

DEPARTMENT F—GOATS

Judging: Wednesday – 10:00 a.m.

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See Rules Governing Entries, Exhibitions and Awards, General Rules, and Rules for Livestock.

1. Breeding stock must be owned by May 31. All other goats: tag number, tattoos, or other form of permanent I.D. must be turned in at the time of fair sign-up in order to show that animal. All goats are required to have a scrapies tag.
2. Each youth exhibitor will be permitted to enter a maximum of 10 goats. A maximum of three per class except market animals.
3. OWNERSHIP-Breed Class animals must be registered in the exhibitor's name or immediate family, i.e.: sibling or parents. Registration must not be in transfer!
4. Any tattooed animal must have registration papers turned in to superintendents upon arrival, to be returned Saturday evening following Walker Barn closing ceremonies.
5. **NO BUCKS** will be allowed.
6. Pre-show milk-out Tuesday of fair from 6:00 -10:00 pm.
7. All Goats (except fiber goats, market goats and meat doe breeding stock) must be dehorned. Spur growth not in excess of 2 inches with or without horns. Superintendents or their delegates will inspect all animals before unloading.
8. Record books are encouraged to show or sell goats at fair. Books will be turned into Superintendent Monday by 5:00 pm at fair. Record books must be completed and signed by participant.
9. Participants must accompany their animals in Auction Ring unless previously excused.
10. All participants showing any market animal must show in the corresponding showmanship class. Exceptions at discretion of the superintendents.
11. Morning chores will be completed prior to 10:00 am and feed pans on floor removed. Chores the day of show must be done before 9 am and all pens will be completely cleaned of all bedding on Thursday by 10:00 am.
12. Proper show clothes will be worn in the show ring: white shirt, white pants for dairy; white shirt, black pants for pygmy, meat breeds and angora.
13. Superintendents reserve right to combine classes if a minimum number of animals is not met per breed.
14. The exhibitors of the overall junior dairy goat and the overall senior dairy goat can sell a cooler of dairy goat products in the livestock auction. There is a maximum of one cooler sold per year per exhibitor. If the same exhibitor won both classes, the reserve champion from one class may sell. An exhibitor may sell a dairy goat product cooler or a market goat but may not sell both.
15. Failure to comply with any of the rules, or lack of care of a animal, may result in, removal of the exhibit and forfeiture of sale privileges and/or loss of exhibiting privileges for not more than 2 years at the Eastern Michigan Fair.
16. Exhibitors are responsible for posting buyers name above their pen NO later than 30 minutes in conclusion of the Livestock Sale.

Division 1 - DAIRY GOATS

(Includes: Alpine, Nubian, Oberhasli, Saanen, Toggenberg, LaMancha, Recorded & Unrecorded Grades and Nigerian Dwarf)

Class 4001: Junior doe kid, born 4/1 and after of this year

Class 4002: Intermediate doe kid, born 3/1 – 3/31 of this year

Class 4003: Senior doe kid, born 1/1 – 2/28 of this year

Class 4004: Junior yearling, born Aug. – Dec. of previous year

Class 4005: Senior yearling, age 1 yr. – under 2 years

Awards: 1st-6th placings, Junior Champion & Reserve Junior Champion; from winners in classes 4001-4005.

Class 4006: Yearling milker

Class 4007: Junior milker; 2 and under 3 years
Class 4008: Intermediate milker; 3-5 years
Class 4009: Senior milker, 5 years & over
Class 4010: Dry milker, any age
Class 4011: Doe over 2 never freshened

Awards: 1st-6th placings

Senior Grand Champion & Reserve Senior Champion; from winners in classes 4006-4010

Division 1- Dairy Goats can compete together in the following classes:

Class 4012: Udder class
Class 4013: Produce of dam; 2 does, daughters of same dam
Class 4014: Mother & daughter
Class 4015: Breeders trio: Homegrown, breeding stock born on your farm

Awards: 1st-6th placings

Division 2 – PYGMY, PYGMY GRADE & OTHER

(Includes: Pygora, Cashmere, Pet Wether, etc.)

