

2011 Linn County Fair



Poultry Department

Superintendent—Jackie Bohlken

Judging—Thursday July 7, 2011 9:00am • Indoor Arena

Check-in—1:00-4:00pm Wednesday July 6, 2011 • Indoor Arena

Poultry must be checked-in by 4:30pm – NO Exceptions

Poultry will be released after the entire show is completed. No early outs. Poultry must be out immediately following clean-up.

Auction—Monday July 11, 2011 1:00pm • Cattle Show Arena

Rules (Note: All General Rules and rules for Animal Division apply)

1. Poultry exhibitors will be responsible for their own birds. (Exhibitors must provide their own containers for feed and water.)
2. Exhibitors must be present when their birds are being judged. Substitute showman: See general rules.
3. 4-Her's may exhibit up to 12 entries (a Pair is 1 entry). Exhibitors need to check poultry catalogs and poultry websites to properly identify their birds before check-in day.
4. Exhibitors will receive premiums for their top 10 placings. Only ribbons will be given for any additional placings.
5. All birds should be entered as: Cock—a male chicken hatched before Jan. 1, Hen—a female chicken hatched before Jan. 1, Cockerel—a male chicken hatched on or after Jan. 1, Pullet—a female chicken hatched on or after Jan. 1.
6. All birds will be judged according to the American Standard of Perfection, general health and care will be taken into strong consideration.
7. Cages will be provided for birds. 4-H'ers are invited to decorate their birds' cages if they choose. Decoration should not interfere with the bird's space or create a potential hazard to the animal.
8. Give your poultry enough food and water at adequate intervals, especially plenty of water during hot temperatures. See *Iowa Youth Code of Ethics*.
9. Showmanship is judged throughout your birds stay at fair by committee and judge. Part of the showmanship is the care and respect you give to your birds and others.
10. All poultry must be tested for Pullorum-typhoid by a authorized tester within 90 days prior to the fair. Which is the protocol established by the Iowa State Vet, Dr. David Schmitt.
11. All exhibitors are responsible for cleaning out cage and cleaning up barn as soon as birds are released. No early removals.
12. All birds must comply with health requirements setup by committee, Vet, and Judge.
13. Entries under the age of 8 weeks of age will not be able to be shown at the fair with the exception of class #140 and #141.
14. Exhibitors need to keep their areas clean and swept during their stay at the fair.

All classes will be divided into four parts:

A: Pullet, B: Cockerel, C: Hen, D: Cock (Except for class #150, #140 and #141)

Breed Classes in order of showing

- 140—Roaster
- 141—Friers
- 142—American
- 143—Asiatic
- 144—English
- 145—Mediterranean
- 146—Continental
- 147—All other Standard Breeds
- 148—Commercial Egg Production
- 149—Mix Breed (Only Mixed Breed)
- 150—Pairs (All Pairs: Chickens, Ducks, Geese, Etc.)
- 151—Bantam Game
- 152—Bantam Single Comb Clean Legged
- 153—Bantam Rosecomb & Any Other Clean Legged
- 154—Bantam Feather Legged
- 155—Duck-Light & Bantam Breed
- 156—Duck-Med. Breed
- 157—Duck-Heavy Breed
- 158—Turkey
- 159—Geese
- 160—Other (Pheasant, Quail, Pigeon, Etc.)

Showmanship Classes

This will be based on general knowledge and handling of poultry.

156A—Seniors - Grades 9-12

156B—Intermediates - Grades 7-8

156C—Juniors - Grades 4-6

The Awards Ceremony will follow at the conclusion of the Showmanship Classes. Birds will be released after the Awards Ceremony.

Avian Quiz Bowl The Avian Quiz Bowl will be held on Wednesday July 6 at 4:30pm in the Indoor Arena. The Bowl will consist of a quiz for Junior, Intermediate and Senior levels. The questions will be age appropriate. The announcement of the winners will occur during the Awards Ceremony following the show on Thursday.

Chicken Chip Bingo Game Following the Awards Ceremony, the "Best of Show" bird will participate in the 2nd Annual Chicken Chip Bingo Game. Only poultry exhibitors will be allowed to participate. Prizes will be awarded to the exhibitor with the winning square.