

# **2023 BEEF ENTRY BOOK**

September 21st - 24th, 2023

Nebraska State Fairgrounds at Fonner Park
Grand Island, NE
Superintendent: Kent Schlake
2023 Market Beef and Feeder Calf Judge: Jirl Buck
2023 Breeding Beef Judge: Chad Breeding



# **Tentative 2023 Beef Schedule:**

<b>DNA Nominations Due</b>	Friday, June 30th, 2023	
Entries Due	Friday, September 1st, 2023	11:59 pm
Late Entries Due	Tuesday, September 5th, 2023	11:59 pm
Check-In Trailer Open	Thursday, September 21st, 2023	8:00 am – 10:00 pm
All Livestock in Place	Thursday, September 21st, 2023	10:00 pm
Feeder Calf Weigh Cards Due	Friday, September 22 <sup>nd</sup> , 2023	10:00 am
All Weigh Cards Due	Friday, September 22 <sup>nd</sup> , 2023	12:00 pm
Feeder Calf Show	Friday, September 22 <sup>nd</sup> , 2023	3:00 pm
Beef Showmanship	Friday, September 22 <sup>nd</sup> , 2023	Following Feeder Calf Show
Market Beef Show	Saturday, September 23 <sup>rd</sup> , 2023	8:00 am
<b>Grand Drive Reception</b>	Saturday, September 23rd, 2023	5:00 pm – 7:00 pm
Grand Drive	Saturday, September 23rd, 2023	7:30 pm
<b>Breeding Heifer Show</b>	Sunday, September 24th, 2023	8:00 am

# 1. ENTRY INFORMATION

- a. DNA nominations MUST be submitted (postmarked) by June 30<sup>th</sup> for all beef to be eligible to exhibit. Official Online Entries begin after DNA Nominations are submitted. Entries are due September 1<sup>st</sup>, 2023, at 11:59 pm. Entry will be done on the Aksarben Stock Show website. See rules and regulations book for more DNA nominations/entry information.
  - i. All breeding beef, market beef, and feeder calves require a DNA nomination \*New in 2023
- b. Late entries will be accepted until Tuesday, September 5th, 2023, at 11:59 pm for double the entry fee.
- c. Showmanship entry must be completed on the online entry process. d. Entry fees:
  - i. \$50 per head (includes tie out space and bedding) 1. Max of 4 entries per species per exhibitor
    - a. The exhibitors exhibiting a challenge animal within the challenge program may enter 5 for the respective species. The total of 5 includes the challenge animal.
  - ii. Showmanship: \$10 per exhibitor per species

#### 2. GENERAL INFORMATION

- a. Youth ages 9-19 as of January 1<sup>st</sup> are eligible to exhibit. Youth must reside at a permanent residence address in one of the following states: Arkansas, Colorado, Illinois, Indiana, Iowa, Kansas, Minnesota, Missouri, Montana, Nebraska, North Dakota, South Dakota, Wisconsin, and Wyoming.
- b. Official identification is a visual tag, EID tag, or tattoo.
- c. Animals may only be exhibited in one show.
  - i. You may not exhibit the same heifer in the market, breeding, and feeder calf shows.
- d. Substitutions at check in are applicable in the case that a DNA sample from the new, substituted animal is on file with Show Management.
- e. The beef show is full fit. Breed characteristics must not be changed.
- f. If a beef animal gets away from an exhibitor more than two times in the show ring, they will be dismissed from the class.
- g. Nose leads and nose rings will not be permitted on the grounds.
- h. Beef exhibitors are subject to allowing their projects to be used for the Livestock Judging Contest.

# 3. ELITE SHOWMANSHIP

- a. Any exhibitor entered in the Market Beef, Breeding Heifer, or Feeder Calf Shows is eligible for Beef Showmanship.
- Showmanship will take place separate from the breeding beef, market beef, and feeder calf shows.
- c. Showmanship entry will take place online at time of entry.
- d. There will be two age divisions:
  - i. Junior: beef exhibitors ages 9-13 as of January 1st
  - ii. Senior: beef exhibitors ages 14-19 as of January 1st
- e. Beef exhibitors must show their own calf during showmanship.

# 4. MARKET BEEF SHOW

- a. Steers and heifers are eligible to show.
- b. Decisions to send market beef to harvest must be made at check-in. A sale affidavit (found in the exhibitor packet) must be provided at check-in if the beef will be sold. The official sale weight will be the declared weight at the show.
- c. Weight Declaration
  - Exhibitors will self-declare the market beef's weight utilizing a weigh-card system.
     All weigh-cards will be due at check-in. All cards submitted to beef show staff are final.
  - ii. Show management will weigh, at least, the first and second place animals in each class. Additional calves may be weighed at the judge's discretion.
    - 1. A 5% variance from the declared weight will be allowed. Animals that do not meet the 5% variance, above or below the declared weight will forfeit premiums and will not be eligible for any further exhibition.

