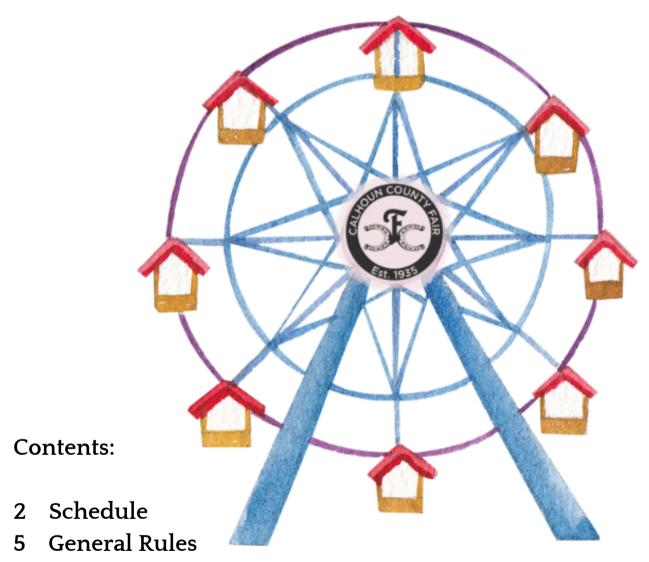
2024 CALHOUN COUNTY FAIR JR LIVESTOCK SHOW



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March 15, 2024

2024 Schedule

April 9, 2024 - Order Turkeys* - By 4 pm Extension Office *Orders for poultry projects must be placed and paid for prior to or on this date

April 9, 2024 - Steer Tag-In

6:00 - 7:00 pm, Fairgrounds, Animals Required

April 21, 2024 - Hog Clinic I

4:00 pm, Fairgrounds

May 5, 2024-Poultry Clinic I

3:00 pm, Auditorium

June 13, 2024 - Order Broilers & Roasters* - By 4pm @ Extension Office *Orders for poultry projects must be placed and paid for prior to or on this date

Week of June 24, 2024 (SUBJECT TO CHANGE) - Turkey arrival

June 25, 2024 - Lamb, Goat, Hog Tag-In

6:00 - 7:00 pm, Fairgrounds, Animals Required

July 9, 2024 - Steer & Heifer Progress Show

6:00 pm, Fairgrounds, Animals Required

August 6, 2024 - Hog Clinic II

6:00 pm Fairgrounds

August 10, 2024—Poultry Clinic & Workshop

9:00 am, Auditorium

August 18, 2024 - Rabbit Clinic I

2:00pm Ag Auditorium

August 20, 2024 - Sheep & Goat Progress Show

6:00 pm, Fairgrounds, Animals Required

August 23, 2024 (SUBJECT TO CHANGE) — Pick up Roasters

September 3, 2024 - Rabbit Tag-In

6:00-7:00 pm, Fairgrounds, Animals Required

September 6, 2024 (SUBJECT TO CHANGE) - Pick up Broilers-

September 10, 2024 - Rabbit Clinic II

6:00pm Ag Auditorium

September 14, 2024-

8:00 am - 11:00am - Fair Workday & Progress Show

Progress Show - 1:00 pm Arrival, Fairgrounds 1:30 pm Judging

Animals required (Order → Lambs, Goats, Steers, Heifers)

2024 Daily Schedule

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 16, 2024

7:00 am Hogs Arrive & Weigh-In

7:30 am Lambs and Goats Arrive & Weigh-In

8:00 am Steers Arrive & Weigh-In8:00 am Heifers Arrive & Check-In

8:00 am Poultry Arrive

Roasters: Weigh-in, Sift & Show

Turkeys: Weigh-in, Sift & Show (directly following Roasters)
Broilers: Weigh-in, Shift & Show (directly following Turkeys)

9:30 am Rabbits Arrive, Weigh-In, Sift & Show

4:30 pm Judging Begins With Market Lambs

Breeding Ewes (directly follows Lambs)

5:00 pm Market Goats

Breeding Does (directly follows Market Goats)

6:00 pm Market Steers

Junior Beef Heifers (directly follows Market Steers)

7:00 pm Market Swine

*Sifting will begin with hogs after hog arrival and weigh-in. Remaining order of the sift will be determined at the sift judge's discretion.

