2015 YOUTH BEEF SHOW

Beef Show Committee:
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Schedule of Events:  Tuesday, October 20, 2015
Weigh-in - 8:00-10:00 AM

Wednesday, October 21, 2015
Beef Showmanship immediately following the Goat Show.

Thursday, October 22, 2015
Beef Exhibitor Meeting – 9:30 AM
Breeding Beef Show – 10:00 PM
Steer Show – 1:00 AM

RULES AND REGULATIONS:

1. Eligibility: Entry is open to currently enrolled 4-H and FFA members 8 years old through 12th grade, from Bay, Calhoun, Gadsden, Holmes, Jackson, Liberty, Walton, and Washington Counties in Florida, Geneva and Houston Counties in Alabama, and Miller and Seminole Counties in Georgia.

2. Age: All exhibitors must be presently enrolled in school. All participants must be at least eight years old by September 1st and not have graduated High School.

3. Entry forms and fees: There will be a $10 entry fee for each animal exhibited. An Entry Form must be correctly filled in and is not considered complete unless accompanied by the Entry Fee. Entry forms and fees must be received in the Jackson County Extension Office by September 22, 2015. No late entries will be accepted. All entry forms must be printed legibly, filled out completely, and signed by the member, parent and FFA advisor or 4-H Agent.

4. Health Certificate: All animals will be required to have an in-State Certificate of Veterinary Inspection (health papers) dated no more than 90 days (in-State) and 30 days (out-of-state) prior to October 8, 2015. Registered animals must be identifiable by the markings set forth on the animal’s registration papers.

5. Proper Ownership: All animals must be owned or leased prior to the entry deadline of September 22, 2015. Proof of Ownership (copy of registration, bill of sale) or an official Lease Agreement (if animal is leased) must accompany the entry form for breeding cattle (See official lease agreement).


7. Commercial class: Commercial heifers will weigh in at registration and be shown by the appropriate weight classes.
8. **Dehorning:** ALL STEERS AND HEIFERS MUST BE DEHORNED. Horns must be removed and made smooth with the head. **No horned cattle will be allowed to show!**

9. **Eligible Showman:** Qualified Exhibitors must show their own animals in all classes. The animal must be entered in the Show in order to compete in Showmanship. In the event of an exhibitor having more than one animal in the same class, that exhibitor must notify the beef Chairman of whom the “assisting” showman will be. Assisting showman must be a bona-fide 4-H or FFA member. This shall only apply in the event of an exhibitor requiring the assistance of an extra showman during the beef shows.

10. **Animal Control and Handling:** Entries must be halter broken and under the complete control of the exhibitor (cattle must be able to be tied, paraded, and shown without endangering others). The Beef Committee reserves the right to dismiss from the Show any animal that may endanger other Show participants. This Rule will be strictly enforced. If an animal breaks away from or becomes unmanageable by the exhibitor **twice** in the Show Ring, the animal will automatically be dismissed from the Show Ring and will not be allowed to compete. Upon dismissal from the Show Ring, the entry will receive the lowest placing in the class and forfeit any entry fees.

11. **Securing Cattle:** All cattle will be double tied with ½ inch or larger rope and not kept in pens. Use of halter and neck rope is required.

12. **Tie in Arrangements:** Reserving and setting up tie spaces prior to check-in WILL NOT BE ALLOWED. The beef committee will make arrangements with the management of the facility and, in doing so will attempt to accommodate all exhibitors and clubs in respect to their needs and number of entries for each.

13. **Release from Show:** All cattle will be released at the conclusion of the final show on October 23, 2014.

14. **Number of Entries:** Breeding cattle and steer entries are not limited for each exhibitor.

15. **Equipment in the facility:** All Grooming chutes for the show will be used **ONLY in approved or designated areas.** Under no circumstances will their use be permitted inside the fenced area of the facility.

16. **Grooming and Fitting:** All animals to be shown shall or may be groomed and/or fitted appropriately with respect to that breed.

17. **Judges:** The Beef Committee will, in conjunction with the Panhandle Youth Expo Board of Directors, attempt to select and procure a judge, or judges, who will endeavor to evaluate the animals, Commercial and Registered, based on the standards and/or market trends as they exist per the breeders association or commercial market at the time of the show. Objections or protests of sound basis should, and will, be brought to the attention of The Beef Chairperson. Under no circumstance should the judge, or judges, be approached with negative comments. In the event an individual should display poor sportsmanship towards the judging officials, the Beef Committee may, at PYE discretion, remove the individual from the facility as well as any exhibits, animals or belongings pertaining to such individual. Objections or protests properly presented to the Beef Chairperson shall be discussed by The Beef
Committee and the committee will attempt to resolve the issue in a fair and equitable manner. In the unfortunate event of an individual or group of individuals being removed from the facility, all entry fees and/or premiums will be forfeited.