- iii. The minimum weight for market beef will be 1,000 lbs. with no maximum weight.
  - 1. Calves weighing less than 1,000 lbs. will compete in a weigh-out class and be ineligible for premiums and harvest.

# d. Additional Entry Information

- i. Division
  - 1. Market Beef ii.

# Classes

- 1. Registered British Breed Market Steer (Angus, British AOB, Hereford, Red Angus, Shorthorn)
- 2. Registered Continental Breed Market Steer (Charolais, Chianina, Continental AOB, Gelbvieh, Limousin, Maine Anjou, Shorthorn Plus, Simmental)
- 3. Crossbred Market Steer
- 4. Market Heifer

#### e. Notes:

- i. Market beef will show lightest to heaviest within their respective class.
- ii. Class sizes will be determined by Show officials based on the number of animals at check-in. Breeds with less than five (5) head will show in the AOB class.
  - 1. Show management may combine classes until they reach a minimum class size deemed appropriate.
- iii. Registered market steers will need to show registration papers at check-in. If registration and animal do not match, they will be moved to the crossbred market steer division.
  - 1. To be eligible for exhibition, registered steers must be registered by the official breed association in the name of the youth and/or immediate family member or in partnership with a parent or guardian, family or farm name, and must be owned by the time of entry.
- iv. The top two animals from each class will compete for Division Champion and Reserve Division Champion. A Champion and Reserve British Breed and a Champion and Reserve Continental Breed Steer, and Champion and Reserve Market Heifer will be selected to compete in the Grand Drive. The Champion and Reserve Division Champion of the light, middle, and heavy weight crossbred steer divisions will compete in the Grand Drive. The top 5 market beef will be selected during the Grand Drive.
- v. Additional animals may be exhibited in division and Grand Drive, at the discretion of the judge.
  - 1. Additional animals may be exhibited in division and overall, at the discretion of the judge.
  - 2. See "Grand Drive" information for explanation on how this event will be conducted.

# f. Release Time

i. Market beef will be released at the conclusion of the Market Beef Show. Any violation of release rules will result in all premiums being withheld and may be barred from future competition.

#### g. Harvest Animals

- i. It is the responsibility of all exhibitors to ensure that beef designated for harvest at check-in are put in the designated holding area to be loaded onto the trucks. The exhibitor is responsible for the calf's care until picked up for harvest. (feed, water, etc.) ii. The Champion and Reserve Champion Market Beef will be harvested.
- iii. Failure to comply with harvest procedures will result in the withholding of premium monies and the exhibitor may be disqualified.

#### 5. **BREEDING HEIFER SHOW**

- a. To be eligible for exhibition, registered breeding heifers must be registered by the official breed association in the name of the youth and/or immediate family member or in partnership with a parent or guardian, family, or farm name, and must be owned by the time of entry.
- b. Registration papers should be presented at check-in. Animals whose registration papers are not approved or are still pending will show in the commercial class.
- c. To be eligible for the commercial breeding heifer class, each heifer must have a known birthdate.

# d. Additional Entry Information

- i. Division
  - 1. Breeding Heifer ii.

**Breeds** 

 Angus, Charolais, Charolais Composite, Chianina, Commercial, Gelbvieh, Horned Hereford, Polled Hereford, Limousin, Lim-Flex, Maine-Anjou, Maintainer, Maine Angus, Miniature Hereford, Percentage Simmental, Simmental, Red Angus, Shorthorn, Shorthorn Plus, All Other Breeds.

# iii. Classes

1. Spring Heifer Calves: Calved March 1, 2023 – April 30,

2023

2. Junior Heifer Calves: Calved January 1, 2023 – February

28, 2023

3. Late Senior Heifer Calves: Calved November 1, 2022 –

December 31, 2022

4. Early Senior Heifer Calves: Calved September 1, 2022 –

4. October 31, 2022

5. Late Summer Yearling Heifers: Calved July 1, 2022 –

August 31, 2022

6. Early Summer Yearling Heifers: Calved May 1, 2022 –

June 30, 2022

7. Late Junior Yearling Heifers: Calved March 1, 2022 – April

30, 2022

8. Junior Yearling Heifers: Calved January 1, 2022 – February

28, 2022

9. Senior Fall Heifers: Calved October 1, 2021 – December 31st, 2021 e. Notes:

- i. Heifers will be divided into classes by breed and then by age.
- ii. Class sizes will be determined by Show officials based on the number of animals at check-in. Breeds with less than five (5) head will show in the AOB class.
  - 1. Show management may combine classes until they reach a minimum class size deemed appropriate.
- iii. The top two animals from each class will compete for Division Champion and Reserve Division Champion. The Division Champion and Reserve Division Champion will compete for Supreme Breeding Heifer and Reserve Supreme Breeding Heifer. The top 5 overall breeding heifers will be selected.
  - 1. Additional animals may be exhibited in division and overall, at the discretion of the judge.

