

PASCO COUNTY FAIR 2012 OPEN SHEEP SHOW

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36722 State Road 52 – Dade City

February 26, 2012

Mail-in Entry Deadline	February 1, 2012
Hand-delivered Entry Deadline	February 15, 2012
Late Entry Deadline.....	February 26, 2012 – 11:00 AM
Arrival at Fair	February 26, 2012 - 9:00 A.M. to 11:00 A.M.
Sheep Show.....	February 26, 2012 – 12:30 P.M. Starting with Showmanship Conformation Classes immediately following
Release of Sheep.....	February 26, 2012 - 4:00 P.M. (Approximate)
Payout of money	February 26, 2012

EXHIBITOR ELIGIBILITY

1. The conformation show is open to any Florida resident (this includes adults).
2. Both FFA Chapter and 4-H Club entries will be accepted.

ENTRIES

1. The deadline for entries, changes and substitutions will be 11:00 AM on the day of the show. It is requested that entries be made to the Sheep Committee by February 15, 2012 since fair passes and prize money is based on the entries received at that time.
2. Exhibitors will be allowed to show as many sheep as they wish, if there are more than one sheep in a class the additional animal(s) may be shown by alternate exhibitors.
3. There will be a \$15 entry fee per exhibitor. Checks should be payable to the PASCO COUNTY FAIR - SHEEP SHOW and must accompany the entry form.
4. Entry Fee is not refundable.
5. The Pasco County Fair Association, Inc. does not discriminate against any person on the basis of age, race, color, sex, disability, religion or national origin.

OWNERSHIP DEADLINE

1. All sheep must be owned by the exhibitor for thirty (30) days prior to the show. For sheep not produced by the exhibitor, the date of purchase will be the date of transfer that is recorded with the breed association or by bill of sale.
2. Each animal will be required to be identified with individual ear tags or tattoos. The Pasco County Fair will not issue ear tags.
3. Birth dates for exhibitors and sheep (when possible) must be designated on entry forms. The show committee reserves the right to mouth all sheep for age.

HEALTH REGULATIONS

1. As pursuant to Rule 5C-4.005 (Admission of Animals for Exhibition - Sheep) of the Florida Administrative Code, all sheep must be accompanied by a current Official Certificate of Veterinary Inspection (OCVI) issued by a Veterinarian dated not more than 90 days prior to the show and will be inspected upon arrival at the fairgrounds.
2. **All sheep must have official USDA Scrapie Eradication Program Tags (metal or plastic tag). The Premises ID Number and Scrapie Flock/Herd ID Number must be listed on the OCVI. These may be obtained from the APHIS/USDA, call 1(866) 873-2824 for more information.**
3. All vehicles transporting livestock for exhibition in Florida must be cleaned and disinfected prior to loading and transport of livestock.
4. Any animal which has clinical signs of contagious or infectious disease on visual inspection or any animal which is known to be exposed must be withdrawn from the exhibition and removed from the fairgrounds.

GENERAL SHOW RULES

1. Sheep should be sheared according to their breed standard and in show-shape upon arrival at the Fair. No clipping will be allowed at the fair.
2. There will be no painting of sheep allowed.
3. Filling of sheep with any substance is prohibited. All sheep must be shown in their natural conformation and structure without alteration or modification except for the grooming and treatment of the wool and trimming of hooves.
4. All sheep must be trained for show and controlled by the exhibitor. Halters are acceptable for Pee Wee showmanship, conformation classes and older rams. Animals that cannot be handled properly by the exhibitor will be not be accepted and will be disqualified.
** Special Note: Extra care is required when working with rams, they are not predictable. Rams that cannot be controlled will be disqualified. Halters are recommended for use on rams.*
5. All sheep will be kept in the barn area. Do not take sheep out onto the midway.

ARRIVAL AT FAIR

1. Sheep will be received from 9:00 A.M. until 11:00 A.M. on Sunday, February 26, 2012. In case of an emergency, call the Fair office at (352) 567-6678. Any animals arriving after check-in time (having notified the Fair office) must pay the fee for the inspection veterinarian to remain at the grounds to verify their papers.
2. Entrance and parking for the livestock area is through the livestock gate on the southwest corner of the fairgrounds.
3. PASSES - The Pasco County Fair will provide one exhibitor pass for each livestock exhibitor that pre-enter by the February 15th deadline (these passes are not for parents/guardians and it is not transferable). A one-day ticket for parents can be purchased upon arrival at the gate.

PENS, FEEDING AND BEDDING

1. Pens are not available for the sheep. Please be prepared to tie sheep in the cattle barn.
2. Feed and water pails must be provided by the exhibitor.
3. All exhibitors will be required to maintain their area in a clean, sanitary condition by removal of any filth and/or litter, and placement in designated pick-up areas.
4. All exhibitors are asked to help clean the sheep area prior to release from the fair.

