Fair Book
2013
Livestock
The Hancock County Fair Board takes this opportunity to invite everyone in the county to “YOUR FAIR”. The success of the District Fair is made possible through your continued support and interest in our youth—the leaders of tomorrow. We welcome everyone who is interested in our 4-H and FFA members as well as the many commercial exhibitors. The Fair Board hopes town and rural people will attend the fair to see what our young people have been learning with their clothing, home furnishings, foods, livestock and other project areas throughout the year. In addition, the many commercial exhibitors welcome you to visit their displays during the District Fair.

Randy Hiscocks, Fair Board President

Fair Office: Erin Hiscocks, Nancy Jass
Commercial Exhibits: Max Kalkwarf
Show Veterinarian: Dr. Jim Diemer, Britt Vet Clinic

**General Rules and Regulations**

1. No one will be permitted to drive around the fair buildings except to unload. All vehicles must be parked in the lot south of the fair buildings or other designated areas. Livestock trailers are to be parked in the race track pit area. All cars and trucks must be moved to the parking lot after unloading. Bicycles, mopeds, and motorcycles are to be parked near the entrance gate.

2. The Fair Board reserves the right to interpret these rules and arbitrarily settle all matters, questions and differences in regard thereto or otherwise arising out of, connected with, or incident to the Fair.

3. Under no circumstances will anyone or firm be allowed to place advertising matter upon buildings, fences or other places on the grounds, except by special permission of the Fair Board. Nor will anyone be permitted to distribute any advertising at any point outside the space assigned to them.

4. All decorations shall be flame proof or approved by the fire prevention bureau. All tents shall be flame proof and owners shall have proof of the same.

5. Exhibits will be an outgrowth of the members’ work in 4-H or FFA.

6. No animals shall be permitted around the food stands.

7. No animals (including dogs and cats) are allowed in the exhibit buildings.

8. A six foot (6’) alleyway must be maintained in the cattle barn for safety purposes.

Exhibitors of animals found with drug or illegal drug residues will forfeit any and all premium on animal. The exhibitor will reimburse any and all buyers for losses. The Fair Board reserves the right to deny the exhibitor from showing at a future Hancock County District Fair.

**Hancock County District Fair Rules**

1. The Hancock County District Fair is open to all youth who are 4-H members of Hancock County 4-H clubs or to FFA members whose chapter (school district) includes a portion of Hancock County. FFA member must be enrolled under the supervision of an Ag Education Instructor and in good standing with the chapter. FFA member eligibility is governed by National FFA rules. 4-H and FFA exhibitors from surrounding counties (Worth, Cerro Gordo, Franklin, Wright, Humboldt, Kossuth and Winnebago) may enter livestock exhibits. See specific department for entry fee, class information, entry and release times.

2. 4-H Livestock Identification Forms of a member’s livestock projects must be on file at the County Extension Office by May 15 to be eligible for exhibition. This shall include exhibits for swine, sheep, dairy, beef breeding heifers, horses and dogs. Identification forms for cats, meat rabbits, poultry and other pets are due June 15.

3. FFA livestock projects will be identified on a form provided by the Fair Board and filed with the County Extension Office by May 15.

4. All 4-H and FFA market beef identification forms must be filed with the County Extension Office by February 1 to be eligible to show.

5. All livestock shipped under the marketing plan provided by the Fair will be at the owner’s risk. The Fair Board and its management will use all diligence to insure safety of stock or articles intended for exhibition, after their arrival and placement on the grounds, but under no circumstance will it be responsible for any loss, injury or damage done to, occasioned by, arising from any animal or article on exhibition or shipment, and the exhibitor shall indemnify the Fair Board and its management of all legal or other proceedings.

6. Poultry, Dairy, Dairy Goat, Swine, Lambs, Sheep and Goat entry time will be on Wednesday. Beef, Pen of 3 Beef, Bucket/Bottle Calf, and Horse exhibits will enter on Thursday. Rabbit exhibits will enter on Friday. Pet, Cat and Dog entry is on the day of their show. Refer to the Dept. or Fair Schedule for specific entry times. No unauthorized livestock exhibits should be brought prior to the assigned time.

7. All exhibits will be released at 5:30 p.m., Sunday, except entries to be consigned to livestock auction on Monday. Early removal of any exhibit will result in forfeiture of premium for that project and may affect eligibility to show at future fairs.

8. All stalls and pens will be provided. Only hanging fans are to be used. Grooming chutes will not be allowed in buildings, except with Fair Board approval. No washing of swine exhibits after 8:00 a.m. on day of their show.
9. Members must furnish their own feed and bedding and all necessary equipment for feeding and watering. Bedding will be available for purchase at the Fair Office. NO STRAW bedding will be allowed.

10. All animals must be exhibited in the class entered.

11. All animals should be shown by the owner, if possible.

12. No animal will be awarded a premium unless brought properly into the show ring when its class is called. All livestock will be placed according to purple, blue, red, and white ribbon groups.

13. All cattle must be broke to lead for show in the halter classes.

14. The judge may use his/her own discretion in awarding ribbons as the animals or articles may deserve. A Grand and Reserve Grand Champion will be selected from the purple ribbon group provided there are animals to merit the award.

15. Rules and regulations of the Fair Board and the 4-H program will govern any disputed points in all entries.

16. All exhibitors must stay with their market beef, swine, and sheep until they are loaded in trucks after the auction.

17. Livestock premiums will be withheld if the exhibitor removes his/her project prior to the designated release time.

18. Members auctioning poultry and rabbit exhibits are to provide box(es) to contain the animals.

19. Livestock premiums will be mailed to each exhibitor as soon as possible and all premium checks must be cashed within 90 days of being received.

