

# Livestock Project Newsletter

## May 2023



We hope that each of you are actively involved in your livestock projects. One of the most important things to ensure your safety is to be working with your animal - getting it used to the halter, teaching it to lead, and getting to know your animal in general. You will have a much more rewarding fair experience if you are prepared.

Please read this letter carefully and note the items related to your project requirements and deadlines that need to be completed.

If you have questions or concerns, please contact Steve Hackl, committee chair at [sjhackl85@gmail.com](mailto:sjhackl85@gmail.com) or Vicki [vicki.handschke@outagamie.org](mailto:vicki.handschke@outagamie.org) or contact the resource leaders for the species you are enrolled in.

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**County Fair Livestock Superintendents:** These individuals have been appointed by the Fair Association to be in charge of the youth livestock during county fair. Be sure to show your support and appreciation for their hard work. Beef - Steve Hackl, 920-833-7527 & Sarah Rohloff, 920-676-5098; Sheep - Tim Schroeder, 920-284-5271 & Jimmy Peters, 920-412-5254; Swine - Pat Rynish, 920-450-0090 & Steve Green, 920-362-4025; Meat Goat –Terry Wolter, 920-366-5235 & Morgan Wolter, 920-366-3205.

**Educational Activities** – Youth are required to have **one educational requirement per specie(s) enrolled in.** We had one face to face event on March 25 and then you have the online versions for fulfilling the educational requirements or you can attend the Fitting and Showing Clinic for the species you are enrolled in. You have received emails regarding these opportunities and we are listing them here also. All educational activities are due July 6, 2023.

Please complete the proper verification form and return to Vicki at [vicki.handschke@outagamie.org](mailto:vicki.handschke@outagamie.org) or mail to the Extension Office, Attn: Vicki, 3365 W Brewster St, Appleton WI 54914.

**You can find educational activities for Beef, Sheep, Swine and Goats at this link:**

<https://fyi.extension.wisc.edu/youthlivestock/anisci-educational-programs/>. Scroll down the page and look through the many options. Choose a recording or learning activity for your species.

Also on this page (blue hyperlink) is the **Educational Verification Form.** Please click on the hyperlink, print, fill out, and **return to Vicki by July 6.**

**Fitting & Showing Clinics** – Goats – Saturday, June 10, 10 a.m.; Sheep – Thursday, June 15, 7 p.m.; Swine – Tuesday, June 20, 7 p.m.; Beef – Thursday, June 22, 7 p.m.

**NEW this year.** The livestock committee has decided to award \$25.00 dollars to the youth the puts up the most sale posters in businesses. You must submit a picture for proof/confirmation for validation. Take a picture of yourself with the poster at the place of the displayed. First come first serve. Submit (e-mail) the photo to [donaldj@frontiernet.net](mailto:donaldj@frontiernet.net) only one photo per business will be accepted.

Posters will be ready at the species showing and fitting clinics. Any questions can be directed to Diane Jarvis 715-630-0811.

**February Livestock Newsletter and Project Guidelines** can be found here:

<https://outagamie.extension.wisc.edu> go to 4-H Youth/Project Opportunities/Livestock

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### State Fair Exhibitors –

Age Requirement Animal Shows: Participation in Wisconsin State Fair Junior livestock and small animal shows (beef, dairy cattle, boer and dairy goats, poultry, rabbits, sheep and swine) is open to any Wisconsin resident 12-19 years of age as of January 1st of the current year and have completed YQCA certification. Youth Expo: Participation in the Wisconsin State Fair Youth Expo Department is open to any Wisconsin resident 12-19 years of age as of January 1st of the current year.

Junior Livestock entry deadline is May 24. For updates and reminders go to [http://www.wistatefair.com/pdfs/competitions/entry\\_info/whats\\_new\\_junior.pdf](http://www.wistatefair.com/pdfs/competitions/entry_info/whats_new_junior.pdf) Questions regarding entering the 2023 Wisconsin State Fair can be emailed to: [entryoffice@wistatefair.com](mailto:entryoffice@wistatefair.com) or call 1-414-266-7052 (Monday-Friday). Mailing address: WI State Fair, Entry/Agriculture Dept., 640 S 84th St, West Allis, WI 53214.

