

Small Livestock

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How to Enter **May 3-July 12, 2023**

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We will only be accepting online registration for entries. If you will require assistance to complete the online registration entry process, please call the fair office at 805-648-3376 and we will assist you with computer entries. Online only registration except for Divisions 1000 & 1026; Rooster & Hen Cackling Contest; and any Division with special requirements. Please see entry instructions for each Division. Online registration closes at 11:59 PM on July 12, 2023.

ENTRY DEADLINES AND FEES DUE:

Youth Market Meat Pens

Rabbits, Roasters & Turkeys

Cavies, Poultry, Rabbits, Youth Pygmy Goats, Mini Pigs,

Bunny Hopping and Agility & Club Display Contest

Champion of Champions & Youth Costume Contests

Wednesday, July 12, 2023

ENTRY FEES:

\$5.00 per entry per Class – Cavies, Poultry, Rabbits & Mini Pigs

\$6.00 per entry per class - Pygmy Goats

\$5.00 per entry - Meat Pen

\$5.00 per Showmanship Class

\$2.50 per entry for Champion of Champions Competition

\$5.00 per entry per Class Bunny Hopping and Agility Contest

\$10.00 Club & Individual Displays

COOP-IN SCHEDULE:

Club Display Set-up

Saturday, July 29 and Sunday, July 30, 2023

Cavies, Poultry, Rabbits, and Pygmy Goats

Tuesday, August 1, 2023 - 4:00 PM to 8:00 PM

Youth Auction Market Animals & Mini Pigs

Monday, August 7, 2023 - 7:30 AM to 12:00 PM

COOP-OUT SCHEDULE:

Cavies, Poultry, Rabbits, and Pygmy Goats

Sunday, August 6, 2023 - 8:00 PM – 10:00 PM

Market Animal Live Pick-up & Mini Pigs

Sunday, August 13, 2023 - 8:00 PM – 10:00 PM

Club Display

Sunday, August 13, 2023 – 8:00 PM -10:00 PM and

Monday, August 14, 2023 – 9:00 AM-12:00 PM

MANDATORY EXHIBITOR MEETINGS:

Exhibition Exhibitors – Wednesday, August 2, 2023 – 10:00 AM

Market Exhibitors – Monday, August 7, 2023 – 3:00 PM

Note: Additional meetings will be called as needed.

JUDGING SCHEDULE:

Bunny Hopping & Agility

Wednesday, August 2, 2023 – 4:00 PM

Youth Poultry Judging and Showmanship

Thursday, August 3, 2023 – 4:00 PM

Cavy Judging and Showmanship

Friday, August 4, 2023 – 12:00 PM

(Showmanship immediately following judging)

Rabbit Judging and Showmanship

Saturday, August 5, 2023 – 10:00 AM

(Showmanship immediately following judging)

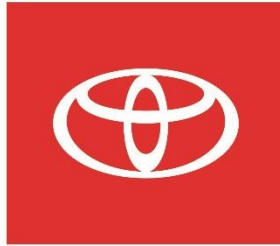
Pygmy Goat Showmanship and Judging

Sunday, August 6, 2023 – 11:00 AM

(Clark Pavilion)

Rabbit, Cavy & Pygmy Goat Costume Contests

Sunday, August 6, 2023 – 2:00 PM

Market Rabbit Judging and Showmanship**Monday, August 7, 2023 – 5:00 PM****Market Poultry and Market Turkey Judging and Showmanship****Tuesday, August 8, 2023 – 4:00 PM****Mini Pig Trick Contest****Wednesday, August 9, 2023 – 2:00 PM****Mini Pig Costume Contest****Saturday, August 12, 2023 – 2:00 PM****Rooster Crowing & Hen Cackling Contests****Sunday, August 13, 2023 – 1:00 PM****GOLD COAST
TOYOTA DEALERS**

We will only be accepting online registration for entries. If you will require assistance to complete the online registration entries process, please call the fair office at 805-648-3376 and we will assist you with computer entries. **Leg band ID, tattoo or ear tag number may be provided at time of coop-in, if not provided in the online entry process.

State Rules Apply: As referred to in the Exhibitor Handbook, all state and local rules apply.

Entry: Late entries will not be received. Entry fees are nonrefundable. NO EXCEPTIONS

SMALL LIVESTOCK GENERAL RULES

1. This is an "extended" Department open to the residents and producers of the State of California.
2. Adult is defined as anyone 19 years or older. Youth is defined as all Youth including 4-H, FFA, Grange Members, and Independent Youth ages 5 to 19 years. Youth Exhibitors must be 5 years of age as of January 1, 2023, and are eligible to compete through December 31st of the year in which they turn 19 years of age.

3. In the Small Livestock Department, an exemption to the State Rule “in the Senior Department, members of a family are considered as one Exhibitor and Co-Owners of the exhibit,” have been granted and each may enter individually if they wish.
4. Entries are limited to three (3) animals per Exhibitor per Class. See Youth Market Rules for Market Entry limits.
5. Entries limited to available space.
6. **All animals must be cared for by the Exhibitor at least once a day and all cages must be cleaned by 10:00AM every day.**
7. Animals will be shown and judged in the proper Division and Class for breed variety, age, and sex only. All entries must be at least 6 months of age, excluding rabbits and pygmy goats.
8. Exhibits entered at the owner’s risk. The 31st District Agricultural Association will not be responsible for any loss, damage, or injury.
9. All exhibits must be in good health. Any bird, cavy, pygmy goat, or mini pig showing evidence of disease will be immediately removed from the Fairgrounds.
10. American System of Judging is used.
11. **No private sales of animals or birds are permitted on the Fairgrounds.**
12. Feed, except for pygmy goats, cavy, and mini pigs, is supplied by the Fair. If an Exhibitor wishes to supplement the Ventura County Fair feeding program, entry into the Fair will be at the Exhibitor’s expense. No food or water will be withheld for any reason.
13. All cages must be unlocked, and animals/birds must be accessible to Fair Personnel. If animals/bids are inaccessible, they will not be judged. No locks will be permitted on cages/pens unless approved by the Superintendent.
14. No animals/birds may leave the Small Livestock Area without permission from the Superintendent.
15. Due to unforeseen circumstances, the Small Livestock office is subject to change any rules necessary at any time.
16. If 3 or more Exhibitors enter rabbits/birds of a single breed in Any Standard Variety (A.S.V.) Division they may be shown separately.
17. Vouchers will be issued for Premium winnings of less than \$20 and are redeemed on Monday, August 14, 2023, between 12:00 PM and 7:00 PM at the Fair Administration Office Ticket Window. **Vouchers expire on October 27, 2023, and will not** be redeemed after this date.

