-540 receive A (\$7), B (\$6), C (\$5) ribbons and premiums.

### Section a – Showmanship

Class 530 - In-Hand Showmanship (6-19 years old)  
Class 531 - Lead Line Showmanship (6-8 years old)  
(English/Western)  
Class 532 - HRH Showmanship (6-26 years old)  
(English/Western)  
Class 533 - Pee Wee Western Showmanship  
(6-9 years old)  
Class 534 - Walk/Trot Western Showmanship  
(10-19 years old)  
Class 535 - Western Pony Showmanship  
(10-19 years old)  
Class 536  
Class 537 - Junior Western Showmanship  
(10-14 years old)  
Class 538  
Class 539 - Senior Western Showmanship

(15-19 years old)  
Class 540 - Gymkhana Showmanship  
(10-19 years old)  
Class 541 - Junior Champion Showmanship  
(1<sup>st</sup>-4<sup>th</sup>) (if 14 years old or under) from 503,  
535, 537, & 540  
Class 542 - Senior Champion Showmanship  
(1<sup>st</sup>-4<sup>th</sup>) (if 15 years old or older) from 504,  
535, 539, & 540

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

### Section b - Horsemanship and Pleasure

Class 543 - Lead Line Equitation /Horsemanship  
(6-8 years old) (English/Western)  
Class 544 - HRH Equitation /Horsemanship  
(6-26 years old) (English/Western)  
Class 545 - Pee Wee Western Horsemanship  
(6-9 years old)  
Class 546 - Walk/Trot Western Horsemanship  
(10-19 years old)  
Class 547 - Lead Line Pleasure  
(6-8 years old) (English/Western)  
Class 548 - HRH Pleasure  
(6-26 years old) (English/Western)  
Class 549 - Pee Wee Western Pleasure  
(6-9 years old)  
Class 550 - Walk/Trot Western Pleasure  
(10-19 years old)  
Class 551 - Pony Western Horsemanship  
(10-19 years old)  
Class 552  
Class 553 - Junior Western Horsemanship  
(10-14 years old)  
Class 554  
Class 555 - Senior Western Horsemanship  
(15-19 years old)  
Class 556 - Gymkhana Western Horsemanship  
(10-19 years old)  
Class 557 - Junior Western Horsemanship Champion  
(1<sup>st</sup>-4<sup>th</sup>) (if 14 years old or under), from 551,  
553, & 556  
Class 558 - Senior Western Horsemanship  
Champion (1<sup>st</sup>-4<sup>th</sup>) (if 15 years old or older),  
from 551, 555, & 556  
Class 559 - Pony Western Pleasure (10-19 years old)  
Class 560

- Class 561 - Junior Western Pleasure  
(10-14 years old)
- Class 562
- Class 563 - Senior Western Pleasure  
(15-19 years old)
- Class 564 - Gymkhana Western Pleasure  
(10-19 years old)
- Class 565 - Junior Western Pleasure Champion  
(1<sup>st</sup>-4<sup>th</sup>) (if 14 years old or under) from 559,  
561, 564)
- Class 566 - Senior Western Pleasure Champion  
(1<sup>st</sup>-4<sup>th</sup>) (if 15 years old or older), from 559,  
563, 564)

**Division IV: Thursday - Gymkhana Day 2 - 8:30 a.m.**

**Section 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 placing rosettes (1-5). HRH receive 1<sup>st</sup> place ribbon.

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

**Division V: Friday - Performance Day - 8:30 a.m.**

**Section a - Versatility, Trail, Pattern Class, and Costume Class**

All classes (except HRH) receive placing rosettes (1-5). HRH receive 1<sup>st</sup> place ribbon. Versatility winners receive an award.

- Class 584 - Junior Versatility (10-14 years old)
- Class 585 - Senior Versatility (15-19 years old)
- Class 586 - HRH Trail (6-26 years old)
- Class 587 - Pee Wee Trail (6-9 years old)
- Class 588 - Walk/Trot Trail (10-19 years old)
- Class 589 - In-Hand Trail (6-19 years old)
- Class 590 - Junior Trail (10-14 years old)
- Class 591 - Senior Trail (15-19 years old)
- Class 592 - Western Pattern Class (10-19 years old)  
Even years: Reining Pattern 2 / Odd years:  
Green Western Riding Pattern 3
- Class 593 - Costume Class – Open to ALL  
(6-19 years old)



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# DEPT 17 - ADULT DRAFT HORSES

Wednesday, July 17 - 10:00 a.m.

Superintendents:

John & Tina Streeter (269) 621-4491

This department must abide by all VBYF and Adult Draft Horse rules at the back of the book.

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 - Open Adult Draft Horse/Draft Mule Halter Draft Pony/Draft Pony Mule Classes

### Section a - Showmanship

1<sup>st</sup>-5<sup>th</sup> Placing rosettes for classes 600 and 601

Class 600 - Showmanship - Draft Horses/Mules

Class 601 - Showmanship - Draft Pony/Mules

### Section b - Halter Classes

1<sup>st</sup>-5<sup>th</sup> 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

## DEPT 18 - YOUTH DRAFT HORSES

Wednesday, July 17 - 10:00 a.m.

Superintendents:

John & Tina Streeter (269) 621-4491

This department must abide by all VBYF and Youth Draft Horse rules at the back of the book.

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 (\$7), B (\$6) and C (\$5).

Class 655 - Senior Showmanship (15-19 years old)

Class 656 - Junior Showmanship (13-14 years old)

Class 657 - Young Showmanship (9-12 years old)

Class 658 - Pee Wee Showmanship (6-8 years old)

#### Section b - Harness Class

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

Class 659 - Cart Class (9-13 years old)

Class 660 - Cart Class (14-19 years old)

Class 661 - 2 Horse Hitch (9-13 years old)

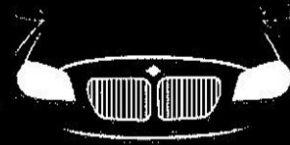
Class 662 - 2 Horse Hitch (14-19 years old)

#### Section c - Riding Class

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

Class 663 - Riding Class (English or Western)

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## DEPT 22 - DOGS

Saturday, July 13 - 12:00 p.m.

Superintendent: Kimberley Guy (269) 615-7114

Assistant Superintendent:

Nancy Wheatley (269) 415-0240

This department must abide by all VBYF and Dog rules at the back of the book.

### Division I - Dogs

#### Section a - Showmanship (Junior Handling)

Class 675-680 will receive a trophy and placing rosettes (1-5).

Class 675 - Champion Showmanship (13-19 years old) 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 old)

Class 677 - Junior Showmanship (13-14 years old)

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

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

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

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 old)

Class 683 - Sub-Novice B (12-19 years old)

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

Premiums for classes 681-690, A (\$4), B (\$3.50), and C (\$3).

Exhibitors in classes 681-685, and class 687 and 690 receive placing 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 (6-11 years old)

Class 694 - Costume (12-19 years old)

#### Section d - Agility

Class 695 - Beginner Agility A (6-11 years old)

First year beginner, on leash, handler may go over jumps with dog.

Class 696 - Beginner Agility A (12-19 years old)

First year beginner, on leash, handler may go over jumps with dog.

Class 697 - Beginner Agility B (6-11 years old)

2nd-3rd 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**

Class 703 - Novice A – 1<sup>st</sup> 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 placing rosettes (1-5).

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 years old)  
Young (9-12 years old)  
Junior (13-14 years old)  
Senior (15-19 years old)

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.

## DEPT 23 - CATS

Monday, July 15 - 4:00 p.m.

Superintendent: Denise Noble (269)303-5407

Assistant Superintendent:

Nancy Wheatley (269) 415-0240

This department must abide by all VBYF and Cat rules at the back of the book.

### 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

Premiums for classes 721-725, A (\$4), B (\$3.50), and C (\$3).

