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| interest:                         | MCJLS • January 8th at Extraco Event Center   |
| Major Show Dates                  | RABBITS (glass room) Time: TBA  |
| Major Show Judges                 | 2024 Spring Major Show Entry Deadlines  |
| Tag Order Dates<br>Show Schedules | e will hold Spring Major Show entry day for all 4-H members on November 8 <sup>th</sup> at the  |
| Major Show Updates Exten          | nsion office. We will take entries anytime before this date and will be at the office until   |
|                                   | on the 8 <sup>th</sup> to collect any and all entry forms for the kids. This is for all spring major shows  |
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| Juonpocontono                     | plans to come by prior to the 8 <sup>th</sup> . If you have major conflicts please contact us to make   |

make plans to come by prior to the 8<sup>th</sup>. If you have major conflicts please contact us to make arrangements for entry.

We will take check, cash (exact change), and Credit Card as payment for entries this year.

All entry forms can be found at the following link when they become available https://mclennan.agrilife.org/links/4-h/4-h-projects/livestock-news/











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## 2023-2024 McLennan County Validation Dates & Tag Orders

#### Steers

MCJLS Only Validation- September 12<sup>th</sup> @ Extension office 5-6pm

#### <u>Heifers</u>

Fall Validation – October 25th @ Kelly Families (780 Harrison Rd, Waco, Tx) October 30th @ McGregor Research Center 773 Ag Farm Road McGregor) both from 4:30-6:30 pm

#### Sheep & Goat

2024 Major & MCJLS Validation- October 18<sup>th</sup> at Extraxo & 24<sup>th</sup> at Axtell Ag Barn, both from 4:30-6:30pm

Swine 24<sup>th</sup>

2024 Major Tag Orders September 20th

2024 Major Show & MCJLS Validation November 15<sup>th</sup> at Extraco & 27<sup>th</sup> at West, both from 4:30-6:30pm

#### **Broilers**

2024 MCJLS only Orders due-October 1st

#### **Turkeys**

MCJLS Pickup-

#### Rabbits

MCJLS Breed Date- October 27th-30th 2023

MCJLS Validation- January 8<sup>th</sup>, 2024

#### **Show Entry Information**

Spring Major Show entry Deadline

All Major Shows (Ft. Worth, Odessa, San Angelo, San Antonio, Elite, Houston & Austin) Due November 8<sup>th</sup> 2024 MCJLS- Entries due December 5<sup>th</sup>

#### All tag order forms can be found at the following link:

https://mclennan.agrilife.org/links/4-h/4-h-projects/livestock-news/

#### **MCJLS Rabbit Information**

- Rabbit Breed Date- October 27<sup>th</sup> -30<sup>th</sup> 2023
- MCJLS Rabbit Validation- January 8, 2024
- MCJLS Rabbis Show- February 8, 2024

if you are planning on showing market rabbits this year you should be contacting your breeders to reserve your pens soon. If you are needing a list of rabbit breeders, please contact the Extension office or your ag science teachers.

#### **Major Show Calf Scramble Entry Deadlines**

Below are the major shows who offer calf scramble and the entry deadlines

- Ft. Worth Livestock Show- November 8<sup>th</sup>
- San Antonio Livestock show- November 8<sup>th</sup>
- Rodeo Austin November 8<sup>th</sup>
- Houston Livestock Show- November 8<sup>th</sup>

## **2024 MCJLS Broiler Orders**

If you are wanting to show broilers at the 2024 McLennan County Junior livestock those orders will be due to Riesel FFA by October 1<sup>st</sup>

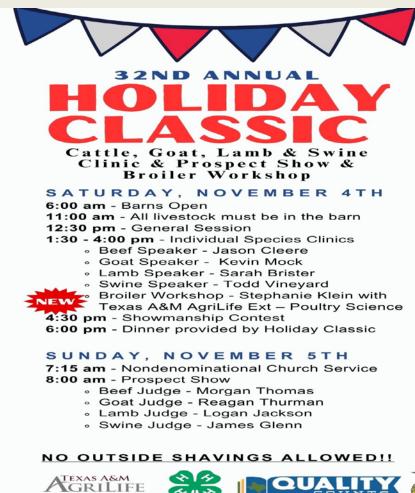
Order Form: https://mclennan.agrilife.org/files/2023/08/2024-County-Show-Broiler-Order-Form.pdf

|               |  | 2024                              | Schedule                          |                               |                                   |
|---------------|--|-----------------------------------|-----------------------------------|-------------------------------|-----------------------------------|
|               | Monday Feb. 5th  | Tuesday Feb. 6 <sup>th</sup>      | Wednesday Feb 7th                 | Thursday Feb. 8th             | Friday Feb. 9th                   |
| 5:00 a.m.     |  | Barn opens                        | Barn opens                        | Barn opens                    |                                   |
| 6:00 a.m.     |  |                                   |                                   |                               |                                   |
| 7:00 a.m.     |  |                                   | Poultry check in                  | Rabbit Weigh in<br>& check in |                                   |
| 8:00 a.m.     |  |                                   | Poultry Show                      | Rabbit Show                   | Livestock<br>Judging Reg.         |
| 9:00 a.m.     |  | Market Goat<br>Show               | Heifer Check In                   |                               | Livestock<br>Judging Contest      |
| 10:00<br>a.m. |  |                                   |                                   | Market Swine<br>Show          |                                   |
| 11:00<br>a.m. |  |                                   | Market Steer Show                 |                               |                                   |
| 12:00<br>p.m. |  | Steer & Heifer<br>Arrival         | Swine Arrival                     |                               |                                   |
| 1:00 p.m.     |  | Market Sheep<br>Show              |                                   |                               |                                   |
| 2:00 p.m.     | Sheep & Goat<br>Arrival  |                                   | Heifer Show                       | Youth Fair Check<br>(2-4pm)   |                                   |
| 3:00 p.m.     |  |                                   |                                   |                               |                                   |
| 4:00 p.m.     |  |                                   |                                   |                               |                                   |
| 5:00 p.m.     |  |                                   |                                   |                               |                                   |
| 6:00 p.m.     | Sheep<br>Classification<br>6pm<br>All Sheep Card<br>due 4-6pm<br>Goat Weight<br>Cards Due<br>4-6pm | Steer Weight<br>Cards Due (4-6pm) | Swine Weight Cards<br>Due (4-6pm) |                               | Sale of<br>Champions<br>(6:30 pm) |
| 7:00 p.m.     |  |                                   |                                   | Youth Fair Awards             |                                   |
| 11:30<br>p.m. | Barns Close  | Barns Close                       | Barns Close                       | Barns Close                   |                                   |