ENTRY GUIDELINES AND FEES

1. Animals/birds without leg band ID, tattoo, or ear tag at time of judging will be disqualified and entry fees forfeited. **It is the Exhibitor’s responsibility to make sure this is done.**
2. Substitutions will be allowed within the same Division and Class only. Substitutions must be made upon arrival, limited to 20% of entry and must be turned into the Superintendent by the end of coop-in. **Changes are only allowed within Classes, not Divisions, per CDFA State Rules.**
3. **A \$10.00 fee will be charged for changes in breed, variety, sex and/or age.** Exhibitor errors in Class may be changed after closing date up to and including check-in time.
4. “Exhibitor Code of Practice” forms: Must be brought in on coop in days. Form found on website.
5. Showmanship entry must include ear number/leg band/ear tag number when entered online and must be entered in the regular Class by the Exhibitor showing.
6. **Delivery Crates:** all crates and carriers must be removed from the Showroom as soon as animals are caged/penned. **NOTE: Any crates left in the Showroom become the property of the Fair.** Absolutely no crates, carriers or carts will be allowed in the Showroom before 8:00 pm on release day.
7. No dogs allowed on grounds except as provided for in the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA).

FAIR ENTRANCE AND DEPARTURE

All entries will be housed in barns 100, 200 and 300. Entry to the Fair will be at the Garden Street Gate for small vehicles (no trailers) with limited parking along the railroad tracks outside the Fairgrounds or at Gate 3 for larger vehicles (keep in mind that if the parking area is full, you may have to wait). Poultry, rabbits, cavy, pygmy goats, and mini pigs can then be carted or walked to and from the grounds with Fair assistance. Release time is 8:00 pm; cart service will not be available before 8:00 pm.

** During the 12 days of Fair, Garden Street will not be a public entrance **

CLUB & INDIVIDUAL DISPLAYS

Entries close July 12, 2023

Entry Fee: \$10.00

Individual Club and/or Independent Exhibitor can build and present a display that represents their Club and the small or large animal projects. Each Club, depending on space available will be able to build a display of their projects for both entertainment and educational purposes. Showing a live animal (no birds) is optional but must be shown only when Exhibitors are present to show their animal at the live display.

- This display space can be a simple table with educational poster boards, to an area to showcase your live animal (i.e., bunny playpen, hamster habit trail, mouse/rat maze, etc.) Be creative!
- Refer to other display areas seen before at the Small Livestock Barn.

Rules

1. Display must be pre-approved prior to set set-up.
2. Display designs/theme must be approved by June 30, 2023, by the Small Livestock Superintendent, Display design ideas can be emailed or discussed personally with the Superintendent.
3. Display set-up will be on July 29-30, 2023 (dates subject to change) participants will be notified if there is a change in set-up dates.
4. One display per Club or Independent Exhibitor. Entries must be made on Small Livestock Entry Form.
5. Display must stay in place for the duration of the Fair, August 2-13, 2023.
6. Displays must be taken down during check-out on Sunday, August 13, 2023 (8:00 PM-10:00 PM) or by 12:00 PM on Monday, August 14, 2023.

Premiums Offered per Class

| | | | |
|-------|------|------|------|
| 1st | 2nd | 3rd | 4th |
| \$100 | \$75 | \$50 | \$35 |

DIVISION 1000 – Club & Individual Displays

Class

1. Club Display
2. Individual Display

RABBIT SHOW

August 2-6, 2023

Open to Adult and Youth Exhibitors

RABBIT SHOW RULES

1. All animals must be identified with permanent ear markings conforming to the entry on arrival at the Show. Any duplication of ear markings must be eliminated, and the change recorded on the judging sheet before judging. Tattoo and ear tag numbers must be provided before or at coop-in. No telephone calls will be made. All rabbits not marked with a permanent tattoo mark in the left ear will be barred from Competition and entry fee will be forfeited. No tattooing of animals allowed on the Fairgrounds. **It is the Exhibitor's responsibility to have this done.**
2. The Small Livestock Department reserves the right to refuse entries from all locations within 150 miles of a confirmed outbreak of RHD/VHD/RCV within the past 60 days of the entry deadline.
3. **No private sale of animals is permitted on the Fairgrounds.**

Premiums Offered Per Class

| | | |
|-----|-----|-----|
| 1st | 2nd | 3rd |
| \$8 | \$7 | \$6 |

Champions

Best in Show – Plaque; Best Reserve in Show – Plaque

HEAVYWEIGHT RABBITS

(Class and Base Dates for Heavyweights)

Class

| | | | |
|----------------------|------------------|---------------------|----------------|
| 1. Senior Buck | 8 months or over | 4. Intermediate Doe | 6 to 8 months |
| 2. Senior Doe | 8 months or over | 5. Junior Buck | Under 6 months |
| 3. Intermediate Buck | 6 to 8 months | 6. Junior Doe | Under 6 months |

Division

- 1001 - Californian
- 1002 - New Zealand, A.S.V.
- 1003 - Any Other Standard Heavyweight Breed

LIGHTWEIGHT RABBITS

(Class and Base Dates for Lightweights)

Class

| | | | |
|----------------|-------------------|----------------|----------------|
| 1. Senior Buck | 6 months and over | 3. Junior Buck | Under 6 months |
| 2. Senior Doe | 6 months and over | 4. Junior Doe | Under 6 months |

