



August 5 - 8, 2026

ALL TIMES SUBJECT TO CHANGE

RULES MAY HAVE CHANGED. PLEASE REVIEW CATEGORIES

TBD – Fair Set up

July 26th, 2026 (Sunday)

9:00 AM Queens Contest – Interviews & Speeches will take place at the Extension Office, riding portion to follow at the Union County Fair Grounds Rodeo Arena

August 5, 2026 (Wednesday)

6:00 AM Fair Barn Open

8:00 AM **ALL** Livestock and Horse in place

8:15 AM Weigh & Classify Livestock

*Cattle will start followed by swine/sheep/goats

*Weigh & Scan Production Steers immediately following weigh in of all other livestock

8 AM to 10 AM Check in – Indoor Exhibits (Tin Barn)

10:00 AM **ALL** Rabbit/Poultry/Waterfowl in place

10 AM to 5PM Tin Barn Closed for Judging and Display Set Up

1:00 PM Production Cattle Test & Visual Judging

4:00 PM **Horse Show**

5:00 PM Doors open to Exhibition – Tin Barn

9:00 PM Fair Barn Closes – Everyone must exit

August 6, 2026 (Thursday)

- 6:00 AM Fair Barn Open
- 8:00 AM Tin Barn open for Peddlers Market set-up
- 9:00 AM **Judging Meat Pen Rabbit, Individual Rabbit to Follow**
- 10:00 AM **Judging Meat Pen Poultry, Individual Poultry to Follow**
- 10:00 AM Peddlers Market Open
- 1:30 PM Clayton FFA Fundraiser - Barnyard Olympics/\$2 Tug of War/Cornhole (Open to the Community) – Event TBD
- 6:00 PM **Judging Market Swine**
- 9:00 PM Fair Barn Closes – Everyone must exit

August 7, 2026 (Friday)

- 6:00 AM Fair Barn Open
- 8:00 AM Tin Barn Open for Peddlers Market Set-Up
- 9:00 AM **Judging Breeding and Market Sheep**
- 10:00 AM Tin Barn Open for Peddlers Market
- 11:00 AM **Judging Meat Goats** (or one hour Following Sheep show)
- 1:00 PM NSWCD Ranch Management Contest (immediately following goat pictures)
- 4:00 PM Bucket Calf Contest
- 5:30 PM **Judging Breeding Cattle & Dairy**
- 6:00PM **Judging Market Beef**
- 9:00 PM Fair Barn Closes – Everyone must Exit

August 8, 2026 (Saturday)

- 6:00 AM Fair Barn Open
- 7:00 Swine Sale Photos
- 9:00 AM Tin Barn Open for Peddlers Market
- 11:00 AM Junior Pet Show (livestock show ring)
- 2:00 PM Peddlers Market must be Cleared out

- 3:00 PM Production Steer Results Meeting at Sale Ring
- 3:00 PM OPEN INDOOR CHECKOUT ONLY (ALL 4-H INDOOR EXHIBITS WILL BE CHECKED OUT ON SUNDAY)
- 3:00 PM Buyers Meal Set Up
- 4:00 PM Buyers Meal (Hosted by Des Moines FFA Alumni)
- 5:45 PM **4-H Indoor Exhibit Awards Program**
- 6:00 PM **Junior Livestock Sale**
- 9:00PM Fair Barn Closes – Everyone must exit

August 9, 2026 (Sunday)

9:00 AM Tear Down/Clean Up/4-H Indoor Exhibit Checkout

Buckles, Banners, and Showmanship Awards will be handed out at individual shows. A running Slideshow in the eating area will list winners.

All non-sale animals will be allowed, but not required, to be released following their shows with approval of the species superintendent. If you are unsure of which animals will be sale animals, they must be left on grounds.

ALL ANIMALS MUST BE CHECKED OUT WITH THE SUPERINTENDANT PRIOR TO LEAVING GROUNDS.

Fair Entry Deadline: July 26th	
<u>Entry Fees</u>	
Tin Barn (4-H & Open Indoor Exhibits)	\$10/Entry
Cattle.....	\$35/Head
Production Cattle.....	\$15/Head
Horse.....	\$30/Head
Swine.....	\$30/Head
Sheep.....	\$25/Head
Goat.....	\$25/Head
Individual Rabbit.....	\$10/Entry
Meat Pen Rabbit	\$20/Pen
Individual Poultry.....	\$10/Entry
Meat Pen Poultry	\$20/Pen

CASH/CHECKS MUST BE POST MARKED BY July 26th AND SENT TO:

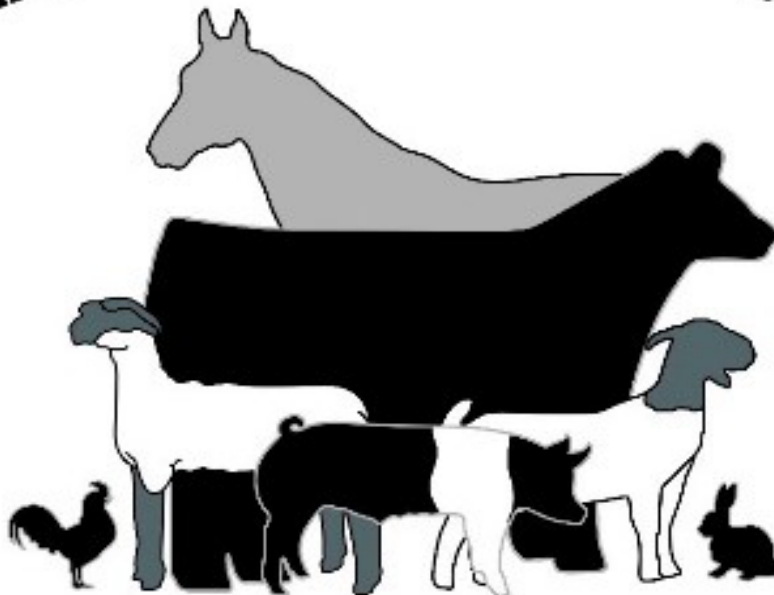
Union County Fair Association (UCFA)

General Rules & Regulations

1. General rules shall apply in all cases except where Special Department rules state otherwise.
2. All livestock entries must be in place by 8:00 am Wednesday (unless otherwise stated in Special Department Rules) and entries **can leave upon superintendent approval following their shows**, unless otherwise stated. All Rabbit/Poultry/Waterfowl in place by 10:00 am. **All non-sale animals will be allowed, but not required, to be released following their shows with approval of the species superintendent. If you are unsure of which animals will be sale animals, they must be left on grounds. ALL ANIMALS MUST BE CHECKED OUT WITH THE SUPERINTENDANT PRIOR TO LEAVING GROUNDS. IF AN ANIMAL THAT IS ELIGIBLE FOR THE SALE IS TAKEN OFF GROUNDS, THEY WILL NOT BE ALLOWED BACK ON GROUNDS.**
3. Any exhibit not removed by 7:00 pm Saturday will become property of the Fair unless previous arrangements have been made with the manager of the Fair.
4. Special awards offered by those other than the Fair Association will be awarded on the grounds.
5. Buckles, Banners or Ribbons or Awards will be given at each show or event.
6. A judge may, at his/her discretion, withhold any or all prizes where the animal or article is not worthy of an award.
7. Every precaution will be taken to ensure the safety of all exhibits, but in no case will the UCFA be responsible for loss or injury to an exhibit.
8. Judges shall not award more than one prize to a single exhibit in any class unless so stated in special rules.
9. All animals presented for exhibition shall be free from contagious and infectious diseases and shall, if deemed necessary by the superintendent, be subjected to examination upon arrival at the Fairgrounds. Animals may be removed immediately if found contagious by vet inspection.

10. Each exhibitor will be responsible for their animal and must always keep them in show condition. Stalls and pens must be neatly kept. The walkway should be free of tack, feeding pans, etc.
11. Stalls for livestock will be furnished when entry fee is paid. All feed for livestock must be supplied by the individual exhibitor.
12. Livestock Exhibitors are strongly encouraged to use pellets for animal bedding rather than shavings. IF SHAVINGS ARE USED, EXHIBITORS WILL BE RESPONSIBLE FOR CLEANING UP ALL OF THE SHAVINGS FROM THEIR PEN AREAS FOLLOWING THE SALE OR SALE CHECKS WILL BE WITHHELD. This will be strongly enforced.
13. Non-compliance with general rules, department rules and special rules shall be sufficient cause to disqualify any exhibit and prizes will not be awarded on such disqualified exhibit.
14. 4-H and FFA members must be in good standing with Union County Extension office or with the organizational advisors by meeting all requirements and commitments.
15. ALL RULES and REGULATIONS are subject to change at board discretion. The information may be updated periodically. It is the participant's responsibility to ensure compliance with the most recent regulations.
16. Jr. Livestock Exhibitors must meet age requirements for 4-H members and/or membership requirements for FFA members. Exhibitors cannot be older than 19 years of age as of January 1st of the current show year.

