

## Wisconsin Association of Fairs Tentative Convention Schedule as of 11.14.22

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2	2023 TENTATIVE SCHEDULE AS OF 11/14/22	
3	<b>Sunday, January 8, 2023</b>	
4	<u>Time</u>	<u>Event</u>
5	7:00-9:00AM	BREAKFAST BUFFET
6	9:00-10:00AM	WAF BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING
7	9:15-10:00AM	FAIREST COMMITTEE MEETING
8	NOON-6:00PM	CPP TRAINING
9	10:30AM-11:15AM	FAIREST OF THE FAIRS CONTESTANT REGISTRATION (door 10)
10	12:00PM-2:00PM	SCRAPBOOKS ON DISPLAY
11	2:00-8:00PM	CONVENTION REGISTRATION OPEN
12	2:15PM-3:15PM	FAIREST COORDINATOR NETWORKING: Join other Fairest Coordinators to gather and network.
13	3:30PM-5:00PM	FAIREST OF THE FAIRS MEET THE CONTESTANTS: Come and watch the Fairest of the Fairs Contestants introduce themselves and answer an impromptu fair question.
14	5:00PM-6:30PM	CARNIVAL NIGHT SET UP
15	5:00-6:00PM	FAIREST OF THE FAIRS SCRAPBOOKS ON DISPLAY
16	6:30-8:00PM	CARNIVAL NIGHT
17	8:30PM	YOUNG PROFESSIONALS INITIATIVE: MENTA A MINUTE
18	8:30PM	CREDENTIALS COMMITTEE MEETING
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20	<b>Monday, January 9, 2023</b>	
21	<u>Time</u>	<u>Event</u>
22	7:00-9:00AM	GRAND BREAKFAST BUFFET
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24	7:45AM	FIRST TIME ATTENDEE GATHERING: If it's your first time attending our convention, let us give you an overview of the convention.
25	8:00AM-4:00PM	REGISTRATION DESK OPEN
26	8:30-9:30 AM	BRIGHT IDEAS WITH DEB GEGARE: Our fair members have so many fantastic things they are doing at their fairs to entice patrons, exhibitors and sponsors. Join Deb Gegare, WI DATCP Fairs Coordinator, as she shares these bright ideas she's seen during her fair travels.
27	8:30-9:30 AM	PREPARE TO RESPOND PROGRAM: An animal disease outbreak is a serious threat to public safety, our food, and the economy. Mixing animals and people at livestock events increase the risk for disease outbreaks. This means people who organize, volunteer, and respond to an emergency at livestock events need consistent training to "Prepare2Respond" to an animal disease outbreak. Presented by Marla Calico and Bernie O'Rourke.

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28	9:00AM-1:00PM	TRADE SHOW SET UP
29	10:00AM	<b>SPECIAL PROJECTS ACTIVITY:</b> Join us for fun "Keeping it Rural" activities to get our convention attendees fired up for the start of convention.
30	10:30AM	<b>CONVENTION KICKOFF:</b> Let's get our convention underway with a few fair stories, awards, welcome from special guests and an keynote address.
31		<b>KEYNOTE SPEAKER:</b> Jerry Apps, Meet Me On the Midway
32	12:00PM	<b>SHOWCASE COMMITTEE MEETING</b>
33	12:00PM	<b>LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEE</b>
34	11:30AM-3:00PM	<b>CHULA CONCESSIONS grab and go available at kilbourne grill</b>
35	12:00-1:00PM	<b>WE ARE FAMILY:</b> Back by popular demand, here is your opportunity to get to know as many fair family members as possible in a short time. We are going "speed dating". Whether you are a first time attendee or a life-long convention attendee there is something you can learn from another fair person. Come join the fun and share memories from the past and the present. We're certain you'll make friendships that will take you far into the future.
36	12:00-4:00PM	<b>FAIREST OF THE FAIRS SCRAPBOOKS ON DISPLAY:</b> The Fairest of the Fairs Contestants have brought scrapbooks highlighting their local fairest reign. There will be multiple times in the program to view them and maybe borrow some ideas.
37	1:00-4:00PM	<b>TRADE SHOW OPEN:</b> Come and network with our Associate Members in the trade show with more than 60 booths to visit. Then when you are done in the trade show, be sure to visit the Associates in Vendor Row in the condos. They are great Fair partners for us so be sure to visit as many as you can.
38	1:00PM-2:30PM	<b>LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEE MEETING</b>
39	1:30PM-2:30PM	<b>AUCTION COMMITTEE MEETING</b>
40	2:30PM-3:30PM	<b>RESOLUTIONS &amp; AWARDS COMMITTEE MEETING</b>
41	4:00PM	<b>CHEESE PARTY &amp; AUCTION VIEWING:</b> Join us for snacks, beer and soda, including Wisconsin's favorite, cheese. Then view the items our Fairest of the Fairs Contestants have brought to donate to our auction.
42	5:00PM	<b>FAIREST OF THE FAIRS AUCTION:</b> Bid high and bid often on these amazing Fairest of the Fairs auction items. Proceeds first go back to the Fairest of the Fairs Program, and then to offset convention expenses to keep your registration fees low.
43	7:00PM	<b>SHOWCASE OF ENTERTAINMENT:</b> Enjoy tonight's entertainment from our Associate Members. We are excited to share these talented groups with you. We hope one or more of them will be invited to play your fair.
44	Following Showcase	<b>TIME TO SOCIALIZE!</b> Not been to visit one our Associates yet on Vendor Row, now is your chance. Or if you prefer to stay and network for awhile following the showcase, the Riverview Room is open for that too!

