

2009 JUNIOR FAIR NEWS

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2009 Junior Fair Theme

**It's coming and you can be a part of it!
Have your club submit a theme
suggestion by Wed. May 13, 2009 at
tag-in. Drop them in the Secretary's
Office when you drop off your breed
cards.**

DON'T FORGET

Open Class Premium Money Distribution To Change

Effective with the 2009 Athens County Fair, distribution of your open class premium money is changing. Open class premiums will now be paid in cash, no more checks. Any open class premium money not claimed by the close of the fair on August 15, 2009 will be forfeited. The board will no longer mail checks to exhibitors who fail to pick up their premium money. There will be no exceptions to this rule.

Livestock Tag-In and Animal Registration

**Wednesday, May 13, 2009 5:00-8:00 pm
Athens County Fairgrounds**

Market hogs, market dairy feeder calves, market lambs and market goats are brought to the fair grounds to be tagged for the fair and have hair samples taken. Junior Fair exhibitors must also bring in all the following forms on this date:

- Beef Breeding Registration Form
- Breeding Gilt Registration Form
- Breeding Lamb Registration Form
- Breeding Poultry ID card
- Breeding Rabbit ID card
- Dairy Cattle Registration Form
- Dairy Goat Registration Form
- Dog Certificate of Vaccination - Athens County
- Dog Certificate of Vaccination - State Fair
- Horse Identification Form (Green Sheet) Mandatory For EVERY Horse Participant –
- Disclosure and Release of Claims Form
- Market Dairy Feeder Registration Form \$2 tag-in fee per head
- Market Goat Registration Form-\$2 tag-in fee per head
- Market Lamb Registration Form-\$2 tag-in fee per head
- Market Chicken ID card (order chicks at this time as well)-\$2 per pen tag-in fee plus a per bird purchase fee to be announced
- Market Rabbit ID card-\$2 per pen registration fee (Tag-in Wed., July 8, 2009)
- Market Swine Registration Form-\$2 per head tag-in fee
- PAS Registration Form

Please have all your forms completely filled out and ready to go. This will make the lines move smoother. Forms can be downloaded from:

http://athens.osu.edu/4h_youth_development

Junior Fair Feeder Calf Exhibitors Have Option To Sell Their Calves at 2009 Athens County Fair

A Pilot Beef Feeder Calf Sale will take place at the 2009 Athens County Fair on Saturday, August 15 at 10:00 am. This sale is for junior fair beef feeder calf exhibitors who wish to sell their calf. The Beef Committee introduced this pilot sale and was approved by the Board of Directors of the Athens County Agriculture Society on March 3, 2009. The following rules apply to this sale to please read them closely:

- Calves are only for junior fair exhibitors, no open class calves will be sold
- Calves must be tagged in as Junior Fair projects on May 13, 2009. They must be brought into the fair grounds to be tagged
- Exhibitors must designate which calf they will sell by Thursday, August 13 9:00 am.
- Calves will sell by the head.
- Heifers and steers will sell together in the Saturday sale.
- \$20 per head commission flat fee
- Calves must weigh between 400 and 700 lbs. Under 400 or over 700 will not sell
- Exhibitor can only sell one feeder calf through the sale ring in Saturday's sale.
- All feeder calves going through the ring on Saturday, August 15, 2009 must be removed from the fairgrounds by 3:00 pm that day.

Stall Drawing

Stall drawing forms must be turned in no later than Monday, July 20, 2009. Stall drawing will be held on Thursday, July 23, 2009 in the Junior Fair Building on the fair grounds at 7:00 pm. Forms have changed. Each club must list the exhibitor's name and the number of each species they are bringing and the number of stalls needed along with ear tag numbers. Barn superintendents will make stall assignments prior to the fair. These sheets are then going to be crosschecked with sale committee sheets and the club enrollment sheets in order to avoid drawing for extra stalls. Clubs should mail the stall request form so that it is postmarked no later than Monday, July 20, 2009. Clubs failing to turn in a stall request form will take what is left over in all barns after the drawing is finished. Forms can be mailed to: Stall Drawing, Athens Co. Jr. Fair, P.O. Box 669, Athens OH 45701. Forms are available online at: www.athenscofair.org or at the Extension Office.

