

PREMIER EXHIBITOR AWARD

A Premier Exhibitor Award will be awarded to promote entries in the McDonald County Fair. To be eligible, an exhibitor must exhibit/participate in a minimum of five different areas at the fair, but can collect points on no more than two exhibits in each division; must sell a minimum of 30 raffle tickets (in addition to premium sale raffle tickets sold); must help set-up and clean-up Mondays before and after the fair; and must indicate on entry form that they are competing for Premier Exhibitor Award. Raffle tickets and money must be turned in to fair secretary. Point system will be 3 points for first place, 2 points for second place, and 1 point for third place. Points may be accumulated in any competitive contest at the fair such as livestock judging, showmanship, etc. Each department superintendent is to keep a record of exhibitors and points in their department and turn them in to the fair secretary, who will tally points. Only McDonald County residents are eligible for the Premier Exhibitor Award.

Prize money will be: 1st - \$50 • 2nd - \$30 • 3rd - \$20

HERDSMAN AWARD

(Individual Award)

Purpose: To encourage young people to work with their animals with kindness and gentleness but firmness; to promote ease of handling; and to promote proper care and training.

Eligibility: The award is presented to the youth, not to the animal. The animal will not be judged for conformation or quality. The animal itself will be judged only for:

- a. The animal's response to its owner.
- b. How well the youth has done with what he/she has to work with.
- c. Gentleness and workability of the animal in and out of the ring.

1. Care of Stall
 - a. Cleaned at all times
 - b. Properly bedded
 - c. Equipment picked up
 - d. Box for storage of equipment
2. Care of Animal
 - a. Watered and fed
 - b. Made comfortable
 - c. Gentle
3. Courteous to all exhibitors
4. Courteous to public and answers questions
5. Behavior of exhibitor

JUDGING STANDARDS

1. How well the youth has done with what he/she has to work with. Not all youth can afford the registered or purebred animal, but he/she still may do a good job of caring for and training the animal.....50
2. How well the animal is trained and responds to its owner. Gentleness and workability of the animal in and out of the show ring, reflecting the training given to it by its owner. Disposition of animal reflecting owner's care.....30
3. The care the animal received during the Fair (clean stall, fresh water, feed, and hay). Clean animal, well brushed, and conditioned (according to class).....10
4. If youth has done all the work of caring for animal during Fair with NO adult help.....10
- Possible score.....100

Two herdsman buckles will be awarded. One to the Beef and Dairy sections combined and one to the Sheep, Goat, and Swine sections combined. Those who have won the herdsman trophy/buckle are not eligible to win it a second time in that particular division.

Herdsman Buckle Sponsors:

Beef & Dairy: 5K Farm

Sheep, Goat, & Swine: Blue Hollow Farm

SHOWMANSHIP CONTEST

(Junior & Senior Exhibitors)

Junior exhibitors must be 13 and under as of January 1, 2021. Senior exhibitors must be 14 and over on or before December 31, 2020. Exhibitors showing Dairy, Beef, Swine, Sheep, and Goat are eligible. Every exhibitor must groom and show his or her own animal.

NO BOARS IN SHOWMANSHIP

JUDGING STANDARDS

- A. Preparation of animals for showing
 - 1. Condition of feet
 - 2. Trimming of head, ears, hair, horns, etc; as appropriate for the animal
 - 3. Cleanliness of animal
 - 4. Condition of coat, including gloss, and non-use of objectionable materials

- B. Showing of animals
 - 1. Control of animal by exhibitor
 - 2. Poise and coolness of exhibitor
 - 3. Skill in showing, including
 - a. Continuous attention
 - b. Keeping animal placed to the animal's advantage
 - c. Being continuously alert

- C. Ability to stand or move the animal as requested by the judge.