### County Fair Animal Health Regulations

Health rules for exhibiting livestock at county fair in July are posted at [www.outagamiecountyfair.com](http://www.outagamiecountyfair.com) select [entries/contests](#) then [health rules](#). Note – swine require a certificate of veterinary inspection (CVI), also known as a health certificate, which needs to be signed by your veterinarian. The swine show is a non-terminal show. All hogs coming to the fairgrounds must be accompanied with a paper copy of a negative test PRRS and PEVD virus per farm. If you have further questions regarding the health rules, please consult with your veterinarian.

**All youth entering in Showmanship in any species must have an animal entered in a regular animal class for that same species.**

The fair must maintain records of persons who have exhibited at the fair and the identification of animals shown for five years. Acceptable forms of animal identification for breeding animals are: 1) An official metal ear tag number, 2) A breed registration number, 3) A breed registration tattoo. Breeding sheep need a scrapie tag. For market animals, an official ear tag number purchased from the Livestock Committee prior to the fair may be used. The number must be on the fair entry form. **Premise ID is to be included on the fair entry form.** Premise ID's can be applied for or renewed at [www.wiid.org](http://www.wiid.org). The premise ID is where the animal is raised.

**Animal Fees REQUIRED** for ALL Open and Junior Fair animal exhibits housed during the fair.

- Animal Fee totals will be determined after your online entry has been received. Exhibitors will receive an email with the amount due and payment options within 10 days after entry deadline.
- Animal Fees must be paid to the Outagamie County Fair by July 15 for Junior Fair.
- There will be NO refunds for animal exhibits entered, but not brought to the fair.

County Fair Entry Day: Entry of animal exhibits to the county fair activity is Wednesday, July 19, 10 am - 6 pm. All market animals need to be brought in by the time of scheduled weigh-in and ultrasound times (see General Fair Information). Should it be a warm day, please give careful consideration to the transporting of your animals. Livestock may be brought to the fairgrounds with superintendent's prior approval to the date of Tuesday, July 18.

### After Fair Cleanup - Workers Needed

Adults and youth 14 or older are invited to participate in cleanup on Monday following the fair. Work will start at 8:00 a.m. Please send an email to [Outagamiecofair@yahoo.com](mailto:Outagamiecofair@yahoo.com) if you are able to work. Please indicate in the email your age.

**Keep the Livestock Expo and washing racks clean – the county fair is an opportunity to promote agriculture to the public. Please clean up from clipping & shearing. No feeding on the wash racks**

## General Fair Information

- All members need to sign the “Code of Conduct” form (one per family) and return to the Fair Association. Go to <https://outagamiecountyfair.com/junior-fair/> to get more information and the form.
- **Weigh-In/Ultrasound:** Remember that your animals may only be weighed one time! Weigh in will be in the livestock expo judging arena. Exhibitor must have carcass paper entry tag present at time of weigh-in/ultrasound.
  - Meat goats and sheep will be weighed 11:30 a.m.-12:00 p.m.
  - Swine will be weighed Tuesday 3-7 p.m.; Wednesday 7 a.m.-3 p.m. Ultrasounding will be 12:00-3:30 p.m.
  - Beef will be weighed 3:30-4:30 p.m.
- **Animal ID & Vet Check/Drug History** form. Please bring 1 per species per exhibitor when you weigh in animals. No drug history slip, no weigh in. Forms can be found at <https://outagamiecountyfair.com/junior-fair/>
- **Tents** that are up to clip and fit your animals are to be up the day of the show only and cleaned up from leftover preparation.
- **Photo needed:** Each exhibitor must present a photo (**horizontal** - no smaller than 3" x 5" and no larger than 4" x 6") of the exhibitor and animal to be sold in the envelope provided by the livestock committee to the Announcers Station in the Livestock Expo with your name and club on the back. After the animal is sold, the exhibitor picks up the photo and presents this to the buyer.
- **Ear Tag Replacement:** Any project member that needs to have an animal ear tag replaced must contact the respective project superintendent prior to county fair.