Division

- 1004 - American Fuzzy Lop, A.S.V.
- 1005 - Dutch, Black
- 1006 - Dutch, Blue
- 1007 - Dutch, A.S.V.
- 1008 - Havana, Chocolate
- 1009 - Havana, A.S.V.
- 1010 - Himalayan, A.S.V.
- 1011 - Holland Lop, Broken
- 1012 - Holland Lop, Solid
- 1013 - Mini Lop, A.S.V.
- 1014 - Mini Rex, Black
- 1015 - Mini Rex, Blue
- 1016 - Mini Rex, A.O.V.
- 1017 - Netherland Dwarf, Agouti
- 1018 - Netherland Dwarf, Self
- 1019 - Netherland Dwarf, Shaded
- 1020 - Netherland Dwarf, Tan pattern
- 1021 - Netherland Dwarf, A.O.V.
- 1022 - Polish
- 1023 - Rex
- 1024 - Tan
- 1025 - Any Other Standard Lightweight Breed

BUNNY HOPPING AND AGILITY CONTEST

Wednesday, August 2, 2023 – 4:00 PM

Entry Fee: \$5.00 per class

Bunny Hopping – 5-10 jumps 5” to 14” tall. One jump will include length not exceeding 10”.

Agility Contest – 5-to jumps 5” to 14” tall. One jump will include length not exceeding 10”. Agility contest will include Agility Bridge, Tunnels, Tire Jump and A-Frame.

Premiums Offered per Class

| | | |
|------|------|-----|
| 1st | 2nd | 3rd |
| \$15 | \$10 | \$5 |

DIVISION 1026 – BUNNY HOPPING AND AGILITY CONTEST

Class

1. Bunny Hopping Contest
2. Agility Contest

POULTRY SHOW

August 2-6, 2023

Open to Adult and Youth Exhibitors

All poultry entries will be inspected by a State Poultry Health Inspector before entry into the Fairgrounds. Please plan on arriving early to allow adequate time for the inspection and coop-in. Some of the items the Inspector will be looking for are droopiness, a swollen face and eyes, mites, lice and their eggs, scaly legs, and respiratory stress. Visit: <http://animalscience.ucdavis.edu/phi/> for more information on poultry health inspections.

*** Please check your poultry before you leave for the Fairgrounds, healthy poultry will speed your entry into the Fair.**

POULTRY SHOW RULES

1. Rules, definitions, and judging procedures as prescribed in the latest editions of the Official Show Rules and the Standard of Perfection of the American Poultry Association, Inc. shall apply, except in such instances where they conflict with the rules and regulations prescribed by the Department of Food and Agriculture.
2. If not provided during pre-entry process, leg band ID must be provided at time of coop-in.
3. If the leg band ID is not provided at coop-in or if the bird does not have a leg band ID at time of judging it will be disqualified and entry fee forfeited. **It is the Exhibitor's responsibility to make sure this is done.**
4. Any bird(s) showing evidence of a contagious disease will not be allowed on the Fairgrounds. If a bird exhibits symptoms after coop-in, it will be removed from the barn to a secure, isolated area or returned to the owner's care.
5. A Judge may excuse a bird from Competition, if it appears to be fatigued or out of condition, but it shall count as an entry.
6. All eggs are the property of the Fair.
7. Variety description and breed of birds must be listed on entry form.
8. **No bird will be admitted to the Show from any county or premises that have been quarantined or identified with Avian Influenza (AI).**
9. **No private sales of birds are permitted on the Fairgrounds.**

Premiums Offered Per Class

| | | |
|-----|-----|-----|
| 1st | 2nd | 3rd |
| \$8 | \$7 | \$6 |

Champions

Best in Show – Plaque; Best Reserve in Show – Plaque

Definitions

| | | | |
|-------------------|--------------------------|-----------|----------------------------|
| Cock & Hen | Over 1 year | Tom & Hen | Over 1 year |
| Cockerel & Pullet | Mature bird under 1 year | A.O.S.V. | Any other Standard Variety |
| Drake & Duck | Over 1 year | A.S.V. | Any Standard Variety |
| Gander & Goose | Over 1 year | | |

LARGE FOWL

Class

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|---------|-------------|
| 1. Cock | 3. Cockerel |
| 2. Hen | 4. Pullet |

American Breeds

Division

- 1027 - Plymouth Rock, Barred
- 1028 - Plymouth Rock, A.O.S.V.
- 1029 - Rhode Island Red, Rose Comb
- 1030 - Rhode Island Red, Single Comb
- 1031 - Wyandotte, A.S.V.
- 1032 - Any Other Standard American Breed

Asiatic Breeds

Division

- 1033 - Brahma, A.S.V.
- 1034 - Cochinchina, A.S.V.
- 1035 - Any Other Standard Asiatic Breed

English Breeds

Division

- 1036 - Orpington, Buff
- 1037 - Orpington, A.O.S.V.
- 1038 - Any Other Standard English Breed

Mediterranean Breeds

Division

- 1039 - Leghorn, A.O.S.V.
- 1040 - Any Other Standard Mediterranean Breed

Continental Breeds

Division

- 1041 - Polish, Non-Bearded White Crested Black
- 1042 - Polish, A.O.S.V. Bearded or Non-Bearded
- 1043 - Any Other Standard Continental Breed

All Other Standard Breeds

Division

- 1044 - Ameraucana, A.S.V.
- 1045 - Any Other Standard Breed

DIVISION 1046 – UTILITY CHICKENS

(Open to Standard and recognized Commercial Crosses)

Class

- | | |
|--------------------------|------------------------------|
| 1. Utility Chicken, Cock | 3. Utility Chicken, Cockerel |
| 2. Utility Chicken, Hen | 4. Utility Chicken, Pullet |

BANTAMS

Class

- | | |
|---------|-------------|
| 1. Cock | 3. Cockerel |
| 2. Hen | 4. Pullet |