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46	<b>Tuesday, January 10, 2023</b>	
47	<u>Time</u>	<u>Event</u>
48	6:30-9:00AM	GRAND BREAKFAST BUFFET
49	7:00-9:00AM	GRAND BREAKFAST BUFFET
50	8:00-4:00PM	REGISTRATION DESK OPEN
51	8:00-9:00AM	DATCP AG UPDATE: Join Dr. Konkle, WI DATCP Veterinarian for an update on Animal Heath Update, Terminals shows, etc.
52	10:00AM-2:00PM	FAIREST OF THE FAIRS SCRAPBOOKS ON DISPLAY
53	9:30-10:30AM	WORKSHOPS & ROUND TABLES
54	9:30-10:30AM	SESSION #1: FAMILY ENTERTAINMENT SHOWCASE
55	9:30-10:30AM	SESSION #2: NETWORKING FOR FAIRS COUNTY OWNED/RUN
56	9:30-10:30AM	SESSION #3: NETWORKING FOR FAIRS AG SOCIETY OWNED/RUN
57	10:30-11:00AM	COFFEE BREAK
58	10:45AM-11:45PM	WORKSHOP & ROUND TABLES
59	10:45AM-11:45PM	SESSION #4: INSURANCE
60	10:45AM-11:45PM	SESSION #5: AG NETWORKING: Discussion on all things ag at your fair. Where are you finding judges, what type of show guidelines does your fair have in place, and anything else agricultural.
61	10:45AM-11:45PM	SESSION #6: UW EXTENSION to talk about new programs offered.
62	11:45 - 12:30PM	SILENT AUCTION ITEMS RECEIVED: Have an item for our Silent Auction? Now is the time to bring them so the committee can have time to organize for the silent auction. All Member Fairs and Associates are invited to bring donated items.
63	11:30-12:00	ASSOCIATE MEMBER MEETING: All Associate Members are invited to attend a short member meeting to provide feedback on the convention.
64	12:00-3:00PM	TRADE SHOW OPEN: Come and network with our Associate Members in the trade show. More than 60 booths to visit. Then when you are done in the trade show, be sure to visit the Associates in Vendor Row in the condos. They are great Fair partners for us so be sure to visit as many as you can.
65	12:00PM-1:00PM	PREMIUMS COMMITTEE MEETING
66	1:00-4:30PM	SILENT AUCTION OPEN FOR BIDS: View the items and if you find an item or two you like, make a bid. Bids will be open until 7:00 pm.
67	1:00-2:00PM	ICE CREAM BREAK
68	1:00-2:00PM	SESSION #7: WI DATCP FAIRS COORDINATOR UPDATE: Deb Gegare, Fairs Coordinator for the WI DATCP, will give an update from the office including ATCP160, judges, and SharePoint.
69	2:00-4:00PM	ONE-ON-ONE WITH DEB GEGARE: For those members that would like a little more assistance with SharePoint, you can sign up for a one-on-one session. Sign up forms will be available in December on the convention website.
70	3:00-4:00PM	SESSION #8: TAXES, What should be filed for your fair? Differences between being a 501c3 and a 501c5