#### f. Release Time

i. Breeding heifers will be released at the conclusion of the Breeding Heifer Show. Any violation of release rules will result in all premiums being withheld and may be barred from future competition.

# 6. FEEDER CALF SHOW

- a. Heifer calves and steer calves born January 1<sup>st</sup>, 2023 June 1<sup>st</sup>, 2023, are eligible to be entered.
  - i. Heifers and steers will be shown SEPARATELY.
  - ii. No bulls will be allowed to show. If there is any evidence of testicular development by manual palpation of the scrotum, the animal will be disqualified.
- b. No nurse cows or dams of feeder calves will be allowed on the stock show grounds.
- c. Weight Declaration
  - i. Exhibitors will self-declare the feeder calf's weight utilizing a weigh-card system. All weigh-cards will be due at check-in. All cards submitted to beef show staff are final.
  - ii. Show management will weigh, at least, the first and second place animals in each class. Additional calves may be weighed at the judge's discretion.
    - 1. A 5% variance from the declared weight will be allowed. Animals that do not meet the 5% variance, above or below the declared weight will forfeit premiums and will not be eligible for any further exhibition.

# d. Additional Entry Information

- i. Division
  - 1. Feeder Calf ii.

Classes

- Feeder Steer 2.
   Feeder Heifer
- e. Notes:
  - i. Feeder Calves will show by weight.

- 1. Calves will show lightest to heaviest within their respective heifer or steer classes.
- ii. The top two animals from each heifer class will compete for Grand Champion Feeder Heifer and Reserve Grand Champion Feeder Heifer. The top two animals from each steer class will compete for Grand Champion Feeder Steer and Reserve Grand Champion Feeder Steer. The Champion and Reserve Feeder Steer and Feeder Heifer will compete for the Grand Champion Feeder Calf.
  - 1. Additional animals may be exhibited in division and overall, at the discretion of the judge.

#### f. Release Time

i. Feeder calves will be released at the conclusion of the Feeder Calf Show. Any violation of release rules will result in all premiums being withheld and may be barred from future competition.

# 7. AWARDS/SUPREME SCHOLARSHIPS

\*Supreme scholarship are 50% cash and 50% scholarship

\*Exhibitors receiving more than \$600 in premiums/cash awards will be required to complete a W-9 before receiving payment.

- a. Market Beef
  - i. Grand Champion Market Beef
    - 1. \$12,000 Supreme Scholarship
    - 2. Banner
    - 3. Awards ii. Reserve Grand Champion Market Beef
    - 1. \$10,000 Supreme Scholarship
    - 2. Banner
    - 3. Awards iii. 3rd Overall Market Beef
    - 1. \$5,000 Supreme Scholarship
    - 2. Banner
    - 3. Award
  - iv. 4th Overall Market Beef
    - 1. \$2,500 Supreme Scholarship
    - 2. Banner
    - 3. Award
  - v. 5th Overall Market Beef
    - 1. \$1,000 Supreme Scholarship
    - 2. Banner
    - 3. Award vi. Division and Reserve Division Winners
    - 1. Banner
- b. Breeding Heifers
  - i. Supreme Breeding Heifer
    - 1. \$3,000 Supreme Scholarship
    - Banner

- 3. Awards
- 4. \$350 Trans Ova Gift Certificate ii. Reserve Supreme Breeding

# Heifer

- 1. \$1,500 Supreme Scholarship
- 2. Banner
- 3. Awards
- 4. \$350 Trans Ova Gift Certificate iii. 3rd Overall Breeding Heifer
- 1. \$750 Supreme Scholarship
- 2. Banner
- 3. Award iv. 4<sup>th</sup> 5<sup>th</sup> Overall Breeding Heifers
- 1. Banner
- 2. Award
- v. Grand Champion & Reserve Grand Champion Feeder Calves
  - 1. Banner
  - 2. Award vi. Division and Reserve Division

#### Winners

- 1. Banner
- c. Elite Showmanship Sponsored by GI Casino & Resort
  - i. Champion & Reserve Champion Senior Beef Showmen
    - 1. Buckle
    - 2. Cash Award ii. 3<sup>rd</sup> 5<sup>th</sup> Senior Beef Showmen
    - 1. Cash Award iii. Champion & Reserve Champion

Junior Beef Showmen

- 1. Buckle
- 2. Cash Award iv. 3rd 5th Junior Beef Showmen
  - 1. Cash Award
- v. All Showmanship Finalists
  - 1. Pin

# 8. PREMIUMS

a. The top 3 animals (breeding, market, and feeder calves) in each class will receive a premium. i.

1st in Class - \$50

ii. 2<sup>nd</sup> in Class - \$35 iii.

3rd in Class - \$25