Class 721 - Purebred Kitten (4-12 months)

Class 722 - Household Kitten (4-12 months)

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 Rosettes (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 Showmanship (6-8 years old)

Class 728 - Young I Showmanship (9-10 years old)

Class 729 - Young II Showmanship (11-12 years old)

Class 730 - Junior Showmanship (13-14 years old)

Class 731 - Senior Showmanship (15-19 years old)

Class 732 - Champion Showmanship  
(13-19 years old)

Exhibitors ages 13-19 with three or more previous 1<sup>st</sup> or 2<sup>nd</sup> place 4-H 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) and C (\$1). 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 placing 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 years old)

Young (9-12 years old)

Junior (13-14 years old)

Senior (15-19 years old)

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 in Saturday (same day as still exhibits) to the superintendent or assistant or place in designated box- location TBD. 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 2 <sup>nd</sup> – 80 3 <sup>rd</sup> – 60 4 <sup>th</sup> – 40 5 <sup>th</sup> – 20	1 <sup>st</sup> – 100 2 <sup>nd</sup> – 80 3 <sup>rd</sup> – 60 4 <sup>th</sup> – 40 5 <sup>th</sup> – 20	Actual Score	1 <sup>st</sup> – 100 A/Blue – 80 B/Red – 60 C/White - 40

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## Van Buren Youth Fair Event Schedule

### 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 (12:00 to 12:30 p.m.)  
 10:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m. Enter Rabbits  
 12:00 p.m. 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 p.m. Rabbit Judging - Barn #7  
 4:00 p.m. Horses – Senior Rides and Social Gathering  
 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. Dairy Judging  
 11:00 a.m. Pocket Pets Judging  
 1:00 p.m. Armed Services Day Program  
 1:00 p.m. Feeder and Beef/Dairy Market Animal Judging  
 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. Magic Cloud Balloons - Tethered Rides Hillside Entertainment

### 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  
 10:00 a.m. Swine Judging - Livestock Arena  
 7:00 p.m. Hartford NTPA Nationals: Super Farm Tractors, 2 Wheel Drive Pickups Mini Modifieds - Hillside Entertainment

### Wednesday, July 19

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

#### KIDS' DAY

Free Admission 18 years old & Under Until 5:00 p.m.

8:30 a.m. Western Horse & Pony Show - Horse Arena  
 10:00 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 [www.vanburenyouthfair.com](http://www.vanburenyouthfair.com) for sale order  
 7:00 p.m. Fair Fiesta Extravaganza - Hillside Entertainment

**Thursday, July 20**

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

8:30a.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 [www.vanburenyouthfair.com](http://www.vanburenyouthfair.com) for sale order

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 p.m. Pedal Tractor Pull

7:00 p.m. Super Kicker Rodeo Production Hillside Entertainment

9:00 p.m. FIREWORKS

**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

12:00 p.m. Horse Exhibitor Awards Program - Horse Show Arena

1:00 p.m. Small Animal Exhibitor Awards Program - Large Livestock Show 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

6:00 p.m. Unique Motor Sports Demolition Derby - Hillside Entertainment

**Sunday, July 23**

Animal Exhibits release: See Exhibitor Rules – page 78 - Rule #8  
Pick up non-animal exhibits

**DAILY FEATURES**

Whispering Pines Mobile Zoo

**MIDWAY HOURS**

Tuesday – 3 p.m. to Closing  
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Thursday – 3 p.m. to Closing  
Friday – 3 p.m. to Closing  
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# DEPT 60 - NEEDLEWORK

Superintendent: Leah Pillar (269) 207-9725

Assistant Superintendent:

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## 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

## Division I- Personal Appearance

### Age Guidelines:

Pee Wee - 6-8 years old

Young - 9-11 years old

Junior - 12-14 years old

Senior - 15-19 years old

### 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

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

Educational exhibits are posters (14"x 22"), 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.

Premiums for classes 788, 789, 790 & 795

A	B	C
\$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

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

#### Special Award

##### 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 I - Foods & Nutrition

#### Entry Guidelines

1. One entry only per class.
2. No commercial mixes will be allowed.
3. 3"x 5" recipe card must accompany all products in Classes 800 through 810 and classes 821 and 822.
4. Cookies and cake squares should be of uniform size (See Classes 800 and 801).
5. No cream pies or pies with a cream base will be accepted.
6. All entries in Classes 800-805 should be displayed on a paper plate and in a plastic bag.
7. Entries must be in the Classes named (specialty items to be judged in Class 809).
8. The Judge's decision will be final.
9. All foods' entries must be acceptable products. Judges may or may not taste food entries.

#### 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 a – Indoor Meals

Premiums for classes 800-805

A	B	C
\$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

Premiums for Classes 806-815

A	B	C
\$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

- Class 813 - A poster (14" x 22"), 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" x 22") or notebook giving complete directions for their use.
- Class 815 - Food item made using outdoor cooking techniques.

### Section c - 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" x 22") 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

- 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

Class 831 - A poster (14" x 22") 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

## 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".

### 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

## 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 Classes 850-895 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 879 - Intermediate  
Class 880 - Advanced

Abstract  
Class 881 - Beginner  
Class 882 - Intermediate  
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 the 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

## DEPT 63 - FOLK ARTS

**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

**Division I - Crafts**

Premiums for Classes 900-977 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  
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

### **Section o - Decorated Wreaths**

Class 942 - Beginner  
Class 943 - Intermediate  
Class 944 - Advanced

### **Section p - Tie Dye/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**

Premiums for Classes 978-1037 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 980 - 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

# DEPT 64 - PHOTOGRAPHY

## Division I - Photography

### Entry Guidelines

1. Exhibit Category Definitions:  
Beginner: Exhibitor with 1 or 2 years of experience in the project.  
Intermediate: Exhibitor with 3 or 4 years of experience in the project.  
Advanced: Exhibitors with 5 or more years of experience in the project.
2. Pictures for class 1050 are to be mounted on a poster board 14" x 22" using rubber cement. Photos for classes 1051-1052 and 1054 may be matted or mounted on poster board.
3. Colored slides are to be displayed in a protective, clear plastic page, along with written description of slides.
4. Ribbons and rosettes will be awarded for all places as listed for each class unless otherwise specified.
5. All photos must be taken by the exhibitor.

### 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 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

# 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.

### 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

### Premiums for Classes 1060, 1068-1071

A	B	C
\$1.50	\$1.25	\$1.00

### Premiums for Classes 1061, 1063-1067, 1072-1073, 1079-1080

A	B	C
\$2.00	\$1.75	\$1.50

### Premiums for Classes 1062, 1074-1078

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

### Section a - Vegetables

Class 1060 - One plate of one variety grown

Class 1061 - One box of 3 varieties

Class 1062 - One box of 5 varieties

Class 1063 - Education Exhibit

All ages Poster, 14" X 22", with garden photos and notebook containing gardening plans and cultural practices.

Class 1064 - Potted Vegetable Plant

All ages Tomatoes or other plants in suitable containers.

**Section b - Fruits**

Class 1065 - Plate of fruit grown

3 apples, pears, peaches or plums

Class 1066 - 1 pt. box of blueberries or strawberries

Class 1067 - Cherries or other Fruit

**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**

Class 1068 – Annuals

One flower any size with foliage (youth ages 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

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**

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

Class 1079 - Plaques made from dried materials and/or dried flowers

Class 1080 - Christmas or holiday decorations using dried materials and/or dried flowers.