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 17, 2024

6:00 pm Auction Registration

6:30 pm Auction Begins

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 18, 2024

8:00 am Livestock Judging Contest Registration

9:00 am Livestock Judging Contest

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 20, 2024

7:00 AM Fair Clean-Up

7:00- 8:00 am Release All Livestock & Poultry

^{*(}Mandatory for all exhibitors. If you are late, you will be fined 10% from your auction sale price.)

Other Important Dates

MONDAY, OCTOBER 28, 2024

5:00 PM- DEADLINE for submitting verification of slaughter of poultry and rabbit projects to the Extension Office and/or the FFA Agricultural Department.

TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 19, 2024

5:00 PM - DEADLINE for submitting thank-you letters to the buyer, the FFA's completed project record or 4-H Member Achievement Plan (MAP), and, if applicable, processing verification have been submitted to County Extension Agent Supervisor or Agriculture Science Teacher Supervisor. If an exhibitor fails to meet this deadline they will be fined 10% of their auction sale price, with an additional 10% fine for every month these items are late. **THANK YOU letters need to be brought to the Extension office or the FFA office addressed, stamped and one left opened so that the thank you letters are approved to be sent out to the buyers.**

Fair Checks will not be released until after *DECEMBER 19, 2024*.

Livestock Show General Rules

Chairman: Mike Wall

For any questions: call Mike Wall at (361) 564-8532 or email at MWall@victoriatelevision.com

- 1. Entries are subject to all general and division rules of the Calhoun County Junior Livestock and Poultry Show.
- 2. The Junior Livestock Committee reserves to its members the final and absolute right to interpret all rules and arbitrarily settle and determine all matters, questions and differences in regard thereto, or otherwise arising out of or connected with, or incident to the Junior Livestock and Poultry Show. The Junior Livestock Committee reserves the right to amend or add to these rules as its judgment may determine. Any exhibitor who violates any of the general or division rules will forfeit all privileges and premiums won.

Exhibitor Eligibility

- 1. The exhibitor must be enrolled in a public, private, or home school program and be an active member in good standing of Calhoun County 4-H or FFA programs at the time their respective entries tag-in and through the duration of the of the Calhoun County Fair. Alternates must be authorized by the Division Superintendent.
- 2.4-H and FFA members must attend six (6) organizational meetings during the project year (Show day to Show day) to be eligible to exhibit their project.
 - a. First year exhibitors are exempt from this rule. First year exhibitors are those individuals who have not yet previously entered and/or exhibited an animal project as a bonafide 4-H and/or FFA member at the Calhoun County Fair.
 - b. Youth participating in the Young Exhibitors Show are exempt from this rule.
- 3. Exhibitors shall be ineligible to participate in any Calhoun County Junior Livestock activity, event or competition if it is determined that the Exhibitor is:
 - a. Deemed in violation of any policy or rule (academic or otherwise), suspended, or placed in any type of alternative disciplinary program (such as the "Flex" program or its equivalent) by the school district in which the Exhibitor is enrolled:
 - b. Deemed in violation of or suspended under any University Interscholastic League ("UIL") rule (academic or otherwise); or
 - c. Deemed in violation of or suspended under the Texas Education Code 33.081 "No Pass, No Play."
- 4. Eligibility of all Exhibitors will be checked by the Calhoun County Extension Office or FFA advisor prior to the fair and Exhibitors must remain eligible under this section for the duration of the Calhoun County Junior Livestock Show (i.e. show day through barn clean up on Sunday morning). The Junior Livestock Committee reserves the right at any time to recheck eligibility of any Exhibitor.
- 5. Any Exhibitor declared ineligible to participate as set forth herein may not participate in any form or fashion in the show (i.e. weigh-in, feeding, grooming, stall cleaning, etc.) or the auction. The ineligible exhibitor will not receive an exhibitor badge. Youth participating in the Young Exhibitors Show are exempt from these eligibility requirements.

Ownership:

- 1. All entries must be owned, exhibited and sold by members of a 4-H club or FFA chapter in Calhoun County. Exhibitors must have continuously, personally fed and cared for the entries under the direct supervision of an Agriculture Science Teacher or County Extension Agent. All projects will be fed and cared for exclusively by the exhibitor during the feeding period.
- 2. Exhibitors must own their animals at the beginning of and throughout the feeding period established for each division.