## Livestock Judging Schedule

If any superintendent feels that your animal is out of control/dangerous, they have the right to pull that animal out of the ring. All swine, sheep & beef animals will be judged in the Livestock Expo.

The schedule for the judging of livestock at the county fair this year is as follows. Members are responsible to have their animal in the show ring when their class is called.

### Wednesday, July 19, 4:00 p.m. - Dairy Arena

- Pet Goat
- Meat goat breed
- Market goat
- Meat goat showmanship
- Dairy goat breed (milkers, never freshened)
- Dairy goat showmanship
- Open class goat classes

### Thursday, July 20, 7:45 a.m.

- Swine market classes
- Swine showmanship classes
- Open Class swine classes

### Thursday, July 20, 3:30 p.m. -

- Sheep breed classes
- Sheep market classes
- Sheep showmanship classes
- Lead line classes
- Open Class sheep classes

### Friday, July 21, 8:00 a.m.

- Feeder calf classes
- Beef market classes
- Beef breed classes
- Beef showmanship classes
- Open Class beef classes

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*If an exhibitor is unable to exhibit their project, they may have another junior exhibitor from our county who is enrolled in the livestock project show their animal. This does not apply to any showmanship classes. The substitute must have your exhibitor number displayed on their back.*

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### Beef Exhibitors

The bedding pack will be no higher than 8” to help offset the cost of manure disposal.

### Swine Exhibitors

- The swine show is a **non-terminal** show.
- There is *only one designated* spot for unloading – all hogs must be unloaded at the loading dock.

### All Livestock Animal Exhibitors

- 4-H Livestock Committee will only pay for the trucking of the Market Sale animals. Upon release from fairgrounds, it is the exhibitor’s responsibility to arrange and pay for trucking of animals that are not in the Market Sale.
- Special Sales Slip Must be submitted: Exhibitors selling animals in the sale must submit a sales slip with necessary information **within 30 minutes after market animal judging of the respective species. NO LATE SALES SLIPS.** Sales slips must be turned in at the judging table in the arena of the Livestock Expo. Slips will be handed out during the weigh-in on Wednesday, July 19.

**Volunteers Needed: Parents, leaders and members are needed to help set up, conduct and clean up from the livestock shows and sale. Every family needs to help make the sale a success. To sign up, go to this link <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10c0e4daaae2da1f94-2021>.**

No Drinking Alcoholic Beverages or Smoking inside Livestock Expo: Show pride in your livestock project exhibits to our fair attendees.

**County Youth Livestock Sale Friday, July 21: The live animal sale begins at 6:30 pm (small animal at 5:30)** Sale of champions is at 7:00 p.m. Those of you that meet the county livestock sale requirements set by the livestock committee will have the opportunity to sell your market animal in the sale. Please do your part in helping to have a successful sale. Remember an exhibitor must have one-year experience showing a species at the Outagamie County Junior Fair before being able to sell that species in their 2<sup>nd</sup> year. Also, YQCA certification due by July 6 is required to sell an animal.

Sale Brochures: one is included in this mailing. Please use to promote the sale! If you need more brochures, stop in at the Extension office and pick up additional brochures from Vicki.

### Pictures/Bios for the large visual screen during Auction

- Photo and Bio **Due July 1**
- Email a photo of yourself - this picture does not need to include the animal since we will be having live animals at the sale. This picture will be one that you want your sale buyers, bidders and supporters to see! Please look presentable!
- Short Bio – Name, Parents names, club, years of showing livestock (4-H/FFA), future goal, fun fact
- Submit your photo’s/bios to [outagamiecountyyouthexhibitors@gmail.com](mailto:outagamiecountyyouthexhibitors@gmail.com)

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**Thank You Letter to Sale Buyers Required:** All exhibitors who qualify for the sale must provide a stamped, correctly addressed envelope with thank you letter to their respective buyer(s). A drop box will be provided at the fair for exhibitors to deposit their unsealed thank you letter by Sunday 12:30 p.m. Location of drop box will be announced during the shows. Exhibitor needs to supply the thank you card and stamped envelope (not sealed). Please write legibly. Thank you letters will be reviewed and if unacceptable, exhibitor will be asked to rewrite the thank you letter.