20. Each exhibitor must clean out his/her stall when the fair is completed. Clean-out must meet the approval of the superintendent of the division. The Fair Board may refuse to pay the premium to an exhibitor who does not stay and clean up his/her stall.

21. Clean-out of stalls and pens is not to occur until after the Production Livestock Project Auction on Monday.

22. Manure must be deposited at the designated areas.

23. 4-H and FFA exhibitors are allowed to stay at the fairgrounds overnight in campers in the designated camping area. Watchmen will be present during the night to oversee livestock barns.

24. FFA members must have their record books up to date and checked by their advisor. In turn, the advisor is to have completed members names turned in to the Extension Office by September 15th to receive record completion premium.

25. Entry forms and other information will be available by mid-June.

26. Each department is responsible for cleaning up the show ring following their show.

27. No dogs are allowed off leash except during the dog judging.

28. No entry fees will be refunded.

29. Late entries (after July 1) will be accepted after a late fee of $25 is collected per exhibitor.

30. Transportation to and from Des Moines of large and/or fragile projects chosen for the Iowa State Fair is up to the exhibitor.

31. Exhibits which do not comply with size guidelines, copyright, and safety procedures will not be accepted for entry, evaluation or display at the Iowa State Fair.

32. All exhibitors and a parent or guardian must sign a copy of the Iowa Youth Code of Ethics.

Please note Health Requirements have changed to comply with the state of Iowa District Fair health rules. A veterinarian will be on site to examine livestock exhibits as they are being unloaded or penned.

**Hancock County Fair Queen Contest**

**Rules and Regulations**

1. Contestants must be a resident of Hancock County.

2. Winners will be announced at 6:00 p.m., Wednesday, and will compete in the Iowa State Fair Queen Contest.

3. Rules regarding entry, age requirements, etc., may be obtained from any Fair Board member or the Hancock County Extension Office. Requirements will be published by July 1.

   1st prize: $150.00  
   2nd prize: $75.00

**Production Livestock Auction**

An auction of production type livestock or selected ribbons where applicable will be held at the Fairgrounds on Monday at 8:45 a.m.

1. Members must notify the Fair Office staff at entry time which projects will be offered for auction, giving kind of project, ear-tag identification number and/or other specific information. Champion winners must include ribbon placement when signing up for auction. Champion ribbon winners may not all be sold first at auction. The order of sale will be determined by department and auction sign-up information.

2. Three (3) percent of the sale price will be deducted for advertising, trucking expense and promotion of the auction.

3. It is recommended exhibitors wear a T-shirt, shirt or blouse and jeans for the auction.

4. Livestock pens are not to be cleaned out prior to the end of the auction. Please abide by this rule.

5. Dairy exhibitors may bring the highest placed ribbon and a dairy animal into the ring for a special ribbon auction.

6. Exhibits not eligible to be sold at auction include: Market Beef Pen of Three, Bucket/Bottle Calf exhibits and any Feeder classes involving beef or sheep. An estimated price/bid for the Pen of Three will be available (if possible) by Sunday. Only 3 hogs per exhibitor will be offered for auction, any additional hogs will be sold at the going market price.

7. Rabbit and poultry exhibitors will be allowed to enter the auction ring up to four times. The member may only sell one exhibited entry each time. This includes Grand or Reserve Champions.

8. Livestock should be relatively clean for auction.

9. Livestock projects must have been judged to be eligible for auction. NO EXCEPTIONS.

**Herdsmanship Award**

A $50 cash award will be provided to the top club or chapter judged according to the criteria listed below. This award will be given for each of the following species: beef, horse, swine and sheep. Judging may occur 2 or 3 times per day.

1. Arrangement of area 10 pts.

2. Cleanliness and appearance of animals 25 pts.

3. Cleanliness of alleys, pens and stalls 50 pts.

4. Neat and complete stall cards for each animal or pen readable from alley and sign naming club or chapter.

5. Manure must be deposited at the designated areas.
**Grooming chutes will not be allowed in the barn, except for safety purposes. Only hanging fans are to be used, no fans in the alleyway.**

A six foot (6') alleyway must be maintained in the cattle barn for safety purposes. Only hanging fans are to be used, no fans in the alleyway. Grooming chutes will not be allowed in the barn, except for safety purposes. Only hanging fans are to be used, no fans in the alleyway.

**Livestock Showmanship**

1. Immediately following the judging of the livestock and dairy classes in each division, a showmanship class will be held for Juniors and Seniors.
2. All 4-H and FFA members are eligible to enter showmanship.
3. Junior Showmanship will be for members in grades 4 through 8 as of September 15, of the previous fall.
4. Senior Showmanship will be for members in grades 9 through 12 as of September 15, of the previous fall. The Senior Showmanship competition is open to previous Junior Showmanship winners. See specific livestock department for eligibility.
5. A Champion or Advanced Showmanship class will be conducted in the Sheep and Horse Departments. Prior Senior Showmanship winners are eligible to enter this competition. See Horse & Pony Division for further information. This class may be added to other departments in the future.
6. Members are not eligible to compete in a previously won showmanship level, except in advanced classes.
7. No other showmanship awards may be given, except those listed or approved by the Fair Board.
8. It is recommended that exhibitors wear the suggested attire for their division in the Showmanship Class. There is no entry fee for Showmanship Classes for exhibitors.