**DEPT 68 - HORTICULTURE**

**Division I - Horticulture**

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 a - Landscaping**

Premiums for classed 1082 – 1089

A	B	C
\$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

Premiums for classed 1090-1099

A	B	C
\$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

## **DEPT 69 - 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

### **Division I - Science**

#### **Section a - Weather & Astronomy**

Premium for Class 1100

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

Premium for Classes 1101-1121

A	B	C
\$2.00	\$1.75	\$1.50

Class 1100 - Weather Station

Class 1101 - Poster showing cloud formation

Class 1102 - Any other weather education

Class 1103 - Astronomy

### **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**

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**

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

# 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.

### 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

### Premium for Class 1148

A	B	C
\$1.50	\$1.25	\$1.00

### Premiums for Classes 1125-1135, 1149-1150

A	B	C
\$2.00	\$1.75	\$1.50

### Premiums for Classes 1136-1147, 1151-1159

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

## Section a - Plant Science

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)

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

- Class 1148 - Basic Entomology I: Collect & Exhibit as adult species from 8 orders
- 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
- 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

## DEPT 71 - ORGANIZATIONS

### DIVISION I - Organizations

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

#### 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.

## DEPT 72 - EDUCATIONAL

### 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

### 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**

Short Stories:

Class 1175 - Beginner  
Class 1176 - Intermediate  
Class 1177 - Advanced

Young Authors:

Class 1178 - Beginner  
Class 1179 - Intermediate  
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. 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" x 22") 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:  
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.

### **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 - Ribbons Only**  
(Airplanes, cars, etc.)

Class 1217 - Beginner  
Class 1218 - Intermediate  
Class 1219 - Advanced

**Section b - Model Rocketry - Ribbons Only**

Class 1220 - Beginner  
Class 1221 - Intermediate  
Class 1222 - Advanced

**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 posters must be 14" x 22"

Premiums for classes 1223 – 1238

A	B	C
\$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 and/or poster
- 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" x 22" 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.

Premiums for Classes 1204-1242, 1245, 1247, 1248-1251

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

Premiums for Class 1243

A	B	C
\$4.00	\$3.50	\$3.00

Premiums for Classes 1244, 1246

A	B	C
\$5.00	\$4.00	\$3.00

### Section a - International & Passport

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: Notebook 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.

Class 1243 - Passport - County, State & County Study: Group exhibit of 3 to 5 members consisting of Articles collected: Arts, Crafts, and Clothing, etc.

Class 1244 - Passport - Country, State & County Study: Group Exhibit by Club consisting of an arrangement of articles collected.

### Section b – Citizenship

Display what they have learned pertaining to citizenship. This may include projects, trips or community service activities.

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

### Section c - Leadership

Class 1248 - Teen Leadership Notebook

Class 1249 - Leadership Educational Exhibit

Class 1250 - Club Officer Notebook

Class 1251 - 4-H Member Summary/Record Book (contact MSU Extension office for current form)

## Division VI - Leisure Education

Premiums for Classes 1252-1263

A	B	C
\$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

Premiums for Class 1264

A	B	C
\$1.50	\$1.25	\$1.00

Premiums for Classes 1265-1278

A	B	C
\$2.00	\$1.75	\$1.50

## Section a - First Aid and Health

(List Contents)

Class 1264 - Beginning First Aid Kit

Class 1265 - Advanced First Aid Kit

More complete First Aid Supplies

Class 1266 - Any other First Aid Exhibit

## Section b - Safety and Fire Prevention

Class 1267 - Snowmobile Safety Educational Exhibit

Class 1268 - Bicycle Safety Educational Exhibit

Class 1269 - Farm & Home Safety Educational Exhibit

Class 1270 - Any other Safety Exhibit

## Division VIII - Folk Patterns

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.

Premiums for classes 1271-1278

A	B	C
\$2.00	\$1.75	\$1.50

## Section a - Folk Patterns Exhibits

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

## Division IX - Non-Competitive Youth Exhibits

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 years old - 6 exhibits  
7 years old - 7 exhibits  
8 years 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 1280 - Basic Computers

Class 1281 - Bicycling

Class 1282 - Bird Study

Class 1283 - Collections

Class 1284 - Crafts

Class 1285 - Folk patterns

Class 1286 - Foods

Class 1287 - Gardening

Class 1288 - Insects

Class 1289 - Natural Resources

Class 1290 - Nature

Class 1291 - Needlework

Class 1292 - Passport

Class 1293 - Personal Appearance

Class 1294 - Photography

Class 1295 - Recycling

Class 1296 - Rocks

Class 1297 - Safety

Class 1298 - Space Technology  
Class 1299 - Sports  
Class 1300 - Stamps  
Class 1301 - Trees  
Class 1302 - Wild Flowers  
Class 1303 - Woodworking  
Class 1304 - Holiday Celebration  
Class 1305 - Cloverbud Scrapbook  
Class 1306 - Show and Trail  
Class 1307 - Animal Science



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## **DEPT 73 - DEMONSTRATIONS**

### **Division I – Demonstrations**

#### **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 years old)

Class 1326 - Individual Demonstration (9-13 years old)

Class 1327 - Individual Demonstration (14 years old & over)

Class 1328 - Team Demonstration

#### **Section b - Youth In Action Demonstrations**

Informal presentation led by exhibitor with audience participation. Exhibitors will receive a participation ribbon.

Class 1329 - Demonstration  
\$5.00 premium

#### **Section c – Talent Show**

The Talent Show will be on Monday, July 15 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. For singing performances, please bring music without vocals. 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 20

### 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 20  
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:

- 1<sup>st</sup> - \$8.00 and placing ribbon
- 2<sup>nd</sup> - \$6.00 and placing ribbon
- 3<sup>rd</sup> - \$4.00 and placing ribbon
- 4<sup>th</sup> - \$2.00 and placing ribbon
- 5<sup>th</sup> - Placing ribbon

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## DEPT. 100 - HORSE PULLING

Saturday, July 20 - 10:00 a.m.

### Division I - Open Horse Pulling Contest

“Open To The World”

#### Section a - Michigan Horse Pulling Boat Association

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 18 - 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 and 1417 receive 1<sup>st</sup> place trophies

Premiums for classes 1416-1417

1 <sup>st</sup>	\$140	9 <sup>th</sup> only	\$100
		class 1417	
2 <sup>nd</sup>	\$135	10 <sup>th</sup> only	\$95
		class 1417	
3 <sup>rd</sup>	\$130		
4 <sup>th</sup>	\$125		
5 <sup>th</sup>	\$120		
6 <sup>th</sup>	\$115		
7 <sup>th</sup>	\$110		
8 <sup>th</sup>	\$105		

Lightweight Class Heavyweight Class

Class 1416 – 49” and Under

Class 1417 53” and Under

Special – Record Breaker

49” (2750#)      53” (3175#)

Class - 1418 - \$50.00

Class - 1419 - \$50.00



# DEPT 103 - FARM STOCK TRACTOR PULLING

Monday, July 15 - 6:00 p.m.

Co-Superintendent:

Mendy Trowbridge (269)217-9050)

Co-Superintendent: Robert Trowbridge

## Division I - Farm Tractor Contests

### 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 15 - 6:00 p.m.

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. R.P.M.'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 ½" 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



**(269) 214-6425**                      **John Pike**  
**63281 M43 Hwy Bangor, MI 49013**

# 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 1st 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) or a small market animal (market goat, producing dairy goat, poultry, rabbits) will be required to fill out a W-9 Form and turn it in with their June 15th preregistration forms.

- All exhibitors are required to have a Social Security No.

2. NEW for 2024- All exhibitors that are awarded a trophy, banner, prize or sells an animal during an auction at the Van Buren Youth Fair are required to submit a thank you note for the trophy, banner, prize sponsor or auction buyer by 10:00 p.m. on Saturday of the fair to the 4-H office in the still exhibit building. Failure to submit the thank you note will result in premium and/or auction check being held until thank you note is received.

Thank you notes not received by 10:00 p.m. on Saturday of fair must be taken to the Van Buren County MSU Extension before checks will be released.