EXHIBITOR ATTIRE

1. Exhibitors will be required to be clean, neat and dressed in black, green or dark jeans or slacks and a shirt with a collar (white shirt preferred).
2. FFA or 4-H accessories are strongly recommended.
3. No caps or hats in the show ring.
4. Closed-toed shoes or boots are required.

JUDGING

1. The show will be judged at 12:30 P.M. Sunday, February 26, 2012. The show will begin with Youth Showmanship Classes. Conformation classes will follow. The committee reserves the right to combine &/or cancel classes based on entries. Decisions of the judge will be final.
2. Premium payout will be approximately 30 minutes after the end of the show. You must be present to pick up your winnings. Premiums will not be mailed out.
3. Breeding Sheep Divisions and classes will be as follows:

- A. Divisions: (this is also the show order)
 1. Rare Breeds (Babydoll Southdown, Jacobs, Romanof, Texel, Tunis, etc.)
 2. Hair Breeds and their crosses (50% or more Barbado, Dorper, Katahdin, St. Croix)
 3. Speckled Face (Native and crossbreeds – no more than 50% white face or black face breeds) *Please Note: Animals not exhibiting crossbred characteristics (speckled face) will be placed in Black or White face divisions.*
 4. Black Face Breeds (Suffolk, Hampshire, Oxford, etc.)
 5. White Face Breeds (Southdown, Dorset, Cheviot, Montdale, etc.)
- B. Classes (For each division)
 1. Ewe Lambs – less than 1 year old
 2. Yearling Ewes - 1 year old (has not had 2nd birthday)
 3. 2 year old Ewes - 2 years old (has not had 3rd birthday)
 4. Aged Ewes – 3 years old and older
 5. Champion Ewe
 6. Reserve Champion Ewe
**Ewes with lambs are eligible for show (lambs can be taken into the show ring, but are not judged)*
 7. Ram Lambs – less than 1 year old
 8. Rams – 1 year old and older
 9. Champion Ram
 10. Reserve Champion Ram

A Champion and Reserve Champion Ewe and Ram will be selected for each Division.

1. Classes will be placed 1st – 10th and awarded ribbons. (money will be paid on class placing)
2. Unworthy Exhibit: It is the intent of the Pasco County Fair Sheep Committee that no premium or distinction of any kind is given any animal that is not deserving. In cases where only one animal is

exhibited in a class, the Judge will make his/her award in accordance with the merits of the animal being exhibited. The Judge must not award a premium to any unworthy animal.

* **AWARDS** (for Ewe and for Rams)

Class winners	Ribbon
Champion Black Face	Trophy
Reserve Champion Black Face.....	Rosette
Champion White Face	Trophy
Reserve Champion White Face.....	Rosette
Champion Speckled Face	Trophy
Reserve Champion Speckled Face.....	Rosette
Champion Rare Breed	Trophy
Reserve Champion Rare Breed	Rosette
Champion Hair Sheep	Trophy
Reserve Champion Hair Sheep	Rosette

SHOWMANSHIP

1. Showmanship is an optional class where the ability of the exhibitor to show the animal will be judged. No entry fee will be charged for showmanship classes. Exhibitors must use a sheep that they have entered under their own name.
2. Only bona fide FFA members, 4-H members and Clover Buds in Florida are eligible to show in youth showmanship classes. (*Special Exception: Peewee Showmanship*)
3. Classes will be as follows:
 1. Peewee (up to age 5)
 2. Junior (ages 6 through 10)
 3. Novice (ages 11 through 13)
 4. Intermediate (ages 14 through 15)
 5. Senior (ages 16 through high school graduation)
 6. Adult (high school graduation &/or age 20 and up)

Exhibitors in Junior, Novice, Intermediate, Senior and Adult showmanship will receive placing ribbons (not Danish system). All Peewee exhibitors will receive participation ribbons.

FFA Official Dress or 4-H attire is strongly recommended for youth. Adults must wear black, green or dark jeans and a collared shirt.

PEEWEE SHOWMANSHIP GUIDELINES

1. The intent of this class is to be fun and to encourage youth to participate as an exhibitor in the future.
2. Peewee exhibitors do not have to own sheep. They may use a lamb of a relative or friend.
3. Peewee exhibitors do not have to be a member of 4-H or FFA.
4. For showing exhibitors will be required to be clean, neat and dressed jeans or slacks and a shirt with a collar.
5. No caps or hats in the show ring.
6. Closed-toed shoes or boots are required.
7. Halters are optional for Peewee Showmanship.
8. All exhibitors will receive a participation ribbon.
9. To enter, complete the PEEWEE SHOWMANSHIP FORM. Deadline for entry is 12:00 on show day. There are no entry fees for this class.