DO NOT E-MAIL THESE FORMS

King/Queen Applications

Applications for the 2009 Athens County Junior Fair King/Queen contest are online at www.athenscofair.org. A copy of the rules is also online. Please make sure that you give each candidate a copy of the rules. Completed applications and a photograph must be returned to the Junior Fair Board no later than Monday, July 20, 2009. These should be mailed to: King/Queen Applications, Athens County Jr. Fair, and P.O. Box 669, Athens OH 45701 or dropped off at the Extension Office to Matt Davis. All applications must be in an envelope. All applications must be completed in full to qualify. If an application is incomplete you will not qualify as a candidate. All photographs must be originals, no photocopies will be accepted. **Do not glue your photo to the application.** These photos will become the property of the fair and will not be returned to you. Judging will take place in the Secretary's Office on Sunday, July 26, 2009 at 2:00 p.m. There will be no other judging times. You must attend if you are to be considered a candidate. Light refreshments will be served during the judging as this may take several hours.

Booth Reservations

Booth reservation forms are online at: www.athenscofair.org or in the Secretary's Office on the fair grounds. The deadline to reserve a booth space is Monday, July 20, 2009. No late reservations will be accepted. Mail all reservations to: Athens Co. Junior Fair Board, Booth Reservation, P.O. Box 669, Athens, OH 45701

DO NOT E-MAIL BOOTH RESERVATION FORMS

New USDA Rule For Swine Identification To Take Place Again In 2009

The USDA is requiring all Ohio Fairs to tattoo market swine before they leave the fairgrounds the week of the fair. This tattoo will be placed on all market swine during the week of the fair prior to the Friday night junior fair livestock sale. Please be prepared when the sale committee comes around to tattoo your animal. Questions can be directed to any Livestock Task Force member.

Parade Reservation Forms

Parade reservation forms are due no later than Monday, July 20, 2009. These can be turned in to the Secretary's Office to be placed in Paula Carpenter's mailbox. There is only one form this year. Reservation and narration must be turned in all at once. **DO NOT E-MAIL THESE FORMS NO RESERVATIONS WILL BE ACCEPTED AFTER THE DEADLINE! NO EXCEPTIONS.**

Quality Assurance Sessions For 2009

#1-Thursday May 14, 2009 at 6:30 p.m. in the Junior Fair Building located on the fairgrounds. Signup will begin around 5:30 pm. **#2-Saturday June 20, 2009 at 9:00 a.m., signup will begin at 8:00 a.m.** **#3-Sunday July 12, 2009 at 2:30 p.m., signup will begin at 1:30 p.m.** Quality assurance is mandatory for all junior fair exhibitors of rabbits, poultry, waterfowl, dairy cattle, beef cattle, dairy feeder calves, swine, sheep, and goats. Dog exhibitors no longer have to take a QA. Horse exhibitors who are only taking a horse may take the equine QA with Matt Davis. If an equine exhibitor is taking another animal, they must attend one of the regular QA sessions as well. Any exhibitor failing to attend one quality assurance session will be ineligible to show and/or sell their animal at the 2009 Athens County Fair. The sessions will begin promptly at the time listed. Will not allow you to enter the session after the session begins.

Alexander, Athens and Federal Hocking Vo-Ag Instructors are also offering QA sessions at the schools. Please check with them for the dates and times and availability.

Notice to all exhibitors of ruminant animals

The Ohio Department of Agriculture requires all exhibitors of ruminant animals (cattle, sheep, and goats) to sign a form stating that they have not been fed any animal by-products. This form must be turned in at the gate when you arrive with your ruminant animals for check-in on Saturday, August 8, 2009. More information on when and where this will be distributed will follow at a later date.