3. 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.
4. 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 the owner.
5. ALL EXHIBITS MUST BE PRE-REGISTERED BY JUNE 15. All registration forms must be completed online. Go to the Van Buren Youth Fair website: [www.vanburenyouthfair.com](http://www.vanburenyouthfair.com). See page 6 for instructions. All horses must be checked by the veterinarian and have a negative Coggins Test.
6. 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.
7. 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."

8. Exhibit release time:  
Still Exhibits: Sunday, July 21, 2024, 6:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.  
Small animals: Sunday, July 21, 2024, 6:00 a.m. - 8:00 a.m.  
Breeding Stock: Saturday, July 20, 2024, 11:00 p.m. - midnight. Breeding animals for dairy, beef, and sheep ONLY.  
BEEF, DAIRY, SHEEP, SWINE: Sunday, July 21, 2024 - 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.
9. The Fair Association will not be responsible for exhibits left at the fairgrounds after 1:00 p.m., Sunday, July 21, 2024.
10. 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.
11. Each exhibitor will assume all risks in making an exhibit entry.
12. Advanced entries must be made for ALL exhibits by June 15. All registration forms must be completed online. Go to the Van Buren Youth Fair website: [www.vanburenyouthfair.com](http://www.vanburenyouthfair.com). See page 6 for instructions.
13. Animal exhibit superintendents and assistant superintendents will act as supervisors of exhibits in their respective divisions.
14. No exhibits other than those provided for in the following premium list will be accepted.
15. 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.
16. The current Van Buren Youth Fair Board of Directors Judges' Committee contracts all judges for the fair.
17. Ribbons and Rosettes will be awarded as stated in each department.
18. If funding is not available from the State of Michigan, the Fair reserves the right to pro-rate all Premiums.
19. No youth exhibitors except those authorized by Division Superintendents and the Fair Management are permitted to stay overnight in the barns.
20. Exhibit halls close at 11:00 p.m. each day of the fair week.
21. All youth exhibitor passes will be pre-sold. When a youth submits their June 15th Fair Pre-registration they need to pay \$15.00 for their fair pass. Youth will then pick up their pass on Saturday or Sunday after they have entered their exhibit at the Fair.
22. Current 4-H Leaders and 4-H Leader Spouses will be able to purchase their passes on Saturday, July 13 or Sunday, July 14 for \$20 and \$25.
23. Superintendents/Assistant Superintendents are given picture badges to be used as admittance to the Fair. Spouses may purchase a week pass for \$25.00.
24. Posse members are admitted with Sheriff's badges and ID's. Posse spouses may purchase a week pass for \$25.00.
25. Adult Draft Horse Exhibitors may purchase a week pass for \$20.00. Spouses may purchase a week pass for \$25.00.
26. For fire and pedestrian safety, all vehicles parked near buildings and other exhibit areas must be moved to the parking lot by 9:00 a.m. until 11:00 p.m. each day.
27. 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.
28. Anyone needing the service of a Veterinarian or a Medical Doctor shall be responsible for cost of services rendered.

29. Posters are not required with notebooks unless specified in the Entry Guidelines for that category.
  30. 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.”
  31. 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.
  32. 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.
  33. Still exhibit projects must be made during the past year.
  34. 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.
  35. The Fair Board of Directors shall have complete control of the Youth Fair including all activities, exhibits, rules and shows.
  36. 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.
  37. 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.
  38. 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”.
- a. **AT THE FAIR:**
    - i. 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.”
    - ii. 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.*
    - iii. Record the seal# in the top right box of the “Sample Transmittal Packing List.”
    - iv. Open the container by pressing upward on the tab marked open, breaking the seal.
    - v. Place the container in the catching stick; fold the lid back and anchor it under the metal finger welded on the handle.
    - vi. 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.
    - vii. 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.
    - viii. 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".

- ix. 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.
- x. 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.*
- xi. Samples must be held secure and cold until transferred to the laboratory.  
*NOTE: Urine may be frozen. Blood must be kept refrigerated and never 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.

b. **AFTER SAMPLE COLLECTION IS COMPLETED:**

- i. 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.
- ii. 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.

39. 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.

# LARGE LIVESTOCK EXHIBIT RULES

Barn Superintendent: Jared Dykstra  
 Assistant Barn Superintendents: Nick Mead

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	Tagged	Entered	Weight
Beef Breeding	RFID tag	1 per class	
Beef and/or dairy Market Animal	Total of 4, one must be a dairy steer	2 live steers and 1 carcass	1000# and up
Feeder calf- Beef and/or dairy	3 (beef and/or dairy)	2 (beef and/or dairy)	250#-674#
Sheep Breeding	Scrapies tag	1 per class	
Market Lambs	Total of 4	2 live sheep and 1 carcass	84# and up
Market Swine	Total of 4	2 live and 1 carcass	220#-300#

Tagging deadlines:

December 31- Market Beef and Van Buren County Born & Raised

May 1- Beef Breeding, Feeder Calves, Sheep Breeding, Market Lambs, Market Hogs and Dairy Ownership Record

\*See Rule 7 regarding information on finished/unfinished animals.

2. Advanced entries for all animal exhibits shall be made on or before June 15th. All registration forms must be completed online. Go to the Van Buren Youth Fair website: [www.vanburenyouthfair.com](http://www.vanburenyouthfair.com). See page 6 for instructions.
3. Any exhibitor entering large livestock (Beef/Dairy Market Animal, 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 15th Pre-registration forms. A 1099 will be mailed to all exhibitors who earn more than \$600.00 as required by the IRS.
4. 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 15th registration form.
5. 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).
6. 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.
  7. 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.
  8. Market and Non-Market Livestock Record Books shall be turned into Division Superintendents. All interviews will be held on Friday.
  9. All Beef, Sheep and Dairy need to be stabled or penned on Saturday, July 13 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 14 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.

10. 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).
11. All market animals will be weighed upon arrival at the designated times:

- Beef/Dairy Market Animal, Feeders and Sheep: Saturday, July 13 from 7:00 p.m. to 10:00 p.m.
- Dairy Cows and Heifers: Saturday, July 13 from 7:00 p.m. to 10:00 p.m.
- Swine and MLE Exhibitors: Sunday, July 14 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.

12. Grand and Reserve Grand Champion Market Animals (Beef/Dairy Market Animal, 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 not to 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, herdsmanship awards, office supplies, printing of sale bills, 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 18, 2024. 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, 2025, will result in ineligibility to participate in the 2025 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.

13. Exhibitor must be 9 years old to exhibit a mature beef or dairy female. No animals other than those shown in the market classes shall be sold at the Fair Auction.

14. 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 p.m. and 7:00 p.m., 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.

15. TB Testing for cattle is 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.

16. All bovine must have an RFID ear tag before leaving the producers facility.
17. All Swine must have an RFID ear tag to be entered as an exhibit at the Van Buren Youth Fair.
18. 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.
19. Livestock checks will be sent out as soon as incoming funds are available, but no later than August 31<sup>st</sup>. 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. on 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.
20. 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.

21. 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.
22. 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 old  
 Pee Wee II Division - 7  
     (born 1/1 – 6/30) to 8 years old  
 Young I Division - 9 to 10 years old  
 Young II Division - 11 to 12 years old  
 Junior Division - 13 to 14 years old  
 Senior I Division - 15 to 16 years old  
 Senior II Division - 17 to 19 years old
23. Grooming of livestock during the fair week is the responsibility of the exhibitor with minimal assistance from their immediate family, leader, superintendent, or fellow exhibitor for guidance. The exhibitor must be present during grooming unless they are actively showing. Any outside professional groomers will result in the disqualification of the exhibitor.
24. 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.
25. 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.
26. The following "age" rules shall apply for all Market Livestock:
- Market Lambs: Born Dec.1 or after the year of fair.
  - Market Beef: under 24 months of age at fair time. If female, there will be a vet/superintendent administered blood test at check-in to determine if pregnant (at no cost to the exhibitor). If the pregnancy test is positive, the animal will not be allowed to show as a market animal.
  - Beef & Dairy Type Feeder Calves: Born Jan. 1 or after the year of the fair.
  - Swine: 220# to 300#
27. 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.
28. No youth exhibitor, except that authorized by Division Superintendents and the Fair Management, is permitted to stay overnight in the barn.
29. Exhibit release times for all animal exhibits are:  
 BEEF/DAIRY MARKET ANIMAL, FEEDERS, SHEEP & SWINE: Saturday, July 20 from 11:01 p.m. to Sunday at 3:00 a.m.  
 BEEF, DAIRY, SHEEP BREEDING ANIMALS: Saturday, July 20 from 10:00 p.m. to 11:00 p.m.  
 BUYER PICK UP: Sunday, July 22 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.

