

HUNTERDON COUNTY 4-H & AGRICULTURAL FAIR

OPEN DAIRY SHOW

Saturday, August 23, 2025 – 9:30 a.m.

**Co-Superintendents: Treacy Weeks
Robin Schutts**

Location: Large Livestock Show Ring

1. Open show for any age to show any female dairy animal. Dairy animal need not be a purebred and does not need to be owned by the exhibitor.
2. All exhibitors must enter and obtain an exhibitor number to be eligible for premiums, ribbons, and other prizes. All entries must be returned by July 28, 2025, to be included in the program. There will be no post entries. Mail entry forms to:
Robin Schutts, 656 Pittstown Road, Frenchtown, NJ 08825.
3. Members and exhibits should always appear neat. Exhibitors may wear all white or jeans with white shirts. Exhibitors must not wear any item which denotes personal herd, club or county identification during the show. **Work boots are required** - open-toed shoes, sneakers, and flip flops cannot be worn.
4. Animals can arrive at the fairgrounds between 7:00am and 10:00pm during the fair, but must arrive by 8:00 a.m. Saturday, August 23th. All health papers must be checked by the superintendent or authorized representative before being unloaded. A copy of all health papers must be provided to superintendent or authorized representative. If a problem arises, a vet will be called at the expense of the exhibitor. **Exhibitors must care for their own animals.**
5. All animals are required to wear a full-face halter for tying while on the fairgrounds. Neck straps are not acceptable.
6. Exhibitors need to provide their own feeding utensils and equipment. These should be plainly marked with the name of the owner. Exhibitors must provide their own feed. Hay and bedding will be provided by the Fair Association. Shavings are not allowed.
7. Placings will be on merit alone and the corresponding premiums will be paid. Only placings 1-3 will receive premiums.
8. State health requirements will be enforced:
 - a. Animals must have a valid Certificate of Veterinary Inspection (CVI) verifying that all animals have been observed by a veterinarian on the farm of origin. The certificate must verify that the entire herd is free of any signs of infectious or contagious disease. Certificates of Veterinary Inspections must be dated within 30 days of the show or at the veterinarian's discretion.
 - b. The Hunterdon County 4-H & Agricultural fair will be following the recommendation of the NJ Department of Agriculture. **A mammals including, goat, sheep, horse, cattle, alpaca, swine, and llama which will be exhibited at the Hunterdon County 4-H & Agricultural Fair **must be vaccinated for rabies**. The

vaccination must be recorded on your CVI by the veterinarian. Any livestock who is not vaccinated will not be allowed on grounds. A copy of the CVI must be provided and handed into the show superintendent.

- c. Lactating dairy cattle must be tested for Highly Pathogenic Avian Influenza and show negative results within seven days before entering fair.
 - d. All animals must be free of ringworm and pinkeye.
 - e. It is recommended that all bovines be vaccinated for shipping fever.
 - f. In the event an animal is sick, and the owner cannot be located, the show superintendent or show committee is authorized to call the veterinarian to tend to the animal at cost to the owner.
9. Exhibitors are responsible for keeping the barn clean during and after the show, as advised by the barn supervisor. Exhibitors must pull bedding back to aisle as well as pick-up trash. A designated area will be provided for the open show participants. The 4-H displays and activities are not to be disturbed or moved without the consent of the dairy club leader or a fair committee administrator.
 10. No power washers will be allowed.
 11. If there are more than 15 animals in a class, the class may be split at the Judge's discretion.
 12. Responsibility for Accident – The Hunterdon County 4-H & Agricultural Fair shall not be responsible for any accident which may occur to or by reason of any animal exhibited at the fair and the exhibitors shall hold them blameless and indemnify them against any legal proceedings arising from any such accident.
 13. The Hunterdon County 4-H & Agricultural Fair General Rules apply to this show.
 14. There will be a Holstein Show and Colored Breed Show for classes 1-22.

PLEASE NOTE: SMOKING AND THE CONSUMPTION OF ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES ARE PROHIBITED ON THE FAIRGROUNDS!

TYPE CLASSES

1. Junior Heifer Calf – March 1, 2025 – May 31, 2025
2. Intermediate Heifer Calf – December 1, 2024 – February 28, 2025
3. Senior Heifer Calf – September 1, 2024 – November 30, 2024
4. Summer Junior Yearling – June 1, 2024 – August 31, 2024
5. Junior Yearling – March 1, 2024 – May 31, 2024
6. Intermediate Senior Yearling – December 1, 2023 – February 29, 2024
7. Senior Yearling – September 1, 2023 – November 30, 2023

8. Jr. Champion & Reserve Jr. Champion
9. Two-Year-Old Not Yet Freshened – September 1, 2022 – August 31, 2023
10. Junior Two-Year-Old in Milk – March 1, 2023 – August 31, 2023
11. Senior Two-Year-Old in Milk – September 1, 2022 – February 28, 2023
12. Junior Three-Year-Old – March 1, 2022 – August 31, 2022
13. Senior Three-Year-Old – September 1, 2021 – February 28, 2022
14. 4-Year-Old – September 1, 2020 – August 31, 2021
15. 5-Year-Old – September 1, 2019 – August 31, 2020
16. Mature Cow – Six Year and over in milk - born before September 1, 2019
17. Three and Four-Year-Old, Dry – any animal born between September 1, 2019 and August 31, 2021 that has freshened and is now dry.
18. Five Years and Older, Dry – any animal born before August 31, 2020 that has freshened and is now dry.
19. Sr. Champion & Reserve Sr. Champion
20. Grand Champion & Reserve Grand Champion
21. Produce of Dam – two females, any age, from the same dam

For type classes: Premiums will be paid for the 1st three places as follows:

1st Place - \$10.00; 2nd Place - \$8.00; 3rd Place - \$5.00.

For classes 8, 19, 20 and 21 special awards will be awarded.

22. Dam & Daughter owned or leased by exhibitor: 1st Place - \$10.00; 2nd Place - \$8.00; 3rd Place - \$5.00.
23. Supreme and Reserve Supreme (All Breeds)

FITTING AND SHOWMANSHIP CLASSES – If you didn't show in a Type class, you cannot participate in Fitting and Showmanship.

22. Novice - Up to Age 9
23. Beginner - Ages 10 - 13
24. Intermediate - Ages 14 -16
25. Experienced - Ages 17 - 19

26. Senior Experienced - Ages 20 and over

27. Jack Coleman Fitting and Showmanship Award - Winners of Classes 25 and 26.

Classes 22-26 will have three placings as follows: 1st Place - \$15.00; 2nd Place - \$10.00; and 3rd Place - \$8.00. Class 27 will have one winner who will receive \$50.00 donated by the Coleman Family.

NOVELTY CLASSES

28. Family Feud – 3 people/family of 1 parent and 2 children compete as a team for showmanship. **Winning family will receive a trophy.**

27. Dress and Paint a Cow - Teams of any three individuals - final decision by judge and desk clerks. **There will be one placing and each of the members of the winning team will receive \$5.00 each and a ribbon.**

29. Emmons Memorial Premier Breeder – All animals with the same farm prefix regardless of who shows the animals.

5 points for 1st place in a class

4 points for 2nd place in a class

3 points for 3rd place in a class

2 points for 4th place in a class

1 point for 5th place in a class

There will be one winner who will receive \$50.00 and a trophy sponsored by friends in memory of deceased members of the Emmons Family.