Union County Fair



Judges 2025

Beef:	Keri Crist	Fort Sumner, NM
Swine:	Keri Crist	Fort Sumner, NM
Sheep:	Keri Crist	Fort Sumner, NM
Goat:	Keri Crist	Fort Sumner, NM
Horse:	Kendra Werner	Estancia, NM
Rabbit:	Katie Snider	Ralls, TX
Poultry:	Katie Snider	Ralls, TX

Union County Fair Association

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THANKS

The Union County Fair Association acknowledges the fine assistance of the Union County Extension Service, the Vocational Education Departments of Union County and the other organizations listed below:

Union County Extension Service

Talisha Valdez County Extension Ag/4-H Agent/Director
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JUNIOR LIVESTOCK DEPARTMENT

General Superintendent: Solon Riley

Entries Close: July 26

SPECIAL RULES:

1. All contestants must be 4-H or FFA members in Union County for the current year.
2. All exhibitors must adhere to the general, special and division, rules and regulations. To include prohibited acts, penalties as well as understand and sign the Wholesome Meat Act for all animals sold under the fair association.
3. All members exhibiting livestock should accompany their exhibit, care for it and show it. If the club member who owns the animal cannot be present, another club member may be allowed care for and show the animal upon prior approval with fair board.
4. All livestock must be in place by 8:00 am Wednesday. Poultry/Rabbits in place by 10:00 am Wednesday.
5. **All animals must be show ready. All livestock must be clipped and show ready before unloading on the fairgrounds. There will be NO full body clipping in or near the barns. Touch ups only outside of barn. This rule will be enforced.**
6. **All market animals will be weighed. A quality check sift will be held at the scales, any animal not making sift will not be judged and will be asked to be removed.**
7. A Junior Livestock Auction Sale will be held at 6:00 pm Saturday for those wishing to sell their livestock. No animal can be sold more than once if it has already been through a UCFA Livestock Sale (Example: Exhibitor "A" sold animal Tag #123 in 2012 and the animal tag #123 was donated back, Exhibitor "B" (or "A") can showcase animal tag #123 in following years, but cannot sell that same animal in any UCFA Livestock Sale after 2012 Sale).
8. No breeding stock will be sold through the auction ring.
9. Exhibitors may show as many animals in one class as he/she wants.
10. **An entry fee of \$35.00 per head on market cattle and an additional \$15.00 per head if participating in the production cattle contest, \$30.00 per head on horse and swine; \$25.00 per head on goats and sheep; \$10.00 per individual a piece or \$20.00 per meat pen for poultry and rabbits. Entry blanks will be furnished to exhibitors and entries on all livestock will be closed July 26th. The entry fees must be accompanied by entries. Mail forms to UCFA, PO BOX 29, Clayton, NM 88415.**
11. Horses may be removed from fairgrounds starting one hour after the completion of the show.
12. **All market animals must meet weight requirements to be eligible to show.**
13. All market and breeding exhibitors are required to sign a Youth Quality Meat Assurance Certificate (Wholesome Meat Act) form before sale.
14. Upon weighing in livestock animals, **the weigh master's decision is FINAL in all weights of livestock.**
15. Superintendents (in agreement with Fair Board members) reserve the right to have animals removed from the fairgrounds if deemed necessary for the health and/or safety of animals and people. Animals must be removed from the premises immediately following the decision.
16. **All horse exhibitors (4-H or FFA Members) must have horse certificates turned into Extension office by April 15 of the current year. THIS WILL BE ENFORCED.**

17. Horses and all livestock must be owned or managed by the exhibitor at least 75% of the time to be eligible to show. THIS WILL BE ENFORCED.
18. **ALL animals must be declared on whether they are going home, to the packer, or through the Junior Livestock Sale by Friday NO LATER THAN 1 HOUR following the steer show. Grand and Reserve Champion Animals must also declare to opt into the Continual Fair Scholarship along with the regional or state fair they plan to attend on the sale sheet provided (see scholarship rules). There will be no other arrangements allowed after Friday.**
19. Participants are **encouraged** to write thank you notes to donors of the awards received during the Union County Fair.
20. **If any exhibitor or their friends or family interferes or shows disrespect with the judges, the fair board directors, superintendents, or any volunteer workers of the fair; the fair board reserves the right to take steps to deal with the inappropriate behaviors.**
21. 4-H and FFA exhibitors should complete a treatment/shot record for all species shown at the Union County Fair. A copy may be requested as per the Wholesome Meat Act. A form may be obtained for use from the fair book or from your 4-H office or FFA Advisors. Any vaccination or treatments provided to animal(s) should be recorded.
22. All market livestock health, safety, and soundness checks will take place at the scales. Upon weigh-in, if there are any issues that arise, per Superintendent discretions, consequences may take place. Fair board along with a certified Veterinary, may be consulted. If an animal is deemed unable to show – it must be removed from show barn immediately following the decision.
23. **All horses, livestock, and breeding stock will be checked for soundness and must be manageable upon arrival. If there are any issues that arise, per Superintendent discretions, consequences will take place. The fair board, and potentially as needed, a certified Veterinary, may be consulted. If an animal is deemed unable to show or is not manageable – it must be removed from fairgrounds immediately following the decision.**
24. Market beef, swine and lamb classes will be divided on a percentage basis provided that all classes are filled.
25. ALL RULES and REGULATIONS are subject to change at board discretion. The information may be updated periodically. It is the participant's responsibility to ensure compliance with the most recent regulations.
26. A Parade of Champions will be held during the Awards Ceremony before the Union County Junior Livestock Sale. **All Grand and Reserve Champion Animals are required to be present for the Parade of Champions must bring banners with you for presentation.**

Prohibited Acts

1. *The injection use or administration of any drug to the animal that is prohibited by Federal, State, or Local Law or any drug that is used in a manner prohibited by Federal, State or Local Law.*
2. *The injection or internal or external administration of any product or material, whether gas, solid, or liquid, to an animal for the purpose of deception, including concealing, enhancing, or transforming the true conformation, configuration, color, breed, condition, or age or by making the appear sounder than otherwise appear.*
3. *The administration or use or application of any drug or feed additive affecting the central nervous system.*
4. *The administration of: diuretics for cosmetic purposes, tissue manipulation, removal, surgical attachment or otherwise to change, conceal, enhance, or transform the true conformation or configuration of the animal with the exception of any of the following: foot and hoof management, castration and dehorning. Attaching to the hide foreign objects including hair or hair substitutes, cloth or fiber for the purpose of deception.*
5. *Any physical or physiological attempt to alter the natural musculature or weight by use of injections or ingested material not conducive to the continued health or marketability of bovine, sheep, swine or goat carcass or for deception.*
6. *Violation of the Wholesome Meat Act.*
7. *Violation of the Union County Fair General Rules, Junior Livestock Department rules, Junior Livestock Sale rules or any division or special rules listed in this book. This includes the manipulation of documents or providing false statement as to effect of ownership of an animal and its eligibility to be exhibited at the Union County Fair.*

Exhibitor Responsibility:

It is the sole responsibility of the Exhibitor to follow all rules contained herein. Extent of knowledge on the part of the Exhibitor regarding the animal being subject to any prohibited act is not relevant to any issue, and it shall not be a defense that a person or person's unknown subjected the animal to any prohibited act.

Penalties

An Exhibitor who violates any of the rules contained herein, or whose animal is found to be in violation of the rules is subject to:

An Exhibitor who violates any of the rules contained herein, or whose animal is found to be in violation of the rules is subject to:

- 1. May permanently bar such animal from competition at the Union County Fair.*
- 2. May bar the exhibitor from entering and/or participating at the Union County Fair.*
- 3. May bar the Exhibitor, the Exhibitor's Family, representatives or agents or any or all of them from any further participation in the Union County Fair.*
- 4. May submit the name and address of the Exhibitor and action taken against Exhibitor to other cooperating Livestock Exhibitions, Shows and Sales, affecting eligibility.*
- 5. Awards may be withheld. In the event any awards shall have been given by the Union County Fair to an animal in violation of these rules, the Exhibitor will, upon demand by the Union County Fair Association, immediately return all awards given to such animal.*
- 6. The Exhibitor may forfeit all money derived from the Union County Livestock sale.*

Person's Involved in Prohibited Act:

Any person that in any way performs any prohibited act, with or without the owner's permission, may be forever barred from showing at the Union County Fair. In addition, the case will be turned over to an appropriate authority.

Any sponsoring Agent, Advisor or Person associated with the sponsoring Agent, Advisor, Leader, Parent or Guardians who are found to be involved with the encouragement of prohibited acts may be barred from future participation at the Union County Fair.

Youth Meat Quality Assurance Certification

Wholesome Meat Act

The Management of the County Fair endorses and supports the USDA Wholesome Meat Act.

Management also recommends that all youth that are exhibiting market and/or breeding animal projects should comply with the 10 Good Production Practices listed below:

- Identify and Track All Treated Animals
- Maintain Medication and Treatment Records
- Properly Store, Label, and Account for all Drug Products and Medicated Feeds
- Obtain and Use Veterinary Prescription Drugs only based on a Valid Veterinarian/Client/Patient Relationship
- Use Drug Residue Testing when Appropriate.
- Establish an Efficient and Effective Health Management Program
- Provide Proper Animal Care
- Follow appropriate Feed Processor Procedures
- Complete a quality Assurance Checklist Annually

The member/family agrees and consents to abide by the rules of competition and will be in compliance with the proper labeled use of medications and additives as required under the USDA Wholesome Meat Act. Will comply with the Food and Drug Administration (FDA) regulation, 21 CFR 589.2000, prohibiting the feed of any mammalian/ruminant-derived protein (meat and bone meal) to cattle and other animals.

All market animals (beef, swine, lambs, and goats) may be tested for anti-inflammatory, diuretics, antibiotics, steroids, tranquilizers, and other foreign substances via urine/blood/tissue/testing. If substance(s) are found at a prohibited level in blood, urine, tissue, hide or carcasses of animals at time of testing or following slaughter or if there is any evidence of unethical fitting, sabotage and/or tampering, the participant may, including but not limited to forfeit awards, sale proceeds, and premiums. All animals may be subject to be tested.