30. 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 15th and tagged by May 1<sup>st</sup>.
31. Gates between feeder calves are optional. Gates will be required for dividing clubs.
32. 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.
33. All exhibitors are responsible for making sure their market animals meet the acceptable withdrawal deadlines to avoid drug residue.
34. Generators will not be allowed around the livestock barn unless specifically approved by the Fair Board.
35. 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.
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 79 under "Exhibitor Rules" Item 38.

38. Exhibitors or immediate family will be given a flyer with important rules and information at educational meetings, club meetings, or via email before check in. The flyer will also be posted in the Large Livestock Barn during fair week. Exhibitors are responsible for reading the flyer and following the rules.
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 19, 2024 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 19, 2024, from 9:00 a.m. - 11:00 a.m. 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 and 16 to 19

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

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

## Large Livestock Showmanship Sweepstakes

Saturday, July 20 - 9:00 a.m.

Sweepstakes Superintendent-

Bev Rajzer (269) 423-8688

Asst. Superintendent -

Taylor Shannon (269) 655-6026

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

Junior - 9 to 14 years of age during the 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.

## 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.

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, and 16 to 19

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Three Age Divisions - 9 to 12, 13 to 15, and 16 to 19

	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
Feeders	\$15.00	\$10.00	\$5.00

## 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

## "Ag Olympics"

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

Superintendent - Lori Alexander – (269) 217-0072  
Assistant superintendent - Leah Pillar

## 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 Association.

## Carcass Rules

Live Weigh-In: Sunday, July 7 - 5:00 to 6:20 p.m. at  
Van Buren Youth Fairgrounds

Carcass Judging: Tuesday, July 9 - 6:00 p.m. at  
Pease Packing

Superintendent:

Carisa Hostetler (269) 377-9998

Asst. Superintendent:

Dan Hostetler (269) 377-9262

### For All Species (Market beef, sheep, swine, goats)

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 the 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.
12. Exhibitors will receive Placing Rosettes (1-5 place). First and Second place exhibitors will receive Grand and Reserve Grand Champion Trophies and Banners in each species.

### **Swine Requirements**

1. Carcasses will be measured at the 10th 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 10th 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 disqualification.

### **Sheep & Goat Requirements**

1. Fat Thickness will be measured at the 12th 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.

### **Beef Requirements**

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 (market beef, sheep, swine, feeder calves):**

1. Participation in "Rate of Gain" is encouraged.
2. Official beginning weights will be recorded at the Van Buren Fairgrounds on
  - a. Saturday, December 16, 2023 - 10:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m.
  - b. Saturday, April 27 - 10:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m.
  - c. Sunday, April 28 - 1:00 p.m. - 3:00 p.m.
  - 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, 2023.
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.

## **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.
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 diseases or unthrifty condition will be sent home.
5. All pens must be labeled with at least the exhibitor's 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 areas should be kept clean during the week. Pens must be cleaned and put away before leaving the fairgrounds 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 and close-toed shoes. Goat exhibitors must follow rules in the Goat section (page 90). 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 - Saturday, July 13 - 2 p.m. - 3 p.m.
  - b. Rabbits -Saturday, July 13 - 10 a.m. - 12 p.m.
  - c. Poultry - Pullorum Testing/Enter Poultry Saturday, July 13 -7 a.m. - 10 a.m.
  - d. Goats- Saturday, July 13 - 5 p.m. - 8 p.m.
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 16, 2024.
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 16, 2024. 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. All market exhibitors are encouraged to hang a personalized thank you to their buyer(s) and send a personalized thank you.
21. 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.
22. Accommodations for Special Needs exhibitors will be provided as needed.
23. 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.
24. 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.
25. 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.
26. 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.

## Goat Rules

Market Pictures – 1:00 p.m. – 6:00 p.m. Sunday

1. 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.
2. 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 May 2<sup>nd</sup> from 5 p.m.-7 p.m.
3. 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.
4. 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.
5. 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.
6. 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.

7. 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.
8. Goats within three weeks of kidding will not be allowed.
9. 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.
10. 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.
11. 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.
12. 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.
13. 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.

## **Poultry Rules**

Market Poultry Interviews-

Sunday, July 14 -12:00 p.m. to 2:00 p.m.

Market Pictures: Sunday, July 14

1:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m.

### **General Poultry Rules**

1. A Mandatory Poultry Meeting will be held prior to the show.
2. 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.
3. 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.
4. 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.
5. Each exhibitor is required to show in only one showmanship and in at least one of the production, market, or exhibition classes.
6. Dress clothes are required for the show and the auction. Long sleeved white shirt and black pants.
7. Twice daily cleaning, feeding, and watering are the responsibilities of the exhibitor. Exhibitors are responsible for their own feed and bedding.
8. All Market Poultry are required to submit a Market Record Sheet by 2:00 pm on Sunday, July 14th, and a W-9 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).

9. Exhibitors are required to sign assist with barn clean-up on Sunday morning. Failure to do so will result in forfeiture of premiums.
10. Market Poultry must be loaded by the exhibitor or representative. A \$5 per pen fee will be deducted from auction check if not present.
11. 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.
12. 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.
13. No shipping or transport crates or cages will be allowed to be stored in the barn or exhibition area.
14. Showmanship will follow Michigan State 4-H Fitting & Showing Guidelines.
15. Exhibitor must use their own bird in showmanship.

### **Egg Production**

1. 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.

### **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. 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.

### **Exhibition Poultry**

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.

### **Marketing a Dozen Eggs**

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.

### **Rabbit Rules**

Mandatory Meeting: Sunday, July 14 - 11:30 a.m.

Market Pictures: Sunday, July 14

12:00 p.m. to 2:00 p.m.

1. 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.
2. 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.
3. All exhibitors must show in a showmanship class. The showmanship rabbit must be one of the single entries or one of the market rabbits.
4. Dress code: black pants with long-sleeved white shirt.
5. Breed class rabbits must be owned by the exhibitors by May 1 preceding the fair.
6. 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.

7. 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.
8. All Breed rabbits are to be tattooed. Market rabbits will be identified by the superintendent at check-in on Saturday.
9. No Crossbred rabbits will be allowed to enter.
10. 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.
11. Rabbit exhibitors must provide food and wood shavings during fair week.

## **Pocket Pet Rules**

Mandatory Meeting: Saturday, July 13 - 3:00 p.m.

1. A mandatory pocket pet MEETING will be held at 3:00 p.m. on Saturday, the day of check-in.
2. Cavies and lab animals must be owned by exhibitor by June 1 preceding fair.
3. Dress code: black pants with long-sleeved white shirt.
4. All pens must be labeled with exhibitor name, age, club, & breed.
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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.

# Small Animal Showmanship Sweepstakes

Friday, July 19 - 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 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 19, 2024, beginning at 10:00 a.m. Participants should be at Barn #7 no later than 9:30 a.m. 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.