Modern Games

Division

- 1047 - Birchen
- 1048 - Black
- 1049 - Black Breasted Red
- 1050 - Brown Red
- 1051 - Splash
- 1052 - Any Other Standard Modern Game Variety

Old English

Division

- 1053 - Black
- 1054 - Black Breasted Red
- 1055 - Brown Red
- 1056 - Ginger Red
- 1057 - Lemon Blue
- 1058 - Silver Duckwing
- 1059 - Splash
- 1060 - White
- 1061 - Any Other Standard Old English Variety

Single Comb Clean Legged

Division

- 1062 - Plymouth Rock, A.S.V.
- 1063 - Rhode Island Red
- 1064 - Speckle Sussex
- 1065 - Any Other Standard SCCL Breed

Rose Comb Clean Legged

Division

- 1066 - Belgian Bearded d'Anvers
- 1067 - Hamburg, A.S.V.
- 1068 - Sebright, Golden
- 1069 - Sebright, Silver
- 1070 - Wyandotte, A.S.V.
- 1071 - Any other Standard RCCL Breed

All Other Combs Clean Legged**Division**

- 1072 - Ameraucana, A.S.V.
- 1073 - Polish, A.S.V., Bearded or Non-Bearded
- 1074 - Any Other Standard AOCCL Breed

Feathered Legged**Division**

- 1075 - Belgian Bearded d'Uccle
- 1076 - Brahma, A.S.V.
- 1077 - Brahma, Buff, A.S.V.
- 1078 - Frizzle, A.S.V.
- 1079 - Cochin, A.S.V.
- 1080 - Silkie, A.S.V., Bearded
- 1081 - Silkie, A.S.V., Non-Bearded
- 1082 - Any Other Standard Feathered Legged Breed

WATERFOWL**Class**

- 1. Drake
- 2. Duck

Division

- 1083 - Ducks, Heavy weight
- 1084 - Ducks, Medium weight
- 1085 - Ducks, Light weight
- 1086 - Ducks, Bantam

Class

- 1. Gander
- 2. Goose

Division

- 1087 - Geese, Heavy weight
- 1088 - Geese, Medium weight
- 1089 - Geese, Light weight

TURKEY**Class**

- 1. Tom
- 2. Hen

Division

- 1090 - Turkey, White
- 1091 - Turkey, Bronze
- 1092 - Turkey, Heritage

PHOTO CONTEST

DIVISION 1093

Entry Deadline – July 12, 2023

No entry fee for this Contest

Premiums Offered per Class

| | | | | |
|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|
| 1st | 2nd | 3rd | 4th | 5th |
| \$5 | \$4 | \$3 | \$2 | \$1 |

Rules

1. Limit 2 entries per Class
2. Photos must be mounted on poster or mat board that does not exceed 11"x14".
3. Photo must be a minimum of 5"x7" but no large than 8"x10".
4. Entries are to be delivered to the Small Livestock Office on Tuesday, August 1, 2023, between 4:00 PM and 8:00 PM.

Class

1. Take a Selfie with your Chicken/Turkey
2. Chicks
3. Your Flock
4. Hen
5. Rooster/Tom
6. Other

BUILD-A-CHICKEN

DIVISION 1094

Entry deadline – July 12, 2023

No entry fee for this Division

Premiums Offered per Class

| | | | | |
|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|
| 1st | 2nd | 3rd | 4th | 5th |
| \$5 | \$4 | \$3 | \$2 | \$1 |

Exhibitors build their Chicken using recycled containers such as a 2-liter bottle or milk jug. The birds will be displayed in coops for the duration of the Fair. Exhibitors are to write a story or report about their Chicken. Story/Report should be on an 8.5"x11" sheet of paper. Entries are to be delivered to the Small Livestock Office on Tuesday, August 1, 2023, between 4:00 PM-8:00 PM.

Class

1. My Chicken

CAVY SHOW**August 2-6, 2023**

Open to Adult and Youth Exhibitors

Premiums Offered Per Class

| 1st | 2nd | 3rd |
|-----|-----|-----|
| \$8 | \$7 | \$6 |

Champions

Best in Show – Plaque; Best Reserve in Show – Plaque

Class

- | | |
|------------------------------------|-----------------------------------|
| 1. Senior Boar, Above 32 oz. | 4. Intermediate Sow, 22 to 32 oz. |
| 2. Senior Sow, Above 32 oz. | 5. Junior Boar, 12 to 21 oz. |
| 3. Intermediate Boar, 22 to 32 oz. | 6. Junior Sow, 12 to 21 oz. |

Division

- 1095 - Abyssinian, Brindle
- 1096 - Abyssinian, Marked
- 1097 - Abyssinian, Roan
- 1098 - Abyssinian, Satin
- 1099 - Abyssinian, Self
- 1100 - Abyssinian, Solid
- 1101 - American, Black
- 1102 - American, Brindle
- 1103 - American, Cream
- 1104 - American, Silver Agouti
- 1105 - American, Red
- 1106 - American, Roan
- 1107 - American, Solid Silver
- 1108 - American, Tortoise Shell & White
- 1109 - American, Any Other Agouti
- 1110 - American, Any Other Marked
- 1111 - American, Any Other Self
- 1112 - American, Any Other Solid
- 1113 - American Satin, Broken Color
- 1114 - American Satin, Red
- 1115 - American Satin, Any Other Variety
- 1116 - Teddy, Satin
- 1117 - Teddy, Any Other Variety
- 1118 - White Crested, Any Other Variety
- 1119 - Any Other Standard Breed or Variety

SHOWMANSHIP

(See Judging Schedule)

DIVISION 1120 – RABBIT SHOWMANSHIP
DIVISION 1121 – CAVY SHOWMANSHIP
DIVISION 1122 – POULTRY SHOWMANSHIP
DIVISION 1123 – TURKEY SHOWMANSHIP

Premiums Offered per Class

| | | | | |
|------|------|------|------|-----|
| 1st | 2nd | 3rd | 4th | 5th |
| \$16 | \$14 | \$12 | \$10 | \$8 |

****All animals entered in Showmanship must be entered in the Regular Exhibition Show as well as Showmanship and shown by Exhibitor. To enter a first week animal in Showmanship it **must** be entered into the fair as a separate entry (just enrolling in Showmanship/Market does not mean your animal is entered into the fair for a cage). Animals that are not entered to stay at the fair the entire week are not allowed in Showmanship.****

Please state your age when pre-entering. Classes will be determined by age on January 1, 2023.