Advisor Pass Change Notice

Beginning in 2008, Junior Fair 4-H and FFA advisors **no longer** receive a free pass to the fair. All advisors must either purchase a season or membership ticket or pay at the gate. There will be no exceptions to this rule.

Drug Use Notification Forms

Drug Use Notification Forms are required for all livestock entering the Athens County Fairgrounds except dogs and rabbits. These forms are mandatory for open class livestock as well as junior fair livestock. The Ohio Department of Agriculture requires us to send in drug use notification forms on all beef cattle, dairy cattle, goats, sheep, swine, horses, dairy beef feeders, and poultry. **This year ducks and geese are considered market poultry so they will also be required to fill out the drug use forms.** You will need one form per animal except market chickens; they can fill out one form per pen of chickens. Exhibitors attempting to enter without the DUN forms will be turned away, ODA rules apply. More information on when and where this will be distributed will follow at a later date.

SATURDAY LIVESTOCK ARRIVAL SCHEDULE

6:00 p.m.-8:00 p.m.

*Beef, Dairy Cattle, Goats, Sheep,
Poultry, Rabbits
Swine, Equine*

7:00 p.m.-9:00 p.m.

SUNDAY MARKET LIVESTOCK WEIGH-IN SCHEDULE

<i>Market Steers</i>	<i>12 noon-1:00 pm</i>
<i>Market Dairy Feeders</i>	<i>1:00 pm-2:00 pm</i>
<i>Market Swine</i>	<i>9:00 am-12 noon</i>
<i>Market Lambs</i>	<i>12 noon-1:00 pm</i>
<i>Market Goats</i>	<i>1:00 pm-2:00 pm</i>
<i>Market Chickens</i>	<i>10:00 am-12 noon</i>
<i>Market Rabbits</i>	<i>1:00 pm-2:00 pm</i>
<i>Market Turkey</i>	<i>2:30 pm-3:00 pm</i>

<i>Beef Barn</i>
<i>Beef Barn</i>
<i>Swine Barn Show Ring</i>
<i>Swine Barn Show Ring</i>
<i>Swine Barn Show Ring</i>
<i>Poultry Barn</i>
<i>Dairy Barn</i>
<i>Turkey Barn</i>

Market Rabbits

Tag-in for Market Rabbits is Wednesday, July 8, 2009, 6:00 pm-8:00 pm at the fairgrounds. Market Rabbit exhibitors must bring their market rabbits to the fairgrounds to be tattooed by the Sale Committee. If the exhibitor registered one pen they may bring 3-4 rabbits to be tattooed, if they registered two pens they may bring 6-8 rabbits to be tattooed. Please remember that one pen for the fair is only 3 rabbits. **NO EXCEPTIONS**

Little Kids

Cookie Decorating Contest

Cookie Decorating Contest registration begins at 2:00 on Tuesday at the Hillside Stage. Object: Cookies will be judged for the cutest, most theme- (county fair) oriented, most creative, and the most unique.

RULES:

This event is open to ages 8 and under. You will have 10 minutes to decorate a cookie that has been provided. The colored frosting and other objects for decorating (i.e. sprinkles) will be provided.

Awards:

1st place \$5.00 Rosette
2nd place \$3.00 Rosette
3rd place \$1.00 Rosette
4th place Rosette
5th place Rosette

Everyone will get a participation ribbon

Barn Passes \$10.00

Barn passes will go on sale in July with the date to be announced later at the Secretary's Office for \$10.00 each. This pass is only good Sunday, August 9 through Friday, August 14, 2009 from 6:00 a.m. until 8:00 a.m. to drop off feed and supplies. This tag is not valid after 8:00 a.m. There is no parking privilege or gate entry attached to this barn pass. All vehicles must unload and move immediately to a regular parking spot in the infield or by the owner's camper or reserved parking space. Vehicles blocking the roadway, fire lanes, parked by barns, parked in areas without the proper permit, being used past the 8:00 a.m. deadline or left unattended will be towed at the owner's expense and the barn pass revoked. The pass must be presented at the gate between 6:00 a.m and 8:00 a.m. to be given entry to the barn areas and must hang on the rearview mirror in plain sight at all times.