Entry Requirements:

- 1. Exhibitors may exhibit only one entry per division in the market divisions, excluding the poultry and swine division. Poultry exhibitors have the opportunity to exhibit one entry in each Poultry Subdivision. Example: An exhibitor may exhibit a Turkey, Roaster and Broiler Pen, should they so choose and swine exhibitors may show (2) hogs.
- 2. All entries will be tagged in at the designated time and location established for each division. Entry cards for each animal and any other paperwork needed by the Youth Livestock Committee (W9's, etc.) must be filled out at the time of tag-in. Failure to comply will result in disqualification of the animal from the Fair. The feeding and fitting period shall begin on the tag-in date.
- 3. All exhibitors must designate 4-H or FFA at time of tag-in. This can not be changed during the project year.
- 4. All entries must be declared as either a market entry or breeding entry at the time of tag-in.
- 5. For the purpose of Junior Livestock show improvements, at the time of tag-in, each exhibitor will pay:
 - a. Sheep, Goat, Swine and Cattle: \$20.00 per tag.
 - b. Poultry and Rabbits: \$20.00 per exhibitor.
 - c. Exhibitors participating in the Young Exhibitors Show are exempt from this rule.
- 6. Each exhibitor must complete a W-9 with their social security number. In the event the total add-ons exceed \$600, then a 1099-misc form must be submitted to the IRS. If a completed W-9 is not received then the exhibitor will not be able to show their project.

Animal Health:

- **1.** All entries must comply with the health rules and regulations of the Texas Animal Health Commission governing livestock and poultry exhibitions.
- 2. The USDA Wholesome Meat Act applies to all market livestock exhibited.
 - a. An animal must be in good health and carcass be free of drug or chemical residues.
 - **b.** Drug and feed label directions for use and withdrawal periods must be followed.
 - c. If drug or chemical residues are found in tissues of a carcass, the entire carcass may be condemned.
- **3.** A copy of the completed and approved P.T.-03 form must be on file at the 4-H or FFA Office. (Handled through the Extension Office.)
- **4.** The Calhoun County Fair Association, Junior Livestock Committee or Auction Division will in no way be held liable or responsible for conditions of carcasses or sale price of animals found in violation of this act.

^{*}Font in red denotes rule change for 2024.

Sifting:

- 1.All market entries will be inspected by a sift judge to determine fitness of animals for competition. The decision of the sift judge will be final and no protests will be considered. Sifting will be conducted according to the rules established for each division.
- 2. If an entry is sifted, the exhibitor may immediately present another project to the sift judge, providing the substitute has been properly entered and is on the Fairgrounds.
- 3. All sifted entries must be removed from the grounds immediately after sifted.
- 4. All exhibitors must be present for Division sifting or animal will be sifted, unless prior approval is granted by division superintendent.

Scales:

At all times, the scale weight at the fairgrounds will be the official weight.

Re-Weigh:

All market animals will be subject to a weigh-back at the discretion of the division superintendent or judge. Following the placing of each class, an animal can be re-weighed. Those not meeting minimum weight requirements or weighing more than 5% above the weigh-in weight will be disqualified and lower placing animals advanced in ranking.

Judging:

- 1. All classes will be placed in numerical order.
- 2. Where there is only one entry per class, the judge may award a placing of such grade as the animal deserves.
- 3. Showmanship will be judged as the animals are placed in each division. A Junior Showmanship Award (3rd—8th grade by August 31 of current calendar year) and a Senior Showmanship award (9th-12th grade by August 31 of current calendar year) will be given.
- 4. Herdsmen Award Awarded to exhibitors who have cooperated in making the best possible presentation of his/her exhibit to the public and have helped in keeping the show building neat and attractive. Exhibits will be judged daily throughout the duration of the fair by the judging committee. Judging will be based on a number of items, such as care of animals (clean, well groomed), condition of pens (bedding, removal of manure, clean feed and water pails, etc.), clean alleyways/aisles, and exhibitor interaction with public, show staff, and fellow showmen. One exhibitor in each division will be presented with a \$100 check for the Herdsmen Award on release day.

Grand & Reserve Champions:

- 1. The Grand and Reserve Champion entries in each market division will be required to sell in the auction. All other market projects entered by exhibitors of Grand or Reserve entries will become ineligible to compete in that year's show.
- 2. Grand and Reserve Champion market steers, swine, lambs, and goats will be chosen from the top two entries in each class.