**Division B - Market Beef**

1. It is recommended that all beef exhibitors wear a plain white T-shirt, shirt/blouse and dark jeans, and hard soled shoes.
2. Market steers and heifers must be weighed and ear tagged by February 1 of the current year.
3. Members should feed calves separate from other cattle on farm except siblings may feed calves together.
4. Heifers for the beef classes must have been fed for market and shown only in the market class.
5. All market beef must be dehorned.
6. All market beef must have ear tags upon arrival.
7. All calves must be weighed upon arrival at the fairgrounds. Steers weighing 600 - 900 lbs. and heifers weighing 600 - 850 lbs. will show in a special feeder class and will be judged on their own merit as Feeder Cattle. Feeder class exhibits are not eligible for auction.
8. Beef will be judged on individual merit from a killing standpoint, taking into consideration quality and finish.
9. Each exhibitor (county or district) is limited to showing 3 market beef halter calves 4-H and FFA combined.
10. Any calf that appears over age for the class will automatically be placed in the white ribbon group at the discretion of the judge.
11. Market classes will be shown by weight. Classes are determined after weigh-in.
12. Market heifer and market steers will be shown in separate classes. There will be a Champion and Reserve Champion selected in Classes B3 and B6.
13. An overall Grand and Reserve Champion Market Beef exhibit with Fair Board member approval. Misting or other water cooling devices are permitted however they are not to be connected to any hydrant on the fairgrounds. Cattle will be stalled by county club or chapter with the exception of keeping family members stalled together. Barns and stalls will not be bedded prior to fair. Cattle stalls must be cleaned to receive premium. One tack stall per family is permitted—no exceptions.

**Division A - Purebred & Grade Beef Breeding Heifer**

1. Members may use purebred or grade females of any recognized beef breed.
2. For a cow project, a member may use any cow that he/she had as a yearling beef heifer project or any animal purchased as a cow.
3. Members must obtain purchased animals by May 15 of this year.
4. Heifers entered in this project cannot compete in Market Beef Classes.
5. No unnatural means of providing an animal feed, water or other fluids (i.e. stomach pump, IV) will be allowed. Refer to Iowa Youth Code of Ethics.

**2013 Health Requirements for Exhibition of Livestock, Poultry, and Birds at State Fair and District Shows are listed as a separate pdf file. Please Note: there will be a veterinarian on site at the Hancock County District Fair as livestock are unloaded/entered.**
14. There will be a special class of county bred market beef exhibited.

15. Feeder calves, prospect calves, and Market Pen of 3 class entries WILL NOT be sold at auction.

16. Market Pen of 3 exhibitors are required to keep a record of cost of gain and feed efficiency.

17. Commercial Beef (B5) entries should have production records. These beef cannot be clipped or fitted. They must be washed, brushed, and broke to lead. The Judge will ask questions concerning production records.

18. No unnatural means of providing an animal feed, water or other fluids (i.e. stomach pump, IV) will be allowed. Refer to Iowa Youth Code of Ethics.

Class B1 Prospect males born between Jan. 1-May 10, of current year
Class B2 Market Feeder Calves
Class B3 Market Heifers
Class B4 Bucket/Bottle Calves from previous fair (may be shown with Division BB, Bucket/Bottle Calf)
Class B5 Commercial Market Beef
Class B6 Market Steers
Class B7 Market Pen of Three

Junior Showmanship (no entry fee)
Senior Showmanship (no entry fee)
District Showmanship (no entry fee)

Division BB - Bucket/Bottle Calf
1. The classes open to 4-H Juniors and Intermediates.
2. Any newborn or orphan dairy or beef calf (steer or heifer) calved between March 15 and May 1 of the current year. Must have been in participant's possession within two weeks of birth; ear tagged and identified on 4-H livestock identification report by May 15 of the current year.
3. Calf must be bucket or bottle fed - no nursing.
4. Participants may identify two (2) animals, and exhibit one (1) at the county fair. The calf is not eligible to be sold at the Fair Auction. Eligible animals can be shown only in the Bucket/Bottle class.
5. Calves will be shown at halter and may be divided into classes at discretion of superintendent.
6. Judging will be based on:
   a. What was learned about care and raising of the calf.
   b. Fitting and showing of the calf (only washing and brushing, no clipping) with emphasis on what was learned.
   c. General health, condition and management of the calf and 4-H'ers knowledge of this area.
   d. Conformation or quality of the calf will not be considered since purchase should not be on that basis.
7. See Health requirements in the Fairbook.
8. Participants may keep animals for dairy, breeding or market beef project the following year. Calves returning as market beef the next year must be tagged and weighed prior to February 1. Contact the Extension Office for weigh-in information.

Class BB1 Junior (grades 4-6 as of May 1)
Class BB2 Intermediate (grades 7-8 as of May 1)
Swine Department
Superintendents: Bob Baumgard
Clerk: Paul Hauge
County Entry Fee: $3 per entry
District Entry Fee: $10 per entry
Bedding available for purchase at Fair Office.
District/County Premium: $100 minimum to be split between Overall Grand Champion and Overall Reserve Grand Champion Market Swine Exhibits
Entry time: 8:00 a.m.-12 Noon or 5:00-7:00 p.m., July 24
Release time: 5:30 p.m., July 28

1. It is recommended that all exhibitors of swine projects wear a 4H or FFA T-shirt and dark blue or black jeans.
2. ALL county swine brought to the Fair for exhibition will be identified with an official 4-H or FFA ear tag and be on file at the Extension Office by May 15. District swine entries will comply with identification requirements of their respective county. Any hogs not having the proper ear tag or identification will be ineligible to show.
3. District exhibitors may show two market gilts, two market barrows, and one market pen of 3.
4. No washing of hogs after 8:00 a.m. on show day.

