

4-H POULTRY

4-H Superintendent:

SCHEDULE OF EVENTS:

Monday, June 26

6:00 PM Pullorum Testing at Cornell Cooperative Extension, 21 S. Grove Street, East Aurora

July

Livestock Interview and Poultry Knowledge Contest

Sunday, July 30

4:00 PM 4-H/FFA Market Poultry Show – All sale chickens – New CCE location, Burton Road, Orchard Park

Monday, July 31

8:00 a.m. Trucking of sale chickens and turkeys to HLW Acres

Sunday, August 13

By 10:00 AM 4-H/FFA Sale Turkeys arrive to the fair – Barn 9
2:00 PM 4-H/FFA Turkey Show – Barn 9

Monday, August 14

7:30 AM 4-H/FFA Turkeys trucked to HLW Acres

Tuesday, August 15

7:00 PM – 9:00 PM 4-H Poultry Exhibits brought to the Fair
Poster Judging

Thursday, August 17

5:00 PM 4-H/FFA Poultry Judging, followed by 4-H/FFA Poultry Showmanship, 4-H Egg Judging

Friday, August 18

12:30 PM Poultry Dressing Contest – SP
6:30 PM Poultry Rabbits Awards – SP

Saturday, August 19

10:00 AM Exhibitor Hot Dog Roast put on by the Erie County Fair Board of Directors- 4-H Parking Lot
11:00 AM Pre-Auction Gathering – Showplex
11:15 AM Auction Announcements and Award Presentations - Showplex
12:00 NOON 4-H/FFA Market Auction – Showplex (Sale order: Beef, Chicken, Rabbit, Turkey, Lamb, Goat, Swine)

Sunday, August 20

6:00 PM 4-H Poultry Released at release ticket time, All exhibitors are responsible for cleaning cages.

POULTRY RULES

All poultry except waterfowl shown at State or County fairs shall have originated from **U.S. pullorum clean flocks** or have a negative pullorum-typhoid test within 90 days of the Fair. No Pullorum testing will be done at the Fair. All testing must be done prior to coming to the Fair. Bring copies of Pullorum certificates when cooping in. Exhibitors are responsible for getting their birds Pullorum tested before bringing them to the fair. See NYS Ag & Markets website for testing dates. Pullorum testing for all birds other than market poultry will be held at Clyde's Feed, 351 Union Street, Hamburg on Tuesday, June 28 at 6:00 p.m.- pending birds will be able to be exhibited at the fair per NYS Ag and Markets ruling due to Avian Bird Flu.

- a) All Market poultry exhibitors must be 9 as of January 1, 2023.
- b) All non-market exhibitors must be 5 years old by January 1 of the current year. See Cloverbud (5-7 year old section for specific rules)
- c) All birds, except meat and crossbred for production classes, must be a purebred standard variety and owned by exhibitor.
- d) Market classes (15 & 16). Exhibitors may enter only 1 entry in one of the two market classes, not both.
- e) Committee in charge reserves the right to refuse to accept for exhibit any birds that show evidence of disease, parasites, or lack of maturity and health.
- f) **All market birds must have been purchased through the 4-H Poultry Program.** All participants must have participated in a livestock interview in July. The market poultry show will be held on our new CCE property located at Burton and Powers Roads in Orchard Park. Members are responsible for supplying wash baskets for chickens to be judged in and a crate for turkeys to be judged in.
- g) Exhibitor's passes may be picked up at the 4-H Youth Development Building on August 6th thereafter, at the 4-H Livestock Office.
- h) The Fair will not be responsible for loss, damage, mistake, or accident.
- i) Feed will be supplied by **Clydes Feed of Hamburg, NY.**
- j) All birds not picked up on Sunday by 9:00 PM will be sold.
- k) All birds removed from exhibit on Sunday, should be isolated from home flock for three weeks or used for market purposes.

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- l) Absolutely no late entries.
- m) *U.S. Pullorum-Typhoid certificate must be presented at check-in. (Does not apply to market poultry) Call 4-H office for additional information.*
- n) Poultry ribbons are not left on poultry cages but are available at the Poultry Barn at the time birds are released.
- o) All egg entries must arrive at the Poultry Barn by 9:00 PM on Tuesday, August 15th.
- p) For complete information, rules and general disqualifications please see the 4-H Livestock Handbook.
- q) The market poultry auction is limited only to market classes.
- r) Exhibitors may not put for sale signs on coops until after they are judged. If sold they must remain until 4-H Poultry leaves on Sunday, August 20th. Poultry is not released until 6:00pm.
- s) **All non-market poultry** exhibitors must clean manure from under cage tables beginning at **6:00 pm Sunday August 20th**. Failure to do so will prohibit you from participation in the poultry program in 2024.
- t) Animals are to be clean. Dirty birds will not be accepted by the committee in charge.