# McLennan County Jr. Livestock Show 2024 Schedule

• Ag Mechanics will move in on Monday February 5<sup>th</sup>, time is TBD





WHEN & WHERE? November 4th & 5th Bell County EXPO 301 W. Loop 121 Belton, TX 76513

#### WHAT IS HOLIDAY CLASSIC?

The Holiday Classic Clinics and Prospect Shows are intended to provide a **FREE** educational opportunity for new families participating in the livestock project area. The main purpose is to teach the basic principles of livestock management as they relate to facility maintenance, selection, nutrition, animal health, handling, showmanship, and transportation, facilitate the ethical care, development, and exhibition of livestock.

#### WHO IS INVITED?

All 4-H and FFA members in grades 3-12.

Youth MUST attend Saturday clinics to participate in showmanship and

prospect shows.

**FREE** Saturday evening meal. Concession stands available.

CONTACT: 254-933-5305 https://agrilife.org/bell4h/ or call your local County Extension Office



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Summer is drawing to an end and for many this means transitioning from summer shows to the fall majors and state fairs. Changes in temperature and hair cycles can make it challenging to get the hair coat you want. There are many factors that go into a healthy hair coat that we can't control, such as genetics and daylight. However, there are quite a few factors that are in our control, such as temperature, daily hair care and nutritional plane.

**Temperature:** Cold weather causes hair to stimulate and grow. It is a natural instinct for cattle to want to grow hair in defense of cold weather conditions. While we can't directly tell mother nature what to deliver each day, we can manipulate the temperature in our barns to keep calves cool. Whether or not you have an elaborate cooler system or not, air flow is key. Fans and misting systems that keep cool air in circulation are key. It will also help to keep calves in a darker area during the day and turn out after dark at night to simulate cooler weather and winter time.

**Daily hair care:** Daily hair care is the factor directly in our control that is so important. It doesn't matter how cool you keep it in your barn, if you don't have a daily hair care routine, hair won't grow. When starting a hair cycle over, it is important to get all the old, dead hair out. You can do this in one of two ways; shear their hair off or utilize a shedding comb. A typical hair cycle is 90-120 days, so plan accordingly for your endpoint. Once the dead hair is gone you should work to establish a daily routine. Start with rinsing your calf with cool water at least one time a day and brushing them dry with a rice root or plastic brush under fans. With such little hair, it won't be necessary to blow them dry at first, so start with brushing LOTS to stimulate hair follicles. Because you are rinsing and brushing so often, some of the natural oils of the skin and hair will be lost. Blowing in a light oil or sheen will help to re-establish these natural oils and keep the skin healthy and not flaky.

**Nutrition:** The nutritional plane of an animal as it relates to hair growth and care is one of the most overlooked factors. Following a good nutrition program will make sure your cattle get the vitamins and minerals they need to grow a healthy hair coat. Make sure your animals are getting a good vitamin or mineral supplements, which contains Biotin to help promote the skin and hair quality of your animals. Biotin directly helps to improve keratin structure, with is the basic protein in hair and nails. Many livestock exhibitors also offer melatonin in their feed, which also helps the hair grow.

Ditch the old coat. Rinse and condition. Brush. Sheen. Keep it cool., and REPEAT!



It's no secret that once you get your new show prospects home your young exhibitors are anxious to get to the barn, get acquainted and get them show broke. However, with anything worth doing, there is a process that needs to be followed, and when working with little show pig projects, patience and consistency is key.

"I'm a big believer in breaking pigs at a very young age," said Jackie Lackey, partner at Lackey Livestock in Haskell, Texas, and mother to Weston and Grant, who show pigs competitively across the country. "We have a routine from the start and try our best to remain consistent to mitigate forming bad habits and handling them at a young age has been successful for our family."

Lackey offers several tips on getting new show pig projects home, getting them tamed down and how to drive them to the winner's circle.

#### Taming them Down

Lackey said the first week to 10 days their pigs are home, are spent taming the pigs down, getting them used to the people around them and their surroundings. Young showmen Grant and Weston will spend a lot of time that first week sitting in the pigs' pens with them, just so the pigs get used to them. They also will spend time leaned over the fence or bent down in front of the pens before feeding time to scratch the pigs' heads, all positive interactions. Once the pigs are used to the people, those people will slowly and gently introduce a whip to the pigs – over the fence and then in the pens so the pigs learn to respect the whip and not fear it.

"It is our goal that our pigs have a positive interaction with us every time we walk into the pen. They generally settle down fairly quickly. Regardless of age, every pig in our barn is Treated like a show pig," Lackey said.

Naturally there are some pigs that are not so easy to tame down. When that happens, Lackey reminds exhibitors not to rush the process; that only initiates the creation of bad habits. Spend some extra time with them in the pen or take extra time with them in the wash rack – the best place to calm down a high-strung pig.

"Breaking pigs only gets worse if you have to break bad habits. It is our goal to never create a bad habit –



pig that runs, pig that backs up, pigs that fights or bites at the whip, one that wants to get its head down. If you can be patient enough to master one step before the next, you'll save yourself a lot of time in the long run," Lackey said. Once the pigs are tame, the Lackey family begins their daily driving lesson. Their daily routine includes driving the pig directly from its pen to the wash rack. Every time the gate opens, the pig's head should be up just as if they were walking into the ring at a show, never letting their head down or allowing the pig to run. They rinse them each time they get out of the pen with gentle flowing water in the wash rack. Then, they take them for a few laps back and forth down the center aisle of the barn, using the whip gently. Weston and Grant work to teach the pigs to respect them and the whip by staying in the center of the aisle, and not getting too close to pens on either side of them.