Class 4025: Junior doe kid (0-2 months)
Class 4026: Intermediate doe kid (3-6 months)
Class 4027: Senior doe kid (7-9 months)
Class 4028: Junior doe unfreshened yearling (10 months-under 1 year)
Class 4029: Yearling doe unfreshened, under 2 years of age
Class 4030: Senior doe unfreshened

Awards: 1st-6th placings

Junior Champion & Reserve Champion; from winners in classes above

Class 4031: Yearling doe freshened, under 2 years of age
Class 4032: Doe freshened - 2 years and under 3 years of age
Class 4033: Doe freshened – 3 years and under 5 years of age
Class 4034: Doe freshened - 5 years of age and older

Awards: 1st-6th placings

Senior Champion and Reserve Champion; from winners in classes 4031-34

Class 4035: Pet Wether (Dairy only)

Awards: 1st -6th placings

Division 2 – Pygmy, Pygmy Grade & Other can compete together in the following 4 classes:

Class 4036: Udder class
Class 4037: Produce of dam: 2 does, daughter of same dam
Class 4038: Mother and daughter
Class 4039: Breeders Trio; Homegrown, breeding stock born on your farm

Division 3 - FIBER GOATS

All must be inspected by Superintendents or their delegate before unloading

1. Animals must be shown in full fleece.
2. Animals must be owned by exhibitor by May 31, current year.
3. NO BUCKS will be allowed.
4. Record books are encouraged to show and sell at fair.

Class 4040: Aged doe, over 2 years of age

Class 4041: Yearling doe

Class 4042: Kid doe, under one year

Class 4043: Wether, all ages

Awards: 1st – 6th placings

Grand Champion Fiber Goat and Reserve Champion Fiber Goat; winners from classes above.

Class 4044: Breeders trio, all bred and owned by exhibitor

Class 4045: Produce of Dam daughter & wethered sons

Class 4046: Mother & Daughter

Class 4047: Doe fleece (bagged previous shearing)

Class 4048: Buck fleece (bagged previous shearing)

ANGORA PRODUCT CONTEST

This contest will consist of static display of products from angora goats. This may include the harvesting of mohair, raw fiber to finished product, versatility of mohair, a finished garment with information about the construction of the products, etc.

Class 4163: Angora product class

Awards: 1st- 2nd placings

Division 4 – GOAT SHOWMANSHIP

To participate in this section, exhibitor must have made entry and shown in corresponding Dairy, Market, Pygmy, Angora or other class.

ONLY ONE Showmanship class per exhibitor. Showmanship will be divided into age groups.

Ages will be as of January 1st of the current year.

Class 4100: Advanced Senior; 17-19 years

Class 4101: Senior; 14-16 years

Class 4102: Intermediate; 11-13 years

Class 4103: Junior; 8-10 years

Class 4104: Sprouts; 5-7 years

Awards: 1st-6th Place Ribbons

Division 5 - MARKET GOATS

1. A limit of 2 market animals are allowed per member and only 1 to be sold. 2 can only be sold ONLY if entered in Pair class and they place Grand Champion or Reserve Market Pair.
2. Animal to be placed in weight class at time of fair week weigh-in by superintendent.
3. Market animals may not be shown in any other class than Market, Showmanship and Homegrown if they qualify. Homegrown is defined as: Ownership and direct possession of Dam and Offspring at time of birthing at members home address through exhibition.
4. Market animals must be born following date of previous Eastern Michigan State Fair & must not have yearling teeth. All males must be properly castrated.
5. Medicated feed and antibiotics must be withdrawn prior to the date specified on container.
6. Market animals can be shown in showmanship and market class. If they do not qualify for market class they may be shown in feeder class.
7. Animals must be purchased and in the possession of the exhibitor by May 1 of the current year.
8. Market goat must be minimum of 50 lbs.
9. The Grand and Reserve Champions, including Grand and Reserve Pair of Goats and all "A" winners will be sold in the Livestock Sale.
10. Tagging is mandatory for all market goats. Goats will be tagged by the 3rd Saturday of May by the designated superintendent. Members may tag three market goats; only 2 market goats will be brought and shown at fair.
11. All market goat exhibitors must have their registration papers into the market goat superintendent NO later than midnight of the 3rd Saturday in May.
12. All market goats will be weighed at the time designated by the superintendent.
13. Fitting Rules will be as follows:
 - You MUST be with the animal the entire time the animal is being fit.
 - There will be no adding of hemp or hair.
 - There will be no paint above the navel.
 - There will be no artificial fill.
14. All market goats must be dehorned.