Division E - Performance Derby and Market Swine
1. All pigs must have been farrowed during the current calendar year.
2. County exhibitors may show a maximum of 14 pigs - derby and market classes.
3. Out of county exhibitors are not eligible to exhibit in any Derby classes.
4. Members who weigh and tag their pigs in April may show one derby pen of three, two derby gilts and two derby barrows. These members may also show pigs in market pen of three, two market gilts and two market barrow. Market weight for hogs should be in the range of 230 to 280 pounds. Derby hog classes will emphasize rate of gain and overall carcass traits.
5. Individual derby pen, derby barrows and derby gilts, and market pen, market barrows and markets gilts must be identified at the scale at weigh in.
6. Barrows must be castrated before weighed and tagged in April.
7. All exhibitors must be PQA Plus or FSQA certified.

Market Swine: County and District Exhibitors
1. Pigs must weigh a minimum of 230 pounds.
2. Individual Market Swine classes will be determined using Fair weights. First and second place entries will compete for the Champion and Reserve champion Individual Market Swine Exhibit.

Performance Derby Swine: County Exhibitors Only
1. Pigs must weigh a minimum of 230 pounds.
2. Individual derby classes will be determined using beginning weights. First and second place entries will compete for Champion and Reserve Derby Pig.
3. Derby swine must have been weighed-in during entry dates of April 6-13. Pigs weighed on April 6 had a 50 lb. maximum weight. One (1) pound was added for each day to a maximum 57 lb. allowed weight.

Class E1 Derby Gilt - Consists of one or two individual female entries from the member’s swine project. This entry may be from your pen of three. May have 2 derby gilt entries.

Class E2 Derby Barrow - Consists of one or two individual male entries from a member’s project. This entry may be from your pen of three. May have 2 derby barrow entries.

Class E3 Derby Pen - Consists of three pigs from a member’s project.

Class E4 Market Gilt - Consists of one or two individual female entries from the member’s swine project. This entry may be from your pen of three. May have 2 market gilt entries.

Class E5 Market Barrow - Consists of one or two individual male entries from a member’s project. This entry may be from your pen of three. May have 2 market barrow entries.

Class E6 Market Pen - Consists of three pigs from a member’s project.

Junior Showmanship (no entry fee)
Senior Showmanship (no entry fee)
District Showmanship (no entry fee)
Champion and Reserve Champion Derby Barrow & Gilt, and Champion and Reserve Market Barrow & Gilt will compete for the Overall Champion and Reserve Champion Pig. Premium money will be awarded to the Overall Grand and Reserve Grand Champion Hog.

Sheep and Goat Department
Superintendent: Ron Ausborn
County Entry Fee: $3 per entry
Out of County District Entry Fee: $10 per entry
Entry time: 3:00-6:00 p.m., July 24
Release time: 5:30 p.m., July 28

Bedding for purchase at Fair Office or bring your own.
No straw bedding.

District/County Premium: $100 minimum split between Overall Breeding Ewe and Overall Market Lamb
1. It is recommended that all exhibitors of sheep projects wear a white T-shirt, shirt or blouse and dark jeans or pants.
2. See each division for the maximum number of entries.
3. Lambs must be born after January 1 of current year.
4. All market lambs must be weighed and identified with a county ear tag by May 15 of the current year.
5. Class 1 of Divisions G and H may be shown together.

Division F - Market Lambs
1. Sheep shown in market lamb classes cannot be shown in Divisions G and H.
2. Members may enter five (5) lambs in the Individual Market Lamb Class.
3. Market lambs may be shorn before showing, however, lambs should not be blocked.
5. Market lambs must be shorn in the ring to qualify for the auction and premium money. Breeding lambs or sheep are not permitted in the auction.
6. All market lambs will be weighed upon arrival at the fair. Lambs weighing less than 110# will be put in a special feeder class
and will not be eligible for auction. Lambs will be placed in classes according to fair weight.

7. Male lambs must be wethers. No ram lambs can be shown in market classes. All sheep must be docked.
8. The Top Rate of Gain lambs will be recognized.

Class F1 Individual Market Lamb

Division G - Commercial/Registered Sheep
1. Members are limited to two entries/breed in each class.
2. Exhibitors must furnish a certificate of registry, registered in the member’s name or in a partnership with his/her parent or guardian. The animal must carry proper identification.

Class G1 Commercial/Registered Jr. Ram (born after Jan. 1, current yr)
Class G2 Commercial/Registered Ewe Lambs (born after Jan. 1, of the current year)
Class G3 Commercial/Registered Yearling Ewe (2 mature bottom teeth)

Junior Showmanship (no entry fee)
Senior Showmanship (no entry fee)
District Showmanship (no entry fee)

Market Meat Goat

County Entry Fee: $3 per entry
Out of County District Entry Fee: $10 per entry

Bedding for purchase at Fair Office or bring your own. No straw bedding.

Market Meat Goat
Class MG1 Meat Goat - Wether

Breeding Meat Goat
Class BG1 Does (class may be broken by age if needed)

Class BG2 Pygmy goats-Fainters

Horse Department
Co-Superintendents: Crystal Drake & Laurie Hadacek
County Entry Fee: $3 per entry
District Entry Fee: $7 per entry
District Jump Out fee: $5
County Exhibit Entry time: 7:00-10:00 a.m., July 25
District Exhibit Entry time: 7:00 –10:00 a.m., July 25
Sunday District Entry time: 7:00-7:45 a.m., July 28
Release time: 5:30 p.m., July 28

1. Dress Code:
   - In Western halter and showmanship classes, the exhibitor is expected to wear a cowboy hat.
   - 4-H armbands must be worn on the upper left arm or a chevron can be worn on the upper left chest. Failure to do so will result in disqualification.
   - Chaps, spurs, ball caps, tank tops, T-shirts, or jersey-type shirts ARE NOT to be worn.
   - Dark blue jeans without holes must be worn. A belt is required.
   - Western boots must be worn. Fashion heels are prohibited.
   - A solid, plain, front button or snap long sleeved, collared shirt of any color (including white) may be worn. The following is prohibited: personalized logos or embroidery, zippers, sheer or lace fabric, embellishments or bling of any kind including, but not limited to, sequins, rhinestones, chains, etc. Shirt must be tucked in.