#### Next Steps

The pigs have become tame, are used to the young exhibitors, and have learned to drive from their pen to the wash rack. Now its time to get them show ring ready and master the art of using the whip. Lackey said they have a large grassy area outside their barn where they take them to learn to walk in big circles and build stamina for the bigger Texas majors. It is imperative for those pigs to take long strides and make big laps; just like they should in a show ring. The Lackeys do not recommend small pens or tight spaces to walk your pig. They need to learn how to get out and move, extend and use their rear leg. Confining them to small spaces makes their pace choppier and creates a bad habit for both the exhibitor and pig of turning too tight. When you do start walking your pig in big laps in a big exercise area, it is fine to use two whips to help maintain control. This will help the pig learn to walk in a straight line with its head up. Often times when smaller kids have to reach over the top of a pig with one whip in an effort to get their head up, they aren't tall enough to do so and so the pig turns into

the exhibitor and breaks his natural pace of walking forward.

Another tip the Lackeys feel strongly about is rewarding good behavior. "If pigs get out and do a great job, even if for only 3-4 minutes, they put them up. We don't wear out our pigs." Often, exhibitors will have a goal to walk their pig for a set amount of time rather than only walking them to a point where they know they've done well and responded to what the exhibitor asked of them. A young pig may not be able to withstand that much exercise and so it begins to fight and get tired. This immediately teaches bad habits and leaves room for new problems to begin. A pig that is exercised consistently should build enough stamina to last however long is needed in the show ring," Lackey said.



Lackey said the quality of exercise is more important than the length of the time you spend walking your pigs each day, and that adding exhaustion to both the pig and the kid only makes things worse so work your pig until you're satisfied you both have done a good job, then reward it by putting it back in it's pen to prevent those bad habits from forming.

Another thing she really works on with her own kids is positioning the whip correctly, which can help break the bad habit of a pig walking with its head down before it starts. The whip should be parallel with the side of the pig's face or underneath its chin to help keep its head up. And you should never hit your pig hard enough to hear the whip.

"In today's show ring environment, you can't compete successfully if your pig doesn't walk with its head up, but it needs to be natural. Teaching a pig to drive that way starts from the beginning. I know our pigs are broke when they walk out confident and comfortable with their head up and respond to the boys without them really having to touch them at all with the whip," Lackey said.

#### Keep it Fun

Finally, keep it fun and make sure that everyone involved is patient. If a parent isn't a patient person, find a mentor or someone who is patient to help coach your young exhibitors. And don't be afraid to help your kids out; remember it's easier to prevent habits than to break them.

"When pigs get frustrated and kids get frustrated it is no longer fun and we're no longer productive," Lackey said. "The key to raising pigs that drive like rock stars in the ring is doing it right from day one, aim for positive experiences for both the kids and the pigs each time you get them out and remaining consistent the whole way through."





You've dedicated a lot of time and effort with your show goat project – feeding, grooming and exercising it. You are 30 days from the show – and when your goat steps on the scale, you realize he's a little further ahead of your goal.

A month until the show is a long time, so it is critical to start reining him in. Holding goats' weight is possible, but it is preferable to manage your wether's weight over the duration of the project.

Kelsey Pfeiffer, Orlando, Okla., is a leading industry expert at raising and showing meat goats. He says holding goats can often lead to limited results. Market wethers, Pfeiffer says, are more successful when they are fed moderately to their endpoint versus feeding hard then putting on the brakes.

"When a feeder gets into a jam there are a few ways to help regulate weight gain on your market wethers," Pfieffer says.

Decrease the amount of feed on a daily basis. Many times, feeder goats are given 3-5% of their body weight, which is more than necessary. Maintenance levels of 1.5-2% is often plenty if you feed nutrient dense, professional goat feed like "Show Right Advancer Plus."

Add Sure Champ<sup>®</sup>. Whether you use Sure Champ Goat orSure Champ Spark this supplement will help market wethers maintain muscle shape with minimal weight gain.

Muzzle the goat. A muzzle allows for full water consumption but also eliminates extracurricular snacking. Only unmuzzle the goat when feeding, exercising or practicing showmanship.

Increase exercise. This will help control the weight gain of a goat since exercise and weight gain have an inverse correlation.

"A lot of people may think there is a set amount of exercise for every goat, but it's more about understanding he logistics between weight and exercise," Pfeiffer says. ."

Leave hair long. If feeders will keep from shearing their show wethers too often Pfeiffer says this can be a great way to regulate gain. Allowing hair to stay long will help eliminate surges in body weight. When a person shears a goat's top or bellies a lot they are allowing the animal to get cool or cold, which means they'll also grow fast. Seasons and geographic regions can also impact weight gain. Pfeiffer says in the summer time a wether is going to grow a bit faster than on a day when the weather is cool or cold. And, he says, goats eat differently depending on if they're in the northern or southern U.S. or in the East or West.

Holding a goat is not the right thing to do, if a person doesn't understand the proper technique. Pfeiffer says holding is something people do to take the belly off of a goat; not to just impact the animal's weight. "If you have a 120-pounder do you throw the brakes on?" Pfeiffer asks. "Or if he's at 80 pounds there's probably no reason to hold him at any point. It's like when you watch a movie and it says, 'Don't do this at home.' It's critical to really understand what you're doing."

Pfeiffer suggests feeding and exercising in moderation,. Does are shown differently than wethers and should not be held. Adding Sure Champ to the feed one month prior helps bring on muscle shape, so the animal can get this trait early rather than trying to rush into it. Sometimes, Pfeiffer says it's just best to stick to the basics. "It really doesn't matter if you're real close to show," Pfieffer says. "We may have held goats over from OYE to Tulsa State Fair but we did it slow and steady. Coasting in with one is way better in moderate fashion than to get one there real fast then try to hold them."

