

REGISTERED DAIRY CATTLE

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The exhibiting schedule is as follows:

We are looking forward to this year's fair with basically the only changes being the superintendents. All breeds will again be on grounds at the same time this year with Cows showing on Friday, August 18th. There will be an "All Breeds Supreme Champion" class taking place at the conclusion of that day. Heifers will show on Saturday August 20th allowing the cows a day of rest. At the conclusion of the heifer show there will be a "Supreme Jr Champion".

There will be an award for Supreme Champion Cow and Supreme Junior Champion.

This year's Judge: Jason Johnson from Hadley, MA.

ARRIVALS AND DEPARTURE TIMES

Ayrshire, Brown Swiss, Guernsey, Holstein, Jersey, Lineback, and Milking Shorthorn are the 7 Dairy Breeds that are exhibited at the Vermont State Fair and all must be on grounds and in place by 12 noon on Tuesday, August 15th and must remain in place until 12 Midnight on Saturday, August 19th. We try to accommodate situations that arise, however please take note of the above times. There will not be any entries accepted after August 15, 2017. In addition, our hope is that people will stay Saturday night and leave on Sunday morning, when people will be well rested and traffic will be light.

All cattle are to stay in place until released by the superintendent.

Camper parking may look different this year as the Fair is working hard to fill in the space on the south side of the Mandigo area. At this stage, things are still being worked out. You can arrive a few days before the fair begins. You will not be charged for the extra time if you are not using hookups and not staying on site. Please also keep in mind that you can bring cattle in on Monday, however you will need to bring your own milking equipment.

Milking Parlor

The milking parlor will be available again to all who wish to use it. We want to thank John Kerr Dairy Supplies (Brandon, VT) for his generous donation of the parlor supplies. The parlor will be open for use starting on Tuesday evening (August 15th). Cattle can still be milked in the barns via your portable milkers, however we need to make sure that all milk is properly disposed of.

WILLIAM WEEKS MEMORIAL SHOWMANSHIP SHOW

The Bill Weeks Memorial Showmanship Award is a rotating trophy given annually at the Vermont State Fair to the champion youth dairy showman. *Any exhibitor is welcome* regardless of participation in 4-H or open shows. Although animals should be in show condition, they may be of any breed and need not be owned by exhibitor, as judging criteria emphasizes showmanship rather than fitting. Judging will begin with the Junior PeeWee Class at 5:30 pm on Friday, August 18, 2017 in the dairy show arena. Adult showmanship classes will follow the youth championship class. Participants may sign up in the dairy arena anytime during fair week, and advance sign-up is appreciated.

Sponsored by the Southern VT Holstein Club

To be held Friday, August 18, 2017 at 5:30pm. Registration will be held 1 hour prior to show.

Classes

Pee Wee — Under 8

Novice - 1st year showing

Jr. 1 — 8-11 years old

Jr. 2 — 12-14 years old

Sr. — 15 years and over

Antique fun classes — ages 19-40 years old and the "over 40 club"

There will be a Dustin Audet Memorial Pee Wee Showmanship Class at 9 AM Saturday. The junior Holstein Show will take place during the open classes, and this is sponsored by the Southwest Holstein Club of Vermont.

ENTRIES

Entries are due by July 27, 2017. A \$5.00 entry fee for each individual animal is to accompany the entry forms. Mail all entries to Vermont State Fair- Attn: Secretary; PO Box 10 Rutland, VT 05702. There will be a late fee of \$2.00 per head for entries received after July 27, 2017. (No payments are needed for group classes)

With all breeds being on grounds at the same times location in barns will be designated by the Superintendent upon arrival of animals. Registration papers do not need to be mailed. However, Health Papers will be checked upon

entry. This is something that several folks have voiced concerns over for the past couple years and we will be looking at all papers, so please make sure you have a current Certificate of Veterinary Inspection. Registration papers must accompany all animals.

STALL CLEANLINESS

Please remember that we need your help when it comes to cleanup. Before you leave, we ask that your bedding is pulled from your stalls and placed in the center aisle.

CAMPING FEE

The cost will be \$10.00/night; payment must be sent with entries to ensure you will have a camper slot.

CATTLE ENTRY PASSES

We will be moving to a new pass system this year. In short, you will need to provide a ticket every day at the gate to obtain a bracelet that the gate staff will put on you. Each day the bracelet will be a different color. Each farm will be provided two (2) free entry passes per day, which include free parking, for the duration of the fair. Additional passes may be purchased for a discounted rate of \$5 per day. Every exhibitor will need to have the right colored bracelet on at all times to be on grounds. The bracelet color will change every day. This is the process that one of the other fairs (Addison) is using and it has been very successful. Please include your request for these additional passes on your entry form with payment. All entry passes will be mailed to you on or before August 9th, 2017

4-H ENTRIES

All 4-H entries that are entered in the Open Show must abide by all open show rules. There will not be an entry fee for 4-H entries if mailed by July 27, 2017 to Vermont State Fair- Attn: Secretary; PO Box 10 Rutland, VT 05702.