Pre-Junior: 5 to 8 years of age. **Ribbons only, no premiums.** (See State Rule VII No. 11a)

Dress code for Showmanship: See Large Livestock Department for Organization Dress Code Requirements.

Class

1. Pre-Junior (5-8 years)
2. Junior (9-11 years)
3. Intermediate (12-14 years)
4. Senior (15 years and above)

YOUTH PYGMY GOAT SHOW

August 2-6, 2023

Registered Breeding Animals and Wethers
 (Horned or dehorned animals are permissible)
 This **will not** be a Sanctioned Show in 2023

Open to Pygmy Goats only – Nigerian Dwarf Goats are entered in the Open Junior Dairy Goat Divisions in Large Livestock
Silver Belt Buckle to Grand Champion

Premiums Offered per Class

| | | | | |
|------|-----|-----|-----|-----|
| 1st | 2nd | 3rd | 4th | 5th |
| \$12 | \$9 | \$7 | \$6 | \$5 |

PYGMY GOAT RULES

1. Entries to be made by Division and Class. Forms must be signed by a Parent/Guardian and Leader/Advisor.
2. All animals occupying exhibition stalls or pens must be kept groomed, clean and in Show condition.
3. All pens and stall areas are to be cleaned by 10:00 AM each morning (barn will be open at 9:00AM) and must be neatly kept and supplied with necessary bedding at all times. Any bedding must be taken to the west end of the Large Livestock Area and dumped. DO NOT leave bedding in the pathway. **DO NOT** throw water in the aisle- please use drainage grate behind Barn 300. No hay/straw in the trash cans at any time. Please keep our Small Livestock Area presentable for the spectators.

4. Exhibitors are requested to display their name and club over the back of the pens.
5. No construction (except kickboards) or painting will be allowed on stalls or pens. All materials used in decorating must be non-flammable material or treated and maintained in a flame-retardant condition. No crepe paper.
6. No one will be permitted in the Judging Ring at the time of judging except those authorized by the Small Livestock Superintendent or Judge.
7. Animals exhibiting signs of pinkeye, sore mouth, active ringworm, scours, or abscesses which are balding, showing hair separation, open, draining or still scabbed shall not be exhibited. These animals will be dismissed from the Fairgrounds. Animals will be quarantined, and the Exhibitor will be charged \$10.00 per day per animal if they are not removed from the Fairgrounds immediately. If there is a question as to an animal's condition, it is advisable to leave it home.
8. American System of Judging.
9. Proper Show Ring Attire as per Organization Requirements.
10. Any interference/confrontation with Judge by any Parent/Leader or Exhibitor is grounds for dismissal from the Show.
11. Fitting products and grooming aides are allowed. This is a DRY SHOW. Spot washing is allowed.
12. State Rules for Goat Health will be enforced (See State Rules – Sheep and Goat Health).
13. Absolutely no eating in the pens, a designated eating area will be provided for Exhibitors.
14. All registered, purebred, grade and unregistered breeding animals must be solely owned by and under the Exhibitor's care and management for a **minimum** of 30 days prior to the opening day of Fair. Exhibitor must be enrolled and supervised in the Organization Project for a minimum of 60 days prior to the opening day of Fair in which the project will be Shown.
15. Any Member persistently neglecting his/her project animal will be asked to remove said animal from the Fairgrounds. Project animals are the responsibility of the Member while on the Fairgrounds.
16. All Exhibitors must provide a copy of their Project Management Records, proof of supervision and the length of breeding project at time of penning.

DIVISION 1124 – PYGMY WETHER

Class

1. Junior Wethers, under 1 year
2. Senior Wethers, 1 year and over

Junior Champion Wether – Junior Reserve Champion Wether
 Senior Champion Wether – Senior Reserve Champion Wether
 Grand Champion Wether - Plaque – Reserve Grand Champion Wether – Plaque

DIVISION 1125 – REGISTERED PYGMY

Class

1. Junior Kid, 2 through 7 months
2. Senior Kid, 8 months to 1 year
3. Yearling, never freshened

Junior Champion - Junior Reserve Champion

Class

4. Yearlings, in milk, freshened at least once, need not be in milk at the show
5. Two Years Old
6. Three Years Old and Older

Senior Champion - Senior Reserve Champion
 Grand Champion - Plaque - Reserve Grand Champion – Plaque

DIVISION 1126 – PYGMY, GRADE & UNREGISTERED

Class

1. Junior Kid, 2 through 7 months
2. Senior Kid, 8 months to 1 year
3. Yearling, never freshened

Junior Champion - Junior Reserve Champion

Class

4. Yearlings, in milk, freshened at least once, need not be in milk at the show
5. Two Years Old
6. Three Years Old and Older

Senior Champion - Senior Reserve Champion
Grand Champion - Plaque - Reserve Grand Champion - Plaque

PYGMY GOAT SHOWMANSHIP

Premiums Offered per Class

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|------|------|------|------|-----|-----|-----|-----|
| 1st | 2nd | 3rd | 4th | 5th | 6th | 7th | 8th |
| \$16 | \$14 | \$12 | \$10 | \$8 | \$6 | \$4 | \$2 |