Circle Specie or Species that will be exhibited (only one sheet needed per exhibitor):

Beef

Goats

Sheep

Swine

Rabbits

Poultry

Our signatures indicate that we have read and understand the above statements.

Exhibitor Name (Please Print) _____ Exhibitor Signature _____

Parent/Guardian (Please Print) _____ Parent/ Guardian Signature _____

Date _____

SHOWMANSHIP

SHEEP, GOATS, SWINE, CATTLE, HORSES, POULTRY & RABBITS

Rabbit, Poultry, Sheep, Goats, Swine, and Cattle showmanship contests will be held during their shows. They will be judged in their classes by undisclosed judges. Horse will have their own separate showmanship class following the Champion Drive.

The showmanship classes will be divided as follows:

Senior, Junior, Mini (Novice) and Booster.

TO PARTICIPATE in showmanship classes – Exhibitors must declare on fair entry form. Anyone attempting to show in showmanship classes that have not signed up will be turned away.

EXHIBITOR AGE AS OF JANUARY 1ST OF THE CURRENT SHOW YEAR

THIS IS ONLY FOR LIVESTOCK SHOWS AT UNION COUNTY FAIR

Exhibitor Age Classification Requirements for Showmanship

(Different than 4-H tin barn projects)

Booster showmanship: youth must be 5-8 years old

Mini (Novice) showmanship: youth must be 9-11 years old

Junior showmanship: youth must be 12-14 years old

Senior showmanship: 15-19 years old

Mini (Novice), Junior and Senior Showmanship may be won more than once. Booster Showmanship, age 5-8 yrs old, can show sheep, goats, swine, horses, and rabbits – **no cattle**.

JUNIOR LIVESTOCK SALE RULES

Sale Manager: 5 States Livestock Auction / Albert Burton: Sale: Saturday, 6:00 pm

1. The Junior Livestock Sale will be held in the Sale Ring at the Fairgrounds.
2. Animals eligible to sell are market calves, market lambs, meat goat, market swine, prospect yearling, meat pen rabbits and meat pen poultry will sell in livestock sale. **Animals consisting of up to 32 market calves, 50% of entries up to 32 in the market swine, lamb and meat goat divisions.**
This means exhibitors are not guaranteed a sale slot. Sale Slots and order will be determined at the discretion of the fair board and superintendents.
3. **A Pull board will be posted for each species where animals will be declared whether they will “sell” or “pull”. The pull board for each species MUST be initialed/signed by exhibitor/parent with declaration all decisions are final. NO LATER THAN 1 HOUR FOLLOWING THE BEEF SHOW. Superintendents oversee the making of their own sell/pull board.**
4. All exhibitors must sign a Wholesome Meat Act form (Youth Meat Quality Assurance Certificate).
5. An exhibitor may exhibit as many animals as he/she wishes, but may sell through the sale one of the following combinations:

1 Mkt. Beef or Y. Prospect	2 - Lambs
1 Mkt. Beef or Y. Prospect, 1 Swine	2 - Goats
1 Mkt. Beef or Y. Prospect, 1 Lamb or 1 goat	2 - Swine
1 Swine, 1 Lamb or 1 goat	

Chickens and rabbits will equal lambs, goats, and swine in combination.
6. A 5% commission will be withheld from the gross premium price of each animal selling through the Union County Fair Sale. An additional \$30.00 will be held out of check to pay for the buyer's gift. No more than two animals will be sold by any one exhibitor.
7. Sale order will be made by UCFB and Superintendents of the various divisions.
8. All animals will be weighed. Animals will be sold by the head, not by weight, with the exception of meat pen poultry & meat pen rabbits.
9. Exhibitors must have their animals ready to go through the ring when called for, in show shape. No bows, glitter, paint, signs etc., otherwise they will lose their position in the sale order and drop to the bottom of the list (animals will have to be washed again).
10. Exhibitors are responsible for the care of their animals until received by the purchaser. Sold animals will be released after sale on Saturday. Failure of the exhibitor to comply with these rules will necessitate withholding a portion of the sale price to apply toward expenses incurred. Rabbits and chickens will be sold on a pen basis (unless special circumstances require evaluation of sale slots).
11. Exhibitors will be responsible for ordering pictures from photographers for their personal use.
12. Exhibitors will be given a sheet at check-in with all animals in each species. This sheet will have a space for the exhibitor to write instructions for animals (i.e. sale, packer, home). **This must be**

turned in to Superintendents by immediately following the steer show, failure to turn in will determine animal to go home.

13. Packer bids will be posted no later than 9 AM SATURDAY. Packers reserve the right to refuse any animal deemed unfit. Once the intent to sale animal paperwork is completed and submitted absolutely no changes will be allowed. This is to protect the packer bids.
14. Thank you letters or notes from each exhibitor to each buyer must be sent to PO Box 29, Clayton NM 88415 or dropped off at Union County extension office before sale checks will be mailed to that exhibitor. These are due no later than September 15. Checks will be mailed in the order the thank you notes have been received and the majority of the money has been collected from the sale buyers. If thank you notes are received after September 15, a commission of 10% will be withheld from sale checks.
15. Exhibitor Checks will be sent to the address listed for entries on Fair Entry. Exhibitors are responsible for making sure their mailing address is listed correctly when entering exhibits on Fair Entry.
16. Exhibitors must adhere to all other rules contained herein, which include General Rules, Junior Livestock Rules, and division rules.



GRAND & RESERVE CHAMPION CONTINUAL FAIR SCHOLARSHIP

Rules:

1. All Grand and Reserve Champion Livestock Animals (Beef, Swine, Goat, Sheep, Meat Pen Rabbit, and Meat Pen Poultry) will be eligible to choose to sell their animal in the Union County Junior Livestock Sale **OR** opt for a continual scholarship to attend a regional or state fair. This must be declared on the sale sheet provided by Friday immediately following the steer show. There will be no other arrangements allowed after Friday.
2. Only one champion animal per exhibitor will be allowed to be opted for scholarship if an exhibitor has won multiple champion awards.
3. Proof must be provided to the UCFA that the animal has been declared or entered in a regional or state fair show (Picture of class list will be sufficient, including animal tag number and exhibitor name). Only extreme situations or emergencies will be excused and must be approved by the UCFA.
4. If the declared regional or state fair is not attended by the exhibitor and the scholarship animal, the scholarship award will be forfeited. If proof is not provided, the scholarship award for the following year will be forfeited, as well as the opportunity to participate in the scholarship program at any point in the future
5. Scholarship Animals **MUST** be present for the Parade of Champions during the Awards Ceremony.
6. Thank you cards must be turned in by September 15 to receive scholarship money.

7. ALL RULES and REGULATIONS are subject to change at fair board discretion. The information may be updated periodically. It is the participant's responsibility to ensure compliance with the most recent regulations.

UNION COUNTY BRED DIVISION

1. Open to **Market** livestock animals (Swine, Steer, Heifer, Lamb, Individual Rabbit, Individual Poultry and Goat) must be Union County bred, born, and raised. Meat Pen Poultry and Meat Pen Rabbits will not have a Union County Bred show/class, individual animals **ONLY**.
2. Animals must show in Market Classes, with the exception of Rabbits & Poultry.
3. The exhibitor may show more than one animal per species, beef, swine, lamb, individual rabbit, individual poultry, and goat, entered in the Union County Fair.
4. There must be a minimum of two animals to make a class for Union County Bred.
5. Members (4-H and FFA) must designate their animal of choice for class on Entry Forms. Must list declare breeder and Tag number of animals.
6. Members (4-H and FFA) can only show the designated animal listed on the Entry form.
7. The judge will choose Grand and Reserve in class only. No other placings will be awarded.
8. Union County Bred and Reserve winners will receive a buckle.
9. All general and special rules apply.

JUNIOR CATTLE DIVISION

Superintendent: Tee Jay/Shea Arnett

MUST BE SHOW READY WHEN CHECKED IN!

1. ALL General and Special rules apply as well as Division Rules.
2. Each contestant is entitled to enter only calves carried as current 4-H or FFA projects and must have been owned by exhibitor 150 days prior to September 1st.
3. Steers minimum weight is 1000 pounds, with no top weight limit in order to show in the Junior Livestock Market Show.
4. Steers minimum weight of 900 lbs to 999 lbs to participate in Exhibition show and animal will not be allowed to participate in Junior Market Show. *No sale* slot for exhibition show animals.
5. Market calves shown in competition must have been born on or after January 1st of the previous year.
6. All animals in this division must compete on their merits without classification or breed.
7. Steers will be divided into classes at superintendent's discretion.
8. All cattle must be clipped before unloading at the fairgrounds.
9. No weight grace percentage will be allowed for cattle.
10. Junior Market Show Steers and Heifers will be divided into classes by weight, at superintendent's discretion.
11. Market Heifers minimum weight limit is 1000 lbs.
12. Market Heifers must be open and have verification from a certified vet within 30 days of the fair.
13. Market Heifers will be eligible to sale.
14. Market Heifers will not be allowed to be shown in the Breeding Heifer classes.
15. Market heifers will have their own class(es) but the winner of classes will participate in the Grand Market Cattle Drive.
16. ALL BREEDING Heifers must provide copies of paperwork upon entry. All registration paperwork must be by or dated before April 1. NO EXCEPTIONS.

