

Open & Youth Pigeons & Doves

Chris Raines, Superintendent
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Entry Forms due August 25, 2021

Judges: Chris Raines and Andrew Kerns

Sponsored by the Virginia Pigeon and Dove Association with the State Fair of Virginia

2021 Official Schedule	
Check –in, all birds caged and ready by:	Friday, Sept. 24 at 7:00a.m.
Judging:	
Open Show:	Saturday, Sept. 25, 9 a.m. to 4 p.m.
Youth Show:	Sunday, Sept. 26, 10 a.m. until finished
*Pigeon Rolling Demonstrations:	see Superintendent
Release:	Sunday, Oct. 3 at 8 p.m. Vehicles allowed on the grounds <u>after</u> 8 p.m.

Open Pigeons & Doves Special Rules:

The State Fair General Rules, the Livestock Rules and the Show Ring Code of Ethics apply to this department. By submitting an entry you agree to read and abide by these rules.

1. Competition is open to the world.
2. All Breeds of Pigeons and Doves welcome. Young Bird and Old Bird Show. Small breed of Doves (e.g., Diamonds, etc.) may be shown, but exhibitor must supply their own exhibition cages that can be readily maintained to feed and water. Entries are limited by the cooping capacity of 600 pigeons and 75 doves.
3. In all breeds there must be ten (fully paid up) entries to constitute a competition from two different exhibitors within that breed.
4. No Judge will be allowed to compete in the breed which he or she is judging.
5. Use the Pigeons and Doves entry form. Youth and Open shows judged separately, except for Champion of Champions. The following fees are required:
 - a. Youth, 17 years of age and under \$1.00 per class
 - b. Open \$2.00 per class

Entries must be accompanied by check or money order and made payable to the Virginia Pigeon and Dove Association for the full amount of all entry fees. Exhibitors will need to purchase additional Exhibitor's Ticket/Season Pass in advance.

Mail all entries payable to: **VPDA. Attention: Chris Raines, 1801 Wildlife Run, Beaverdam, VA 23015**

6. Rollers and Racing Homers will be judged as two (2) types, "Flown" or "Show Type." When the type is not specified, the bird will be judged as "Show Type."
7. All birds entered must be delivered in person (no shipping). All breeds must be banded with seamless bands of reputable banding organization and proper size. No split bands.
8. A substitution of a valuable animal may be made if this substitution is the same breed, color, sex, etc. and exhibitor has the Superintendent's permission.
9. Birds are entered at the risk of the owner. The State Fair of Virginia will not be responsible for loss by fire or otherwise, but will exercise due vigilance. Sick animals must be removed by owner or by the Superintendent if the owner is unavailable.

Awards Each Class	1st Ribbon	2nd Ribbon
(Must have at least two different exhibitors within a class and 10 birds entered for a class for a ribbon)		
Best in Show ("Champion of Champions")		Trophy
Reserve Best in Show:		Trophy
Reserve Champion		Trophy
Junior Champion		Trophy
Reserve Champion		Trophy