# **State Fair Weight Breaks**

|  |      | Steers   |  |  |
|--|------|--|--|--|
| Breed  | 2023 | 2022   | 2021   | 2020   |
| Lightweight<br>British<br>Sell 3 per class     |      | 1000-1199<br>1200-1263                           | 1116-1147<br>1196-1239                           | 1020-1157<br>1158-1259                           |
| Heavyweight<br>British<br>Sell 3 per class     |      | 1264-1349<br>1350-1491                           | 1247-1349<br>1377-1475                           | 1260-1358<br>1359-1575                           |
| Lightweight<br>American<br>Sell 3 per class    |      | 1000-1199<br>1200-1290                           | 1080-1199<br>1203-1279                           | 1018-1224<br>1225-1295                           |
| Heavyweight<br>American<br>Sell 3 per class    |      | 1291-1429<br>1430-1615                           | 1297-1399<br>1400-1560                           | 1296-1420<br>1421-1585                           |
| <b>Lightweight AOB</b><br>Sell 5 per class     |      | 1000-1095<br>1096-1193<br>1194-1239<br>1240-1258 | 1000-1091<br>1095-1160<br>1161-1203<br>1207-1257 | 1000-1118<br>1119-1210<br>1211-1264<br>1264-1318 |
| Heavyweight AOB<br>Sell 5 per class            |      | 1259-1304<br>1305-1339<br>1340-1399<br>1400-1499 | 1275-1315<br>1317-1349<br>1353-1435<br>1439-1550 | 1319-1355<br>1356-1399<br>1400-1445<br>1446-1573 |
| Lightweight Black<br>Cross<br>Sell 3 per class |      | 1000-1233<br>1234-1279                           | 1013-1199<br>1200-1289                           | 1050-1237<br>1238-1298                           |
| Heavyweight<br>Black Cross<br>Sell 3 per class |      | 1280-1373<br>1374-1574                           | 1320-1366<br>1375-1489                           | 1299-1399<br>1400-1600                           |

| Market Lambs |
|--------------|
|--------------|

| Breed                               | 2023 | 2022  | 2021   | 2020  |
|-------------------------------------|------|---|--|---|
| <b>Finewool</b><br>Sell 3 per class |      | 103-122<br>125-148  | 100-122<br>124-144   | 100-119<br>120-142  |
| Fine Wool X<br>Sell 4 per class     |      | 100-117<br>118-141<br>143-175   | 103-118<br>119-137<br>138-158  | 100-129<br>130-160  |
| <b>Dorper</b><br>Sell 4 per class   |      | 90-110<br>111-148   | 90-108<br>113-150  | 90-102<br>103-113<br>114-150  |
| Southdowns<br>Sell 4 per class      |      | 90-104<br>105-114<br>119-156  | 90-103<br>104-114<br>115-157   | 90-102<br>103-113<br>114-160  |
| Medium Wools<br>Sell 6 per class    |      | 100-108<br>109-115<br>116-120<br>121-126<br><u>127-131</u><br>132-136<br>137-142<br>143-148<br>149-156<br>157-181 | $\begin{array}{c} 100\text{-}105\\ 106\text{-}112\\ 113\text{-}117\\ 118\text{-}122\\ \underline{123\text{-}127}\\ 128\text{-}133\\ 134\text{-}137\\ 138\text{-}144\\ 145\text{-}155\\ 156\text{-}193\\ \end{array}$ | 100-106<br>107-113<br>114-119<br>120-125<br><u>126-130</u><br>131-133<br>134-137<br>138-142<br>143-149<br>150-178 |

|  | Marke | et Barrow  | 'S  |  |
|--|-------|--|---|--|
| Breed                                  | 2023  | 2022   | 2021  | 2020   |
| Berkshire<br>Sell 4 per class          |       | 250<br>261-300   | 250<br>252-300  | 240-250<br>251-290   |
| Black OPB<br>Sell 4 per class          |       | 250<br>252-275<br>276-300  | 250<br>253-300  | 240-246<br>247-290   |
| <b>Other Cross</b><br>Sell 6 per class |       | 250<br>250<br>250<br>251-262<br>263-269<br>270-277<br>278-289<br>290-300 | 250<br>250<br>250<br>251255<br>256-264<br>265-272<br>273-281<br>282-300   | 240<br>240<br>241-249<br>250-256<br>257-264<br>265-274<br>275-288<br>289-290 |
| Dark Cross<br>Sell 6 per class         |       | 250<br>251-264<br>265-274<br>277-288<br>289-300                          | 250<br>250<br>252-259<br>260-274<br>275-300                               | 240<br>241-251<br>252-260<br>261-272<br>273-290                              |
| <b>Duroc</b><br>Sell 5 per class       |       | 250<br>253-272<br>273-284<br>285-300                                     | 250<br>252-265<br>267-278<br>282-300                                      | 240-254<br>255-269<br>270-279<br>280-290                                     |
| Hampshire<br>Sell 5 per class          |       | 250<br>253-263<br>264-275<br>276-300                                     | 250<br>250<br>252-267<br>268-300  | 240<br>242-252<br>253-271<br>272-290   |
| White OPB<br>Sell 4 per class          |       | 250-268<br>270-300   | 250-265<br>267-300  | 240-265<br>266-290   |
| Yorkshire<br>Sell 5 per class          |       | 250-270<br>271-282<br>285-300  | 250<br>252-272<br>273-300   | 240-255<br>256-272<br>273-290  |
| Crossbred Gilts                        |       |  | 215-243<br>246-260<br>263-270<br>275-290<br>292-308<br>310-324<br>325-360 |  |

|      |   | Market   | Goats  |  |  |
|------|---|--|--|--|--|
| 2023 | 2022  | 2021   | 2020   | 2019   | 2018   |
|      | 50-65<br>66-72<br>73-77<br>78-81<br>82-86<br>87-92<br>93-99<br>100-105<br>106-120 | 50-60<br>61-65<br><u>66-71</u><br>72-76<br>77-81<br><u>82-86</u><br>87-92<br>93-101<br>102-120 | 50-62<br>63-67<br><u>68-72</u><br>73-77<br>78-83<br><u>84-88</u><br>89-93<br>94-101<br>102-120 | 50-60<br>61-67<br><u>68-72</u><br>73-77<br>78-82<br><u>83-87</u><br>88-93<br>94-101<br>102-115 | 51-61<br>62-71<br><u>72-74</u><br>75-79<br>80-84<br><u>85-88</u><br>89-94<br>95-101<br>102-115 |
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# Heart O' Texas Fair Weight Breaks