**** ALL CATTLE SHOWS will be BLOW AND SHOW ONLY. ****

MARKET STEERS

Minimum weight limit to sell – 1000 pounds

MARKET HEIFERS

Minimum weight limit to sell – 1000 pounds

BREEDING BEEF HEIFERS

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| 1. May 1 – July 1 of Current Year | 6. January 1 - April 30 of previous year. |
| 2. March 1 to April 30 of Current Year | 7. September 1 to December 31 of year before last with no calf |
| 3. January 1 to February 28 of Current Year | 8. September 1 to December 31 of year before last with Calf-at-side. |
| 4. September 1 to December 31 of previous year. | |
| 5. May 1 – August 31 of previous year. | |

PICTURES WILL BE TAKEN FOLLOWING THE SHOW

PRODUCTION CATTLE

Superintendents: Kathy Roberts & Darby Makloski

1. ***There will be a \$15 per head entry fee for the production cattle contest.***
2. Production Steers must meet all the requirements of the Junior Market Steer Project. Open to all steers/market heifers exhibited by Union County 4-H and FFA members that are current in Beef Quality Assurance training. To be current, training must be completed within the current year (or as determined by the board).
 - a. ***Contestants are required to be National Beef Quality Assurance (BQA) Certified to participate in the production cattle contest. Your certification must be renewed every three (3) years. Your BQA number will be used when entering for fair and a copy of certificate must be sent to PO Box 29, Clayton, NM 88415 or brought to the Extension Office along with the exhibitor's Youth Quality Assurance Form by July 26th as proof of certification. If participants are not certified, they will be ineligible to participate in this program. Proof of certification will be required each year that contestants choose to participate in the production cattle contest at the Union County Fair.***
3. There is a **2 head maximum** per exhibitor that may be entered at the Union County Fair. The exhibitor can validate as many head of cattle as they wish during the Production Steer weigh-in.
4. All performance cattle will be manageable. Each exhibitor will sign a disclaimer at Production Cattle tag-in that the animal will be manageable at the Union County Fair. If the animal is **NOT** manageable at the Fair, the animal will be removed immediately.
5. All performance cattle will be:
 - a. Must be halter broken and clean groomed.
 - b. Shown in the market beef show to be eligible to participate in the Junior Livestock Sale.
 - c. Required to be at the fairgrounds by 8 am on Wednesday. Cattle will be scanned @ approximately 11 am or right after the weigh-in of all livestock.
 - d. Cattle will not be required to be dry lotted for a period. Cattle will be calculated at an industry standard rate of 4% shrinkage rate.
 - e. Weighed on the same date using the same set of scales for all weight measurements (NO exceptions). Steers will be weighed twice to estimate ADG:1) at designated required weigh-in date and 2) at weigh in for the fair.
Note: Management reserves the right to refuse entry to any cattle if it does not appear thrifty or has a dishonest fill.
 - f. Scanned via real-time ultrasound to estimate carcass characteristics at fairgrounds by a qualified ultrasound technician(s). *(All cattle scanned on the non-show side of animal) parallel to and between the 12th and 13th rib and perpendicular to the 12th and 13th ribs to estimate ribeye area, back fat and intramuscular fat).*
 - g. Judged for visual appraisal by panel of 3 judges.
6. No grooming products allowed; cattle will be shown clean and dry. Cattle will be checked prior to entering the show ring.
7. Exam times will take place at a designated time. Study material will be distributed to exhibitors prior to the County Fair. Scores will be compiled by a 2–3-person board.
8. Contestants are required to participate in all parts of the contests to be eligible for awards.
9. Placing will be a combined index score including:

1. Average Daily Gain	35%	3. Test	15%
2. Grid Carcass Value	35%	4. Visual	15%
10. Placing will be highest overall index score to lowest. Scores will be computed and verified by a three-person board. Overall Champion Union County Production Cattle will be the animal with the highest overall score.

11. Ties will be broken in order on:
 - a. Grid carcass value (Total dollar value; determined by ultrasound scan).
 - b. Average Daily Gain
 - c. Test Scores
12. Premiums will be based on the number of entries and donations received.
13. Overall Champion Union County Production Cattle will receive a cash award and buckle.
14. Champion grid carcass value cattle will receive a buckle.
15. Champion average daily gain cattle will receive a buckle.
16. All general and special rules apply.

2025 Production Steer Winners

Production Steer Winner- Conlan Arnett
Grid Carcass Value Winner- Hadley Crisp
Average Daily Gain Winner- Conlan Arnett

JUNIOR SHEEP DIVISION

Superintendent: Jammye Forrest

Asst: CiCi Sowers

MUST BE SHOW READY WHEN CHECKED IN!

1. ALL General and Special rules apply as well as Division Rules.
2. Market lambs must have been owned and cared for by the exhibitor 60 days prior to date shown.
3. Must be clipped before unloading at the fairgrounds.
4. The exhibitor may show as many animals as he/she desires in one class.
5. Halters may be used as an aid in showing animals only if needed or if the animal is uncontrollable by the exhibitor.
6. Lamb minimum weight 80 pounds. Top weight of 150 lbs. to participate in the Junior Livestock Market Show. A 5 lbs weight grace either way will be allowed.
7. Lambs weighing outside of the weight grace can participate in Exhibition show. *No sale* slot for exhibition show animals. (74 lbs and under or over 156 lbs)
8. **Classifier opinion will be final. This will be enforced!**
9. A minimum of two (2) animals per breed to make a class. If a class is not established the animal will be placed in all other breeds or a cross class as determined by superintendent.
10. All lambs will be weighed WITHOUT halters, blankets AND LEG WRAPS.
11. All market lambs will be slick shorn with a uniform fleece not longer than 1/4", not flat backed. Lambs will be classified at weigh in.
12. All lambs will be toothed, must have milk teeth.

MARKET LAMBS

Note: Lambs will be divided into classes on distinct weight break, at superintendent's discretion. A class must have enough entries to warrant a sale position; if not enough entries, the class will be combined with a compatible breed.

White Faced Lambs	Includes Corriedale, Columbia, Ramboiullet or cross between Any of the above.
Black Face Lambs	Includes Hampshire and Hampshire dominance, Suffolk and Suffolk dominance.
Cross Lambs	All Crosses
AOB	There will be an AOB class for all other breeds.

PICTURES WILL BE TAKEN FOLLOWING THE SHOW

JUNIOR MEAT GOAT

Superintendent: Jammye Forrest

Asst: CiCi Sowers

MUST BE SHOW READY WHEN CHECKED IN

1. ALL General and Special rules apply as well as Division Rules.
2. Sale order will be determined from Champion down.
3. Market goats must have been owned and cared for by the exhibitor 60 days prior to show date.
4. All goats must be clipped before unloading at the fairgrounds.
5. Exhibitors may show as many animals as desired in the meat goat show.
6. Choke chains, collar or halter will be the only devices used in the show ring to control the animal.
7. Whether goats or nannies are eligible. **NO BILLY GOATS.** Minimum weight will be 45 pounds; maximum weight will be 155 pounds to participate in the Junior Livestock Market show. (There will be a 5lbs grace either way).
8. **All GOATS will be weighed WITHOUT halters, blankets AND LEG WRAPS.**
9. Goats weighing 39 lbs and under or animals over 161 lbs can participate in Exhibition show. *No sale* slot for exhibition show animals.
10. A 5lbs weight grace will be allowed on meat goats both ways.
11. Goats must be slick shorn above the hock and knees with hair not to exceed a length of 3/8". No hair compounds, including oil, paints, powders and/or other dressing will be allowed.
12. Only goats of at least ½ blood Boer goats will be allowed to show. No full blood milking goats will be allowed to show.
13. Goats will be classified at weigh in. **Classifier opinion will be final. This will be enforced!**
14. **Goats must have their milk teeth at weigh in and will be mouthed to verify age. Goats showing permanent incisors will be disqualified.**

Note: A class must have enough entries to warrant a sale position. If the class does not have enough entries, it will be combined with the next weight class.

Class breaks will be up to the discretion of the superintendents.

PICTURES WILL BE TAKEN FOLLOWING THE SHOW

JUNIOR SWINE DIVISION

Superintendent: Solon Riley

Asst: Josh Valdez

MUST BE SHOW READY WHEN CHECKED IN!

1. ALL General and Special rules apply as well as Division Rules.
2. Exhibitor must have owned the animal 60 days prior to show.
3. Swine must be clipped before unloading at fair.
4. Swine weighing less than 290 pounds or over 210 pounds at the scales will be permitted to show in the Junior Livestock show.
5. Swine weight of 160 lbs to 199 lbs and animals over 300 lbs can participate in Exhibition show. *No sale* slot for exhibition show animals.
6. A 10 lbs weight grace will be allowed on swine.
7. There will be classification according to breeds and weights in the swine classes. Breed Standards from NSR and CPS will be adhered to. **Classifier opinion will be final.**
8. Hogs in each division will be divided into weight classes in the breeds on the basis on the number of animals in each breed.
9. A minimum of two (2) animals per breed to make a class. If a breed class is not established the animal will be placed in the All Other Breeds class as determined by superintendent.
10. For the purpose of the Junior Livestock Sale list; all swine classes will be divided on a percentage basis of each class.
11. Swine will be divided into classes on a distinct weight break, at superintendent's discretion.
12. A class must have enough entries to warrant a sale position. If the class does not have enough entries, it will be combined with a compatible breed.