Animal Care:

- 1. Only sand may be used as livestock bedding. The use of astro-turf, carpet, or rubber mats will be allowed in the pen from 4:00pm until the conclusion of the swine show. Steer exhibitors may use rubber mats in their stalling area for the duration of the stalling period. Bedding will be furnished for poultry.
- 2. All buckets, pails, troughs or other equipment must be removed from the barn or stored out of sight when feeding and watering is completed. Show boxes must be stored neatly and out of the way, the superintendent has the discretion to ask for a show box to be removed. Hog selfwatering devices will not be allowed in hog pens until Thursday morning.
- 3. Shearing of all goats and lambs will be allowed only on the outside of the North east corner of the show barn (same end as the hog wash racks). No shearing will be allowed in any other area of the show barn.
- 4. Each exhibitor is responsible for the care of his/her entry and stall area until the animal is released from the fairgrounds. A fine of 10% of the auction sale price will be placed on each exhibitor who does not keep his/her stall clean during the fair or does not clean their stall when the animal is released.
- 5. On the Sunday after the Livestock Show, a mandatory clean-up will be held. This is mandatory for all exhibitors and will start at 7:00 a.m. by the official time at the bleachers in the middle of the barn and conclude when Bauer Barn is clean. If the exhibitor has not checked in at the official time or fails to show up by 7:00 a.m., the exhibitor will be fined 10% of the auction price of their project with a \$500 cap. It will be the division superintendent's responsibility to notify the auction committee of any and all fines.

Release:

Animals cannot be removed from the fairgrounds until the exhibitor has been released by the Division Superintendent.

Exhibitor Conduct:

- 1. Exhibitors will not be allowed to remain after hours.
- 2. Any exhibitor showing unsportsmanlike conduct or using profane language will be barred from the show.

Unethically Fitted Livestock:

- 1. Each exhibitor and parent/guardian will be required to sign a disclosure identifying all substances used in or on the animal during the 45 days prior to the show.
- 2. The showing of unethically fit livestock or the misrepresentation of breeding or age is prohibited. The exhibitor specifically represents that no animal entered by him/her is unethically fitted and that the breeding and age are correct. The exhibitor agrees to submit any animal entered to inspection by any veterinarian appointed by the junior livestock committee and agrees to have the animal submitted to such tests as may be requested, and that the conclusions of the veterinarian shall be final and conclusive, without recourse against the Calhoun County Fair Association or Junior Livestock Committee or any officer, director or employee thereof, or any veterinarian as appointed by the Junior Livestock Committee.

- 3. Unethical fitting will be deemed to consist of any method of altering the normal conformation of any part of the animal's body, as evidenced by the presence of abnormal tissue or foreign substances. This includes but is not limited to the following:
 - a. surgery or other practices performed to change the natural contour or appearance of the animal's body, hide or hair, except the removal of warts, teats or horns, docking of tails, and the clipping and dressing of hair and trimming of hooves,
 - b. insertion of foreign material under the skin, (implants are allowed in steers)
 - c. changing the major color pattern of the animal by painting or dyeing,
 - d. no pumping of any kind will be allowed; drench guns of 500 ml capacity or less are allowed, except steers which there is no pumping or drench guns allowed
 - e. administration of a drug of any kind or description internally or externally except for treating a recognized disease or injury. The term "drug" shall mean any substance, the sale, possession or use of which is controlled by license under federal, state or local laws, or regulations and any substance commonly used by the medical or veterinary professions which affects the circulatory, respiratory or central nervous system of livestock. Unless otherwise established by the Food and Drug Administration (FDA) or the United States Department of Agriculture (USDA), samples collected from the show animals will have zero tolerance for any identifiable drug, chemical, insecticide, wormer or vaccine.
- 4. Administration of any drug or chemical on the show grounds must be immediately reported in writing to the division superintendent and shall include date, product, amount, route, administered by, reason and withdrawal time.
- 5. Animals can be selected at random for testing during weigh-in at the show. Animal's positive to any drug test will be disqualified. However, the ranking of animals in the show shall remain unchanged regardless of drug test results.
- 6. All prizes, premiums and sale monies will be held until drug tests are completed.
- 7. The Junior Livestock Committee is authorized, in the event any animal is declared in violation of this rule, to bar permanently such animal, owner or exhibitor from further participation in the Calhoun County Junior Livestock and Poultry Show. In addition, the owner and exhibitor forfeits all rights to any prizes, premiums or sale proceeds.

WARNING

UNDER TEXAS LAW (CHAPTER 87, CIVIL PRACTICE AND REMEDIES CODE), A LIVESTOCK SHOW SPONSOR IS NOT LIABLE FOR AN INJURY TO OR THE DEATH OF A PARTICIPANT IN A LIVESTOCK SHOW RESULTING FROM THE INHERENT RISKS OF LIVESTOCK SHOW ACTIVITIES.