## DOG RULES

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 the 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. Exhibitors must bring a copy of these records to the registration table at the fair.
2. All Dog Registrations must be received by May 1<sup>st</sup>. Completed forms can be emailed to forms.vbyf@gmail.com by 11:59 p.m. on May 1 or mailed and received or dropped off to the fairgrounds by 7 p.m. on May 1.
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 girls' showmanship – skirts, culottes, dresses no shorter than fingertip length recommended. For boys, 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 the 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 11:00 a.m. 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 the exhibitor has trained this animal. The 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 into 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 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.

### **Dog Agility Rules**

1. In Agility classes, buckle collars without tags only. Leashes must not be greater than 6'. Leashes must be made of leather or web only.
2. 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.
3. Agility exhibitors must be familiar with Agility equipment.
4. Agility walk-through without dog will be done at the beginning of each class.
5. Agility will be scored according to State 4-H Agility rules.
6. For complete guidelines contact the MSU Extension Office.
7. The exhibitor must currently be in or have participated in obedience training.
8. 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.
9. An experienced handler/new dog or new handler/experienced dog must enter in Beginner B or higher classes.
10. Exhibitors may show only one dog in each class.

### **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.

## CAT RULES

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.

For Breed Class, Cats must be in the exhibitor's possession by May 1<sup>st</sup>. All Cat Registration Forms must be received by May 1<sup>st</sup>. Completed forms can be emailed to [forms.vbyf@gmail.com](mailto:forms.vbyf@gmail.com) by 11:59 p.m. on May 1 or mailed and received or dropped off to the fairgrounds by 7 p.m. on May 1.

3. Cats/Kittens must be entered in both Section B & Section C.
4. The exhibitor must be present while judging takes place.
5. 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.
6. 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.
7. Cats/kittens must be checked in at the show area by a superintendent between 3:30-3:45 p.m. on Monday.
8. 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.

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.

9. Exhibitors must present the 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 feline leukemia and pneumatic inoculations. No feline leukemia positive cats are allowed to show at the fair.
10. Cats infected with lice, fleas, or ear mites will automatically be marked down.
11. 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.
12. Animal Science notebooks will be judged on Saturday and must be displayed throughout the fair week. Notebooks are listed in Dept. 72.
13. 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.
14. Cat products 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.
15. Exhibitors are encouraged to bring a towel or carpet square for their cat to rest on during breed classes.
16. 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

# HORSE & PONY RULES

Horse Registration Forms due May 1<sup>st</sup>  
Fair Entry & Jump Consent Form - June 15<sup>th</sup>  
Set up- Thursday, July 11 - 6:00 p.m.  
Fair Check-in Time - Sunday, July 14  
10:00 a.m. - 2:00 pm  
Senior Rides/Meet and Greet - Sunday, July 14  
4:00 p.m.  
Awards/Fun Activity - Saturday, July 20 - 12:00 p.m.  
Fair Check-out Time – Sunday, July 21  
6:00 a.m. - 9:00 a.m.

All Horse Registration Forms must be received by May 1<sup>st</sup>. Completed forms can be emailed to [forms.vbyf@gmail.com](mailto:forms.vbyf@gmail.com) by 11:59 p.m. on May 1 or mailed and received or dropped off to the fairgrounds by 7 p.m. on May 1.

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 a.m. to 9:00 p.m. 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 a.m. 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.”

## 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 the 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.

## **ADULT DRAFT HORSE RULES**

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. All registration forms must be completed online. Go to the Van Buren Youth Fair website: [www.vanburenyouthfair.com](http://www.vanburenyouthfair.com). See page 6 for instructions.
3. Draft equines are to be stabled on Sunday at the beginning of fair week. (8:00 a.m. - 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 on 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.)
1. Classes are open for either draft horses or draft ponies unless otherwise specified.
  2. Draft mules and draft pony mules may be shown in classes specified for either draft mules or draft pony mules.

## **YOUTH DRAFT HORSE RULES**

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 complete and exhibit a "draft equine notebook."
13. All exhibitors must fulfill a daily work schedule during fair week.

14. Exhibitors will show in casual or dress pants, nice top or shirt, leather type boots or shoes.
15. There must be an adult with youth whenever an animal is taken into the arena or is hitched for any reason.

**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

**Riding Class**

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

## 2024 Van Buren Youth Fair Award Sponsors Trophies / Awards

### Beef

Market Animal Grand Champion	Tapper Auto Group
Market Animal Reserve Champion	Van Buren Co. Mounted Division
Grand Champion Beef Steer Rate of Gain	Dan & Carisa Hostetler
Reserve Champion Beef Steer Rate of Gain	Dan & Carisa Hostetler
Dairy Breed Steer Grand Champion	Van Buren Co. Mounted Division
Dairy Breed Steer Reserve Champion	Van Buren Co. Sheriff Reserve Association
Grand Champion Dairy Steer Rate of Gain	Hostetler Crazy Acres
Reserve Champion Dairy Steer Rate of Gain	Hostetler Crazy Acres
Grand Champion Beef Carcass	Tapper Auto Group
Reserve Champion Beef Carcass	Van Buren Co. Sheriff Reserve Association
Heavyweight Grand Champion Beef Feeder	Conklin Family
Heavyweight Reserve Grand Champion Beef Feeder	West Valley Livestock 4-H Club
Lightweight Reserve Grand Champion Beef Feeder	Van Buren Co. Sheriff Reserve Association
Light weight Grand Champion Beef Feeder	Conklin Family
Supreme Champion Beef Feeder Calf	Kubiszak Family
Grand Champion Beef Calf Rate of Gain	Pat & Melinda Burnell
Reserve Champion Beef Calf Rate of Gain	Pat & Melinda Burnell
Lightweight Grand Champion Dairy Feeder	Van Buren Co. Sheriff Reserve Association
Lightweight Reserve Champion Dairy Feeder	Van Buren Co. Sheriff Reserve Association
Heavyweight Grand Champion Dairy Feeder	Tapper Auto Group

Heavyweight Reserve Grand Champion Dairy Feeder	Quality Cylinder Service, LLC
Supreme Champion Dairy Feeder Calf	Kubiszak Family
Grand Champion Dairy Calf Rate of Gain	Full Moon Farms
Reserve Champion Dairy Calf Rate of Gain	Full Moon Farms
Senior II Showman – Beef	Van Buren Co. Sheriff Reserve Association
Senior I Showman – Beef	Van Buren Co. Mounted Division
Junior Showman – Beef	Van Buren Co. Sheriff Reserve Association
Young II Showman – Beef	Van Buren Co. Sheriff Reserve Association
Young I Showman – Beef	Eric and Janice Zerbe
Senior II Feeder Showmanship	Van Buren Co. Mounted Division
Senior I Feeder Showmanship	Van Buren Co. Mounted Division
Junior Feeder Showmanship	Van Buren Youth Fair
Young II Feeder Showmanship	Van Buren Youth Fair
Young I Feeder Showmanship	Iris Swift
Pee Wee II Feeder Showmanship	Dan and Carissa Hostetler
Pee Wee I Feeder Showmanship	Van Buren Voyagers 4-H Club

### Beef Belt Buckles

Grand Champion Dairy Steer	Steve and Renee Hostetler
Reserve Grand Champion Dairy Steer	Travis & Kristy Gumpert
Grand Champion Beef Steer	Matt and Michelle Butler
Reserve Grand Champion Beef Steer	Pat and Melinda Burnell

### Cat

Grand Champion Cat/Kitten	R & B Stelter Farms, LLC
Reserve Champion Cat/Kitten	Eric and Janice Zerbe
Champion Senior Showman	Van Buren Co. Mounted Division
Senior Showman	Gobles/Bangor Veterinary Clinic
Junior Showman	Tapper Auto Group
Young II Showman	Van Buren Co. Mounted Division
Young I Showman	Van Buren Co. Sheriff Reserve Association
Pee Wee Showman	Van Buren Co. Sheriff Reserve Association

### Cat- Special Award

High Point Champion – Cats	Van Buren Youth Fair
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### Dairy