All 4-H members using the milking parlor during the Fair keep in mind that we will require adult supervision to accompany you. As always, a stall will be provided for the 4-H. Thank you for your cooperation.

All 4-H members are invited to participate in the Bill Weeks Memorial Showmanship contest which is schedule to take place on Friday night, August 18, 2017. You are responsible for the daily care and cleanliness of the animal as well as the area she is housed.

GENERAL RULES

All animals will be shown from the ring and exhibitors must be ready to bring them out when called for judging, failure to do so entail forfeiture of all premiums.

No one will be allowed in the ring during judging except judges and attendants with animals. The judge may, at his discretion, require any cow to be milked before him in the ring. For an exhibitor to be eligible to show an animal, the title of ownership of the exhibitor shall show on the registration certificate at the time of the exhibition.

Registration papers will be checked for this purpose. You must submit the name of the sire and dam of each animal. You must also include the name and age of the animal being entered.

RITA TRACEY JR. HERDSMAN TROPHY

The Rita Tracey Jr. Herdsman Trophy will be given to a Junior exhibitor that shows. The basis for this award will be on neatness and cleanliness of animals, area, and sportsmanship during the stay at the fair, in the barn, and most importantly in the ring. Some other areas that come into play are helpfulness to other exhibitors, obeying the show and barn rules, and anyone seen helping the youth of our program. Cattle must be kept clean and in good condition throughout your entire stay with us at the fair.

CLASSES

No. Description

1. Junior Heifer born after March 1, 2017 and over 4 months
2. Intermediate Calf—Dec. 1, 2016 – February 28, 2017
3. Senior Calf — September 1, 2016 - November 30, 2016
4. Summer Yearling — June 1, 2016- August 31, 2016
5. Junior Yearling — March 1, 2016 - May 31, 2016
6. Intermediate Yearling — Dec. 1, 2015 - February 28, 2016
7. Senior Yearling — Sept. 1, 2015 - November 30, 2015
8. Junior 3-Best Females-

All must be bred by Exhibitor, only 1 needs to presently owned by Exhibitor. One entry per Exhibitor. All animals have to be in classes 1-8. One group per farm.

All dry cows have to be shown in 1 of 2 dry classes.

9. Dry Young Cow born on or after September 1, 2013
10. Dry Aged Cow born before August 31, 2013
11. Junior 2-year-old born March 1, 2015 - August 31, 2015
(including any Senior Yearling in milk)
12. Senior 2-year-old - September 1, 2014 – February 28, 2015
13. Junior 3-year-old - March 1, 2014 - August 31, 2014
14. Senior 3-year-old - September 1, 2013 - February 28, 2014
15. 4-year-old - September 1, 2012 - August 31, 2013
16. 5-year-old - September 1, 2011 - August 31, 2012
17. Aged cow born before September 1, 2011
18. Dam and Daughter – (This class is on hold this year.)
19. Get-of-Sire – (This class is on hold this year.)
20. Produce of Dam – (This class is on hold this year.)
21. Sr 3 Best Female – All must be bred by Exhibitor; only 1 needs to be presently owned by Exhibitor.

One entry per farm. Only 1 junior animal is allowed on this group.

22. Group of Four – 1 entry per farm, any age. All must be shown in their respective classes, all must be owned by Exhibitor.
23. Senior Champion – Reserve Senior Champion
24. Grand Champion – Reserve Grand Champion

The Exhibitor winning the most points on not to exceed 6 animals in the single classes, exhibited by himself, shall be designated the Premier Breeder and Premier Exhibitor. It shall be the responsibility of each breeder to notify the Superintendent of animals bred by him, but exhibited by others.

The point system for determining both Premier Exhibitor and Premier Breeder is as follows:

Senior Female		Junior Female	
1	20	1	10
2	18	2	9
3	16	3	8
4	14	4	7
5	12	5	6

PREMIUM LIST

Class	Placing								
	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9+
1	10	9	8	7	6	5	5	5	5
2	10	9	8	7	6	5	5	5	5
3	10	9	8	7	6	5	5	5	5
4	10	9	8	7	6	5	5	5	5
5	10	9	8	7	6	5	5	5	5
6	10	9	8	7	6	5	5	5	5
7	10	9	8	7	6	5	5	5	5
8	35	33	30	28	25	23	20	18	15
9	23	20	18	15	13	10	8	6	5
10	23	20	18	15	13	10	8	6	5
11	23	20	18	15	13	10	8	6	5
12	23	20	18	15	13	10	8	6	5
13	23	20	18	15	13	10	8	6	5
14	23	20	18	15	13	10	8	6	5
15	23	20	17	15	13	10	8	6	5
16	25	23	20	18	15	13	10	8	5
17	25	23	20	18	15	13	10	8	5
18	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
19	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
20	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
21	50	48	45	43	40	38	35	33	30
22	70	65	60	55	50	45	40	35	30

Prizes will be awarded for Supreme Junior Champion and Supreme Champion Cow

Please see FORMS for the livestock entry form!