LIABILITY

Each exhibitor, participant, or other individual or entity participating in any aspect of the Calhoun County Fair and Junior Livestock Show, including without limitation, livestock and animal entrants, commercial exhibitors, (collectively, "Fair and Livestock Participants") including any of their heirs, spouses, dependents, assigns, agents or representatives in any capacity, hereby waives all rights and claims for damages, and do hereby agree to release, hold harmless and unconditionally indemnify the Calhoun County Fair and Junior Livestock Show, co-producers and sponsors of any Fair and Junior Livestock Show events, and any officials or employees, thereof, from and against all liability cost, expenses, claims and damages, EVEN IF CAUSED BY THE ALLEGED NEGLIGENCE OR GROSS NEGLIGENCE OF THE CALHOUN COUNTY FAIR AND JUNIOR LIVESTOCK SHOW, which the Fair and Livestock Participant, or the Calhoun County Fair and Junior Livestock Show may at any time suffer or sustain or become liable for by reason of any accidents, damages, injuries or incidents either to the person or property, or both, or the Fair and Livestock Show Participant, or of any other parties, in any manner arising from such Fair and Livestock Participant's participation in any Fair and Junior Livestock Show event or at any Fair and Livestock Show premises which is any way connected with the Calhoun County Fair and Junior Livestock Show, its officers, directors, members, agents sponsors or employees, including damages allegedly arising from any interpretation or violation of rules, from the disqualification of any animal or entrant, from the loss of any sales proceed, premium or prize and/or from any alleged failure to provide adequate security. Fair and Livestock Participant also recognizes that it will be solely responsible for any consequential or other loss, injury or damage to, or occasioned by, arising from, any livestock used by the participant or present at the Calhoun County Fair and Junior Livestock Show, including the preparation, duration and disbanding of said Show and any parts thereof. Each Fair and Livestock Participant future agrees to execute such releases or other writings or other documents which evidence Fair and Livestock Show Participant's acknowledgement and understanding of the foregoing release and indemnity, provided, however, the provisions hereof shall prevail in the event that a conflict or other inconsistency is discovered regarding the contents of this provision, and any release executed by a Fair and Livestock Show Participate. Further, Fair and Livestock Show Participant grants permission to the Calhoun County Fair and Junior Livestock Show and their designee to use Fair and Livestock Show Participant's image or likeness in connection with any advertising, promotional materials as well as any broadcast or other reproduction of this event.

Use of Livestock Entries in Livestock Judging Contest:

The Calhoun County Fair Association and the Junior Livestock Committee reserve the right to use any livestock project entered in the junior livestock show for the livestock judging contest held on Friday (Entry into the Fair authorizes the use of the livestock for the judging contest.)

Protests:

- 1. All protests must be in writing and be accompanied by a deposit of \$300.00 which will be forfeited if protest is not sustained. Such protest must state plainly the cause of complaint or appeal and must be delivered to the Livestock Show management immediately after occasion for such protest.
- 2. Judging protests will be accepted prior to judging or immediately at the conclusion of judging. Judging procedures will not be interrupted for protest investigation. Depending on the basis of the protest, a decision may be withheld until complete investigation has been conducted. Protests concerning ages of animals must be filed with the Livestock Show management prior to the day on which the animals are to be judged.

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MARKET STEER DIVISION

Superintendents: Mike Wall, Durwin Epley (Asst.), Monte Moncrief (Asst.) Judge: Kelton Mason

- 1. Judging will be conducted in two breed departments:
 - a. American breed and crossbred; Entries may be purebred or crossbred Beefmaster, Brahman, Brangus, Red Brangus, Santa Gertrudis or Simbrah steers. All steers in this department must show predominate breed characteristics of one of these breeds.
 - b. European Crossbreeds and other Breeds; Entries will include any cross or other breed of steer not in the American Breed Department. This steer department will also be made up of steers which are classified out of the American Breed Department.
- 2. It will be the total responsibility of the exhibitor to declare the breed. However, final determination of breed classification will be made by a classifier(s) at sift. This determination is based on visible characteristics of the steer. Judgment of the classifier(s) is final and not subject to protest.
- 3. There is no tooth rule.
- 4. No pumping of any kind, including drench gun, will be permitted.
- 5. All steers must be clipped and have no more than one-fourth inch (1/4") of hair on any part of the animal's body at the time of show. The only exception will be the tail switch.
- 6. Each breed having ten (10) or more entries will be divided into two classes: lightweight and heavyweight.
- 7. All steers must weigh in at a minimum of 1,000 pounds at fair time and must gain at least 1.5 pounds per day from tagging date until weigh-in at fair.
- 8. At the tagging, weights will be taken for a Rate-of-Gain award to be presented during the Fair. The average daily gain will be determined for the feeding period.
- 9. Breed Champion and Reserve Breed Champion steers will be chosen from the top two entries in each department class and receive rosettes. Grand and Reserve Champion Market Steers will be selected from the breed champion and breed reserve champions.
- 10. Steers must be of show quality.
- 11. Any steer that is wild, unmanageable or requires handling by more than one exhibitor during sifting or judging may be removed from the ring, considered sifted and barred from sale.