Class 4105: Market Goat

Class 4107: Pairs class: Same breed, within 10 lbs of each other.

Class 4108: Feeder Goat (less than 50 lbs.)

Awards: 1st-6th placings

Grand Champion and Reserve Champion Market Goat

Grand Champion and Reserve Champion Market Pair

Division 6 - RATE OF GAIN

Judged on recorded weights from tagging day and weigh-in day at fair.

Class 4109: Rate of Gain Contest

Awards: 1st place only

Division 7- MARKET DOE BREEDING STOCK

(Includes: Boer, Kiko, Myotonic and mixed)

Class 4016: Doe, 12 to 24 months of age, Unfreshened/Freshened

Class 4017: Doe, 25 to 36 months of age, Unfreshened/Freshened

Class 4018: Doe, 36 months or older

Awards: 1st-6th placings

Senior Grand Champion and Reserve Senior Champion: from winners in classes 4016-4018

Class 4019: Kid (0-3 months of age)

Class 4020: Kid (4-6 months of age)

Class 4021: Kid (7-12 months of age)

Awards: 1st-6th placings

Junior Grand Champion & Reserve Grand Champion: from winners in classes 4019-4021

Division 7-Market Doe Breeding Stock can compete together in the following 3 classes:

Class 4022: Dam and Daughter

Class 4023: Get-of-Sire

(2 animals from same sire, animals must be from different dams and 1 must have freshened)

Class 4024: Best home bred doe (dam owned by and breeding planned by exhibitor)

Awards: 1st-6th placings

Division 8 - RECORD BOOKS

Includes Dairy, Meat, Pygmy, Other & Angora. All projects are to be combined into 1 book.

(Due to superintendent by 5:00 pm Monday of fair)

Class 4110: Record books

Awards: Best Record Book, 1st & 2nd

Division 9 - BANNER AWARD

Class 4115: Best kept club exhibit

Class 4116: Best educational exhibit

Class 4117: Best decorated club exhibit

Awards: 1st -3rd placings

Division 10 - COSTUME

Class 4125: Seniors 15-19 years

Class 4126: Intermediate 12-14 years

Class 4127: Junior 8-11 years

Class 4128: Sprouts 5-7 years

Award: 1st place

CONTESTS: To participate in a contest, exhibitor must have made entry and shown in any goat class. Sprouts may participate in following contests.

Division 11 - DRIVING GOAT CART CONTEST

Day and time to be determined by Superintendents.

Class 4130: Beginning (lead, stop, back)

Class 4131: Intermediate (hitched to empty cart)

Class 4132: Senior (pulling cart with child)

Awards: 1st –2nd placings

Division 12 –DAIRY GOAT SPEED MILKING CONTEST

Day and time to be determined by Superintendents.

The winner will be determined by the amount of milk in the bucket at the end of the allotted time.

Class 4135 Dairy goat speed milking

Awards: 1st-6th placings

Division 13 - DAIRY GOAT PRODUCTION CONTEST

Monday pm, Tuesday am & pm

This award will be given to the doe obtaining the highest milk production over a period of 3 successive, official milking's.