RULES – ALL DIVISIONS

1. Exhibitor must Show his or her own animal in the Showmanship Class and **it must have been entered in a Breeding Class.**
2. **Entry Fee: \$5.00** per Showmanship Class entered by **July 12, 2023**, entry deadline.
3. All Exhibitors, 4-H, FFA, Grange and Independent, are required to wear the Official Organization Dress as described in in the Large Livestock Department rules.
4. Independent Exhibitors will be placed in age-appropriate Division before Show.
5. Primary: 5 to 8 years of age. **Ribbons only, no premiums.** (See State Rule VII No. 11a)
6. Junior: Exhibitors between 9 and 11 years of age.
7. Intermediate: Exhibitors between 12-14 years of age.
8. Seniors: Exhibitors 14 years of age through December 31st of the year the Exhibitor turns 19 years of age.
9. The order of Showing: Juniors will show first followed by Intermediate and Senior. Primary will show last. This will give the Primary Showmen a chance to watch and learn from the Junior, Intermediate and Senior Showmen. The winner of the Junior Class may advance to the Senior Class if they so choose.
10. The Exhibitors must be on hand and ready to exhibit in their Class on time. It is considered part of Showmanship to be ready for your Class. **Make sure you know which Class you are assigned to Show in.** There will be a one-minute hold on the gate if Exhibitor misses their Class call, they will be scratched from the Class. If there is a problem with the sound system in the barn area it is still the responsibility of the Exhibitor to be ready at the gate for their Class.

See Judging Schedule for Date and Time

DIVISION 1127 – PYGMY GOAT SHOWMANSHIP

Class

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|------------------------|-------------------------------|
| 1. Primary (5-8 years) | 3. Intermediate (12-14 years) |
| 2. Junior (9-11 years) | 4. Senior (15-19 years) |

Judging Criteria for Showmanship

Appearance – (40%); Condition (10%); Grooming (20%); Cleanliness (10%); Appearance of Exhibitor – (10%); Total – 100%

Showing in the Ring – (50%); Moving or leading (15%); Posing (15%); Show animal to the best advantage (10%); Poise, alertness, and attitude (10%); Total - 100%

MINI PIG SHOW**August 7-13, 2023****Entry Deadline: July 5, 2023****Entry Fee: \$5.00****Rules**

1. Exhibitors may show up to 3 pigs
2. All male pigs must be neutered.
3. Up to date vaccinations must be shown on day of check-in.
4. Exhibitors and animals can compete in the Costume Contest and Trick Contest.
5. Food and waterers must be provided by Exhibitors.

Premiums Offered Per Class

| | | |
|------|-----|-----|
| 1st | 2nd | 3rd |
| \$10 | \$7 | \$5 |

DIVISION 1128 – MINI PIGS

Class

1. Under 1 year
2. 1-2 years
3. Over 2 years

DIVISION 1129 – MINI PIG TRICK CONTEST**Wednesday, August 9, 2023 – 2:00 PM****Entry Fee: \$5**

Guidelines for Trick Contest – mini pig must be able to: 1) Sit; 2) Lay down; 3) Spin; 4) Follow owner; 5) Walk on leash; 6) Individual Trick

Premiums Offered per Class

| | | |
|------|-----|-----|
| 1st | 2nd | 3rd |
| \$10 | \$8 | \$6 |

Class

1. Mini Pig Trick Contest

DIVISION 1130 – MINI PIG COSTUME CONTEST**Saturday, August 12, 2023 – 2:00 PM**

Mini Pig must be part of the Mini Pig show. No entry fee for this Contest. Ribbons only.

Class

1. Mini Pig in Costume
2. Youth Exhibitor and Mini Pig in Costume

YOUTH MARKET ANIMALS

MARKET ANIMAL RULES

1. **Entries close Saturday, July 12, 2023.** Entries must be completed online at www.venturacountyfair.org by entry deadline. Entry fees are non-refundable.
2. **Independent Exhibitors must complete and return an Independent Exhibitor application by April 1, 2023, to be eligible to participate in the 2023 Ventura County Fair. Application and information located on the Fair website.**
3. Exhibitor may enter two (2) meat pens with the following entry fee: **\$5.00 per meat pen entry. Only one (1) meat pen may be brought to the Fair.**
4. Exhibitors must provide a kindling date for Rabbits and a hatch date slip for Chickens and Turkeys. Age is as of the first day of Fair, August 2, 2023.
5. **Entries in Market Classes are limited to (1) Chicken, Rabbit, or Turkey Meat pen and one (1) Large Livestock Market Animal: Goat, Lamb, Swine, Heifer or Steer per Exhibitor.**
6. Chicken, Rabbit, and Turkey Market Meat Pen animals are eligible to go to Auction. Grand and Reserve Grand Champions go to the Live Auction, all other qualified entries go to the Silent Auction and are limited to one (1) entry per Exhibitor. A commission fee of 6% on Market Rabbits, Market Roasters, and Market Turkey Meat Pens will be charged. Commission fee is based on gross income from the sale and add-ons of the animal. This commission is used to offset the cost of the Auction.
7. Entries are limited to space available for Market Rabbits, Market Roasters and Market Turkeys.
Note: Exhibitors or Assistants approved by Fair Personnel must be available to assist Judge as deemed necessary.
8. Exhibitors must provide one (1) 4" X 6" photo (portrait view) of the Exhibitor and Market Animals at weigh-in. These pictures will be used for the Silent Auction Display Board. Exhibitor's name, club and age must be printed on the back of the photograph.
9. If buyers choose a processor that does not pick-up the Market Animals, Exhibitors are responsible for making sure that the Market Animal(s) is delivered to the processor and then to the buyer after processing.
10. All Market Animals must be clean and exhibit no signs of disease/illness. If at the time of judging, if the Judge determines the animal is not market ready, it will be pulled from the Competition and may not participate in the Auction. The decision of the Judge is final.
11. All cages and pens must be cleaned daily by 10:00 AM. Small Livestock Department will be open at 9:00 AM. Refuse must be hauled to the west end of the Large Livestock Area and refuse cart returned to the Small Livestock Department.
12. Market Classes are open to members of clubs chartered under the Ventura County Section of FFA, Ventura County 4-H, Ventura County Grange Organizations, and members of these clubs: Agoura and Shadow Hills 4-H, Carpinteria FFA, and Independent Juniors of Ventura County. 4-H Exhibitors must be 9 years of age by December 31, 2022; Grange and Independent Exhibitors must be 9 years of age by January 1, 2023, to enter Auction Market Classes.
13. **All Market Class Animals must be under the Exhibitor's care and management for a minimum of 30 days and enrolled in the Organization Project for a minimum of 60 days, prior to the opening day of Fair, Wednesday, August 2, 2023.**
14. Quality Assurance Training: The Ventura County Fair is committed to Livestock Quality Assurance training and the important animal care information now available to all Youth and Parents. All Youth Exhibitors (excluding primary members) competing in Small and Large Livestock Market Categories are required as a condition of entry to complete the National Online Training program known as Youth for the Quality Care of Animals (YQCA). Learn more and complete your training by going to: <http://yqcaprogram.org/>. This Certification Program will NOT be required for primary members.
 - a. The program is required to be completed by the Exhibitor; upon completion a certificate of completion will be given to signify completion of the program. A copy of the course certificate must be sent to smalllivestock@venturacountyfair.org by July 12, 2023.
 - b. Certification is good for one calendar year from date of completion.
15. While at the Fair, Exhibitors may have Club Members or siblings under the age of 19 years of age help with the care of their animals. No adult will be allowed to groom or prepare an animal to Show or care for the animal while on the Fairgrounds.
16. Any Exhibitor neglecting or not cleaning his/her animals will be given one (1) warning. If neglect continues the animals will not be allowed to participate in the Auction and the Exhibitor will be asked to remove said animals from the Fairgrounds.

