

Stars and Stripes Youth and Open Sheep Show

Premiums will be offered in each individual Class at the rate of: Youth: \$15, \$10, \$8, and \$6.

Open: \$20, \$15, \$10, \$7.50 and \$5. Youth group class winners will receive trophies . \$20 will be awarded to each Open Group Class winner. Champion showman will receive \$50.

Show Chair: Charlene Carlisle
Show Secretary: Susan Maruska
Open Youth Chair: Samantha Cattani
Judge: TBD

Youth Showmanship and Youth Fitting classes will be held first.

Showmanship

1. 5 years and under
2. 6 to 10 years
3. 11 to 14 years
4. 15 – 21 years
5. Adult Showmanship – An adult is any person over the age of 21 who is willing to enter the ring to be judged by the youth.

Fitting – classes to be divided into Novice (first year),
Junior (under 12 years) and Senior (12 to 21 years of age)

- A. Meat type (1. Novice 2. Junior 3. Senior)
- B. Wool type (1. Novice 2. Junior 3. Senior)
- C. Slick Shorn (1. Novice 2. Junior 3. Senior)

Divisions and Order of Show

- A. Classic Breeds – (for example: Babydoll Southdown, Finn, Jacob, Navaho-Churro, Shetland)
- B. Meat Breeds – (for example: Cheviots, Dorset, Hampshires, Montadale, Polypay, Oxford, Shropshire, Southdown, Suffolk, Tunis)
- C. White Wool – (for example: Columbia, Corriedale, Cotswolds, Lincolns, Merino, Rambouillet, Romney)
- D. Natural Colored Wool

Classes to be held in Each Division:

1. Yearling Rams (Born Sept. 1, 2008 to Aug. 31, 2009)
2. Fall Ram Lambs (Born Sept. 1, 2009 to Dec. 31, 2009)
3. Spring Ram Lambs (Born after Jan. 1, 2010)

Champion Ram and Reserve Champion Ram

4. Aged Ewes (Born Before Sept. 1, 2008)
5. Yearling Ewes Born Sept. 1, 2008 to Aug. 31, 2009)
6. Fall Ewe Lambs (Born Sept 1, 2009 to Dec. 31, 2009)
7. Spring Ewe Lambs (Born after Jan. 1, 2010)

Champion Ewe and Reserve Champion Ewe

Grand Champions in the Classic, Meat, White Wool and Natural Colored Wool Divisions will be selected from the Champion Ram and Champion Ewes.

Group Classes: (animals must be owned by exhibitor)

11. Pair – any pair of animals, any sex or age. To be judged on uniformity.
12. Jr. Flock – two ewe lambs and a ram lamb
13. Flock – two yearling ewes, two ewe lambs and one ram of any age

Supreme Champion

will be selected from Grand Champion Classic, Meat, and White Wool and Natural Colored Wool

Specialty Classes - Entry Fees required and premiums awarded

8. Best Fleece

9. Market Lamb –. Open to any ewe or wether lamb born after Jan. 1. 2010, (ewes may not shown in a breeding class.

Youth Sheep Fitting

Clip Off

July 9, 2010 at 7:00 pm

Chair: Henk Bruins

Youth Chair: George Stillwell

Show Secretary: Gia Brophy

Exhibitors will be judged on their ability to fit a sheep in one hour. Sheep will be provided. Exhibitors should bring their own grooming tools and stand, but will be provided if necessary. Electric shears are permitted.

Divisions:

Novice (first year) Junior (under 12 years, some experience) Senior (12 to 21 years)

Every participant will receive special awards.

Division winners will receive trophies.

Sheep Judging Contest

July 10, 2010 8:00 to 2:00

Chair: Rob Bruins

Youth Chair: Alex Byrnes

The purpose of this competition is to encourage critical thinking skills in the evaluation of sheep. You do not have to own sheep, be enrolled in the sheep show, nor have any previous experience to enter. A \$2 donation is requested for entry. All contestants will receive a ribbon. Division winners will receive prizes. This is an on going competition. Turn in your placing card and await official reasons at 3:00 PM.

Divisions:

Novice (no sheep experience) Junior (under 12 years with some sheep experience)

Senior (12 to 21 years) Adult (21 + years)

Skill-a-thon

A series of hands-on exhibits will test the basic livestock skills of participants. Score cards may be handed in from 8:00 until 3:00. Each participant will receive a ribbon. Special prizes will be awarded.

Rules for the Youth and Open Sheep Show

1. Entries must be postmarked by July 1, 2010, accompanied by a check made out to Stars and Stripes Livestock. Entry fees for the Open Show are \$5/animal. Youth Show entries are \$4/animal. There is no charge for any showmanship, fitting or group class. There are no refunds. Animals shown in group classes must have been shown in individual classes. There will be a \$30 fee charged for each check not honored by the exhibitor's bank. The judge's decision is final.
2. Health requirements are available at the N.J. Department of Agriculture website: www.nj.gov/agriculture/divisions/ah/news/fairshows.html.

All out of state sheep exhibitors must have interstate health papers (CVI) dated within 30 days of this show, including:

- a. the complete name and address of exhibitor
- b. origin of the livestock
- c. complete name and address of this show (Stars and Stripes Livestock Show, Horse Park of NJ, 626 Rt. 524, Allentown, NJ 08501)
- d. destination of the livestock
- e. description of the livestock including identification numbers

All in-state sheep exhibitors must have either a CVI or AHC (30, 60, or 90 days).

All sexually intact sheep must have USDA official ear tag or tattoo and/or microchip. Owners must bring their own microchip reader if no tag or tattoo is apparent.

3. Check-in is from 7:30 to 9:00 AM, Saturday July 10, 2010.
 - a. There is no limit on the number of animals that you may enter per class.
 - b. Proper conduct and treatment of animals, fellow exhibitors, show officials and the public is expected at all times.
 - c. All exhibits shall be under the direction of the Stars and Stripes Livestock Committee, Freedom Fest Fair officials and the Horse Park of New Jersey, who under no circumstances will be responsible for any loss, injury or damage done to or occasioned by or arising from any animals or article on exhibition and the exhibitor shall indemnify the Show Committee and the management thereof, against all claims on account of or as a result from, the exhibitor's negligent handling of his/her exhibits. Any exhibitor or his representative, or his agent, who violates any of these rules and regulations of the Stars and Stripes Livestock Show at the Horse Park of New Jersey will forfeit all privileges and awards and may be barred from future shows. Show entry indicates acceptance of this condition.
 - d. All animals are released after the show.
 - e. In order to compete in both the Open Show and Youth Shows, youth must register under both divisions and pay both show fees.
 - f. Use of halter is optional in the ring.
 - g. Meat sheep should be shown in less than a one inch fleece. Wool breeds should be groomed according to breed standards. If you are uncertain of the type of wool sheep that you have, we will assist you in making a determination, based on the breed/breeds of your sheep.
 - h. The Youth Sheep Show will be held concurrently with the Open Sheep Show. Youth exhibitors will enter the ring with the adult exhibitors. The class will be placed as an Open Show class first and then the youth will be placed in the Youth Show class. Premiums and awards will be awarded in both shows.