|             | Marke | et Barr  | ows  |   |
|-------------|-------|--|--|---|
| Breed       | 2023  | 2022   | 2021   | 2020  |
| Berkshire   |       | 55-93<br>107-144<br>242-320                                    | 49-87<br>90-128<br>266-350   | 55-76<br>81-97<br>100-138<br>250-388  |
| Black OPB   |       | 43-84<br>90-110<br>180-276<br>299-345                          | 50-75<br>84-193<br>200-345   | 61-95<br>98-124<br>212-282<br>290-355   |
| White OPB   |       | 57-80<br>88-115<br>225-278<br>340-360                          | 54-75<br>82-113<br>160-300   | 64-96<br>102-138<br>225-374   |
| Duroc       |       | 52-94<br>108-191<br>239-343                                    | 52-77<br>80-94<br>104-194<br>225-268<br>290-349                                | 50-75<br>80-99<br>102-123<br>163-298<br>306-400   |
| Yorkshire   |       | 48-86<br>91-110<br>171-271<br>300-365                          | 51-74<br>81-85<br>98-140<br>205-320  | 52-87<br>90-99<br>102-118<br>121-164<br>259-310   |
| Hampshire   |       | 50-90<br>93-113<br>118-174<br>215-245<br>262-309               | 42-79<br>81-96<br>100-109<br>123-180<br>203-257<br>263-340                     | 55-79<br>80-89<br>92-109<br>110-129<br>130-195<br>235-335   |
| Cross       |       | 34-80<br>87-110<br>113-152<br>181-235<br>249-294<br>300-357    | 42-69<br>71-82<br>83-98<br>100-161<br>217-259<br>260-278<br>280-297<br>302-350 | 37-68<br>70-79<br>80-89<br>90-99<br>100-118<br>119-145<br>157-203<br>225-248<br>250-273<br>275-299<br>300-380 |
| Cross Gilts |       | 201-237<br>248-256<br>260-270<br>273-289<br>290-304<br>307-350 |  |   |

|                 | Mar  | ket La | mbs  |   |
|-----------------|------|--------|--|---|
| Breed           | 2023 | 2022   | 2021   | 2020  |
| Finewool        |      |        | 80-97<br>100-124   | 85-102<br>104-114<br>118-136  |
| Fine Wool<br>X  |      |        | 77-97<br>103-113<br>115-160  | 78-102<br>105-119<br>120-150  |
| Dorper          |      |        | 68-85<br>88-95<br>99-130   | 61-82<br>86-96<br>97-124  |
| Southdowns      |      |        | 67-99<br>101-113<br>115-130  | 65-89<br>90-99<br>102-111<br>112-140  |
| Medium<br>Wools |      |        | 65-87<br>88-96<br>97-106<br>107-111<br>112-119<br>120-126<br>127-135<br>136165 | 66-83<br>84-91<br>92-96<br>97-101<br>102-105<br>106-111<br>112-115<br>116-120<br>121-125<br>126-131<br>132-137<br>138-165 |

|      | Mar          | ket Goat     | 5            |              |
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| 2023 | 2022         | 2021         | 2020         | 2019         |
|      | 39-51        | 30-45        | 27-44        | 36-45        |
|      | 52-56        | 46-51        | 45-49        | 46-50        |
|      | 57-62        | 52-56        | <u>50-52</u> | <u>51-53</u> |
|      | 63-64        | 57-60        | 53-55        | 54-55        |
|      | 65-66        | 61-64        | 56-58        | 56-58        |
|      | 67-69        | 65-67        | <u>59-61</u> | <u>59-60</u> |
|      | 70-72        | <u>68-70</u> | 62-64        | 61-63        |
|      | 73-75        | 71-74        | 65-67        | 64-66        |
|      |              |              | <u>68-70</u> | <u>67-69</u> |
|      | <u>76-79</u> | <u>75-78</u> | 71-74        | 70-72        |
|      | 80-84        | 79-88        | 75-77        | 73-75        |
|      | 85-89        | 90-99        | <u>78-82</u> | <u>76-80</u> |
|      | 90-96        | 100-110      | 83-89        | 81-89        |
|      | 104-118      |              | 10-107       | 90-113       |

|                    | Mark | et Stee  | rs  |   |
|--------------------|------|--|---|---|
| Breed              | 2023 | 2022   | 2021  | 2020  |
| Brangus            |      | didn't make  | didn't make   | 788-949<br>980-1299   |
| Gert               |      | 799-910<br>925-989<br>998-1090                                       | 675-890<br>939-1279                                       | 520-1185  |
| Simbrah            |      | didn't make  | didn't make   | 754-894<br>929-1511   |
| ABC                |      | 668-804<br>836-872<br>890-954<br>974-1160                            | 700-869<br>895-990<br>1030-1167                           | 650-895<br>913-989<br>1005-1114                                   |
| Angus              |      | 643-829<br>846-930<br>974-1300                                       | 685-820<br>898-1215                                       | 511-855<br>860-900<br>938-1169                                    |
| Hereford           |      | 825-960<br>990-1170  | 610-999<br>1010-1214                                      | 665-955<br>969-1065   |
| Polled<br>Hereford |      | 823-965<br>985-1049  | Combined<br>with Herf                                     | Didn't make   |
| Red Angus          |      | didn't make  | Didn't<br>make  | 595-1089  |
| Shorthorn          |      | 693-857<br>875-998<br>1028-1210                                      | 669-860<br>941-1241                                       | 678-845<br>860-962<br>1005-1250                                   |
| Charolais          |      | 673-747<br>762-804<br>815-860<br>880-934<br>950-1029<br>1037-1187    | 694-820<br>849-885<br>910-959<br>975-1029<br>1050-1275    | 675-802<br>830-878<br>887-957<br>973-1029<br>1050-1247            |
| Limousin           |      | 840-979<br>1119-1197   | 765-887<br>900-999<br>1010-1150                           | 734-960<br>973-1250   |
| Simmental          |      | 790-901<br>910-982<br>1009-150                                       | 690-879<br>923-1120                                       | 813-959<br>969-1137   |
| Maine              |      | 736-906<br>912-999<br>1005-1061<br>1080-1300                         | 660-971<br>1010-1250                                      | 779-925<br>937-1222   |
| Black<br>Cross     |      | 698-854<br>897-919<br>934-965<br>1049-<br>1131<br>1170-<br>1249      | 711-859<br>864-998<br>1025-<br>1290                       | 610-848<br>859-959<br>963-1039<br>1085-1250                       |
| Red<br>Cross       |      | 696-880<br>895-986<br>1010-<br>1250                                  | 649-799<br>815-939<br>981-1165                            | 724-819<br>840-900<br>919-993<br>1013-1156                        |
| Other<br>Cross     |      | 688-785<br>815-860<br>879-898<br>906-949<br>950-999<br>1038-<br>1297 | 669-832<br>843-895<br>915-955<br>964-999<br>1007-<br>1180 | 660-789<br>795-854<br>859-891<br>915-952<br>975-1040<br>1059-1255 |