Grand Champion Dairy Heifer	Grand Acres Farm Fred & Pat Garrod
Res. Champion Dairy Heifer	Van Buren Co. Mounted Division
Grand Champion Dairy Cow	Grand Acres Farm Fred & Pat Garrod
Reserve Champion Dairy Cow	Grand Acres Farm Fred & Pat Garrod
Senior II Dairy Showman	West Vallely Livestock 4-H Club
Senior I Dairy Showman	Van Buren Co. Mounted Division
Junior Dairy Showman	Grand Acres Farm Fred & Pat Garrod
Young II Dairy Showman	Quality Cylinder Service, LLC
Young I Dairy Showman	Tapper Auto Group
Pee Wee Dairy Showman	Van Buren Co. Sheriff Reserve Association

### Dogs

Novice A	Tapper Auto Group
Novice B	Denise Noble
Brace	Van Buren Youth Fair
Sub – Novice A Obedience Champion	Van Buren Youth Fair
Sub – Novice B Obedience Champion (6 – 11)	Van Buren Co. Mounted Division

Sub – Novice B Obedience Champion (12-19)	Van Buren Youth Fair
Graduate Novice Obedience	Van Buren Youth Fair
Overall Champion – Showmanship Grand	Van Buren Youth Fair
Overall Champion – Showmanship Reserve	Gobles/Bangor Veterinary Clinic
Veterans Agility – Grand Champion Class	Van Buren Youth Fair
Senior Showman	Denise Noble
Junior Showman	Almena Happy Helpers 4-H Club
Young II Showman (11-12)	Van Buren Co. Reserve Assn
Young I Showman (9-10)	Van Buren Co. Mounted Division
Pee Wee Showman	R& B Stelter Farms, LLC
Costume Class Under 12	Mortimore Farms
Costume Class 12 and Over	Van Buren Co. Mounted Division
Beginning Agility A Champion (6-11)	Tapper Auto Group
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. Sheriff Reserve Association
Int. Agility A Champion	West Valley Livestock 4-H Club
Int. Agility B Champion	Van Buren Youth Fair
Advance Agility Champion	Van Buren Youth Fair
Rally – Novice A Champion	Denise Noble
Rally – Novice B Champion	Van Buren Youth Fair
Rally – Advance Champion	Van Buren Youth Fair
Excellent Advance Champion	Van Buren Youth Fair

### Dog- Special Awards

High Point Champion – Dogs	Sherman Ampey
Reserve High Point Champion – Dogs	Van Buren Youth Fair

**Draft Horses – Adults**

Adult Draft Ladies Cart	Midway Electric, Inc.
Adult Draft Mens Cart	Van Buren Youth Fair
Adult Draft Two Horse Show Hitch	The Southwestern MI Horse and Buggy Club
Adult Draft Farm Hitch	John and Tina Streeter
Adult Draft Riding	Van Buren Youth Fair
Adult Draft Obstacle Course	Van Buren Youth Fair
Adult Draft Log Pull	Van Buren Youth Fair

**Draft Horses - Youth**

Senior Showman	Van Buren Youth Fair
Junior Showman	Van Buren Youth Fair
Young Showman	Van Buren Youth Fair
Pee Wee Showman	Van Buren Youth Fair
Cart (14-19)	The Southwestern MI Horse and Buggy Club
Cart (9-13)	R & B Stelter Farms, LLC
Two Horse Hitch (14 – 19)	John and Tina Streeter
Two Horse Hitch (9-13)	Van Buren Youth Fair
Riding	Van Buren Youth Fair

**Draft Horse/Pony Pulling Contests**

Stoneboat Pulling Contes	Midway Electric, Inc.
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**Goats**

Grand Champion Dairy Market Goat	R & B Stelter Farms, LLC
Reserve Champion Dairy Market Goat	Van Buren Co. Sheriff Reserve Association
Grand Champion Non Dairy Market Goat	Arcadia Chemical
Reserve Champion Non Dairy Market Goat	Van Buren Co. Mounted Division
Senior Champion Doe	Melva DeVries
Senior Reserve Champion Doe	Tapper Auto Group
Junior Champion Doe	Van Buren Co. Mounted Division
Junior Reserve Champion Doe	Arcadia Chemical
Senior Champion Non Dairy Doe	Wild Reid Ranch
Senior Reserve Champion Non Dairy Doe	West Valley Livestock 4-H Club
Junior Champion Non Dairy Doe	Wild Reid Ranch

Junior Reserve Champion Non Dairy Doe	Van Buren Co. Sheriff Reserve Association
Best Doe in Show	Van Buren Co. Sheriff Reserve Association
Grand Champion Goat Carcass	Iris Swift
Reserve champion Goat Carcass	Van Buren Youth Fair
Senior Showman	Melva DeVries
Junior Showman	Quality Cylinder Service, LLC
Young II Showman	Van Buren Co. Mounted Division
Young I Showman	Cary and Emmeline Towne
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
Pee Wee Western Horsemanship	Equine Ladies

First place winners will receive an award in the following classes.

Junior English Showmanship	Equine Ladies
Senior English Showmanship	Van Buren Co. Sheriff Reserve Association
Pony Western Showmanship	Van Buren Co. Mounted Division
In – Hand Showmanship	Dot Krohn
Walk/Trot Showmanship	Tapper Auto Group
Junior Western Showmanship	Equine Ladies
Senior Western Showmanship	Van Buren Co. Sheriff Reserve Association
Gymkhana Showmanship	Eric and Janice Zerbe



First place winners will receive an award in the following classes.

Equitation Over Fences	Gobles/Bangor Veterinary
In – hand Jumping	Silver Spurs 4-H Club
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

### Horse 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	Kate’s Pizza
High Point Western Horse (4-H)	Van Buren Co. Mounted Division
Abby Baker Memorial High Point Western Pony	Penny and Duane Baker Family
High Point English Horse (4-H)	Van Buren Co Reserve Assn
Stephanie Tucker Memorial Pee Wee Trophy	Van Buren Youth Fair
High Point In-Hand Award	Van Buren Youth Fair

High Point Walk-Trot Award	Kate’s Pizza
Junior High Point Award	Tapper Auto Group
Senior High Point Award	Tapper Auto Group
High Point English Pony (4-H)	Penny and Duane Baker Family
Belt Buckle-Versatility Senior	Dr. Lauren Kerber Lyzenga, DVM
Belt Buckle-Versatility Junior	Quality Cylinder Service
Special Rosettes	John and Amy Branch

### Pocket Pets

Grand Champion Cavy	Porter Busy Fingers 4-H Club
Reserve Champion Cavy	Debbie Glover
Grand Champion Lab Animal	Porter Busy Fingers 4-H Club
Reserve Champion Lab Animal	Van Buren Co. Mounted Division
Grand Champion Lab Animal Pair	Van Buren Co. Sheriff Reserve Association
Reserve Champion Lab Animal Pair	Tapper Auto Group
Senior Showman – Cavy	Van Buren Co. Mounted Division
Junior Showman – Cavy	Van Buren Co. Sheriff Reserve Association
Young Showman – Cavy	Van Buren Co. Sheriff Reserve Association
Pee Wee Showman – Cavy	Stan & Mary Darling
Senior Showman – Lab Animal	Tapper Auto Group
Junior Showman – Lab Animal	Va Buren Youth Fair
Young Showman – Lab Animal	Van Buren Co. Sheriff Reserve Association
Pee Wee Showman – Lab Animal	Van Buren Youth Fair