GRAND & RESERVE PICTURES WILL BE TAKEN FOLLOWING THE SHOW

ALL OTHER SALE PICTURES WILL BE TAKEN BE SATURDAY MORNING

(time will be determined by superintendent)

JUNIOR HORSE DIVISION

Superintendent: Andrew Jeffers

Asst: Bethany Posey

1. ALL General and Special rules apply as well as Division Rules.
2. All horse exhibitors (4-H or FFA Members) must have horse certificates turned into Extension office by April 15 of the current year. THIS WILL BE ENFORCED.
3. Horses must be owned or managed by the exhibitor at least 75% of the time in order to be eligible to show. Members must have possession or ownership of the animal by April 15. THIS WILL BE ENFORCED.
4. Superintendents have the right to call a veterinarian prior to allowing stalling to check if there is a question on the horse's health.
5. Animals must be in place at 8:00 am Wednesday.
6. **NO NURSING FOALS. ALL HORSES ON GROUNDS MUST BE FULLY WEANED!**
7. All horses must be rode ONLY inside the track or in the arena by the grandstands. NO riding in or around stalls or in parking lots.
8. All horses must be clipped before unloading at the fairgrounds.
9. ALL horses that are exhibited or used for any contest *can* remain on the fair ground for the duration of the fair.
10. There will be no overall Showmanship Award. Showmanship trophies will be given to the winners of the showmanship classes. The showmanship classes will be broken down as follows: Mini (Novice) – age 9-11, Junior – age 12-14, Senior – age 15 and over. (** Age as of January 1 or current year). A Junior or Senior youth must show in their age group until they have moved into the next age group. You must declare which division you will be showing in showmanship at the time of entry.
11. Classes may be broken down further at the Superintendent discretion.
12. Horses will be allowed to leave fairgrounds 1 hour after the completion of the show.

Classes:

1. 4 Year Olds and Under
2. 5 Year Olds and Over
3. Senior Showmanship
4. Junior Showmanship
5. Mini (Novice) Showmanship

GRAND AND RESERVE MARES/GELDINGS WILL BE TAKEN FOLLOWING ALL HALTER CLASSES

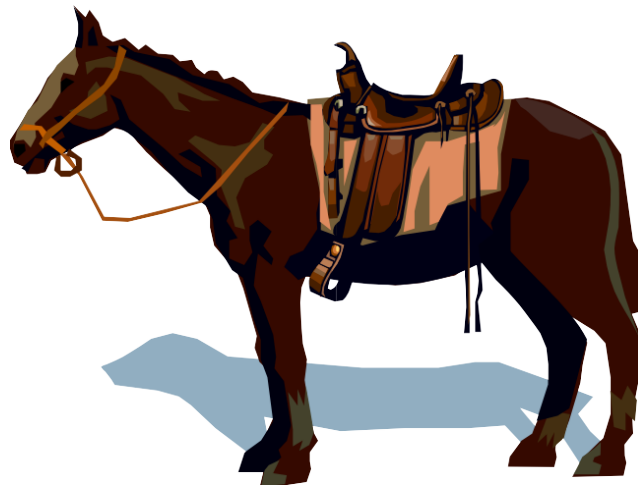
PERFORMANCE AND SHOWMANSHIP PICTURES WILL BE TAKEN FOLLOWING THE CONCLUSION OF THE HORSE SHOW

Horse Performance Class

(Optional Event)

Rules:

- Must be a member of a 4-H or FFA organization.
- All horses used for halter, showmanship and performance classes must turn in a horse certificate by April 15th.
- All fair entries must be entered online.
- In order to participate in the “optional” horse performance class the individual must show a horse in a halter class. It is not required to participate in the horse performance class in order to complete your project.
- A horse used in the halter/showmanship class by one individual can be used by another family member in the performance class.
- A horse can be rode by more than one family member.
- One pattern will be specifically for Mini (Novice) and Junior participants.
- One pattern will be specifically for Senior participants.
- The pattern to be used in the performance class will be set and provided to individuals after receiving horse certificates.
- Buckles will be awarded to winners of each age group (Mini (Novice), Junior & Senior) in the performance class.
- You will show in the age-appropriate division. No exceptions.