Awards:

Classes 1 – 30

Blue - \$3.00 Red - \$2.00 White - \$1.00

Special Awards:

Best Standard Breed	Best Dozen White Eggs
Best Bantam	Best Dozen Brown Eggs
Champion Trio	Best Meat Bird
Champion Hen	Best Waterfowl
Champion Cock	Best of Show
Champion Pullet	Champion Cockerel
Champion Turkey	Champion Goose
Champion Egg Production Bird	Champion Specialty Bird

LARGE FOWL & BANTAM POULTRY CLASSES

Only birds listed in the American Standard of Perfection will be accepted in these classes. This includes large fowl and bantams. All birds in these classes will be judged according to the American Standard of Perfection.

		Cock	Hen	Cockerel	Pullet	Old Trio	Young Trio
Large Fowl	Class #	1	2	3	4	5	6
Bantam	Class #	7	8	9	10	11	12

PRODUCTION CLASSES

EGG PRODUCTION CLASSES

Section C

Females for egg production may either be purebred varieties or crossbred stock. These birds will be judged on health, vigor and egg production characteristics. No Bantams may be entered in this class.

	Hen	Pullet
Class #	13	14

MARKET CLASSES – LIVE BIRDS – FOR EXHIBITORS 9 & older

- a. Limit of 1 market class per member.
- b. An entry consists of either 2 broilers or 2 roasters – entry will be determined on show day based on poultry weight.
- c. All entries in the market classes will be sold as a pen of 2 at the market poultry auction.
- d. Birds must be purchased through the E.C. 4-H Program. Poultry must be brought to judging in wash baskets that will be used to contain the animal for judging.
- e. Birds will be judged on health, vigor and market quality.
- f. Members entering market classes must participate in a livestock interview in July.
- g. Feed and medication guidelines must be strictly followed for antibiotic withholding periods.
- h. For complete rules of the Market Poultry Program and auction please see the Erie County 4-H Livestock Handbook available from online at www.cce.cornell.edu/erie
- i. Market classes are open to participants that are 9 as of January 1, 2023.
- j. Members are required to send 2 extra chickens for processing.
- k. All market poultry exhibitors must participate in class 41, 42, 43 or 44.
- l. All market poultry exhibitors to be eligible to sell must have given a Public Presentation prior to May and attended 2 educational meetings and a livestock interview.

Class

15. Pen of Two Meat Birds: 8 weeks

**** Remember all participants must do showmanship****

Awards:*Grand Champion – Pen of Two Market Meat Birds**Reserve Grand Champion – Pen of Two Market Meat Birds**Highly Commended – Pen of Two Market Meat Birds**Commended – Pen of Two Market Meat Birds***NON-SALE MARKET CLASSES – LIVE BIRDS – FOR EXHIBITORS 5 years & older**

- a. Entry to consist of 1 broiler or 1 roaster.
- b. Entries will not be sold.
- c. Birds will be judge on health, vigor and market quality.
- d. This division is open to members that are 5 as of January 1, 2023.
- e. Exhibitors are responsible to clean manure from under cage tables at 6:00 pm on Sunday August 20th. Failure to do so will prohibit you from participation in the poultry program in 2024.
- f. All exhibitors must sign up for class #41,42, 43, 44 or 54.

Class #

17. Broiler- single entry
18. Roaster-single entry

MARKET TURKEYS**Market Turkey Classes**

- a. Limit of 1 market class per member.
- b. An entry consists of 1 turkey.
- c. All entries in the market class will be sold as 1 market entry in the poultry auction.
- d. Birds must have been purchased through the Erie County 4-H Program
- e. Birds will be judged on health, vigor and market quality.
- f. Members entering the market class must. complete a livestock interview in July.
- g. Feed and medication guidelines must be strictly followed for antibiotic withholding periods.
- h. For complete rules of the Market Turkey program and auction please see the Erie County 4-H Livestock Handbook available online at www.cce.cornell.edu/erie - 4-H Youth development, 4-H Livestock
- i. Market classes are open to participants that are 9 as of January 1, 2023.
- j. Members required to send 1 extra turkey for processing.
- k. All turkey exhibitors are required to clean manure from cage on Sunday, August 20st at 6:00 PM. Failure to do so will prohibit you from participation in the poultry program in 2024.
- l. To be eligible to sell a turkey, all participants must have given a Public Presentation prior to May, attended 2 poultry meetings and participated in a livestock interview. Members not attending 2 meetings will be eligible to show but are ineligible to sell.

