

## ROCK COUNTY GOAT PROJECT 2023

The Fair is less than 1 weeks away and want to update everyone on some items. The Fairbook is the best source of information. Covers general rules, entry times and show times.

1. Attached is the barn layout and pen assignments for both the Dairy and Boer barns. This is tentative at this time. Please check the Goat Information Board located in the front of Dairy/ Multi Purpose barn for finals. Should be plenty of room – if pens are not needed for animals, then they can be a tack pen. If you feel you need more room, please contact superintendent.
- 2 . All goats must be checked in before putting animals in their pens. Check in is at the North end of the Multi-Purpose bar. Please bring with you tattoo / eartag info, Scrapies info / Premise ID. Makes checking in goats a lot faster.
3. All Boer wethers will need to be weighed on Tuesday regardless of being in the sale.. . They are going to be split for showing into Lightweight and Heavyweight classes.
4. Fur and Feather Sale – all wethers entered in the sale need to be weighted Tuesday.. Wethers need to weigh at least 50 lbs. To be in the sale. Will post weigh in time.
5. Showmanship – Boer showmanship will take place on Wed. July27th after breed/wether classes. Dairy Showmanship will be on Thursday, July 27 after the wether classes. Master Showmanship – This year there will be 2 Boer Representatives and 2 Dairy Representatives from the Goat Project.
6. Milk A Goat stand will again be set up this year. We encourage everyone to participate. This money is used to supplement judges- Boer and Dairy. Plus other goat events. For every hour you work – your name will be put in for special award- to be given at the end of the fair.
7. Goat Fun Day is back this year – events include – Dress a goat contest, Obstacle Course, Little Kid Showmanship, Milk Relay and more. Will be held Sat. at 2:00 in the Sale Arena. Open to all Boer and Dairy exhibitors. Please plan on participating – lots of goat prizes.
8. Scholarships - Goat Project will be giving out 2- \$500 scholarships to graduating members. Forms are available on the 4-H website. Need to be turned in by Tuesday at noon when the fair officially starts.
9. White show clothes – still have several tote boxes full of white pants and shirts. They will be available Friday, July 22 by the Goat Information Board.
10. There will not be a special milking area. Clubs are responsible for bringing their own milk stands. A barrel will be available at the north end of the building to dump milk in. Do not pour milk down the drains or put in manure pits.
11. Pen arrangements – if you reconfigure pens – just make sure they are strong enough to keep animals in. If you are showing both Boer and Dairy its up to you where you want to house them. Nigerian Dwarf Goats – you will probably need to line pens with lattice, special fencing, etc. to keep them in. They are escape artists!

Finally – The Goat Information Board located in the front of the Dairy Goat Barn will post all information for both Boer and Dairy. Please check regularly for updates. Friday, July 21st will have final pen assignments

Any questions, please call or text

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