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|---|--|--------------------------------------|---|---|--|---|
|   | 25   | 26                                   |   |   |  | 30  |
|   |  |                                      |   | HOTFR<br>Scholarship Heifer Show- 8am                                   | HOTFR<br>Premium Heifer Show- 8am  | HOTFR<br>Steer Amival-10em-2pm  |
|   |  |                                      | Heifer Check In- Tpm-5pm<br>Heifer Showmanship-6pm                        |   | SFT  | steer Criess in - 11am-upm<br>Steer Classification-4pm<br>Steer Steerans-tio 6                  |
|   |  |                                      |   |   | Mkt Lamb Arrival- 6-11am<br>Mkt Lamb Check in11am-2pm  | steer anommensnip-opm<br>SFT  |
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| concidential direct another definition  | בתבווועונו סמבר סנוסא- ספנו  | Broiler Sift-6am                     |   | Mkt Swine Show-9am  | Lamb Check in- 10sm-2pm  | Sunderstip Lattic Show-salti  |
|   | 8FT<br>************************************  | Mkt Barrow Show- 9am                 |   |   | Lemb Showmenship-Spm<br>SFT  | SFT   |
| Mitt Goet Armer 5-11em<br>Mitt Barrow Show-9am<br>Mitt Goet Check in-11em-2pm | Ware 2 Sume Amre-4-rem<br>Swine Check in-8-11em<br>Mkt Goet Show-8em                   | Steer Armval- TUam-opm               | Steer Classification  |   | Prospect Steers Amire- 11am-3pm<br>Prospect Steer Check in- 24pm                                 | Prospect steers Classify-dam<br>Steer Showamanhip- 11am<br>Steer Shwo- 3pm (american & British) |
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|   | HOTER  | HOTER                                | H   | HOTER   | Ĩ  | HOTER   |
| Premium Lamb Show-8am   | Goet Arrivel-8-11em  | Scholarship Goat Show-8am            | n Goat Show-8am   | Swine Arrival-10am-3pm  |  | Scholarship Swine Show- 8am   |
|   | Goost Uneost In- Tuem- 14pm<br>Wether Doe Shaw- 1pm                                    | SFT                                  | SFT   | Swine Check in- 11am-4pm<br>Swine Showmanshio-5om                       | Crossered oil: anow- rollowing<br>Purebred show  | SFT   |
| Breeding Sheep Arrive- 5-8am  | Gost Showmanship- after Doe show<br>sert   | PanAM- Simbrah & Brahman             | er shovmanship- 8am   | SFT   | SFT<br>Surfactor And State   | PanAM breeding Goat Show-9am  |
| Steer Show-8am<br>Breating Sheep Check in-9am-                                | Arrise - Brahman & Simbrah-5-11am  | show- 8am<br>Breeding Sheep Show-0am | Red Brahman, Grey Brahman & Brimbrah & Brimbrah Show                      | Publio Speaking<br>Heiter Amival- 1-5pm (beefmaster,                    | orecome yoor Amvor aroom<br>Breeding Gost Check in 8-11am  | PanAm Heifer Show- noon<br>Beefmaster & Brannus   |
|   | Cette Check In- 11am-2pm<br>Judging Contest- 1:30pm<br>Pan-AM Breeding Sheep Show- 9am |                                      |   | Brangus, Red Brangus, Gert, ARB)  | nener Amvair sam-noon (peenmaster,<br>Brangus, Red Brangus, Gert, ARB)<br>Heifer Check in- 1-4pm |   |
|   | 16   | 17                                   | 18  | 19  | 20   | 21  |
|   | SFT  | SFT                                  |   | SFT   | SFT  | SFT   |
| Premium Swine Show- 8am   | Wether Dam & Doe Arrival- 5-3am<br>Haitas Show, Ban (Bantonias                         | Wether Dam & Doe Show- 9am           |   | Heifer Arrival- 7-11am (Angus,  | PanAM Heifer Show-8am- Angus,  | PanAM Git Sow- 8am  |
|   | Brenqus, Red Branqus, Gert, ARB)   |                                      | Char, Chi, Tereford, Limi, Maine, 1<br>P. Hereford, R. Anous, Shorthom, 1 | Criar, Cril, hereford, Limi, Maine,<br>P. Hereford, R. Anous, Shorthom, | rs. Angus, nereiora, r.: nereiora,<br>Git Check in- 11am-1om                                     | Heiter Show- Chi. Limi. Maine.  |
| YOuht breeding Goet Show-Bem  | Wether Dem& Doe Check in- 9-11em<br>Wether Dem & Doe Shrameenhin-                      |                                      |   | Simi, & ORB)  | Gilt Showmanship-4pm   | Angus, & Hereford   |
| PanAm Heifer Show- 8em Red<br>Branqus & Gert                                  | Jpm  |                                      |   | Heifer Check in- 11am-2pm<br>Resertion Gitt Amival- 10nm-17am           |  | Youth Purebred Gitl Show- 3pn   |
|   |  |                                      |   | מנפמונות מוריענוגפון ולפוון   |  |   |
|   | 23   | 24                                   | 25  | 26  | 27   | 28  |
| SFT<br>Lloffer Cherry Dame, Cherry Climi                                      |  |                                      |   |   |  |   |
| ORB, P. Hereford, R. Angus,   |  |                                      |   |   |  |   |
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|   | 30   | 31                                   |   |   |  |   |
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# Fall Major Show Calendar

