IOWA STATE FAIR * AUGUST 11-21, 2016 * 4-H HORTICULTURE

4-H HORTICULTURE DEPARTMENT
Agriculture Building
4-H Horticulture Team
Superintendent - Joe Yedlik, Walker
Assistant Superintendents - Jacki Luckstead, Anamosa; Rich Pope, Sloan
Total offered --- $822

SCHEDULE:
Friday, August 12
4:00-6:00 p.m. Horticulture entries may arrive

Saturday, August 13
7:00-8:30 a.m. Horticulture entries may arrive
9:00 a.m. Horticulture entries must be in place and judging begins
4:30 p.m. Horticulture Awards Presentation

Monday, August 15
1:00 p.m. Horticulture entries released
3:00 p.m. Horticulture entries must be out of the building (those not picked up will be disposed of through a local food bank)

ENTRY DEADLINE - JULY 1 to County Extension Office

RULES

Entry Fees
1-4 Entries (minimum fee)..............$2.00
Each additional entry....................$.50

1. Only actual vegetable specimens are entered in this division and are shown in the Agriculture Building. Any display depicting a concept, idea or learning process with a horticulture project is entered in class 550 Horticulture in the Agriculture and Natural Resources Department and are shown in the 4-H Exhibits Building and must be entered with the county displays during their assigned time Tuesday, August 9.

2. 4-H members who enter vegetables in FFA are not permitted to show horticulture products in the 4-H division.

3. 4-H’ers must make entries with the County Extension Office by July 1 and pay for the number of entries they plan to exhibit. Division and class numbers do not need to be specified at the time of entry. Exhibitors who complete initial Horticulture entries by July 1 may add additional 4-H entries when they check-in at the Agriculture Building on Friday, August 12 and on Saturday, August 13 during the arrival times listed above.

4. Exhibitors are permitted up to two entries per class.

5. 4-H’ers will receive exhibit tags (tan) with the exhibitor letter sent out in July.

6. In addition to exhibit tags, special variety cards (orange) will be provided and MUST be used with entries in the following classes: Collection of Four Different Herb Species, Vegetable Container Display, First Year Exhibitor’s Class and Salsa Tray.

7. The Country Vegetable Platter class will ONLY use a special exhibit card (green) for identification and will NOT use an exhibit tag.

8. Specimens should be prepared for exhibit as stated below. Publication 4H-462 “Harvesting and Preparing Vegetables for Exhibit”, available online and from the local County Extension Office may be used as a reference. However, the number of specimens required per exhibit MUST match the class listing below. Incorrect numbers of specimens will cause the entry to receive a white ribbon.

9. All produce (including Jumbos) must be in exhibit condition to qualify for exhibition and placing.

10. All exhibits must be labeled with the exhibitor’s name, address, exhibitor number, class number and county name. Incomplete or incorrectly completed tags may cause lowering of placing. Superintendents reserve the right to transfer entries to the appropriate class and/or disqualify entries.

11. Each exhibit tag MUST show the variety name. If exhibiting an unnamed variety, use the term “standard”. Omitting variety name may cause lowering of placing.

12. Exhibition plates, bottles and special containers will be provided to exhibitors unless otherwise specified below.

13. Exhibits will be awarded a purple, blue, red or white ribbon based on merit (except for the Jumbo Vegetable Division). The Champion and Reserve in each class will receive rosettes, provided they qualify with purple or blue ribbon status. Premiums will be prorated on an equal basis for purple, blue, red and white ribbon groupings in the ratio of 5, 4, 3 and 2. Jumbo vegetables will be awarded first through fifth places based on weight and exhibit quality (premiums will be awarded as follows: $3, 2, 1, 1, 1). The top two exhibitors with the highest premium points will receive trophies. The top ten individuals and counties will be recognized.

14. Purple, blue, red and white stickers, indicating ribbon placing, will be used for display purposes. Actual ribbons will be handed out during release time on Monday between 1:00 p.m. and 3:00 p.m.