### Poultry

Grand Champion Market Turkey	Van Buren Co. Sheriff Reserve Association
Reserve Champion Market Turkey	R & B Stelter Farms
Grand Champion Market Waterfowl	Mortimore Farms
Reserve Champion Market Waterfowl	Van Buren Co. Mounted Division
Grand Champion Exhibition Turkey	West Valley Livestock 4-H Club
Reserve Champion Exhibition Turkey	Tapper Auto Group
Grand Champion Male Waterfowl	Tapper Auto Group
Reserve Champion Male Waterfowl	Van Buren Co. Sheriff Reserve Association
Grand Champion Female Waterfowl	Van Buren Co. Sheriff Reserve Association
Reserve Champion Female Waterfowl	Tapper Auto Group
Grand Champion Market Chicken	Almena Happy Helpers 4-H Club
Reserve Champion Market Chicken	Arcadia Chemical
Grand Champion Overall Male Chicken	Van Buren Co. Mounted Division
Reserve champion Overall Male Chicken	Van Buren Youth Fair
Grand Champion Overall Female Chicken	Van Buren Voyagers 4-H Club
Reserve Champion Overall Female Chicken	Van Buren Youth Fair
Grand Champion Egg Production Pair	Van Buren Co. Sheriff Reserve Association
Reserve Champion Egg Production Pair	Van Buren Co. Mounted Division
Grand Champion Market Eggs	Brad's Concessions
Reserve Champion Market Eggs	West Valley Livestock 4-H Club
Senior Showman – Chickens	Van Buren Co. Mounted Division
Junior Showman – Chickens	Van Buren Co. Sheriff Reserve Association
Young II Showman – Chickens	Van Buren Co. Sheriff Reserve Association
Young I Showman – Chickens	Van Buren Co. Mounted Division
Pee Wee II Showman Chickens	Arcadia Chemical

Pee Wee I Showman-Chickens	Van Buren Voyagers 4-H Club
Senior Showman – Other Poultry	Kate's Pizza
Junior Showman-Other Poultry	West Valley Livestock 4-H Club
Young Showman-Other Poultry	Van Buren Co. Mounted Division
Pee Wee Showman-Other Poultry	Van Buren Voyagers 4-H Club

### Rabbits

Grand Champion Market Pen of Rabbits	Arcadia Chemical
Reserve Champion Market Pen of Rabbits	Tapper Auto Group
Grand Champion Commercial Rabbit	Eric and Janice Zerbe
Reserve Champion Commercial Rabbit	Cary and Emmeline Towne
Grand Champion Fancy Rabbit	Silver Spurs 4-H Club
Reserve Champion Fancy Rabbit	Van Buren Co. Sheriff Reserve Association
Senior Showman	Arcadia Chemical
Junior Showman	R & B Stelter Farms, LLC
Young II Showman	Porter Busy Fingers 4-H Club
Young I Showman	West Valley Livestock 4-H Club
Pee Wee II Showman	Dale and Laura Sweet
Pee Wee I Showman	Stan and Mary Darling
Best of Show - Rabbits	Van Buren Co. Sheriff Reserve Association

### Sheep

Grand Champion Market Ewe	Tapper Auto Group
Reserve Champion Market Ewe	Van Buren Co. Sheriff Reserve Association
Grand Champion Market Wether	Van Buren Co. Sheriff Reserve Association
Reserve Champion Market Wether	Van Buren Co. Mounted Division
Supreme Champion	Kubiszak Family
Grand Champion Rate of Gain	Alexander Farm
Reserve Champion Rate of Gain	Alexander Farm
Grand Champion Lamb Carcass	Tapper Auto Group

Reserve Champion Lamb Carcass	Van Buren Co. Mounted Division
Senior II Showman	Van Buren Co. Sheriff Reserve Association
Senior I Showman	Tapper Auto Group
Junior Showman	West Valley Livestock 4-H Club
Young II Showman	Van Buren Youth Fair
Young I Showman	Craig and Katie Klett
Pee Wee II Showman	Dan and Carisa Hostetler
Pee Wee I Showman	Doug and Alice Burlison

### Swine

Grand Champion Market Gilt	John and Sue Spivey
Reserve Champion Market Gilt	Tapper Auto Group
Grand Champion Market Barrow	Van Buren Co. Sheriff Reserve Association
Reserve Champion Market Barrow	Beverly Rajzer
Supreme Champion	Kubiszak Family
Grand Champion Rate of Gain	Smokin' Terry's BBQ
Reserve Champion Rate of Gain	Smokin' Terry's BBQ
Grand Champion Swine Carcass	Van Buren Co. Mounted Division
Reserve Champion Swine Carcass	Van Buren Youth Fair
Senior II Showman	Dale and Laura Sweet
Senior I Showman	Beverly Rajzer
Junior Showman	Van Buren Co. Mounted Division
Young II Showman	Van Buren Co. Sheriff Reserve Association
Young I Showman	West Valley Livestock 4-H Club
Pee Wee II Showman	Dan and Carisa Hostetler
Pee Wee I Showman	Van Buren Co. Mounted Division

### Swine- Special Awards

Alexander Zygodlo Memorial	Van Buren Youth Fair
Susan Melvin Memorial	Van Buren Youth Fair

### Sweepstakes

Showmanship Sweepstakes Sr. -Large Animal	Beverly Rajzer
Showmanship Sweepstakes Jr.- Large Animal	Tom and Pam Stermer
Showmanship Sweepstakes Sr.- Small Animal	Tapper Auto Group
Showmanship Sweepstakes Jr. Small Animal	Van Buren Youth Fair

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

Market Animal Grand Champion	Brad and Cathy Greene
Market Animal Reserve Champion	Radiant Rose of Sharon -Sharon Harrell
Dairy Breed Steer Grand Champion	The Dan Wood Company
Dairy Breed Steer Reserve Grand Champion	The Dan Wood Company
Beef Breed Grand Champion	Burnell Farms-Pat, Melinda & Brady Burnell
Beef Breed Reserve Grand Champion	Burnell Farms-Pat, Melinda & Brady Burnell
Grand Champion Beef Carcass	Hassevoort Cattle Company-Eric & Jodi Hassevoort
Reserve Champion Beef Carcass	Hassevoort Cattle Company-Eric & Jodi Hassevoort
Heavyweight Grand Champion Beef Feeder	Jill Casanto
Heavyweight Reserve Champion Beef Feeder	Radiant Rose of Sharon -Sharon Harrell
Lightweight Grand Champion Beef Feeder	The Stull Family-Clay & Jessica Stull
Lightweight Reserve Champion Beef Feeder	Rex & JJ DeVries
Heavyweight Grand Champion Dairy Feeder	Rex & JJ DeVries
Heavyweight Reserve Champion Dairy Feeder	Quality Cylinder Service, LLC
Lightweight Grand Champion Dairy Feeder	Rex & JJ DeVries
Lightweight Reserve Champion Dairy Feeder	The Stull Family-Clay & Jessica Stull

### Dairy

Grand Champion Heifer	Tom and Pam Stermer
Reserve Champion Heifer	Iris Swift
Grand Champion Cow	Travis & Kristy Gumpert
Reserve Champion Cow	Travis & Kristy Gumpert

### Goats

Grand Champion Goat Carcass	West Valley Livestock 4-H Club
Reserve Champion Goat Carcass	Van Buren Youth Fair

### Sheep

Grand Champion Ewe	Hassevoort Cattle Company-Eric & Jodi Hassevoort
Reserve Champion Ewe	Hassevoort Cattle Company-Eric & Jodi Hassevoort
Grand Champion Wether	Kate's Pizza
Reserve Champion Wether	Iris Swift
Grand Champion Lamb Carcass	Hassevoort Cattle Company-Eric & Jodi Hassevoort
Reserve Champion Lamb Carcass	Radiant Rose of Sharon -Sharon Harrell

### Swine

Grand Champion Market Gilt	John and Sue Spivey
Reserve Champion Market Gilt	Brad and Cathy Greene
Grand Champion Market Barrow	Beverly Rajzer
Reserve Champion Market Barrow	Quality Cylinder Service, LLC
Grand Champion Swine Carcass	Radiant Rose of Sharon -Sharon Harrell
Reserve Champion Swine Carcass	Travis & Kristy Gumpert

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