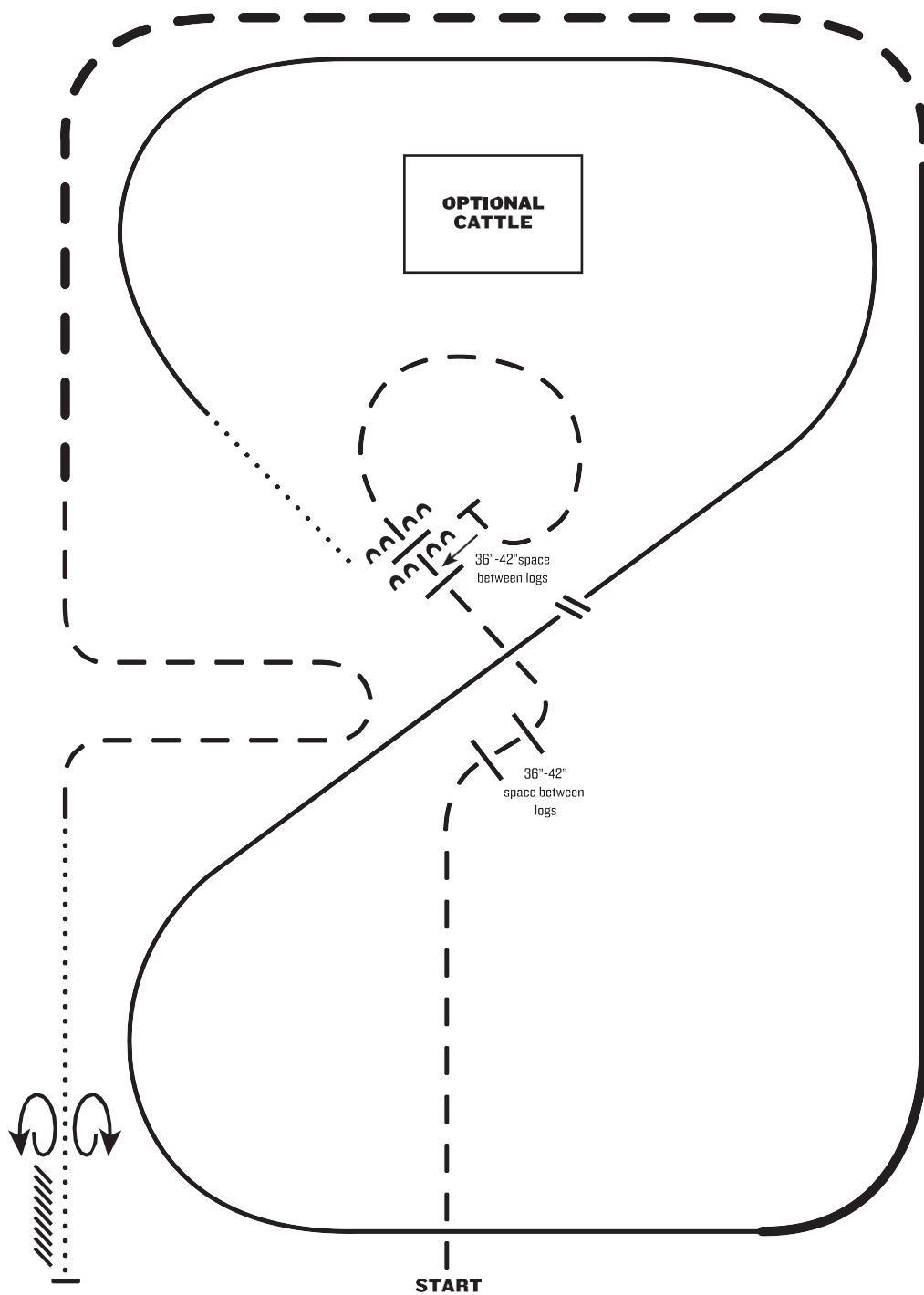
RANCH RIDING

Seniors Pattern

RANCH RIDING - PATTERN 9

LEGEND

.....	Walk
.....	Extended Walk
- - - -	Trot
- - - -	Trot
————	Extended Trot
————	Lope
//////	Extended Lope
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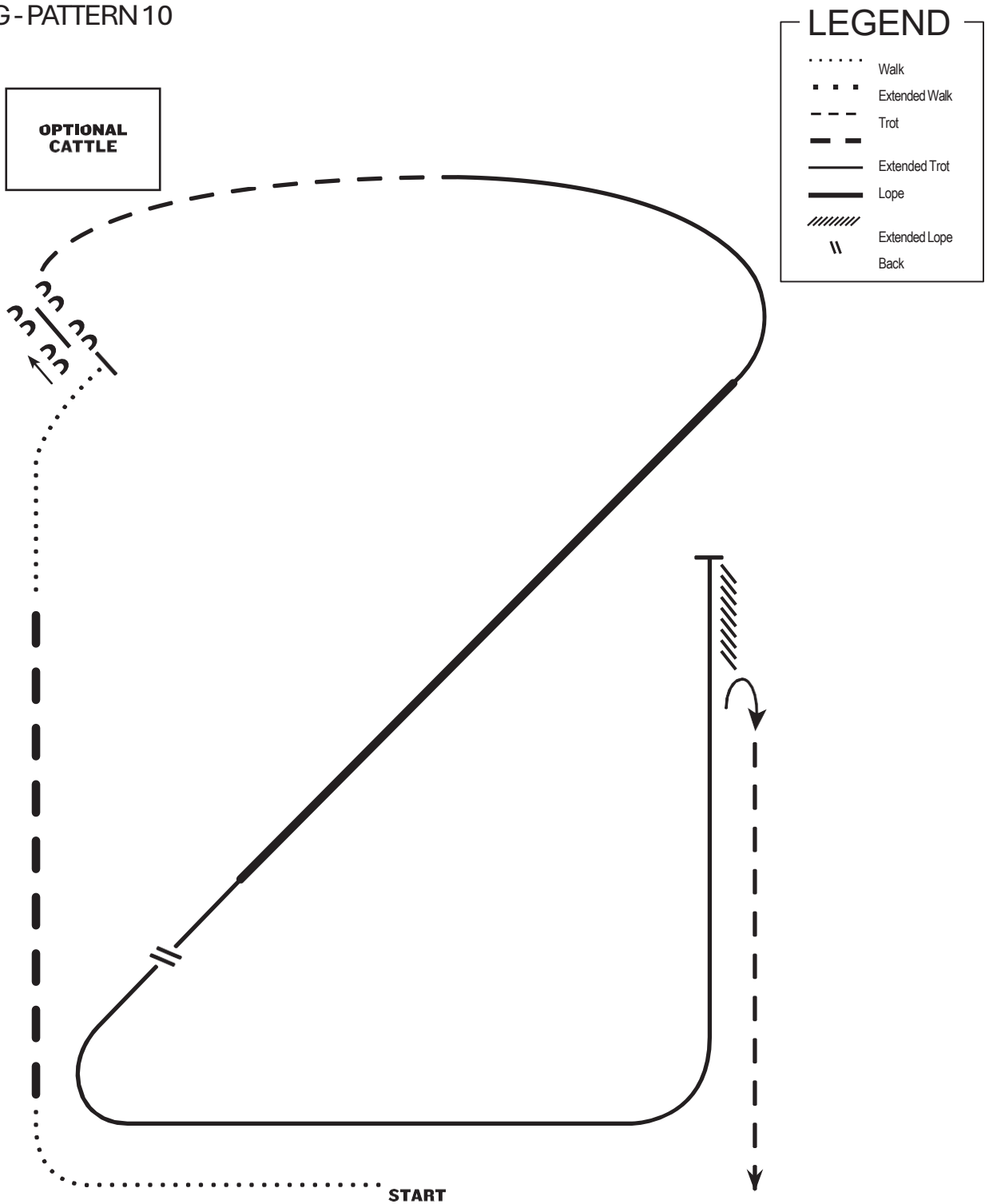


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| 1. Trot | 6. Change leads (simple or flying) | 12. Stop and back |
| 2. Trot over two sets of logs | 7. Lope left lead | 13. 360° turn each direction (either direction 1st) (L-R or R-L) |
| 3. Trot circle, stop and side pass left over log | 8. Extended lope left lead | |
| 4. Walk | 9. Extended trot | |
| 5. Lope right lead | 10. Trot | |
| | 11. Walk | |

Note: The drawn description of this pattern is only intended for the general depiction of the pattern. Exhibitors should utilize the arena space to best exhibit their horse

Novice/Junior Pattern

RANCHRIDING - PATTERN 10



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| 1. Walk | 6. Trot | 10. Lope left lead |
| 2. Extended walk | 7. Lope right lead | 11. Stop and back |
| 3. Extended trot | 8. Extended lope right lead | 12. 1/2 turn right |
| 4. Walk | 9. Collect lope and change leads (simple or flying) | 13. Trot |
| 5. Stop, side pass left over log | | |

Note: The drawn description of this pattern is only intended for the general depiction of the pattern. Exhibitors should utilize the arena space to best exhibit their horses.

Yearling Prospect Horse Show

1. A Union County 4-H or FFA member in good standing can now exhibit a yearling prospect must be enrolled in horse project.
2. Prospect Yearlings date of birth must be in the previous calendar year.
3. **NO NURSING FOALS. ALL HORSES ON GROUNDS MUST BE FULLY WEANED!**
4. The ownership deadline is **April 15th** you must contact the Extension Office prior to this date so Agent/FFA Advisor can come out and take pictures for ownership verification and collect proper paperwork.
5. Exhibitors may nominate more than one yearling by April 15th but may only show one at the fair.
6. **The yearling must be registered or show proof that it can be registered (in the exhibitor's name) by the day that horse certificates are due (April 15). Copy of paperwork must be turned into the Extension Office.**
7. Yearling can either be either sex but cannot be an intact male.
8. Judging will be done in its own separate halter class. Fillies and geldings will be show together.
9. Yearling must be fit to show (must be manageable in show ring by exhibitor).
10. One yearling will be eligible for the junior livestock sale.
11. Champion will be eligible to sale. If Champion opts out of sale, the sale hole will be rolled down to the next placing. Declaration must be made no later than 1 hour following the end of the Steer Show. No changes can be made if yearling has been declared to be in the sale. All sale rules apply.
12. Exhibitors will not be allowed to sell more than one horse/bovine.

JUNIOR RABBIT DIVISION

Superintendent: Christine Forrest

Asst: Kathryn Higgins

1. Ribbons/Awards given to 4-H and FFA members only.
2. ALL General and Special rules apply as well as Division Rules.
3. All purebred rabbits must be permanently tattooed in the left ear as pedigree states.
4. **INDIVIDUAL RABBITS:** Ownership deadline for Senior, Intermediate, and Junior rabbits is June 1st of the Show Year. Proof of ownership of Senior, Intermediate and Junior rabbits will need to be provided at Validation on JULY 17: Rabbits and a copy of pedigree filled out by rabbit owner with complete information. No rabbit will be validated without being seen by a superintendent and without proper completed pedigree. Without validation, rabbits will not be allowed to show.
5. **MARKET PENS:** Validation date for market pens is July 17th. Rabbits along with Bill of Sale/Proof of Ownership must be brought to validation. Bill of Sale must have complete information:
 - Name of Exhibitor
 - Rabbit Breed
 - Rabbit date of birth
 - Date rabbit purchase
 - Number of rabbits purchased.
 - Rabbit breeder's complete information (name, address and telephone number)
 - Rabbit Parents information – Doe's Tattoo and Bucks Tattoo.
6. Each market pen will consist of three (3) rabbits no older than 70 days on show date. Each rabbit must weigh between 3 1/2 to 5 1/2 pounds per ARBA rules and look alike.
7. Rabbit Market pens will be weighed before show at judge's discretion.
8. Only the judge, the superintendent, and/or the exhibitor will be allowed to touch the animal on the day of weigh in and show.
9. Best of Show, Showmanship, Champion, and Reserve Champion will be chosen from 4-H and FFA members only.
10. Union County Bred will only be Individual. Meat Pens will not show in the Union County Bred Class. Pedigree and/or Bill of Sale must be provided for qualification to show in Union County Bred.
11. Champion and Reserve Champion Market Pen of 3 are eligible for Jr. Livestock Sale. If neither of the Grand or Reserve Champion pens sale, the next placing may have the opportunity to be sold.
12. Best of Show (individuals) Rabbit will receive premium awards and will not be eligible to sell in the Junior Livestock Sale.
13. All Rabbits will be weighed, sexed, and classified on Wednesday. (Re-weighed at Judges discretion)

Classes: "ARBA Standards of Perfection Guide"

- Junior Doe under 6 months (179 days) of age.
- Junior Buck under 6 months (179 days) of age.
- Intermediate Doe 6-8 months (180-240 days) of age.
- Intermediate Buck 6-8 months 180-240 days) of age.
- Senior Doe (over 240 days) of age.
- Senior Buck (over 240 days) of age.
- Market Pen – 3 rabbits, 3 1/2-5 1/2 lbs each, each individual maximum age is 70 days old at show date.

PICTURES WILL BE TAKEN FOLLOWING POULTRY SHOW

JUNIOR POULTRY DIVISION

Superintendent: Kathryn Higgins

Asst Superintendent: Christine Forrest

1. Market pen sale eligible for 4-H and FFA members only.
2. ALL General and Special rules apply as well as Division Rules.
3. Champion and Reserve champion AND Best of Show will be chosen from FFA & 4-H members only.
4. Individual Poultry in each pen must be same breed. NO CROSS BREED. Must be APA Recognized Breed. Exception of Market Pen.
5. Market pen proof of ownership will be the delivery confirmation from the hatchery or bill of sale. Proof of all ownership/possession for all non-market pen poultry and waterfowl must be available at validation.
6. **Validation** will also take place on **July 17** at the extension office. All poultry and waterfowl must have a numbered leg band or wing band which is placed on birds at validation.
7. Market Pen: Market pen must be owned and in possession of the exhibitor from the date of delivery from the hatchery or purchased. A copy of the receipt showing proof of delivery from hatchery must be provided at validation. Sale from non-hatchery must have bill of sale stating hatch date or transfer (Should be not later than one week from hatch day). Market pens should match as closely as possible in size of breast, weight and appearance. A meat pen will consist of 3 pullets or 3 cockerels and may be disqualified at superintendent's discretion. This will be enforced. You will need to validate gender at weigh-in at the fair.
8. Waterfowl and Ducks will be shown individually.
9. All poultry will be weighed and classified on Wednesday. Re-weighing will be at judge discretion.
10. Only the judge, the superintendent, and/or the exhibitor will be allowed to touch the animal on the day of weigh in and show.
11. Grand Champion and Reserve Grand Champion meat pen of 3 are eligible for Junior Livestock Sale. If neither of the Grand or Reserve Champion pens sale, the next place may have the opportunity to be sold.
12. Best of Show (individuals) Poultry will receive premium awards and will not be eligible to sell in the Junior Livestock Sale.
13. **All Non-Meat Pen Poultry must be owned and cared for by June 1st of the current year.**
14. **Meat Pens must be owned and cared for by June 24.**

Classes are by APA Standards of Perfection guide:

- a. Hens – Female all breeds Over 1 year old.
- b. Pullet – Female all breeds Under 1 year old.
- c. Cock – Male all breeds Over 1 year old.
- d. Cockerel – Male all breeds Under 1 year old.
- e. Meat Pen of 3. Age is 6-10 weeks old on day of show. Hatched after May 24th current year. Pen shall weigh a minimum weight of 12 lbs. but no more than 18 lbs.
- f. Old waterfowl–(all breeds) Hatched before January 1 of current year.
- g. Young waterfowl – (all breeds) Hatched after January 1 of current year.
- h. Best of Show Champion Poultry. Reserve Best of Show Champion Poultry.
- i. Union County Bred class will consist of only individual animals. Meat pens will not show in Union County Bred class.