Important Dates for 2009

Club Enrollment	Ext. Office	By 4:00 pm	May 1, 2009
Tag-in	Fairgrounds	5:00-8:00 pm	May 13, 2009
Quality Assurance	Jr. Fair Building	6:30 pm	May 14, 2009
Market Chicken Pickup	Secretary's Office	3-5 pm	June 10, 2009
Quality Assurance	Jr. Fair Building	9:00 am	June 20, 2009
Skill-A-Thon	Extension Office	1-4:00 pm	June 28, 2009
Market Rabbit Tag-in	Fairgrounds	6-8 pm	July 8, 2009
Camp			July 9-12, 2009
Quality Assurance	Jr. Fair Building	2:30 pm	July 12, 2009
All Jr. Fair Forms Turned In	Secretary's Office		July 20, 2009
4-H Dog Show	Fairgrounds		July 18, 2009
Skill-A-Thon	Extension Office	8-11:00 am	July 18, 2009
4-H Clothing Judging/Style Revue	TBA		July 18, 2009
4-H Food and Nutrition Judging	TBA		July 20, 2009
4-H Still Project Judging	Alexander Cafetorium		July 21, 2009
Stall Drawing	Jr. Fair Building	7:00 pm	July 23, 2009
King/Queen Judging	Fairgrounds	2:00 pm	July 26, 2009
Athens County Fair	Fairgrounds		Aug. 7-15, 2009
Jr. Fair Booth Setup	Jr. Fair Building		Aug. 7-9, 2009
Jr. Fair Livestock Arrival	Fairgrounds (See Schedule)		Aug. 8, 2009
Market Species Check Distribution-	Fair Board Secy. Office	5-7 pm	Aug. 20, 2009
Club officer books due to Extension Office			Oct. 1, 2009

Great Pumpkin Contest

The Athens County Senior Fairboard is offering a special contest for exhibitors taking #691, Vegetable Gardening. Tom Weekley has arranged for interested participants to receive jumbo pumpkin seeds for the 2009 Athens County Junior Fair Great Pumpkin Contest. Exhibitors may only bring one for the junior fair contest, but may also enter another pumpkin in open class. The contest is judged solely on the weight of the pumpkin. The exhibitor showing the heaviest pumpkin will be declared the winner. Interested participants will receive a fact sheet and growing tips with their seeds. Call Matt at 593-8555 or e-mail davis1977@cfaes.osu.edu to get registered. Seeds will be available April 20th at the Extension Office.

2009 Junior Fair Committee

Brenda Llewellyn, President
Betty Cunningham, Vice President
Teresa Tedrow, Secretary

Lori Collins	Mick Cunningham
Pam Boyer	Pam Smith
Jessica Smith	Brittany Pangburn
Rhonda Meeks	Jenna Meeks
Deanna Parsons	Peg Six
Maryann Stalder	Sabrina Stalder
Paula Carpenter	Lester Green

Interested in joining the Junior Fair Committee?
 Pick-up an application at the secretary's office on the fair grounds.
 Deadline to apply is August 31, 2009

2009 Junior Fair Board

President-Whitney Smith
Vice President-Shannon Parsons
Secretary-Heather Gould
Treasurer-Sierra Warthman

Jarrett Bright	Kyle Dishon
Qarnissa Fletcher	Christina Gould
Kerry Ervin	Shawn Parsons
Ryan Ervin	Rochelle Bolin
Jonathan Larimer	Rachel Larimer
Rachel Moore	Kayla Nicholson
Chelsea Pangburn	Jesse Roof
Polly Russell	Elena Smith

24-Hour Gates

Please be aware that our gates, beginning Sunday, August 9, 2009, will be open and manned 24 hours.