   • Failure by exhibitor to wear correct number(s) in a visible manner shall result in disqualification.
   • Failure to wear appropriate attire will result in dropping of a ribbon group.

2. Exhibitors are REQUIRED to wear helmets in ALL riding and driving classes and whenever they are mounted on a horse during county fair.
3. Exhibitors can wear a 4-H/FFA t-shirt for Gaming events on Thursday.
4. At no time will attire be considered except to coincide with rules listed below and cleanliness.
5. Approved bridles and bits must be used. See pg. 31 in the Rules and Regulations for 4-H Equine Shows in Iowa, 4H-511C Revised 2013.
6. No substitute exhibitors allowed.
7. Maximum of five (5) horses entered.
8. JUNIOR-Exhibitors in 4-8th grade as of May 1.
9. SENIOR-Exhibitors in 9-12th grade as of May 1.
10. There are no entry fees for exhibitors in the showmanship classes.
11. Class 19, Advanced Showmanship, is for county exhibitors who have won showmanship in the Senior division. If you have won Jr. Showmanship you can enter the Sr. Showmanship class. If you have won both Jr. and Sr. Showmanship Class, you must show in the Advanced Showmanship Class.
12. Class 22, Walk/Trot is for Junior exhibitors and Intermediate/Senior exhibitors exhibiting for the first time in 4-H or FFA.
13. Class 23, Junior Horse Walk/Trot, is for HORSES age 5 years and under only. Riders can be any age, preferably Seniors. Safety is of utmost importance.
14. High point and All Around points will be determined by the class placing and the number of entries in each class.
15. High point will be on one horse and rider combination. Classes that count for High point are:
   Jr/Sr Overall Draft - 5, 6, 21
   Jr/Sr Overall Performance - 17-19, 24-30
   Jr/Sr Overall Games - 31-39
16. Exhibitors in the costume class must have different, original idea/costume each year of participation.
17. All class requirements and/or obstacles will come from the 4-H Guide for Light Horse Shows in Iowa, 4-H 511C.
18. A current health certificate (within 30 days of the show) is REQUIRED when checking in your horse. In addition, a negative Coggins test (within 6 mo. of the show) is also required for out-of-state horses.
19. All horses must be stalled - no overnight ties.

Division I - Draft Horses
1. January 1 will be used to determine age of Draft horses.
2. Only one entry per person per class will be shown.
3. Generally, draft horses will be judged on 50% general appearance, 30% fitting, and 20% showmanship.
4. All entries must be mares or geldings; no stallions over 12 months allowed.

5. Showmanship at halter will be judged 80% on handling, 20% on appearance of the Draft horse.

**Division J - Light Horses and Ponies**

1. January 1st will be the basis for determining age of horses and ponies.
   - Suckling colt - Jan. 1, of current year to time of show.
   - Yearling - Jan. 1, to Dec. 31, of previous yr.
   - 2 Year Old - Jan. 1, to Dec. 31 of previous 2 yrs.
   - Over 2 Years - Born before Dec. 31 of previous 2 yrs.

2. Only one entry per person per class.

3. Generally, horses and ponies will be judged on 50% appearance, 30% fitting, and 20% showmanship.

4. All entries must be mares or geldings; no stallions over 12 months allowed.

5. Showmanship at halter will be judged 80% on handling, 20% on appearance of horse or pony. The superintendent reserves the right to enforce any and all regulations as specified in the 4-H Guide for Light Horse Shows in Iowa.

**Halter classes: (Sunday, 8:00 a.m.)**

- **Class I1** Draft Horse Mares 4 yrs. of age and younger
- **Class I2** Draft Horse Mares 5 yrs. of age and older
- **Class I3** Draft Horse Geldings 4 yrs. of age and younger
- **Class I4** Draft Horse Geldings 5 yrs. of age and older
- **Grand Champion Draft Halter Horse**

- **Class I5** Draft Horse Junior Showmanship
- **Class I6** Draft Horse Senior Showmanship
- **Class I7** Pony Suckling Colt
- **Class I8** Pony Yearling
- **Class I9** Pony Two Year Olds
- **Class J0** Pony Mares Over 2 yrs. Old
- **Class J1** Pony Geldings Over 2 yrs. Old
- **Grand Champion Halter Pony**

- **Class J2** Light Horse Suckling Colt
- **Class J3** Light Horse Yearling
- **Class J4** Light Horse Two Year Old
- **Class J5** Light Horse Mares Over 2 yrs. Old
- **Class J6** Light Horse Geldings Over 2 yrs. Old
- **Grand Champion Light Halter Horse**

- **Class J7** Light Horse & Pony Junior Showmanship
- **Class J8** Light Horse & Pony Senior Showmanship
- **Class J9** Light Horse & Pony Senior Showmanship (County Exhibitors Only)