All poultry projects must be healthy and free from deformities. Any of the following faults will result in disqualifications: missing extremities, clipped wings, curly toes or parasites.

ALL PICTURES TO BE TAKEN FOLLOWING SHOW

JUNIOR DUCK DIVISION

Superintendent: Kathryn Higgins

Asst: Christine Forrest

1. Ducks will be shown in the poultry division.
2. Market pen sale eligible for 4-H and FFA members only.
3. ALL General and Special rules apply as well as Division Rules.
4. NO CROSS BREED. Union County Bred must be an APA Recognized breed.
5. Copy of bill of sale or hatchery invoice is due into Extension office by June 1st. Validation will be July 18 at the extension office.
6. All will be weighed and classified on Wednesday. Re-weighing will be at judge discretion.
7. All ducks must be owned and cared for by June 1st of current year. Classes are by APA Standards of Perfection guide:
 - Must have minimum 2 exhibitors to make a class
 - Hen Duck – Female all breeds Over 1 year old.
 - Drake duck – male all breeds over 1 year old.
 - Old duck–(all breeds) Hatched before January 1 of current year.
 - Young duck– (all breeds) Hatched after January 1 of current year.

ALL PICTURES TO BE TAKEN FOLLOWING SHOW

EXHIBITION SHOW

- An exhibition class will allow exhibitors (must be an FFA or 4-H member) to show animals not meeting the requirements of the Junior Livestock Market Class Shows.
- An exhibition class winner WILL NOT be allowed to participate in the Junior Livestock Sale and WILL NOT be allowed to participate in a Junior Livestock Market show class.
- Only ribbons will be awarded.
- There will be a maximum of 2 additional classes for each species, but classes will be set at the discretion of the superintendents.
- The following weights are set for each species for the Exhibition Show.
 - Goats: Less than 34 lbs or over 165 lbs+
 - Swine: Less than 194 lbs or over 305 lbs+
 - Lamb: 74-79 lbs or 156 lbs+
 - Steers: Less than 999 lbs
 - Mkt Heifers Less than 999 lbs
 - MEAT PEN Rabbits (per rabbit): Less than 3.4 lbs or 5.6+
 - Meat Pen Poultry (per meat pen): Less than 11.9 lbs or 18 lbs+

RANCH MANAGEMENT CONTEST

Superintendent: Justin Bennett & Brett Bannon

Fair Barn Concession Area –1:00 pm Friday

Contest will be divided into Junior and Senior Levels:

Juniors: Ages 9 through 13

Seniors: Ages 14 through 18

Awards:

Senior Division: 1st – Individual buckle donated by Northeastern Soil and Water Conservation District.

Junior Division: 1st– Individual buckle donated by Northeastern Soil and Water Conservation District.

The contest will consist of:

Plant identification (25 Plants) and livestock judging (1 class each of sheep, beef, and horses). Combined total scores will determine winners.

1. Any resident of Union County between the age of 9 and 19 years may compete.
2. Entries must be made at the contest booth by noon of the day of the contest.
3. Entrants will be furnished with score cards and have one minute to identify and check the characteristics of each plant in the contest.
4. One point for each plant correctly identified and one point for each characteristic correctly checked.
5. If the plant is not correctly named, no credit will be given for the characteristic.
6. Common names from the Manual of Grasses of the United States will be used to judge identification.
7. In the event of a tie, a coin toss will determine winners.
8. Plant judging contest will consist of 25 plants. Plants in the contest will be selected from 84 possibilities. Lists of plants may be obtained from the Soil Conservation Office or County Extension Office.
9. Livestock judged will be what is available at the time of the contest. Each class will be worth a total of 50 points for the correct placing. Hormel Scoring will be used.

2025 WINNERS

Senior Division:

1st – Cotton Dunavan

2nd – Hadley Crisp

Junior Division:

1st - Scarlet Bannon

2nd – Kaitlyn Townsend

QUEEN, PRINCESS & LITTLE MISS CONTEST

***Contest Date TBD**

Speeches

The speech portion of the contest will begin at 9:00 am and has a two-minute minimum required time limit. Candidates are to speak about anything with a western theme.

Personal Interviews

The personal interview portion of the contest will be face to face. Interviews will begin immediately after the speech portion of the contest.

Horsemanship

The Horsemanship portion of the contest is to demonstrate the candidate's horsemanship skills while correctly performing the pattern. The Queen run is included in the horsemanship portion and will be performed after completing the pattern and arena questions. The horsemanship portion of the contest will begin 30 minutes after personal interviews to allow candidates to change their attire, saddle and warm up.

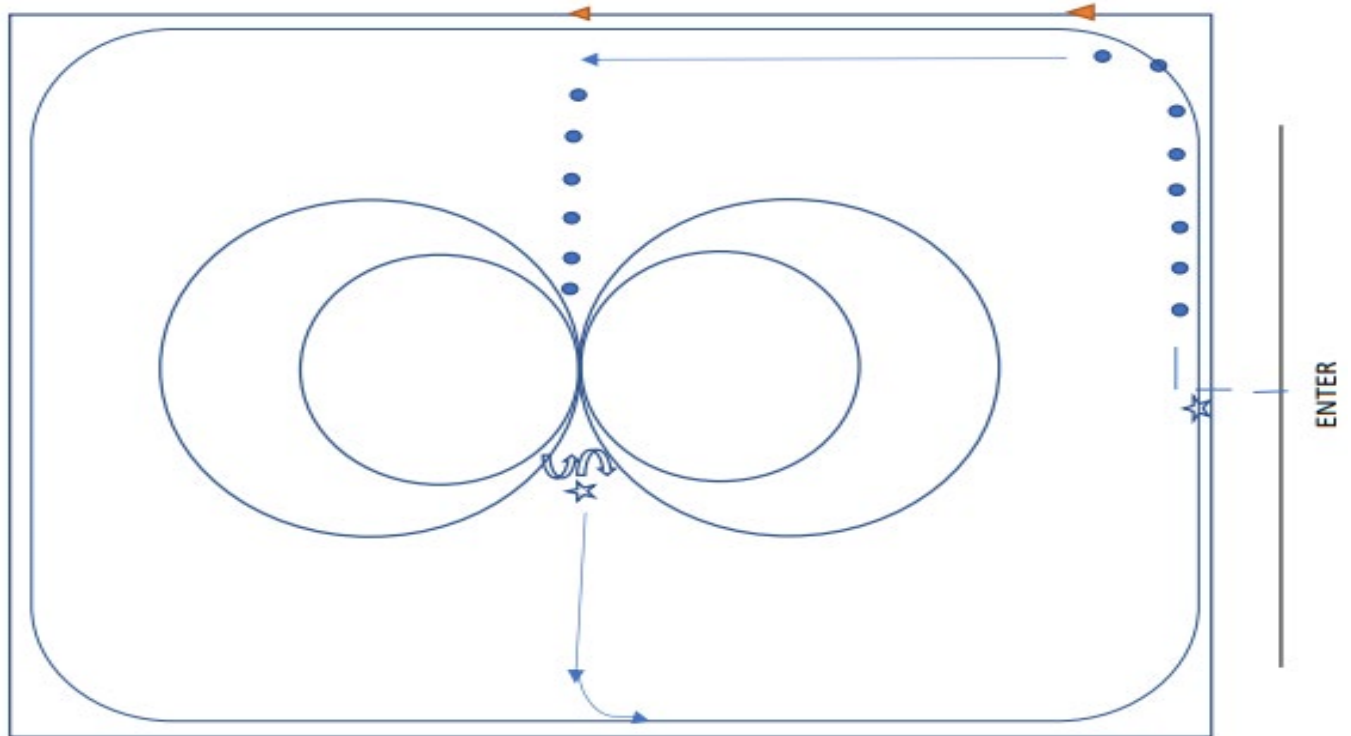
SCORING: Scoring will be done as follows:

1. Speech - 45 total points available
2. Personal Interviews - 45 total points available
3. Overall Appearance – 10 total points available
4. Horsemanship & Queen Run – 100 total points available

Responsibility Of Titleholders:

1. Attend each specie show at the county fair to present ribbons, awards and appear in photos
 2. Carry flags in the XIT Rodeo & Reunion Parade
 3. Carry flags in the Clayton 4th of July parade and rodeo
 4. Carry flags in Haydon Cowboy Club Memorial Day rodeo
 5. Participate in the Clayton Football Homecoming parade
- *Responsibilities may increase as opportunities arise.