GARDEN CROPS

CLASS
- Beans, snap, six specimens
- Beans, yellow wax, six specimens
- Beets, cylindrical, three specimens
- Beets, globe, three specimens
- Cabbage, round, one head
- Cabbage, flat, one head
- Cabbage, red, one head
- Cabbage, savoy, one head
- Cabbage, any other, one head
- Cantaloupe or Muskmelon, any variety, one specimen
- Carrots, three specimens
- Cucumbers, for slicing, three specimens
- Cucumbers, dill, three to five inches, three specimens
- Cucumber, for pickling, six specimens
- Eggplant, standard or traditional, one specimen
- Eggplant, oriental type, one specimen
- Honeydew Melon, one specimen
- Kohlrabi, purple, three specimens
● Kohlrabi, white, three specimens
● Melon, Cantaloupe or Muskme, any variety, one specimen
● Melon, Honeydew, one specimen
● Melon, Watermelon, any variety (large), one specimen
● Melon, Watermelon, any variety (small), one specimen (includes Sugar Baby, etc.)
● Onions (dry), red, three specimens
● Onions (dry), white, three specimens
● Onions (dry), yellow, three specimens
● Onions (dry), other, three specimens
● Onions (green), three specimens
● Peppers, sweet, bell, blocky, green, three specimens
● Peppers, sweet, bell, elongated, green, three specimens (includes Gypsy, Giant Marconi)
● Peppers, sweet, bell, red, three specimens
● Peppers, sweet, bell, yellow, three specimens
● Peppers, sweet, banana, yellow, three specimens
● Peppers, sweet, red, three specimens
● Peppers, any other variety, three specimens
● Peppers, hot, Cayenne type, three specimens (includes Cayenne, Thai)
● Peppers, hot, Habanero, three specimens
● Peppers, hot, Hungarian Yellow Wax/banana, three specimens
● Peppers, hot, Jalapeño, three specimens
● Peppers, hot, green, Chili, three specimens (includes Anaheim, Big Slim, Slim Jim, Garden Salsa, Big Chile, etc.)
● Peppers, hot, green, Poblan, three specimens (includes Ancho, Poblan, etc.)
● Peppers, hot, green, Serrano, three specimens
● Peppers, hot, any other color variety, three specimens (includes Cherry Bomb, Mariachi, etc.)
● Potatoes, red, three specimens
● Potatoes, white, three specimens
● Potatoes, yellow/gold, three specimens
● Potatoes, other, three specimens (includes blue, etc.)
● Pumpkin, sugar pie, one specimen
● Squash, summer, scallop or patty pan, three specimens
● Squash, summer, zucchini, green, three specimens
● Squash, summer, zucchini, yellow, three specimens
● Squash, summer, any other variety, three specimens
● Squash, winter, acorn, green, one specimen
● Squash, winter, acorn-like, all other colors, one specimen
● Squash, winter, butternut type, one specimen
● Squash, winter, any other variety, one specimen
● Sweet Corn, yellow and white, three ears exhibited with husks open on one side
● Sweet Corn, yellow, three ears exhibited with husks open on one side
● Sweet Corn, white, three ears exhibited with husks open on one side
● Sweet Potatoes or Yams, three specimens
● Tomato, red slicing, three specimens
● Tomato, yellow slicing, three specimens
● Tomato, cherry type, red, large type (one inch or more in diameter), six specimens
● Tomato, cherry type, red, small type (less than one inch in diameter), six specimens
● Tomato, cherry type, other color, large type (one inch or more in diameter), six specimens
● Tomato, cherry type, other color, small type (less than one inch in diameter), six specimens
● Tomato, cocktail type (bite-size), grape, red, six specimens (includes Juliet)
● Tomato, cocktail type (bite-size), grape, other color, six specimens
● Tomato, cocktail type (bite-size), pear, red, six specimens
● Tomato, cocktail type (bite-size), pear, other color, six specimens
● Tomato, processing type, three specimens
● Tomato, other, three specimens
● Watermelon, any variety (large), one specimen
● Watermelon, any variety (small), one specimen (includes Sugar Baby, etc.)
● Any other kind of vegetable, not included in any previously named class, three specimens

HERBS

All herb specimens should include sprigs with stems of adequate length to reach the water level and that reach at least six inches above the top of the bottle, but not more than twelve inches above the top of the bottle. Bottles will be provided.

CLASS

● Basil, three sprigs in bottle of water
● Chives, three sprigs in bottle of water
● Dill, three sprigs in bottle of water
● Mint, three sprigs in bottle of water
● Parsley, three sprigs in bottle of water
● Rosemary, three sprigs in bottle of water
● Any other individual herb, three sprigs in bottle of water
● Sage, three sprigs in bottle of water
● Collection of four different herb species (three sprigs each) to be displayed in four separate bottles of water. A special variety exhibit card, to list the names of the individual herb spices, will be provided and MUST accompany the regular exhibit card.
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CLASS

- Pumpkin, miniature, orange, three specimens
- Pumpkin, miniature, white, three specimens
- Pumpkin, Jack-O-Lantern type, not over 16 inches tall, one specimen
- Gourds, small ornamentals, Autumn Wings, three specimens
- Gourds, small ornamentals, Crown of Thorns, three specimens
- Gourds, small ornamentals, Spoon or Globe, three specimens
- Gourds, small ornamentals, mixed, three specimens

POTTED ORNAMENTAL PEPPER PATIO PLANT CONTAINER

CLASS

- One ornamental pepper plant grown in a patio container with a saucer no larger than 14 inches in diameter. No other plants, ornaments or decorations allowed in the container. Entries will be judged on quality, culture, stage of development and attractiveness.