17. All animals will be weighed on a certified scale located on the Fairgrounds. Market Animals will have **one weigh-in only**. No private scales allowed on the Fairgrounds.
18. Market Animals that are under or overweight will not be cooped and must be removed from the Fairgrounds.
19. Any meat pen that has been disqualified must be removed from the Fairgrounds immediately following judging.
20. **Mandatory Exhibitor Meeting** – Monday, August 7, 2023, at 3:00 PM. Additional meetings may be called as needed.

DIVISION 1131 – MARKET RABBIT

Buckle to Grand Champion

Class

1. **Market Rabbit Pen** (3 rabbits – 3.5 to 5.5 lbs. each and not over 70 days old as of the first day of Fair, August 3, 2023. All must be of the same breed and variety.) Best meat types are those rabbits that are compact, well filled, rounded and with solid flesh. All rabbits in the pen must be clean and in prime condition. Uniformity must be present in weight, size, appearance, condition and meat type, rabbits should be as similar in all respects as possible. All Market-ready Meat Pens will go to Auction. **The Champion and Reserve Champion will go to the Live Junior Livestock Auction and will be under the rules of the Junior Livestock Auction.**

DIVISION 1132 – MARKET ROASTERS (Chickens)

Buckle to Grand Champion

Class

1. **Market Roaster Pen** (3 Roasters (Chickens) of the same breed 6 to 8 lbs. and under 10 weeks of age as of the first day of Fair, August 2, 2023. All must be of the same breed and variety.) Proof of hatch date must be provided at coop-in. Best meat types are those roasters that are compact, well filled, rounded and with solid flesh. All birds in the pen must be clean and in prime condition. Uniformity must be present in weight, size, appearance, condition and meat type, birds should be as similar in all respects as possible. All Market-ready Pens will go to Auction. **Champion and Reserve Champion Market Pens will go to the Live Junior Livestock Auction and will be under the rules of the Junior Livestock Auction.**

DIVISION 1133 – MARKET TURKEY

Buckle to Grand Champion

Note: The top 2 placings in each Class will be included in the Champion Drive for Grand Champion and Reserve Grand Champion Turkey.

Class

1. **Market Turkey Pen, Tom** (1 bird) 16-20 weeks - **Weight 25 lbs. minimum – 35 lbs. maximum
 2. **Market Turkey Pen, Hen** (1 bird) 16-20 weeks - **Weight 15 lbs. minimum – 25 lbs. maximum
- As of the first day of Fair, August 2, 2023.

Birds must be a recognized breed of meat turkey. Proof of hatch date must be provided at coop-in. A bird may be disqualified due to age or breed. All Market-ready Pens will go to Auction. **Champion and Reserve Champion Meat Pens will go to the Live Junior Livestock Auction and will be under the rules of the Junior Livestock Auction.**

Judging Criteria for Market Turkeys

Breast 40%; Legs and Thighs 20%; Back 10%; Wings 10%; Ribs 10%; Overall Condition 10%; Total 100%

Judging Criteria for Market Roasters

Condition 10%; Wings and Shoulders 7%; Back and Spring of Ribs 7%; Uniformity of Weight 20%; Breast 30%; Legs 10%; Legs Fleshing – Drumstick 10%; Overall Condition 6%; Total 100%

Judging Criteria for Market Rabbits

Meat Type 40%; Condition 30%; Uniformity 20%; Fur 10%; Total 100%

MARKET SHOWMANSHIP

(See Judging Schedule)

- DIVISION 1134 – MARKET RABBIT SHOWMANSHIP**
- DIVISION 1135 – MARKET POULTRY SHOWMANSHIP**
- DIVISION 1136 – MARKET TURKEY SHOWMANSHIP**

Premiums Offered per Class

| 1st | 2nd | 3rd | 4th | 5th |
|------|------|------|------|-----|
| \$16 | \$14 | \$12 | \$10 | \$8 |

Showmanship must be entered online by entry deadline. Animals will be supplied for Showmanship – no Market Meat Pen entries will be used.

Please state your age on entry form. Classes will be determined by age on January 1, 2023.

Dress code for Showmanship: See Large Livestock Department Rules for Organization Dress Code requirements.