Queen and Princess Pattern

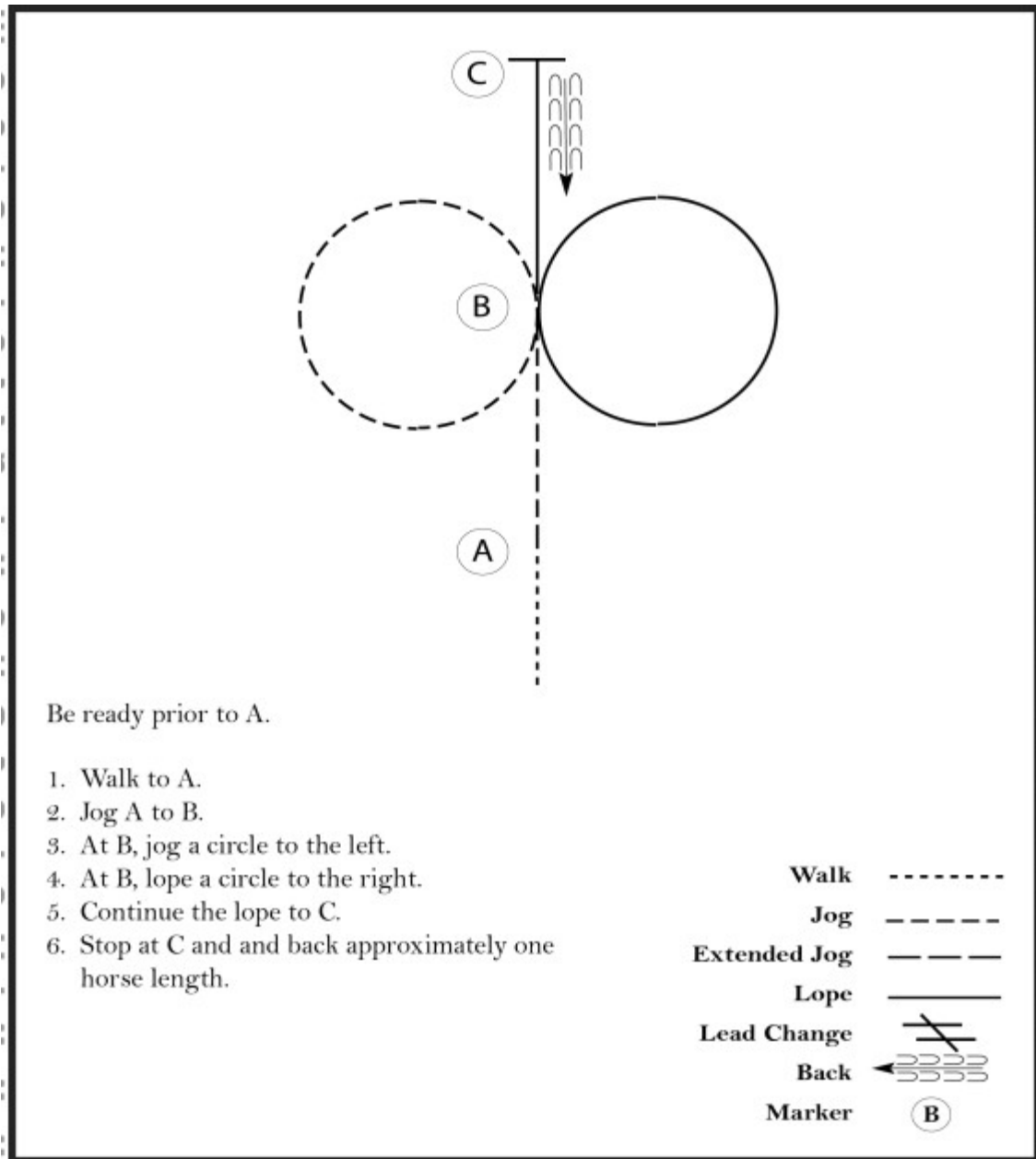


1. Enter the arena at a walk and turn right.
2. Proceed to first marker at a trot, turn left, and lope to second marker.
3. Without stopping slow to a trot and continue to center of arena.
4. Begin figure eight starting to the right on the correct lead.
5. At the center of the arena perform a left lead change while continuing figure eight.
6. At center of arena perform a right lead change and continue large, fast figure eight.
7. At center of arena perform a left lead change and continue large, fast figure eight.
8. At center of arena stop and settle.
9. Back horse 10 feet and settle.
10. Spin horse right twice, stop. Then left twice, stop and settle.
11. Make one full lap around the arena for presentation. Ride on correct lead.
12. Stop and approach judges for arena questions

Little Miss Pattern

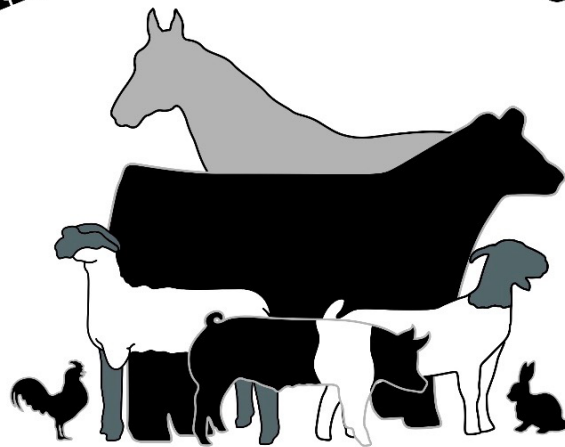
** Approach judges and dismount for arena questions

** Mount and begin queen's run after arena questions



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Union County Fair



2025

2025 AWARD WINNERS

SHOWMANSHIP AWARDS:

SENIOR (Age 15 and up):

Beef	Prize	..... Cotton Dunavan
Sheep	Prize	..... Riata Valdez
Swine	Prize	..... Riata Valdez
Rabbit	Prize	..... Peyton Longwill
Horse	Prize	..... Hadley Crisp
Goat	Prize	..... Riata Valdez
Poultry	Prize	..... No Entries

JUNIOR (Age 12 to 14):

Beef	Prize	..... Conlan Arnett
Sheep	Prize	..... Raley Valdez
Swine	Prize	..... Creed Riley
Rabbit	Prize	..... Reese Higgins
Horse	Prize	..... Laney Jeffers
Goat	Prize	..... Raley Valdez
Poultry	Prize	..... Reese Higgins

MINI (Age 9-11):

Beef	Halter	..... Cole Dunavan
Sheep	Prize	..... Paisley Posey
Swine	Prize	..... Kalen Bennett
Rabbit	Prize	..... Natalie Townsend
Horse	Prize	..... Josie Hale
Goat	Prize	..... Kynlee Kennedy
Poultry	Prize	..... Dally Forrest

SHOWMANSHIP MONETARY AWARDS:

Sr Beef	\$100	Cotton Dunavan
Sr Swine	\$100	Riata Valdez
Sr Horse	\$100	Hadley Crisp
Sr Sheep	\$100	Riata Valdez
Sr Goat	\$100	Riata Valdez

GRAND CHAMPION AWARDS:

Steer	Buckle/Jacket	.....	Conlan Arnett
Heifer	Buckle/Jacket	.....	Thomas Bullington
Sheep	Buckle/Jacket	.....	Raley Valdez
Swine	Buckle/Jacket	.....	Riata Valdez
Rabbit (BOS)	Buckle/Jacket	.....	Cole Dunavan
Poultry (BOS)	Buckle/Jacket	.....	Josie Hale
Goat	Buckle/Jacket	.....	Keelan Ballard
Mare	Buckle/Jacket	.....	Hadley Crisp
Gelding	Buckle/Jacket	.....	Laney Jeffers
Production St	Buckle	.....	Conlan Arnett
Grid Carcass	Buckle	.....	Hadley Crisp
Daily Gain	Buckle	.....	Conlan Arnett
Mkt Poultry	Buckle/Jacket	.....	Reese Higgins
Mkt Rabbit	Buckle/Jacket	.....	Peyton Longwill
Queen	Buckle	.....	Jesy Holland

RESERVE CHAMPION AWARDS:

Steer	Prize/Buckle	.....	Josey Dunavan
Heifer	Prize/Buckle	.....	Cotton Dunavan
Sheep	Prize/Buckle	.....	Raley Valdez
Swine	Prize /Buckle	.....	Aysa Maez
Mare	Prize/Buckle	.....	Molly Jeffers
Gelding	Prize/Buckle	.....	Kynlee Kennedy
Goat	Prize/Jacket	.....	Aly Crisp
Mkt Rabbit	Prize	.....	Peyton Longwill
Mkt Poultry	Prize	.....	Reese Higgins

UNION COUNTY BRED, BORN, and RAISED:

UC Bred (Mkt) Beef	Buckle	Aly Crisp
UC Bred (Mkt) Lamb	Buckle	No Entry
UC Bred (Mkt) Swine	Buckle	No Entry
UC Bred (Mkt) Goat	Buckle	Mario Gonzalez
UC Bred Poultry	Buckle	Reese Higgins
UC Bred Rabbit	Buckle	Steelee Cordova

4-H General

1st – Paisley Posey

4-H Family & Consumer Science

1st – Kalen Bennett

Union County Fair Association - AWARDS:

Novice (9-11)

1st – Kalen Bennett

2nd – Paisley Posey

Junior (12-13)

1st – Wesley Williams

2nd – Cerra Rye

Senior (14-19)

1st – Steele Cordova

2nd – Aly Crisp

4-H Special Awards

Family & Consumer Sciences

1st place – Kalen Bennett

2nd Place – Zoey McDade

3rd Place – Chloe Massey

General

1st Place – Paisley Posey

2nd Place – Reese Higgins

3rd Place – Wesley Williams

RANGE MANAGEMENT CONTEST:

Senior Division: Cotton Dunavan

Junior Division: Scarlet Bannon

HORSE PERFORMANCE CLASS AWARDS:

Senior - Hadley Crisp

Junior - Josey Dunavan

Novice – Josie Hale

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