MARKET SWINE DIVISION

SUPERINTENDENT: JIMMY HAYES, TOMMY MAY (ASST.), MATTHEW BEHRENS (ASST.) JUDGE: KELTON MASON

- 1. Only barrows of any breed or cross will be eligible.
- 2. All barrows must be ear notched prior to tag in. Ear notches will be recorded at tag in.
- 3. Barrows must weigh at least 240 pounds and not more than 290 pounds at time of sifting.
- 4. Class will be split not to exceed 10 animals.
- 5. Exhibitors will not be allowed to misuse hog driving devices.
- 6. Maximum of (2) market hogs per exhibitor may be weighed and showed. Both animals will be stalled in the same pen and highest placing animal will only make the sale.
- 7. If both exhibitor's market hogs are in the same class then a substitute exhibitor will be able to show one of the animals. The substitute shower must be an exhibitor in current year and must meet all eligibility requirements.
- 8. The non-auction market hog must be removed between 6 am 10 am Thursday morning or there will be a \$100 penalty imposed on your sale check.
- 9. Barrows must be of show quality and exhibit no evidence of blemishes or structural defects at the time of sifting.
- 10. No oil based products allowed.

MARKET LAMB DIVISION

SUPERINTENDENTS: BOBBY MEEKS, MICHAEL ROTHMANN JUDGE: KELTON MASON

- 1. Both ewes and wethers are eligible.
- 2. At the time of sifting, lambs must have all of their milk teeth, with no permanent incisors in view; be clean shorn; and weigh at least 80 pounds.
- 3. Weight classes will be determined by the superintendents of this division.
- 4. Lambs must be of show quality.

MEAT GOAT DIVISION

SUPERINTENDENTS: SUPERINTENDENTS: BOBBY MEEKS, MICHAEL ROTHMANN JUDGE: KELTON MASON

- 1. All goat must have all their milk teeth and weigh a minimum of 65 pounds at the time of the sift.
- 2. Wethers and does may be shown.
- 3. Goats may be any breed or crossbreed.
- 4. Horns must be blunt at the time of the Fair. This will be determined by the superintendent at the time of check-in.
- 5. Weight classes will be determined by the superintendent of this division.

RABBIT DIVISION

SUPERINTENDENT: SCOTT HATAWAY
JUDGE: TONY BELL

- 1. All rabbits shall be a maximum of 70 days old on day of judging
- 2. All entries must be in prime condition.
- 3. All entries must be free of defects and disease.
- 4. Entries will be allowed to tag-in as families.
- 5. Pens will consist of three (3) rabbits of the same breed and variety. Only meat types may be exhibited.
- 6. A maximum of five (5) rabbits will be allowed in the barn at weigh-in per exhibitor. The exhibitor may use two rabbits as alternates in the result of a rabbit being disqualified. All alternates must leave the show barn before judging takes place.
- 7. All rabbits must be permanently tattooed in the left ear. Early tattooing by the breeder is acceptable. Exhibitors whose rabbits are tattooed early by the breeder must still present rabbits at validation. Rabbits previously tattooed must have excess tattoo ink cleaned from ears making tattoo legible.
- 8. Each rabbit shall weigh between 4.0 and 5.0 pounds.
- 9. All exhibitors MUST attend at least one clinic. Failure to attend will result in disqualification.
- 10. Exhibitors wishing to participate in rabbit showmanship will be divided into a junior division and senior division.
- 11. Each exhibitor will be responsible for processing his/her pen of rabbits, have them verified by the County Extension Office before delivery to the buyer no later than the Friday following the release of animals. Failure to comply will result in forfeiture of the auction sale price.