Class

1. Junior (9-11 years)
2. Intermediate (12-14 years)
3. Senior (15 years and above)

CHAMPION OF CHAMPIONS

DIVISION 1137 – CHAMPION OF CHAMPIONS

Premiums Offered Per Class

| 1st | 2nd | 3rd | 4th | 5th |
|------|------|------|------|------|
| \$50 | \$40 | \$30 | \$20 | \$10 |

Class

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|---------------|--------------------------|
| 1. Cavy | 5. Market Poultry/Turkey |
| 2. Poultry | 6. Market Rabbits |
| 3. Pygmy Goat | 7. Mini Pigs |
| 4. Rabbits | |

This program recognizes and rewards Champion Youth, based on the Exhibitor’s participation and achievement. In addition, this Competition will continue to recognize and reward Champion Animals, which was the original foundation of Livestock Competitions and Fairs.

The Ventura County Fair believes in the value and importance of Exhibitor participation in all educational opportunities offered through their animal project. Points will be awarded for their participation in a wide variety of educational events. Points will be accumulated by each Exhibitor throughout the program for each event they participate in.

Entry Form/Online entry is correct and complete - 5 points

Educational Poster Contest – 45 points

1. Poster must be done on a 22” X 28” poster board or a 19” X 30” foam board turned in at coop-in.
2. The poster must be on a subject related to the Exhibitor’s Small Livestock project.
3. The purpose of the poster is to help educate the public about the animal industry.
4. The Fair has the right to remove any poster it deems objectionable or inappropriate for public display.
5. Poster to remain on display through the entire Fair (August 2-August 13, 2023). See Superintendent for removal time.

6. Judging based on:

| | |
|-----------------------------|------------------|
| Topic and Educational Value | 20 points |
| Originality and Creativity | 10 points |
| Quality and Workmanship | <u>15 points</u> |
| | 45 points |

Pre-Fair Talk (1 talk) – 10 points

1. Exhibitors can earn points by presenting an educational talk on their project prior to the Fair.
2. The talk must be to an organized group (i.e., 4-H, FFA, Grange, Farm Bureau, Farm Days, Rotary/Lions Club or Science Nights at Schools).
3. Exhibitors must submit a letter from the organization (on their letterhead) indicating that the Exhibitor did make a presentation, the date, and the number of people in attendance. Letter is to be turned in at coop-in.

Showmanship – 5-25 points (25 points maximum)

Each Exhibitor who participates in Showmanship will be awarded points based upon placing in Showmanship.

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|-------------------|------------|------------|------------|-------------------|
| Placement Points: | 1st | 2nd | 3rd | All Others |
| | 25 | 20 | 15 | 10 |

Ask Me Booth - 5 points per hour (25 points maximum)

1. Exhibitors' sign-up to work in the "Ask Me Booth" either before Fair or at coop-in.
2. It is the Exhibitor's responsibility to sign-in and out at the Small Livestock Office.
3. Exhibitors must complete a one-hour segment to earn points.
4. Exhibitors are required to be dressed in appropriate attire when manning the booth. No food or drinks allowed in booth.
5. Exhibitor must provide a mat for the tabletop (to protect table covering) for the animal/bird to sit on during scheduled display time and to clean-up after their animal/bird.

Barn Hosting - 5 points per hour (25 points maximum)

1. Exhibitors' sign-up either before Fair or at coop-in.
2. It is the Exhibitor's responsibility to sign-in and out at the Small Livestock Office.
3. Exhibitors must complete a one-hour segment to earn points.
4. Exhibitors are required to be dressed in appropriate attire when hosting the barn.

Competition Points (25 points maximum)

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|-------------------|------------|------------|------------|
| Placement Points: | 1st | 2nd | 3rd |
| | 3 | 2 | 1 |

Costume Contest - 5-20 points – Exhibition Week Only

Each Exhibitor who participates in the Costume Contest will be awarded points based upon placing in the Contest:

Placement Points:

| | | | |
|------------|------------|------------|-------------------|
| 1st | 2nd | 3rd | All Others |
| 20 | 15 | 10 | 5 |

Pen Appearance – 10 points – Market Week Only

1. Cleanliness of Pen (Judged daily) – 2-1/2 points
2. Animal Appearance/Cleanliness (Judged daily) – 2-1/2 points
3. Pen Decoration – 5 points

Responsibility – 10 points

1. Attends all meetings – 2 points
2. Punctuality (on time during pen cleaning, meetings, coop-in/coop-out) – 2 points
3. Being Proactive (kindness, good sportsmanship, respectful) – 4 points

COSTUME CONTESTS**Sunday, August 6, 2023, at 2:00 PM****COSTUME CONTEST RULES**Entry must be submitted with Fair entry. Ear tattoo must match entry. No entry fee for this Contest. Ribbons only.**DIVISION 1138 - RABBIT COSTUME CONTEST**

Class

1. Rabbit in Costume
2. Youth Exhibitor and Rabbit in Costume

DIVISION 1139 - CAVY COSTUME CONTEST

Class

1. Cavy in Costume
2. Youth Exhibitor and Cavy in Costume

DIVISION 1140 - POULTRY COSTUME CONTEST

Class

1. Bird in Costume
2. Youth Exhibitor and Bird in Costume

DIVISION 1141 – PYGMY GOAT COSTUME CONTEST

Class

1. Pygmy Goat in Costume
2. Youth Exhibitor and Pygmy Goat in Costume

**ROOSTER CROWING and
HEN CACKLING CONTESTS**

(Two separate Contests)

Sunday, August 13, 2023, at 1:00 PMRibbons to 5th PlaceEntries accepted until 15 minutes prior to Contest Time on Sunday, August 13, 2023. The first 15 entries will be accepted in each Class. Contest is open to anyone.

Class

1. Youth, 18 & under
2. Adult, 19 & older

CONGRATULATIONS 2022 GRAND CHAMPIONS

Grand Champion Market Rabbit

Kaylee Tan

Reserve Grand Champion Market Rabbit

Courtney Nunes

Grand Champion Market Turkey

Travis Smith

Reserve Champion Market Turkey

Emma Johnston