**Performance Classes: (following halter classes)**

- **Class J10** Junior and Senior English Pleasure
- **Class J11** Junior and Senior Horse Driving
- **Class J12** Walk/Trot (Jr. and Sr. first year exhibitor)
- **Class J13** Junior Horse Walk/Trot (Horse 5 yrs and under open to Juniors and Seniors)
- **Class J14** Junior Western Pleasure
- **Class J15** Senior Western Pleasure
- **Class J16** Junior Western Horsemanship
- **Class J17** Senior western horsemanship
- **Class J18** Junior and Senior Reining
- **Class J19** Junior Trail
- **Class J20** Senior Trail

**Games Classes: (Thursday, 12:00 p.m.)**

- **Class J31** Junior and Senior Egg and Spoon
- **Class J32** Junior and Senior Break the Gait
- **Class J33** Junior Barrel Racing
- **Class J34** Senior Barrel Racing
- **Class J35** Junior and Senior Flag Race
- **Class J36** Junior and Senior Key Hole
- **Class J37** Junior and Senior Stake Race
- **Class J38** Junior Pole Bender
- **Class J39** Senior Pole Bender
- **Class J40** Costume Class - Open to All Exhibitors

**Dog Department**

Superintendent: Linda Friedow

Check in time: 1:00 p.m., July 26

Release time: After show

Entry Fee: $1 per entry

Not open to District Exhibitors

**Division K - Dog Obedience**

1. Only dogs identified on the Dog Identification form by May 15 of the current year may exhibit at the Hancock County District Fair

2. All dogs must be on leash. Dogs must not be taken near other livestock or into exhibit buildings on the fairgrounds.

3. Dogs will not be housed at the fairgrounds. They are to be brought and returned home on show day.

4. **Dogs must have proof of current rabies and distemper vaccination. Exhibitors must have a veterinarian's certificate with them showing the dates of immunization or certificate presented at the time of entry.**

5. Classes are listed in order of Novice to Advanced. Dog and handlers advance in class. Once a dog and handler have advanced in class, they cannot enter a less advanced class.

6. No coloring or painting of dogs is permitted. If this rule is not followed, it may result in disqualification of the exhibit.

7. Exhibitors of dog projects should wear a plain white shirt, or 4-H T-shirt, or blouse and dark pants/jeans. Closed toe shoes are also necessary—no flip-flops.

**Class K1** Pre-Novice A—For dogs and exhibitors in first year of 4-H dog obedience training. Dogs will be judged on their ability to heel on leash, stand for examination on leash, sit, and stay for one minute, and stay down for three minutes on leash. Recall will be on leash. Dogs cannot have an AKC CD or UKC CD degree prior to the fair.

**Class K2** Pre-Novice B—For dogs in first year of dog obedience and exhibitors who have completed more than one year of obedience training. Exercises are the same as in Pre-Novice A class. Dogs cannot have an AKC CD or UKC CD degree prior to the fair.
Class K3 Sub-Novice—For dogs and handlers in second year, who are not ready for off leash heelng. Dogs will heel on leash only, stand for examination off leash, recall off leash, sit and stay for one minute off leash, and stay down for three minutes off leash. Dogs in this class may not be entered in Pre-Novice A or Pre-Novice B classes. Dogs must not have an AKC CD or UKC CD degree.

Class K4 Novice A—For dogs and handlers in second or third year of training. Dogs will heel on and off leash, stand for examination off leash, recall off leash, sit stay for one minute, and down stay for three minutes off leash. Dogs in this class may not be entered in Pre-Novice A, Pre-Novice B, or Sub-Novice classes. Handlers and dogs must not have an AKC CD or UKC CD degree.

Class K5 Novice B—For dogs and handlers in third year or more. Exercises same as Novice A class. Dogs in this class may not be entered in any previous class. Dogs must not have an AKC CD or UKC CD degree.

Class K6 Graduate Novice A—For dogs and handlers in the fourth year or more. Dogs will heel on leash, excluding the Figure 8 which will be off leash. Drop on recall, the dumbbell recall, recall over the high jump, and recall over the broad jump. The long down for 3 minutes with the handler out of sight. Dogs in this class may not be entered in Pre-Novice A or B, Sub-Novice nor Novice A or B classes. Handlers and dogs must not have an AKC CDX or UKC CDX degree.

Class K7 Open—Dogs will heel off leash, drop on recall, retrieve on the flat and over the high jump, broad jump, and do a sit stay for 3 minutes and a down stay for 5 minutes with the handler out of sight. Dogs in this class may not be entered in Pre-Novice A or B, Sub-Novice, Novice A or B classes.

Class K8 Challenge Novice—For dogs and handlers in second year or more. Dogs in this class may not be entered in pre-novice or sub-novice classes but may be entered in Novice A, Novice B, Graduate Novice or Open. Winner of this class is not eligible for Highest or Reserve Highest Scoring Dog in show.

Grand Champion will be selected from Classes K4 and above classes. (Trophy and Purple Rosette)
Reserve Champion will be selected from Classes K1—K3. (Trophy and Lavender Rosette)
Each exhibit may be awarded ribbons: Purple, Blue, Red or White

Showmanship (Handling):
Class K9 Junior Handler—Junior 4-H Exhibitors
Class K10 Intermediate Handler—Intermediate 4-H Exhibitors
Class K11 Senior Handler—Senior 4-H Exhibitors
Grand Champion and Reserve—Showmanship—Purple and Lavender Rosette
Each exhibit may be awarded ribbons: Purple, Blue, Red or White

4-H Cat Department
Superintendent: Linda Friedow
Entry Fee: $1 per entry
Check In Time: 1:00 p.m., July 27
Release Time: After Show
Not open to District Exhibitors