18. **Dress code:** Exhibitors entering the show ring shall be dressed appropriately with respect to the organization they represent.
   - FFA members- Black pants/jeans, dark closed toe shoes/boots, white shirt with a collar, FFA Jacket, and FFA tie.
   - 4-H members - Dark pants/jeans, closed toe shoes, 4-H shirt with collar and sleeves. This dress code is strongly encouraged.

21. **Conduct and Behavior:** While at the facility, all exhibitors shall display conduct and behavior in accordance with the exhibitors’ respective school district “code of student Conduct”. Only students who have obtained a proper pre—approved absence from their school should be at the facility during normal school hours. All exhibitors are expected to conduct themselves properly and display courtesy towards other students, exhibitors, officials, and spectators while at the facility.

22. **Showmanship competition:** The showmanship competition is strictly a “Blow & Go”. *No grooming products allowed.* It is recommended that they be brushed and washed prior to showing.

   Definition of Blow and Go: The animal has been trimmed or sheared, washed and dried either naturally or mechanically, brushed and has **NO grooming products applied anywhere on hair or hide.**

   **Eligible Animals and Entrants:** Youth must exhibit their own animal. The animal must be entered in the show to be eligible to compete in Showmanship. Showmanship is open to all exhibitors. The classes will be based on age.

   Showmanship Competition shall be judged by age categories as follows:
   - Junior Showmanship—8-10 years old
   - Intermediate Showmanship—11-13 years old
   - Senior Showmanship—14-18 years old

   If there are more than 6 entries in an age division, classes will be divided into appropriate Age Categories, trying to limit the classes to no more than 6 exhibitors per class. The class winners will then compete for best age division Showman.

**CATEGORY A: BREEDING BEEF SHOW**

1. **Number of Animals per Class:** There must be a minimum of 3 animals of the same breed to qualify the breed for Grand and Reserve Champion selection. In the event of large classes, the classes will be divided with respect to age of the cattle, and further by attempting to limit the class to no more than 8 animals per class.
2. **Selection of Overall Grand and Reserve Champion**: A Supreme Champion and Reserve Supreme Female will be selected from the Registered and Commercial Champions. Breeding Beef Classes: Registered Females

**Breeds will be shown in the order listed below:**

**Breed Division:**
- Angus
- Brahman
- Charolais
- Commercial
- Hereford
- Limousin
- Parthenais
- Shorthorn (Purebred)
- Simmental

**Age Divisions – Females**
- Class 2: July 1, 2013 – December 31, 2013
- Class 3: January 1, 2014 – June 30, 2014
- Class 4: July 1, 2014 – December 31, 2014
- Class 5: January 1, 2015 – June 30, 2015
- Class 6: Commercial Heifers

3. **Bull Classes**: There will be no bull classes.

4. **Commercial Females**: (Non-registered or crossbred) All crossbred heifers born after January 1, 2014, are eligible for entry.

5. **Classes**: Commercial heifers will be shown in classes by weight. The Beef Show Committee will set the number and size of classes based on natural weight breaks and even distribution in an effort to limit the classes to no more than 8 animals per class.

6. **Qualification for Grand and Reserve Champion**: The first and second place heifers in each class will compete for Champion and Reserve Champion of the Qualifying Breed Divisions.

7. **Qualification for Overall Grand and Reserve**: Champions of each breed division will compete for Supreme Champion and Reserve Supreme Champion. Upon selection of the Overall Grand, the Reserve Champion of the respective division (breed) will then be eligible to enter the ring and compete for Overall Reserve Grand Champion.

**CATEGORY B: STEER SHOW**

1. **Minimum Weight**: Steers must weigh a minimum of 550 pounds at the weigh-in.

2. **Basis of Competition**: Steers will be judged on the basis of prospective feeder steers. Prospect Feeder Steer is defined as: an animal bred and raised for the intent of producing beef and/or beef products for consumers. These cattle will be judged on the officials’ opinion of what the animal’s potential is to produce
a marketable finished product (carcass) after a period of time on feed. The judge will consider some of the following aspects during the Show:

- Frame and Structure
- Potential for Growth
- Obvious Genetics

3. **Qualifying Animals:** Steers must show a predominance of beef breeding. All steers must be dehorned, castrated and healed prior to the weigh-in.

4. **Identification:** Steers must have been tattooed prior to the weigh-in.

5. **Classes:** Classes will be set by the Beef Committee based on weight following the weigh-in and will attempt to limit the classes to no more than 6 animals per class.

6. **Grand and Reserve Champion Selection:** A Grand and Reserve Champion steer will be selected from the class winning entries along with the 2nd place entry from the Grand Champion Class.

7. **Grievance Policy:** Any grievances must be submitted in writing and be accompanied by a $100.00 fee. Please refer to the grievance policy in the General Rules Section.

**Awards**

Awards for all Classes, Divisions and Grand and Reserve Grand Champions will be announced at a later date.

These beef show rules are set forth by Panhandle Youth Expo as a guideline for conduct and participation in an event sponsored by PYE.