Class #

50. Single Market Turkey – to be sold at auction, open to exhibitors 9 years of age and over as of 1/01/2023.

Non-Sale Turkey class**Class #**

51. Single Non-Sale Market Turkey – open to exhibitors 5 years of age and over as of 1/01/2023.

DUCKS, PHEASANT & TURKEYS**DUCKS**

All ducks are shown Single (Duck or Drake). Any Standard Breed (no crossbreeds).

	Young Male	Young Female	Old Male	Old Female
Class #	19	20	21	22

PHEASANT

All pheasants are shown Single. Any Standard Breed (no crossbreeds).

	Young Male	Young Female	Old Male	Old Female
Class #	23	24	25	26

TURKEYS

Any Standard Breed (no crossbreeds).

	Young Hen	Young Tom	Old Hen	Old Tom
Class #	27	28	29	30

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OTHER- Specialty Birds- Guinea Fowl, Geese, Pigeon, Quail and Peacock

Any Standard Breed (no crossbreeds).

	Young Female	Young Male	Old Female	Old Male
Class #	50	51	52	53

EGGS**Awards: Blue \$3.00 Red \$2.00 White \$1.00**

Eggs will be disqualified for the following reasons:

1. Blood or meat spots
2. Showing signs of incubation
3. Individual eggs in dozen out of class
4. Dirty shells

	Extra Large 27-30 oz. Per dozen	Large 24-27 oz. Per dozen	Medium 21-24 oz. Per dozen	Pullet 18-21 oz. Per dozen	Bantam 15-18 oz. Per dozen
Class # - Dozen White	31	32	33	34	35
Class # - Other Colored Dozen	36	37	38	39	40

Eggs must be brought directly to the contest on Wednesday, August 17th by 9:00 AM. Cartons must be clearly labeled with the entrant's name and phone number. It is suggested for exhibitors to use paper cartons to exhibit eggs.

NOTE: All eggs entered will be used, after judging, at the 4-H Cafe unless exhibitors indicate they do not want them used.

POULTRY SHOWMANSHIP

Poultry Showmanship Contest - Participants will be judged on knowledge of poultry breeds, variety, anatomy and handling of the live birds. Mandatory for all Market Poultry Exhibitors (chicken).

Awards:

Blue \$3.00 Red \$2.00 White \$1.00

Class #

41. **Advanced** - Six (6) or more years of poultry exhibiting experience.
42. **Intermediate** - Three (3) - Five (5) years of poultry exhibiting experience.
43. **Novice** - Two (2) years or less of poultry exhibiting experience.
44. **Market Poultry Showmanship**- Mandatory for all Market Poultry Exhibitors (chicken and turkey).
54. **Cloverbud Showmanship**- Youth age 5-7 as of January 1, 2022

OTHER POULTRY COMPETITIONS**Awards for classes # 45 – 47**

Blue \$3.00 Red \$2.00 White \$1.00

Class #

45. **Poultry Knowledge Contest** - Participants will be evaluated on their knowledge of poultry. Contest will consist of a written test, identification of equipment used in raising poultry, feeds and poultry terminology. Any Erie County 4-H member may enter this contest. Participants will do the contest on the same date as they do the livestock interview in July.
46. **Poultry or Pheasant Information Poster** - A 22" x 28" poster illustrating any phase of the 4-H Poultry/4-H Pheasant Project, (i.e.: Breeds, Health, Diseases, Nutrition, Parts of Body, Housing, Feather types and lacing, etc.) Posters must be submitted on Tuesday, August 16th. Judging will be done by Friday, August 19th and award posted in the Poultry/Rabbit Barn.
47. **Poultry Judging Contest** – Participants will judge a class of five birds all of the same breed and place them in order.

CLASS #48

The Erie County Fair Poultry Dressing Contest

Friday, August 18, 2023 at 12:30 PM

Judging to take place in the Livestock Arena

Contestants should dress their bird in a costume that is non-harmful to the bird

Contestants are encouraged to dress in accordance with the bird's costume

Exhibitors 13 years old & younger

1st place - \$10.00

2nd place - \$8.00

3rd place - \$5.00

4th place - \$5.00

Exhibitors 14 years old and older

1st place - \$10.00

2nd place - \$8.00

3rd place - \$5.00

4th place - \$5.00

Cloverbud Exhibitors

Rosette Only

For further information call 652-5400, ext. 132