Division L - Cats
1. Judging is based on the condition of the animal (health, cleanliness, disposition, grooming, and safety); costs (feeding, veterinary, and equipment); management (housing/environment, feeding/watering, disease prevention), and exhibitor’s general knowledge about their cat. Cats are to be clean and mat free. Limit of two entries.
2. Cats will not be housed at the fairgrounds; they will be judged and taken home.
3. All cats must have a rabies vaccination certificate present at check in time. The rabies certificate for cats vaccinated the first time is good for one (1) year. The second year’s vaccination is good for three (3) years. Cats should be taken to a veterinarian each year. Distemper and other vaccinations are required annually. Bring certificates showing the latest vaccinations for both rabies and distemper.
4. Pregnant cats or cats nursing kittens are not to be shown.
5. Claws are to be clipped. De-clawing is not required.
6. Cats should have a collar and leash.
7. No coloring or painting is allowed.

Grand Champion and Reserve Grand Champion will be selected if worthy as determined by the judge. (Purple and lavender ribbon.
Each exhibit may be awarded ribbons: Purple, Blue, Red or White

Rabbit Department
Superintendent: Gloria Mayland
Entry Fee: $1 per entry
District Entry Fee: $2 per entry
District/County Premium: $10 minimum for Overall Meat Rabbit and $10 minimum for Overall Fancy Rabbit
Entry time: 7:00-10:00 a.m., July 26
Release time: 5:30 p.m., July 28
Division Exhibit Release: After Show

Division M - Rabbits
1. Members are limited to two entries per class.
2. No young with doe allowed.
3. Top Showman: Each exhibitor may select one rabbit and compete for top showman.
4. Out of County exhibits may leave after the show.

Class M1 Individual Meat Rabbit - Rabbit must be 8-12 weeks old. May be from pen of 3
Class M2 Meat Pen - Consists of 3 rabbits 8-12 weeks old
Class M3 Jr. Meat Breeding Doe - Immature doe 4-6 mo
Class M4 Jr. Meat Breeding Buck - Immature buck 4-6 mo
Class M5 Meat Breeding Doe - Mature doe over 6 mo
Class M6 Meat Breeding Buck - Mature buck over 6 mo
Class M7 Fancy Breeds - Sr. buck - Angora, Dutch, English Spot, Mini Lop, Netherlands Dwarf, Polish, Rex
Class M8 Fancy Breeds - Sr. doe - Angora, Dutch, English Spot, Mini Lop, Netherlands Dwarf, Polish, Rex
Class M9 Fancy Breeds - Jr. buck - Angora, Dutch, English Spot, Mini Lop, Netherlands Dwarf, Polish, Rex
Class M10 Fancy Breeds - Jr. doe - Angora, Dutch, English Spot, Mini Lop, Netherlands Dwarf, Polish, Rex
Class M11 Costume Class (exhibitors may be split into Junior and Senior divisions)
Showmanship (no entry fee)
District Showmanship (no entry fee)
Poultry Department
Superintendent: Glee & Glenn Christ
Clerk: Gloria Mayland
Entry Fee: $1 per entry
District Entry Fee: $2 per entry
District/County Premium: $10 minimum for Overall Market Poultry
and $10 minimum for Overall Fancy Poultry

Entry time: 7:00-9:00 a.m., July 24
Release time: 5:30 p.m., July 28
District Exhibit Release: After Show

1. A 4-H or FFA member must have enrolled and identified a poultry project to enter into competition.
2. Poultry will be judged on the following basis: Pullet or Chick Growing Project: birds must be hatched after January 1, of the current year, and will be exhibited in the pullet class. Laying Flock Project: Birds must be hatched before January 1, of the previous year and will be exhibited as mature hens.
3. All birds will be placed according to blue, red, and white ribbon groups.
4. The judge will select a Grand and Reserve Champion from each division at his or her discretion.
5. Out of County exhibits may leave after the show.

Division N - Production
1. Pullets - pen of 3 pullets from Chick Growing Project.
2. Mature Hens - pen of 3 hens from Laying Flock Project.

Class N1 Production Pullets - light breeds & mixed, Mediterranean & Continental (such as Leghorn, Andalusrons, etc.).
Class N2 Production Pullets - heavy breeds & mixed, American, English, Asiatic breeds (such as Barred Rock, New Hampshire Red, Rhode Island Red).
Class N3 Mature Hens - light breeds & mixed (see above).
Class N4 Mature Hens - heavy breeds & mixed (see above).

Division O - Market Poultry
1. Market birds may be weighed on entry day.
2. Market Poultry will be judged on market qualities.

Class O1 Fryers - Three birds under 3 lbs. each
Class O2 Broilers - Three birds 3 to 4 lbs. each
Class O3 Light Roasters - Three birds 4 to 5 lbs. each
Class O4 Heavy Roasters - Three birds 5 lbs. & over each
Class SMB - Three birds—Special Market Broiler Class - Entries are limited to those birds purchased through the county wide offering

Division P- Miscellaneous Market - Each member is limited to one entry per class.

Class P1 Ducks - Two birds per pen
Class P2 Geese - Two birds per pen
Class P3 Turkeys - Two birds per pen

Division Q - Standard Poultry Fancy Breeding
1. Each member is limited to two (2) entries per class. Entry consists of one bird.
2. Entries will be judged on breed characteristics of male and female.