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71	3:00-4:30PM	<b>FAIREST OF THE FAIRS PRELIMINARIES:</b> Contestants will present at 30 second Radio Advertisement and answer an impromptu question to our convention attendees.
72	6:00pm - 6:45pm	<b>PRESIDENT'S RECEPTION:</b> Join us for a night of snacks, soda and beer.
73	6:00PM	<b>SILENT AUCTION LAST HOUR:</b> Keep bidding! The silent auction closes at 7:00 pm. Thank you for your support!
74	7:00PM	<b>SHOWCASE OF ENTERTAINMENT:</b> Enjoy tonight's entertainment from our Associate Members. We are excited to share these talented groups with you. We hope one or more of them will be invited to play your fair.
75	Following Showcase	<b>LET'S SOCIALIZE!</b> Not been to visit one our Associates yet on Vendor Row, now is your chance. Or if you prefer to stay and network for awhile following the showcase, the Riverview Room is open for that too!
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77	<b>Wednesday, January 11, 2023</b>	
78	<u>Time</u>	<u>Event</u>
79	6:30-9:00AM	<b>GRAND BREAKFAST BUFFET</b>
80	7:00-9:00AM	<b>GRAND BREAKFAST BUFFET</b>
81	8:00AM-4:00PM	<b>REGISTRATION DESK OPEN</b>
82	8:30AM-10:00AM	<b>BUSINESS MEETING:</b> All Fair and Associate Members are invited to attend our Annual Business Meeting. We'll share highlights from this past year and plans for 2023.
83	10:30-11:30AM	<b>DISTRICT MEETINGS</b>
84		<b>DISTRICT 1:</b> Dale Christiansen & Rhonda Klement
85		<b>DISTRICT 2:</b> Jackie Kumm & Linda Degner
86		<b>DISTRICT 3:</b> Amy Olson & Liz Cook
87		<b>DISTRICT 4:</b> Amy Listle & Mary Check
88	10:30-11:30AM	<b>FAIREST COORDINATORS:</b> Q&A with the WAF fairest committee and local fairest coordinators.
89	11:30AM-12:15PM	<b>REFRESHMENT BREAK</b>
90	12:00-1:00	<b>WORKSHOP</b>
91	12:00-1:00	<b>SESSION #9: NATIONAL WEATHER SERVICE:</b> Join Tim Halbach, Chief Meteorologist for the National Weather Service in Sullivan about how the NWS and the State Fair work together when it comes to weather and keeping our fairgoers safe. Additionally, how the NWS can help local fairs around the state.
92	12:00-1:00	<b>SESSION #10:</b> Join Jennifer Dunn, County Fair in Iowa on how they recruit, train, and find volunteers.
93	12:00-1:00	<b>SESSION #11: HOW TO RUN A SPECIAL CONTEST</b>
94	12:00-4:00PM	<b>FAIREST SCRAPBOOKS ON DISPLAY</b>

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95	<b>1:15-2:45</b>	<p><b>SESSION #12: COMMUNICATING A CRISIS:</b> You might think a crisis can't happen at your fair, but it can happen anywhere. When it comes to a crisis, it isn't if, but when, and how bad. It could be anything: a canceled concert, severe weather, animal activists, angry fairgoers, biosecurity issues, protests ... the list goes on. On Opening Day of the 2017 Ohio State Fair, a ride malfunctioned resulting in loss of life and injury. Learn about the firestorm of media coverage and the crisis communications strategies employed to put the out the flames. You'll hear about the lessons that were learned, logistics to plan for, where to turn for help, and will take away strategies you can use to ensure a fair of any size is prepared to communicate in the chance of a crisis.</p>
96	<b>4:30PM-8:30PM</b>	<p><b>AWARDS BANQUET AND FAIREST OF THE FAIRS FINALE:</b> Join us as we wrap up the 2023 convention. We are excited to recognize award winners and select the 2023 WI Fairest of the Fairs. Separate banquet ticket is required.</p>
97	<b>AFTER BANQUET</b>	<p><b>CELEBRATE &amp; CONGRATULATE SOCIAL:</b> Come and introduce yourself to the 2023 Wisconsin Fairest of the Fairs and congratulate our award winners. Join us for a few snacks and cake as we conclude our convention.</p>