## **Major Show Updates & Changes**

General- starting with the spring 2024 major shows the Market Steer Classification Guidelines have been updated and adjusted. Please refer to this link to review the updated guidelines that will take affect in 2024 spring majors. <u>https://app.box.com/s/7kpvmecrf89lkp4jje9dysad1um173dh</u>

### 2023 State Fair of Texas

- All tie outs will be purchased at time of arrival along with shavings
- Steer Classification will be on October 4<sup>th</sup>
- Gilt show will arrive at night to stay cool as possible
- Additional sale lots added to all market divisions

## 2023 Heart O' Texas Fair & Rodeo

- Showmanship Fee- No showmanship fee when entering but if you enter on site there is a \$5 late fee
- Steers entered in the Other cross do not have to go through classification
- Animal Substitutions fee: animal Substitutions will be free before the day of check in, any Substitutions turned in day of check in will be a \$50 fee.
- No Preset heifer classes

## 2024 MCJLS Updates:

### Schedule Change

- Market Goat Show start time will be 9am on Tuesday.
- Market Swine Show start time will be 10am on Thursday.
- Market Poultry Show will be held on Wednesday
- Market & Breeding Rabbit show will be held on Thursday

### 2024 Ft. Worth Livestock Show

- Steer Classification Change- all steers will be classified during show on Thursday, all will submit weight cards by 10am Wednesday.
- Mkt Sheep & Goat Show date change move in 1/24-1/25, show 1/27 & 1/28
- No Cable Halters in any species
- \*Simbrah heifers will not qualify for 2024 show

### 2024 San Angelo Updates:

- All market goats must be Texas bred and have a TGBA tag at time of validation
- Brahman heifers added to breed list
- Gilts- Arrival will be Thursday night and Friday morning, Jr gilts show Saturday and STARS will show Saturday and Sunday
- NO Camping outside of designated areas

### 2024 San Antonio Updates:

- Splitting following breeds and allowing additional scholarships for champions
  - Heifers- Grey Brahman, Red Brahman, Hereford, & Polled Hereford
  - Steers- Hereford & Polled Hereford
- No Outside bedding
- Exhibitor Camping will be limited
- \*Simbrahs will be classified as ARB
- Gilts
  - all gilts must be farrowed between June 1 & September 15, 2023 and all will show by weight (range 200-350lbs with a 15lb weigh back
  - Breed & Reserve breed will be DNA tested
  - Addition of Hereford breed

## **Major Show Updates & Changes**

### **2024 Houston Livestock Show**

- Poultry Show moving back to NRG Arena
- Livestock Judging moving back to NRG Arena
- Junior Mkt. Auctions cap increase for youth
- Judge selection for other cross waves will not be announced until the morning of show A
- Heifer show
  - Chi heifers- all heifers with papers from the American Chi Association will show as Chi regardless of %
  - Simbrah heifers- only purebreds will show as a Simbrah, all Simbrah \* and % will show as ARB

#### 2024 Rodeo Austin Livestock Show

- Wether Dam & Doe show added
- Certified Texas Bred Barrow Show
- Cattle Tie outs sold upon arrival

## **Major Show Judges**

#### 2023 State Fair of Texas

Mkt Steers- Kyndal Reitzenstein Mkt Lambs- Steve Sturtz Mkt Goats- Skylar Scotten Mkt Swine- Maverick Squires Broilers- Bryce Leopold

#### 2023 Heart O' Texas Fair & Rodeo

Scholarship Heifer American- Matt Claeys British/Continental- Kody Lucherk Premium Heifer

American- Blake Nelson British/Continental- Jara Settles Scholarship Steer- Krisha Geffert Premium Steer- Nick Fitzsimmons Scholarship Lamb- Barrett Carlisle Premium Lamb- Taylor Osbourn Scholarship Goat- Ryan Mortvedt Premium Goat – Kyle Smithwick Breeding Doe- John Romero Scholarship Swine- Bryce Bedeker Premium Swine Breeding Gilt

#### 2023 Brazos Valley Fair

Cattle- Shane Meier & Lydell Meier Sheep- Kyle Wood & Corey Flach Goats- Marty Gibbs Swine- Noa Taipin & Jenna Wheeler

#### 2024 Sandhills Livestock Show

Cattle- Ryan Rash Mkt Lamb- Jake Warntjes Mkt Goat-

#### 2024 Ft Worth Livestock Show

Steers- Dr. Mark Hoge Heifers- Wravenna Bloomberg, John McCurry, Katy Wunderlich Sheep –Brad Dale Goats – Brent Jennings Swine – Seth Swenson

#### 2024 Elite Gilt Showcase

Josh Campbell & Cody Hays

2024 MCJLS Steer- John DeClerk Heifer- Harrison Smith Sheep- Clay Burson Goat- Shawn Sparks Swine- Jacob Edmond Rabbit Poultry

#### 2024 San Angelo Livestock Show

Mkt Goat- Scott Greiner Mkt Swine- Shane Brinning Mkt Steer- Curtis Doubet Mkt Lambs (FW/FWX/SD)- Chad Coburn Mkt Lambs (SD/MW)- Justin Nathan STAR Gilts- Galen McCune & Tom Lamle Heifers- Dr.Jason Cleere & Amanda Schnoor STAR Wether Does- Shannon Scotten