1. This contest will consist of 3 supervised milking's 12 hours apart. The first of three milks is not included in the production weight.
2. All animals must be milked, and the milk weighed by the superintendent at the specified times.
3. Participants above the age of 11 are expected to do the milking themselves. Under the age of 11 are allowed help.
4. Option allowed to have animal milked by milking machine.
5. If a participant can't be there for the three-consecutive milking's, designate another participant in the goat project to fill in for you.

Class 4136: Best production doe: 2 years & under

Class 4137: Best production doe: over 2 years old

Class 4138: Nigerian Dwarf production doe under 2 years

Class 4139: Nigerian Dwarf production doe over 2 years

Awards: 1st-2nd placings

Division 14 - GOAT JUDGING CONTEST

Day and time to be determined by Superintendents.

1. There will be 2 classes of goats judged.
2. Contestants will give oral reasons for their judging on one class, written placings on one class.
3. There will be no talking during individual placings
4. Seniors are those participants 14 years of age and over as of January 1.
5. Juniors are those participants 9 years of age to 13 years of age as of January 1.
6. Members must complete contest to qualify for awards.
7. In the team judging class, a team will be composed of not less than 3, and not more than 4 juniors and/or senior members. The three highest scores from the team will be the team score.

Class 4150: Seniors: highest score overall on all classes

Class 4151: Juniors: highest score overall on all classes

Class 4152: Team: highest scores, teams having three highest scores.

Each team, up to 4 members will receive individual awards.

Awards: 1st- 2nd placings

Division 15: GOAT TEAM FITTING & SHOWING CONTEST

Day and time to be determined by Superintendents.

The contest consists of working with a rough goat. Each team will be given time to get the animal into show shape. Contestants must provide all necessary equipment to prepare animal for show. All work to be done by members of the team. Team can be up to 4 members. The results of the contest will be determined by how well the animal has been prepared for the show. Teams are allotted 30 minutes.

Class 4153: Senior team 15-18 years

Class 4154: Junior team 8-11 years

Awards: 1st - 2nd placings

Division 16 - GOAT CALLING CONTEST

1. One goat at a time will be released in goat barn.
2. Goat will be allotted 1 minute from release to reach contestant who calls them.
3. The distance between goat and participant at time of release will be approximately 30 feet.
4. Time stops when participant has hold of animal's collar.
5. Best time overall wins.
6. Adults will be in area to prevent escaping.
7. No feed will be allowed to tempt the animals during contest.

Class 4160: Goat calling

Awards: 1st-2nd placings

Division 17 – GOAT TRAIL CLASS CONTEST

Day and time to be determined by Superintendents.

The contestant's goat is led by the collar through an agility course. The withers of the animal must be higher than the contestant's knee. Goats under 6 months of age must have approval by superintendent. Course must be done at a walk. Shoes are required. No open toed shoes. Obstacles may include orange cones, tunnel, lake, log, etc. An agility scorecard will be used in judging,

Class 4161: Trail class

Awards: 1st-2nd placings

Division 18 – PACK GOAT CLASS CONTEST

Day and time to be determined by Superintendents.

1. Pack goats of all levels will be judged together
2. Pack goats will be on a retractable lead to follow handler on pre-set secured course.
3. Pack goats will be judged on their ability to follow handler past obstacles on course.
4. Pack goats under 1 year may walk course without pack. Yearling goats will carry empty pack. Goats over 2 will carry pack with items for hiking, up percentage allowed for body weight. Pack cannot touch or drag on ground

Class 4162: Pack goat class

Awards: 1st – 2nd placings

Division 19 - SKILLATHON

All day Friday of fair.

Each contestant has an opportunity to identify items on a table that has to do with goats and /or their care. Contest open to any participant entered in Goat division. No prompting or researching allowed while doing skillathon. Assistance will be provided by designated superintendent. A great way to test your knowledge! Ages are as of January 1st of the current year.

Class 4170: Advanced Senior; 17-19 years

Class 4171: Senior; 14-16 years

Class 4172: Intermediate; 11-13 years

Class 4173: Junior; 8-10 years

Class 4174: Sprouts; 5-7 years

Awards: 1st – 2nd placings