Class Q1 Large Standard - Male (American/Asiatic/English)
Class Q2 Large Standard - Female (American/Asiatic/English)
Class Q3 Small Standard - Male (Mediterranean/Continental)
Class Q4 Small Standard - Female (American/Asiatic/English)

Grand Champion
Reserve Champion

Division R - Miscellaneous Large Fancy Breeding

Class R1 Large Waterfowl - Male (ducks/geese)
Class R2 Large Waterfowl - Female (ducks/geese)
Class R3 Misc. - Male (turkey/guinea/peacock/pheasant)
Class R4 Misc. - Female (turkey/guinea/peacock/pheasant)

Grand Champion
Reserve Champion

Division S Miscellaneous Small Fancy Breeding

Class S1 Bantam Chicken - Male
Class S2 Bantam Chicken - Female
Class S3 Small Waterfowl - Male
Class S4 Small Waterfowl - Female
Class S5 Pigeon & Quail - Male
Class S6 Pigeon & Quail - Female

Grand Champion
Reserve Champion

Overall Grand Fancy
Overall Reserve Fancy

4-H Small Pet Department
Superintendent: Linda Friedow
Entry Fee: $1.00 per entry
Not open to District Exhibitors

Check In Time: 1:00 p.m., July 27
Release Time: After Show

1. This class is open only to 4-H or FFA members who have enrolled in the Pet Project. The member must have property identified the pet by June 15 of the current year.
2. Pets will not be housed at the fairgrounds; they will be judged and taken home.
3. Judging is based on the condition of the animal (health, cleanliness, disposition, grooming, and safety); costs (feeding, veterinary, and equipment); management (housing/environment, feeding/watering, disease prevention), and exhibitor's general knowledge about their pet. All pets will be placed according to purple, blue, red, and white ribbon groups.
4. Limit of three pet exhibit entries.
5. Pets must be kept in a proper housing unit - no loose pets permitted. Exhibiting excitable small animals can be hazardous to the animal, unless care is given to have adequate water, ventilation, and food available while the animal is at the fair. The exhibitor is responsible for providing these items along with any special equipment. Please bring own cage/carrier.
6. This class includes: fish, gerbils, guinea pigs, hamsters, snakes, mice, rats, chinchillas and some birds. This class does not allow beef, sheep, swine, horses, poultry (including geese, turkeys, ducks, pigeons, doves, guinea, pheasant, pea fowl or quail). Dogs, cats, and rabbits may be shown either as a pet or in the appropriate fair class—not both. Proof of rabies and other appropriate vaccinations must be provided at check-in. Turtles may not be shown in any fair class.
General Rules:
1. This class is for youth who have completed grades K-3rd.
2. Pets will not be housed at the fairgrounds; they will be judged and taken home.
3. Exhibiting excitable small animals can be hazardous to the animal, unless care is given to have adequate water, ventilation, and food available while the animal is at the fair. The exhibitor is responsible for providing these items along with any special equipment. Please bring own cage/carrier.
4. All cats must have a rabies vaccination certificate present at entry time. Distemper and other vaccinations are required annually. Bring certificates showing the latest vaccinations for both rabies and distemper.
5. Pregnant cats or cats nursing kittens are not to be shown.
6. All pets will be judged in one class on cleanliness, health, and exhibitor's knowledge about their pet.
7. Limit of two entries.

Open Bucket/Bottle & Feeder Calf
Entry Fee: $3.00 per entry
Check In Time: 7:00 a.m.—4:00 p.m., July 25
Show: 5:00 p.m., July 26
Release time: 5:30 p.m., July 28
1. The Open Class is for youth who are eligible for pre-school through 3rd grade.
2. Any newborn or orphan dairy or beef calf (steer or heifer) calved between March 15 and May 1 of the current year. Must be in possession of the participant within two weeks of birth; ear tagged and identified on a 4-H livestock identification form by May 15. All participants must obtain the identification form from the Hancock County Extension Office.
3. Calf must be bucket or bottle fed. No nursing permitted.
4. Any participant may identify two (2) animals, and exhibit one (1) at the county fair. The calf is not eligible to be sold at the Fair Auction. Eligible animals can be shown only in the Open Bucket/Bottle Calf Show—see Fair Schedule.
5. Calves will be shown at halter. Calves may be divided into classes depending on number of entries at discretion of superintendents.
6. Judging will be based on:
   a. What the member has learned about the care and raising of the calf.
   b. The fitting and showing of the calf (only washing and brushing, no clipping) with emphasis on what exhibitor has learned.
   c. General health, conditions and management of the calf and 4-H'ers knowledge of this area.
   d. Conformation or quality of the calf will not be considered since purchase should not be on that basis.
7. See Health requirements in Hancock County Fairbook.
8. Participants may keep animals for breeding or market beef project the following year.

Youth Feeder Calf
Entry Fee: $3.00 per entry
Check In Time: 7:00 a.m.—4:00 p.m., July 25
Show: 8:30 a.m., July 26
Release time: 5:30 p.m., July 28
1. The Open Feeder Calf Class is for youth who are eligible for pre-school through 3rd grade.
2. Any newborn beef calf (steer or heifer) calved between January 1 and May 15 of the current year. Must be in possession of the participant within two weeks of birth; ear tagged and identified on a 4-H livestock identification form from the Hancock County Extension Office.
3. Animals must be nursed.
4. Any participant may identify two (2) animals, and exhibit one (1) at the county fair. The calf is not eligible to be sold at the Fair Auction. Eligible animals can be shown only in the Open Feeder Calf class during the Market Beef Show—see Fair Schedule.
5. Calves will be shown at halter. Calves may be divided into classes depending on number of entries at discretion of superintendents.
6. Judging will be based on conformation or quality of the calf.
7. See Health requirements in Hancock County Fairbook.
8. Participants may keep animals for breeding or market beef project the following year.

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