Between the hours of 12:00 midnight and 6:00 a.m. only those with a pass or proper armband will be allowed to enter the gates. Those with a pass must also have a camping, vendor or reserved parking hangtag to proceed onto the grounds. Without the proper parking hangtag, the vehicle will be required to park in the triangle gravel area by the Bedrock Gate and walk.

There will be no gate tickets sold between 12:00 midnight and 6:00 a.m. each day. Entry will be by pass or proper armband only. The Larry's Dawg House Gate will become an "Exit Only" gate after 10:00 p.m. each night.

These changes were made for security reasons.

2009 Senior Fair Board

President-Brian Llewellyn	698-4700
Vice President-Reid Hart	592-4275
Secretary-Ron Llewellyn	797-4356
Treasurer-Sabrina Stalder	698-7120
Paula Carpenter	594-2771
David Christman	797-4024
Lester Green	667-3604
Harry King	696-1080
Bruce Lackey	438-2334
Doug Parsons	662-4502
Patrick Sheridan	592-4310
Danny Simons	448-1940
Scott Simons	448-2412
Rick Six	592-6293
Larry Buggs” Stalder	593-3193
Tommy Tedrow	797-2426
Jim Washburn	448-3313
Tom Weekley	662-4302

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Fair website: www.athenscofair.org

E-Mail: fairdays@frogn.net

Sale Committee:

<http://www.athenscofair.org/jrfairsale.html>

Market Animal Handbook:

<http://www.athenscofair.org/09handbook.pdf>

NEW 2009 GUIDELINES

Ultimate Showmanship

Friday, August 14, 2009

9:00 A.M.

Swine Show Arena

Committee: Paula Carpenter-Chairman; Jim Washburn, Tom Weekley, Larry “Buggs” Stalder, Rick Six, Scott Simons, Bruce Lackey, Rhonda Meeks, Betty Cunningham, Jenna Meeks

GUIDELINES:

1. Participants must be Junior Fair age.
2. The contest will be divided into 11 parts (Western Horse, English Horse, Sheep, Market Goats, Dairy Goats, Swine, Beef, Dairy, Dairy Feeder Calves, Poultry, and Rabbits)
3. Participants will be the winners of Pro-Showmanship for each of the 11 parts.
4. Winners do not have to participate if they do not wish to.
5. Participants will show in 10 different species using correct showmanship techniques for each species. Participants will not show their own species.
6. The Pro-Showmanship winner for each species will demonstrate the showmanship technique before each part.
7. The judge will rate the participants on a scale of one to ten with one being the best and ten being the worst. Participant with the fewest total points in the ten departments will be the winner.
8. In the case of a tie, tying participants will draw two animals from one department and show these two animals to break the tie. Tie breaking animals cannot be from the same department as the member’s project.
9. Ultimate Showmanship winners may not compete again in the same species in which they participated in previous years, but may participate in another species if they are taking that species as a project. Example: Johnny wins swine pro-showmanship and signs up to participate in the Ultimate Showmanship contest and wins. He cannot come back next year in swine; he can only participate in another species. This species must be a project exhibited and shown at the fair that year.
10. Contestants are not allowed to speak to each other while in the show ring. Contestants talking to each other while in the show ring will be disqualified from that species.
11. Participants must sign up to participate in the Ultimate Showmanship contest and present a waiver of liability signed by themselves and a parent or guardian no later than the end of the specie show in which they win Pro-Showmanship.
12. In the event the pro-showmanship winner is ineligible to show in the Ultimate Showmanship contest, the 2nd place winner will be offered the chance to show.
13. Exhibitors allowing the Ultimate Showmanship contest to use their animal for the event must present a signed waiver of liability with their signature and the signature of a parent or guardian.
14. Judge must be from outside Athens County and cannot be listed as an advisor in any Athens County 4-H Club or FFA Chapter.