MARKET POULTRY DIVISION

SUPERINTENDENTS: KASEY POLSON, WILLIAM HAHN (ASST.), JEAN WEHMEYER (ASST) JUDGE: ALISA HAIRSTON

- 1. All exhibitors must purchase birds through the Extension Office for 4-H or Vocational Agriculture for FFA. Unless prior exemption is granted by superintendent, all poultry exhibitors are required to attend the poultry processing workshop. Failure to attend will result in disqualification.
- 2. Sifting will be based on physical condition of birds. All birds must be free of defects, external parasites and breast blisters.
- 3. All birds will be wing-tagged prior to issuance to exhibitor. If a bird looses a wing band, it will be deemed ineligible to be shown. Only wing-band numbers originally assigned to individual exhibitors and/or brothers and sisters of a single family will be accepted. Any birds that have died or lost their wing-bands prior to the time of issuance will be issued replacement birds at the time of issuance as long as there are replacement birds available. These replacement birds will have a different series of wing-band numbers which will be recorded for any recipients.
- 4. Exhibitor cards cannot be placed on cages until judging is completed.
- 5. Exhibitors are responsible for feeding and cleaning the pens of their bird(s) through fair week. A morning and evening feeding is required and will be monitored by the division superintendent. The superintendent will check pens from 9:00 9:30 am (morning) and 7:00 7:30 pm (evening). Failure to comply with this rule may make the exhibitor subject to penalties stated in Animal Care Rule 4.
- 6. Each exhibitor will be responsible for dressing his/her bird and for delivering the dressed bird to the buyer no later than the Friday following the release of animals.

Before delivery to the buyer, the exhibitors processed bird(s) must be delivered on ice (not frozen) to their Agriculture Science Teacher, County Extension office, or an individual appointed by these supervisors for processing inspection and verification. Failure to comply will result in forfeiture of the auction sale price.

ROASTERS

- 1. Either cockerels or pullets are eligible.
- 2. Minimum order of 10 birds per exhibitor, with an additional 5 birds for every additional sibling.
- 3. Roasters must weigh a minimum of 8 lbs. in order to qualify for judging in the Roaster Show. All roasters weighing less than 8 lbs. will be sifted.

TURKEYS

- 1. Turkeys will be judged in a division of *Toms and Hens*. The Division Champion and Reserve Champion will compete for the overall Champion and Reserve Champion Turkey.
- 2. Minimum order of 10 turkeys per exhibitor, with an additional 5 birds for every additional sibling.

BROILERS

- 1. Either cockerels or pullets are eligible.
- 2. Minimum order of 20 birds per exhibitor, with an additional 10 birds for every additional sibling.
- 3. Broilers will be shown in a pen of three.
- 4. Each bird must weigh minimum 5.5 pounds in your pen of three birds. All broilers weighing less than 5.5 lbs. will be sifted.

BREEDING DIVISION

SUPERINTENDENTS: BRANDON CRITENDON
JUDGE: KELTON MASON

- 1. Classes will be determined by age of entries.
- 2. Ribbons will be awarded to all entries. Champion and Reserve Champion entries will receive rosettes.
- 3. Multiple entries may be exhibited as space permits.
- 4. Entries must be owned by the exhibitor before September 1.
- 5. All breeding animals will not be released until after the Livestock Judging Contest.

BREEDING HEIFERS

- a. Only heifers are eligible. Heifers should be no older than 30 months at time of show.
- b. Heifers need not be registered.
- c. Heifers must be exhibited at one of the two Progress Shows and exhibitors must fill out an entry card and entry fee paid the day of the progress show to be eligible to show.

BREEDING EWES

- a. Breeding Ewes must be exhibited at one of the two progress shows. An entry card must be completed and entry fee paid the day of the progress show to be eligible to show.
- b. Breeding Ewe entries are not eligible for competition in the Market Lamb show.
- c. Entries must be slick shorn above the knee on the front legs, and above the hock joint on the back legs. Wool may be left below the knee and hock joints.
- d. Toothing of sheep will be conducted upon check-in.
- e. Classes will be broken according to age:

Ewe Lamb

Two Tooth

Four to Six Tooth

- f. There will be no breed divisions, all breeds will be shown together.
- g. All entries must be tagged with a Scrapie Identification Tag by the tag-in date.