SHOWMANSHIP SCHEDULE

At 8:00 a.m. Saturday all exhibitors in beef, swine, meat goat, and sheep divisions are eligible (no matter what color of ribbon from previous judging). Dairy and dairy goat exhibitors are eligible to compete for showmanship immediately following their respective show. First, second, and third place winners will be selected in each division. Following this, there will be a contest for the top individual in each division for the Showmanship Buckle. Each of the six final exhibitors must be able to work with all six divisions of livestock because they will rotate to the animals in the finals.

Showmanship Buckle Sponsors:

Senior: New-Mac Electric Cooperative, Neosho, MO

Junior: New-Mac Electric Cooperative, Neosho, MO

Those who have won the Showmanship Trophy/Buckle are not eligible to win the Showmanship Buckle the second time in that age category.

PREMIUM SALE

Eligibility for premium sale:

1. Exhibitor must show own animal in its class at the fair.
2. Exhibitor must present own animal at the sale by himself/herself.
3. Exhibitor must meet one (1) of the following requirements:
 - A. An exhibitor must be a verifiable resident of McDonald County, Missouri, at least ninety (90) days prior to the McDonald County Fair;
 - B. An exhibitor must be a verifiable member and actively participating in a McDonald County 4-H program. Active participation will be considered and decided on an individual basis by consulting with the exhibitor's 4-H leader;
 - C. An exhibitor must be a verifiable member and actively participating in McDonald County FFA. Active participation will be considered and decided on an individual basis by consulting with the exhibitor's McDonald County FFA advisor; or
 - D. An exhibitor who has not been a verifiable resident of McDonald County for ninety (90) days prior to the McDonald County Fair but is a verifiable resident less than ninety (90) days prior to the McDonald County Fair can still be eligible for the premium sale if the exhibitor meets the requirements set forth in subsection B for a 4-H program outside of McDonald County or the requirements set forth in subsection C for a FFA program outside of McDonald County.
4. Exhibitors should send "Thank You" notes to premium buyers and for add-on money.
5. An exhibitor may sell only one animal in the sale.
6. An exhibitor will not be eligible for the McDonald County Premium Sale if the exhibitor participates in the Newton County or Barry County Premium Sales for the concurrent year.
7. Premium Sale premium will be ready and should be picked up at the fair grounds during clean-up day the Monday following the fair between 8:30 a.m. and 10:00 a.m.
8. Premium sale add-ons will be mailed to the exhibitor within two weeks of the Premium Sale.
9. **Exhibitors must sale a minimum of ten raffle tickets for the McDonald County Fair to be eligible for the McDonald County Premium Sale. Exhibitors must turn in the raffle tickets to the fair secretary prior to Thursday, July 15, 2021 at 9:00 pm.**

2020 PREMIUM SALE SPONSORS

5K Farms; Vance and Jennifer Keaton; Al's Gas Company; Arvest; Arvest (Gravette); Bob and Shawn Bradley; Brittany Pierce and Sam Gardner; Bryan Hall; Chet and Susan Sexton; Cornerstone Bank; Cornerstone Insurance; Cynthia Ross; Donna Blake; Eubanks Equipment; FCS Financial; First Community Bank; Four State Stockyards; Fred and Angie Mills; Freedom Bank; Heritage; Hideaway Spot ; Holly Farms; Holmes Farm Supply; Huston's Backhoe; Huston's Pump Service; Jacob and Sara Pierce; James and Ellen Reeves; Jason and Gina Hoth; Jim and Georgia Bradley; Jonathan and Melanie Pierce; Joplin Regional Stockyards; Judge John Lepage; Keith Lindquist; Kenny Christerson; Kip and Jessie Lindquist; Lewis Farms; Longview Mill; Lori Lewis; Mark and Barbi Armstrong; Master Electric; McDonald County Extension; McDonald County Farm Bureau; Michael and Sheila Fuller; Mid-Tec; New-Mac; Opal Foods; Pierce Farm; Dewey and Kitty Pierce; Rex Rickman; Rhoades and Pierce Law Office; Shelter Insurance; Simmons; Southwest Missouri Bank; Tatum Motor Company