Athens County Junior Fair Tennis Shoes Decorating Contest

Decorated tennis shoes (2) are to be turned in to the Junior Fair Board Office on Saturday, July 25, 2009.

RULES:

1. Open to all Junior Fair individuals. This includes Cloverbuds. Please note this is an individual competition.
2. Must be in good taste.
3. No advertising, political figures or religious.
4. Tennis shoes will be judged with regards to the Junior Fair Theme.
5. Any entry deemed to be offensive would be disqualified.
6. Winners will receive a ribbon for 1st thru 5th place.
7. You must purchase your own tennis shoes.
8. After the judging you may choose to put your tennis shoes in your club's or Chapter's booth in the Junior Fair Buildings. If you choose not to use you tennis shoes in your booth, then they will be on display at the fair.
9. No electrical parts.
10. Entries must remain on fairgrounds for entire week of the fair.

Classes:
To be determined

Entry Fee: None

Awards: Ribbons 1st through 5th place

Athens County Junior Fair Sock Decorating Contest

Decorated Socks are to be turned in to the Junior Fair Board Office on Saturday, July 25, 2009.

RULES:

1. Open to all Junior Fair individuals. This includes Cloverbuds. Please note this is an individual competition.
2. Must be in good taste.
3. No advertising, political figures or religious.
4. Socks will be judged with regards to the Junior Fair Theme.
5. Any entry deemed to be offensive would be disqualified.
6. Winners will receive a ribbon for 1st thru 5th place.
7. You must purchase your own socks.
8. After the judging you may choose to put your socks in your club's or Chapter's booth in the Junior Fair Buildings. If you choose not to use you socks in your booth, then they will be on display at the fair.
9. No electrical parts.
10. Entries must remain on fairgrounds for entire week of the fair.

Classes:
To be determined

Entry Fee: None

Awards: Ribbons 1st through 5th place

Athens County Junior Fair Cap Decorating Contest

Decorated Caps are to be turned in to the Junior Fair Board Office on Saturday, July 25, 2009.

RULES:

1. Open to all Junior Fair individuals. This includes Cloverbuds. Please note this is an individual competition.
2. Must be in good taste
3. No advertising, political figures or religious
4. Caps will be judged with regards to the Junior Fair Theme.
5. Any entry deemed to be offensive would be disqualified.
6. Winners will receive a ribbon for 1st thru 5th place.
7. You must purchase your own Caps.
8. After the judging you may choose to put your Caps in your club's or Chapter's booth in the Junior Fair Buildings. If you choose not to use you Caps in your booth, then they will be on display at the fair.
9. No electrical parts.
10. Entries must remain on fairgrounds for entire week of the fair.

Classes:
To be determined: Entry Fee: none Awards: Ribbons 1st through 5th place

Athens County Fair
Cowboy Hat Decorating Contest

Decorated Cowboy Hats are to be turned in to the Junior Fair Board Office on Saturday, July 25, 2009

RULES:

1. Open to all Junior Fair groups.
2. Must be in good taste.
3. No advertising, political figures or religious.
4. Cowboy Hats will be judged with regards to the Junior Fair Theme.
5. Any entry deemed to be offensive will be disqualified.
6. Winners will receive a ribbon for 1st thru 5th place.
7. You must purchase your own Cowboy Hats
8. After the judging you may choose to put your Cowboy Hat in your booth in the Junior Fair Building. If you choose not to use your Cowboy Hat in your booth, then it will be displayed on the fairgrounds.
9. No electrical parts.
10. Entries must remain on fairgrounds for entire week of the fair.

Classes: To be determined

Entry Fee: None

Awards:

Cash prizes

1 st place	15.00
2 nd place	10.00
3 rd place	5.00