#### 2024 San Antonio Livestock Show

Mkt Goat- Spencer Scotten Mkt Swine- Eric Polich & Brandon Ogle Mkt Steer- Joel Cowley & Shilo Schaake Mkt Lambs- Scott Schaake Mkt Broilers- Keith Staggs Mkt Turkey Hen- Daniel DeLeon Mkt Turkey Tom- Keith Scott Pure Gilts- Brett Beyers & Jason Corya Cross Gilts- Ben Bobell Commercial Doe- Kash Allen Commercial Ewe- Charles Seidensticker American Heifers- Deb Core & Brady Ragland Exotic/British Heifers- Mark Ebling & Shane Werk

#### 2024 Houston Livestock Show

Mkt Steer- Chris Millinix Mkt Goat- Jess Yeamna Mkt Sheep – Dr. Jeff Ripley Mkt Swine- Justin Rodibaugh & Clay Zwilling Heifers- Tanner Schmaling, David Ammann & Chad Coburn

#### 2024 Rodeo Austin Livestock Show

Mkt Steer- Shane Bedwell Mkt Swine- Kyndal Reitzenstein Mkt Goat- Caleb Boardman Mkt Lamb- Al Schminke Heifers- Ashley Wagner & Scott Werning

## **Jackpot Shows**



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## **Jackpot Shows**



# **CLIFTON FAIR GROUNDS**

9/17 WHITT PIG BARN 9/23 MERIDIAN FFA 10/15 IREDELL 10/21 MERIDIAN FFA 10/28 CRAWFORD FFA 11/28 CRAWFORD FFA 11/4 MERIDIAN FFA 11/11 SOMERVILLE JACKPOT 11/18 LORENA JACKPOT 11/25-11/26 CTYF SHOWDOWN 12/2 MERIDIAN FFA 12/9 MCLENNAN GO TEXAN 12/16 CTYF DAIRY SHOW

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**Upcoming Events: Tag Order Deadlines:** MCILS Broiler Order due October 1st

#### Validation Dates:

Major & MCJLS Sheep & Goats- October 18th @ Extraco & 25<sup>th</sup> @ Axtell

Fall Heifer Validation October 25<sup>th</sup> at Kellys & 30<sup>th</sup> @ McGregor

Major & MCILS Swine November 15<sup>th</sup> @ Extraco & 27<sup>th</sup> @ West

MCJLS Rabbits- January 8th at Extraco

#### **Show Entry Dates**

Spring Major Shows (Ft. Worth, Odessa, SALE, Angelo, Houston, Austin) Due November 8th

MCILS- Due December 5th

# how Dates

#### 2023 State Fair of Texas September 29th - October 22nd

-Mkt Lamb- 9/29-9/30 -Mkt Goat- 10/1-10/2 -Mkt Steer- 10/3-10/5 -Mkt Swine Wave 1-9/30-10/1 Wave 2 -10/2-10/3 Wave 3-10/4-10/5 -Poultry- 10/3 -Heifers Brahman& Simbrah- 10/9-10/11 All other Americans- 10/12-10/15 Exotic & British- 10/18-10/22 -Breeding Sheep & Goat Registered Sheep- 10/8-10/10 Wether Dam- 10/16-10/17 Wether Doe- 10/16-10/17

#### -Breeding Gilt- 10/19-10/22

#### 2023 Heart O' Texas Fair & Rodeo

#### September 27th- October 15th

- Heifers- 9/27-9/29
- Steers- 9/30-10/2
- Lamb- 10/6-10/8 Goat- 10/9-10/11
- Swine- 10/12-10/15

#### 2023 Brazos Valley Fair

#### October 13-22, 2023

- 10/21-Sheep, Goats & Heifers
- 10/22- Steers & Swine

## January 3-13, 2024

#### 2024 Ft. Worth Livestock Show

#### January 12<sup>th</sup>- February 3<sup>rd</sup>

- Mkt Sheep & Goat -1/25-1/28
- Breeding Heifer 1/18-1/22
- Mkt Steer -1/30-2/2
- Mkt Swine 1/29-2/1

#### 2024 MCJLS

#### February 5-9, 2024

Sheep- 2/5--2/6 Goat- 2/5-2/6 Steer- 2/6-2/7 Heifer 2/6-2/7 Swine- 2/7-2/8 Poultry- 2/7 Rabbit- 2/8

#### 2024 San Antonio Livestock Show

#### February 8-25, 2024

Gilts- 2/6-2/8 Poultry- 2-7 Breeding Sheep- 2/9-2/10 Breeding Goats- 2/9-2/10 Mkt Goat- 2/12-2/13 Mkt Sheep- 2/12-2/14 Heifers- Wave 1 (American)- 2/12-2/13 Heifers- Wave 2 (all others) 2/15-2/16 Mkt Swine- Wave 1 (Darks) - 2/16-2/18 Mkt Swine Wave 2 (Lights)- 2/20-2/22 Mkt Steer Wave 1 (Maine, Char, Simi, Americans) 2/19-2/20 Mkt Steer Wave 2 (British, Limi, All Crosses) 2/21-2/23

#### 2024 San Angelo Livestock Show

#### February 1-18, 2024

- Mkt Sheep 2/2-2/5
- Mkt Goat -2/2-2/5
- Mkt Swine -2/12-2/15
- Mkt Steer 2/5-2/6
- Heifer -2/7-2/11
- Gilt -2/9-2/11 Wether Doe -2/2-2/3

#### 2024 Elite Gilt Showcase

February 9-11, 2024

#### 2024 Houston Livestock Show

#### February 27- March 17, 2024

- Mkt Sheep & Goat 3/5-3/7
- Breeding Heifer 3/4 3/9
- Mkt Steer 3/10-3/15
- Mkt Swine 3/9-3/14
- Gilts -2/29-3/1
- Breeding Sheep- 2/26-2/28

#### 2024 Rodeo Austin Livestock Show

#### March 8-23, 2024

- Steer- 3/7-3/9
- Sheep 3/14-3/15
- Goat 3/14-3/15
- Swine- 3/16-3/18
- Heifer- 3/20-3/23
- Poultry- 3/11

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2024 Sandhills Livestock Show