

McCurtain County Free Fair Official Fair Book September 11, 2009

Horse Show Rules and Regulations

McCurtain County

McCurtain County Free Fair 2009 Schedule of Events

Tuesday, September 8

8:00am entries Open
7:00pm Entries Close
7:30pm Miss McCurtain County Pageant

Wednesday, September 9

8:00am to 12:00pm-- Livestock Entries Only
9:00am Rabbit and Poultry Judging
9:00 am Exhibit Judging
12:00pm Livestock Entries Close (All Cards Due) and Animals in Place
2:00pm Judge Breeding Sheep followed by Market Lambs
5:00pm Carnival Opens thru Saturday Night
5:00 Goat Judging

Thursday, September 10

1:00pm Judging Breeding Cattle (Heifers then Bulls) followed by Market Steers
4:00pm Judge Breeding Gilts followed by Market Swine

Friday, September 11

SCHOOL DAY_ SPECIAL CARNIVAL ATTRACTIONS
10:00am Parade (Downtown Idabel)
1:00pm Livestock Judging Contest
5:30pm Horse Show Registration at the Rodeo Arena
6:00pm Horse Show Begins at the Rodeo Arena

Saturday, September 12

10:00am Tractor Driving Contest
10:00am Talent Show
5:00pm Parade Winners Announced at Pre-Dinner
5:30pm Business Appreciation Dinner
6:00pm Awards Presentation & Premium Sale of Animals

Horse Show

Pete Ashlintubbi, Superintendent

The rules are intended to establish uniform regulations and procedures for qualifying participants in the McCurtain County Free Fair. Only the horsemanship phase of the 4-H and FFA program is affected by these rules and classes are only offered that fit a large majority of Junior horse project members.

Location, Date & Time

1. Horse Show will be at the Rodeo Grounds across the road from the Fair Grounds.
2. The Horse Show will be on Friday, **Sept. 11, 2009**.
3. Registration will begin at 5:30 p.m. The show will be held at 6 p.m.
4. No horse will be kept on show grounds except for Friday, **Sept. 11, 2009**.

Eligibility of Participants

1. Ownership requirements: Manage at least one horse or pony at any age or breed as a horsemanship project. The horse must be owned by the member, his/her parents, siblings or guardian. The horse must be owned and certified as a project for at least ninety (90) days prior to the County Fair.
2. The contestant may enter any one or all-eligible classes.
3. Exhibitors must present their own entries. (No substitute exhibitors).
4. Halter judging will be based on the horse only.
5. Showmanship will be considered a performance event.
6. An electric timer with a backup stopwatch shall be used in the timed events. If the electric timer is not available, at least two stopwatches shall be used with the average time of the watches to be used as the official time.
7. The standard rules set forth by the Oklahoma State 4-H Department and the State FFA will apply at all levels of competition.
8. No rerun will be given to any contestant due to contestant equipment failure or accident to horse or rider.
9. In the event of a tie in a timed event a runoff will be held to determine the placings. The contestant declared the winner in the runoff must run the pattern in not more than two (2) seconds over the original time or the runoff must be held again.
10. The Show Committee will carry out the management of the show. Any protest arising from an event must be filled in writing upon conclusion of the show.
11. The judge's decision shall be final. When an exhibitor or exhibitor's parent, leader or others are guilty of unsportsmanlike conduct, the show management may suspend such exhibitor's right to participate in future classes for a period as the judge deems appropriate.
12. Stallions will not be shown at the McCurtain County Fair.
13. All horses must have a negative Coggins certificate dated within 12 months of the show. These certificates must be presented when the exhibitor is registering for the show.
14. Horses competing may be registered or grade animals.
15. The first place winner in the pony halter is eligible to compete for grand champion mare/gelding and the second place pony is eligible to compete for reserve champion mare/gelding.

McCurtain County Junior Horse Show 4-H Sponsored

Halter Classes

1. Pony (14.2 hands and under).
2. Mares (4 years/under).
3. Mares (5 years/over).
4. Miniature Horses (under 38 inches).
5. Fillies born on or after Jan. 1 of current year
6. Colts and Geldings born on or after Jan 1 of current year

Grand and Reserve Champion Mares

7. Geldings (4 years/under).
8. Geldings (5 years/over).

Grand and Reserve Champion Gelding Performance Classes

9. Showmanship at Halter (13/under).
10. Showmanship at Halter (14-19).
11. Walk/Trot (13/under).
12. Walk/Trot (14-19).
13. Western Pleasure (13/under).
14. Western Pleasure (14-19).
15. Western Horsemanship (13/under).
16. Western Horsemanship (14-19).

Timed Events

17. Barrel Racing (13/under).
18. Barrel Racing (14-19).
19. Pole Bending (13/under).
20. Pole Bending (14-19).
21. Keyhole (13/under).
22. Keyhole (14-19).
23. Flag Race (13/under).
24. Flag Race (14-19).

Awards

First through fifth place ribbons will be awarded. In addition, 1st place will receive \$3; 2nd place \$2; and 3rd place \$1.

At the conclusion of the show, an award will be presented to the high point performance and the high point timed events horse in each age division (13/under and 14-19).

Halter class placings will count toward high points in the performance horse division.

In addition, an award will be presented to a performer in each age division (13/under and 14-19) that has not previously won an award for high point performance or high point timed events horse that has not won more than \$50.

Show management will determine the point system.

Exhibitors must have entered a minimum of four (4) classes to be eligible for the high point awards.