VEGETABLE COMBINATIONS

VEGETABLE CONTAINER DISPLAY

CLASS

- The vegetable display must include at least five but not more than seven different vegetable crops (see classes from Division 50 above) grown in the exhibitor's garden and will not include flowers, herbs or other items. More than one variety of any particular vegetable can be displayed; however, not more than four items of the same vegetable can be displayed. For example, four tomatoes would constitute one vegetable, e.g., one large red slicing, one cherry tomato, one yellow tomato and one processing tomato. The container display will be reduced one placing if it contains more than four vegetables of any one kind, e.g., more than four beans. The amount of produce exhibited should fit into the container and specimens may not overflow onto the table. The vegetables should be prepared for exhibit as instructed in 4H-462, “Harvesting and Preparing Vegetables for Exhibit.” Any decorative basket, box or container, not larger than one-half bushel in size, can be used. The exhibit will be judged 75% for the cultural perfection of the vegetables and 25% for decorative arrangement. A special variety card will be provided and MUST accompany the regular exhibit card with each crop variety included clearly labeled.

FIRST YEAR EXHIBITOR'S CLASS

CLASS

- Plate of mixed vegetables exhibited by a 4-H member who has never participated in the Iowa State Fair 4-H Horticulture Show before. Plate is to consist of one tomato, one onion, one pepper and two other vegetables of the exhibitor’s choice. A special variety card will be provided and MUST accompany the regular exhibit card with each crop variety included clearly labeled. The amount of produce exhibited MUST fit on one regular plate that will be provided.

SALSA TRAY

CLASS

- This tray must include vegetable specimens (grown by the exhibitor) to make salsa. Salsa tray must contain two specimens each of tomatoes, peppers and onions. In addition, it must contain two specimens each of two other vegetables (from classes in Division 50 above) that are included in the salsa recipe. A copy of the recipe card must not be included in the tray. A special variety card will be provided and MUST accompany the regular exhibit card with each crop variety included clearly labeled. Special trays will be provided.

COUNTY VEGETABLE PLATTER

CLASS

- This platter must be exhibited by a minimum of two county 4-H exhibitors who already are exhibiting vegetables in the other Iowa State Fair 4-H Vegetable classes (#s 5001 through 5409). County may enter more than one platter, but an individual exhibitor can only participate in one platter exhibit.

A platter must include five different vegetable species. A platter must include two tomatoes, two onions, two peppers and two vegetable species from the following list: two beets, two carrots, two cucumbers, two potatoes, two summer squash. A special exhibit/variety card will be provided and MUST accompany the exhibit with the requested information. Do not use a regular exhibit card with this entry. Special platters will be provided.

JUMBO VEGETABLES

CLASS

- Cabbage (maximum of three wrapper leaves), one head
- Gourd, one specimen
- Kohlrabi (trimmed to 1 ½”), one specimen
- Potato, one specimen
- Pumpkin (woody stem), one specimen
- Squash, zucchini, one specimen
- Squash, any other variety with fleshy stem, one specimen
- Tomato, one specimen
- Watermelon, one specimen

4-H HORTICULTURE SPECIALS

The Premier 4-H Horticulture Exhibitor will be awarded a trophy sponsored by the Iowa State Fair.

The Reserve Premier 4-H Horticulture Exhibitor will be awarded a trophy donated in memory of Gary Vogt, former 4-H Horticulture Superintendent.

The Champion in the Herb Collection Class will receive a special award sponsored by the Jones County Master Gardeners.

The Champion and Reserve Champion in the Vegetable Container Class will receive special awards sponsored by the ISU Horticulture Club.

The Champion in the First Year Exhibitor Class will be awarded a plaque donated by Bar Y Gardens, Vinton, Iowa.

The Premier Pepper Exhibitor and the Premier Tomato Exhibitor will receive special awards sponsored by The Big River Emporium, Eufaula, Oklahoma.

The Champion in the County Vegetable Platter Class will receive special awards sponsored by the Sloan Garden Club.