Superintendents will mail out all exhibitor thank you letters. Exhibitors that do not provide the necessary thank you letter will not receive sale check until letter has been submitted to the superintendents.

**\*Mailing Addresses will be posted at the fair on Saturday and Sunday, please use postal address.**

Any questions should be directed to Superintendents of your specie. Watch the Outagamie County Livestock Youth Facebook page for updates.

**Appreciation Meal:** Kelsey's Country Kitchen will be catering this year that will be served during the Livestock Sale on July 21 at the Outagamie County fair. The meal will begin at 4:00 p.m. and continue to be available during the entire sale as well as after the sale. This will allow buyers, bidders, exhibitors and their families to have more options as to when they wish to enjoy the meal. Complimentary tickets will be provided to buyers, bidders, exhibitors and their parents as they have in the past. Extra tickets will be available for purchase to guests who wish to enjoy the meal.

### **Facebook Page**

Go to our Facebook page **Outagamie County Livestock Youth**. This page will be used to support the livestock youth in Outagamie County. This page will provide them information, activities, reminders, pictures, and support your livestock project.

### **Pork Pals Spectacular**

July 22 | Time TBD

Join us for the Pork Pals Spectacular at the Outagamie County Fair! Pork Pals participants will have the opportunity to experience showing a pig and to learn more about livestock!

WHO: Youth with a disability between 7th-12th grade. Each participant will be paired with youth mentors and a pig.

WHAT: The participants will learn how to work with their pig and mentors. A judge will assess how the mentor, participant and pig communicate. There are bleachers surrounding the show ring for spectators for viewing.

COST: \$5/participant.

PLEASE NOTE: There are a variety of activities, lights and sounds at Outagamie County Fair and in the Livestock Expo. Please bring any calming or auditory devices necessary to enhance this opportunity for your participant. Parents and/or guests are encouraged to watch the show from the bleachers but will not be allowed in the show ring during the Show.

QUESTIONS? Please call: Danielle Angotti at 920-841-0816. Registration and release form available:

<https://outagamie.extension.wisc.edu/4-h-youth-development/livestock/>

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**Master Showman competition** will be held Saturday, July 22 after the Pork Pals Spectacular in the Livestock Building.

Four youth livestock members, one member representing each category, Beef, Swine, Sheep, and Goats will have the chance to compete against one another. Each of the Supreme Champions will show one animal from each species.

Master Showman consists of the Supreme Showman from each livestock species: Beef, Swine, Sheep and Goats. The Supreme Showman is chosen from the top Showman of each age group in each species. A youth that has won Supreme Showman in more than one species will be asked to choose which species they would like to represent. The Reserve Supreme Showman will then be asked to represent that species in Master Showman. If the Grand Champion decides they do not want to participate then the Reserve Grand Champion will be allowed to participate in their place.

If anyone has any questions, please feel free to reach out to any of the livestock committee members or email [outagamiecountyyouthexhibitors@gmail.com](mailto:outagamiecountyyouthexhibitors@gmail.com).

**An Ice-cream Social will be held at the fairgrounds in replacement of the Recognition Banquet at which time checks will be available for pick-up. Date/Time: TBD (planning in August)**

**Norman Maass Memorial Scholarship Program:** The Norman Maass Memorial Scholarship was established in 1983 by the Maass family. A \$200 scholarship is awarded annually by Maass Livestock & Grain Farm, Inc. of Seymour. Applicants must have participated in the Outagamie County youth livestock program for a minimum of three years, be high school graduates and be enrolled in some post high school program with preference in the area of agriculture study. Applications are due July 21. The form can be found on our website at <https://outagamie.extension.wisc.edu> go to 4-H tab / project opportunities / livestock.

*Thank You County Youth Livestock Committee: On behalf of the project members and families, we would like to express our heartfelt appreciation to the members of the 2023 Youth Livestock Committee for all the time and hard work they have devoted to making this program continue to succeed. Please be sure to acknowledge these dedicated people.*