BREEDING DOES

- a. Breeding Does must be exhibited at one of the two progress shows. An entry card must be completed and entry fee paid the day of the progress show to be eligible to show .
- b. Breeding Doe entries are not eligible for competition in the Market Goat show.
- c. Toothing of does will be conducted upon check-in.
- d. Classes will be broken according to age:

Junior Division - Must have all milk teeth

<u>Yearling Division</u> - May show their first pair of permanent incisors, Does that have dropped one or more of their central milk teeth may exhibit in this division.

<u>Senior Division</u> - Does showing two or more pair of permanent incisors may exhibit in the Senior Division.

- e. There will be no breed divisions, all breeds will be shown together.
- f. All entries must be tagged with a Scrapie Identification Tag by the tag-in date.

PROGRESS SHOW DIVISION

- 1. Two Progress Shows/Clinics will be conducted during the feeding period for steers, heifers, lambs, goats and hogs. Exhibitors will be given instructions regarding the technique of fitting and showing animals.
- 2. All market steer, breeding heifer, market lamb, breeding ewe, breeding doe and market goat exhibitors are required to attend and to exhibit in front of a judge every tagged animal at one of the two <u>SCHEDULED</u> progress shows. An animal tagged in by more than one exhibitor must be shown at least one progress show. Failure to comply with these rules will result in disqualification.
- 3. All Swine, Poultry, and Rabbit exhibitors are required to attend one of the two <u>SCHEDULED</u> clinics (animals are not required). Failure to comply will result in disqualification.

AUCTION DIVISION

AUCTION SUPERINTENDENT: CHRIS WALL (CHRIS@KEATINGAUTO.COM) AUCTION PROGRAM SUPERINTENDENT: ALI MARWITZ COMMITTEE: JILL MANNING,

- 1. No sifted or breeding animals will be sold at auction.
- 2. Only one animal per exhibitor may be sold. All exhibitors who have entered more than one project must notify each Superintendent immediately on completion of the judging as to which animal will sell. Otherwise, the Junior Livestock Committee will select the selling project.
- 3. All placing animals will be sold in the order of their placing.
- 4. The Auction will be limited to a maximum of 180 projects. If a limited sale is adopted, those exhibits with the least desirable quality in each division will not be sold. The placing judge will determine which animals are eligible for the sale.
- 5. Each exhibitor will be charged a commission of 5% on sale price and add-ons.
- 6. Checks will not be issued to exhibitors until after <u>December 19, 2024 and until</u> a thank-you letter to the buyer, the FFA exhibitor's completed project record or 4-H Member Achievement Plan (MAP), and, if applicable, processing verification have been submitted to the exhibitor's FFA Teacher, County Extension Agent, Rabbit Division Superintendent or Poultry Division Superintendent. The exhibitor is responsible for submitting these items to their respective supervisor by the respective dates listed on page 4. If an exhibitor fails to meet this deadline they will be fined 10% of their auction sale price, with an additional 10% fine for every month these items are late. If the exhibitor has not met this deadline by March 15th they will forfeit their entire auction sale price and become ineligible to show in the next year's Calhoun County Junior Livestock Show.
- 7. No artificial dressing will be allowed in the auction ring. Animals must sell as they were shown. (Examples: No glitter or glitter containing compounds, livestock Paint etc.). Violation of this rule will result in a 10% deduction of exhibitor's auction premium.
- 8. THANK YOU letters need to be brought to the Extension office or the FFA office addressed, stamped and 1 left opened so that the thank you letters are approved to be sent out to the buyers. If not approved the exhibitor will be asked to redo them and returned to the office. The thank you letters will remain in the office to be mailed.

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Lester Contracting
Bubba's Seafood
Alamo Beach
RLB
CapTex construction
Bay Breeze Real State
Max Midstream
Wetland Marine
Formosa Sportsman's Club

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Max Midstream Texas

2023 GRAND CHAMPIONS

JUSTICE EPLEY - Market Steer
LANEY LEOS - Market Lamb
MCKENLIE FRANKSON - MARKET GOAT
KAYDEN WAGNER - Market Swine
RYSTAN DARILEK - Turkey
AVEIGH CASEY - Broiler
IVEELYNN KOLAR - Roaster
BRAYLYN GALLOWAY - Rabbit

2023 RESERVE GRAND CHAMPIONS

ZANE STARNES - Market Steer
BRYNLEIGH HUNT - Market Lamb
CANION FRANKSON - Market Goat
KALLY BILLINGS- Market Swine
CHRISTINA RAGUSIN - Turkey
LILLIAN GOSSETT - Broiler
BRODY O'DONNELL - Roaster
ILIANA LARA - Rabbit



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