

26TH ANNUAL **2017 4-H & FFA Thumb Jackpot Beef Show**
St. Clair County Fairgrounds * Goodells, MI

Information, Rules & Entry Form

FAMILY NIGHT SOCIAL: Friday, April 21st

St. Clair County 4-H Beef Project Families invite exhibitors and their families to the **4-H Thumb Jackpot Beef Show Family Night**. **All food and beverages are complimentary!** Come meet Beef Project members from Macomb, Tuscola, Sanilac, St. Clair, Lapeer, Huron and Oakland counties and make new friends. Food service will be available from 5:30pm – 8:00pm.

4-H THUMB JACKPOT BEEF SHOW ; Saturday, April 22nd

*** Health Requirements: TB***

All cattle showing in the Thumb Jackpot Beef Show **MUST** be in compliance with the state of Michigan requirement to have a Radio Frequency Identification Ear Tag (RFID). **Neither an official USDA Alphanumeric metal ear tag nor an official breed registry tattoo will be accepted in place of an RFID tag. If you have any questions regarding the RFID requirements please contact the Michigan Department of Agriculture at 517-373-1077.**

Breed and Commercial Heifer Show: 9:00 a.m.

Heifers born after September 2015, are eligible to show. Breed Heifers will be shown by age. Commercial Heifers will be shown by weight. If there are at least 3 heifers of one breed there will be a breed class (ie. Angus, Shorthorn, Hereford, Maine Anjou, Chianina, Limousin, Commercial etc.) unless otherwise determined by the TJBEP Executive Committee. **Breed entries must have registration papers indicating that the animal is registered in the name of the 4-H or FFA member by February 1, 2017 and the animal must have a legible tattoo.** Heifers purchased at the 2017 Michigan Beef Expo as a 4-H or FFA project are eligible to show. Exhibitors must show the Bill of Sale indicating that the registration is to be transferred **solely** in the exhibitors name and the catalog with the lot number and identification information at Check In. The heifers must have corresponding tattoos. **Entries for heifers purchased at the 2017 Michigan Beef Expo are due on Friday, April 8, 2017 .The ear tattoo must be “dry and healed” or the animal will not be able to show in the registered breed class.** If there are not enough heifers to constitute a breed class or if the heifer is not registered, the heifer will be able to show in the commercial class. All heifers must check-in at the scales during the weigh-in times (4 - 9 pm) on Friday, April 21st to have registration papers checked, tattoos read and commercial heifer status recorded. Breed and Commercial heifers are not eligible to show as Market Heifers. All general rules of the show apply to the Breed and Commercial Heifer Show.

Breed and Crossbred Steer and Market Heifer Show: 10:00 am

If there are at least 3 Steers of one breed there will be a breed class (i.e. Angus, Shorthorn, Hereford, Maine Anjou, Chianina, Limousin, Holstein, Dairy etc.) unless otherwise determined by the TJBEP Executive Committee. **Breed Steer entries must have registration papers indicating that the animal is registered in the name of the 4-H or FFA member by February 1, 2017 and the animal must have a legible tattoo. The ear tattoo must be “dry and healed” or the animal will not be able to show in the registered breed class.** All other steers will be entered in the Crossbred Classes.

All steers will be shown in classes lightest to heaviest. If there are 3 or more Market Heifers they will be shown in a Market Heifer Class. If there are not enough Market Heifers to constitute a class they will be placed in classes along with steers according to weight. Market Heifers are not eligible to show as breeding/commercial heifers.

Showmanship to follow Steer and Market Heifer Show

Showmanship will be divided into 5 divisions based upon the exhibitor's **4-H age, age as of January 1, 2017**. Novice 9-10, Pre-Junior 11-12, Junior 13-14, Intermediate 15-16, and Senior 17-19. Exhibitors must show their own animals in showmanship classes and may show either their heifer or steer.

GENERAL RULES

Beef Show Eligibility/Entry Fees:

All 4H/FFA members between the ages of 9-19, 4-H age, age as of January 1, 2017, **MUST be a registered 4-H member or have the FFA member only section of the entry form filled out and be enrolled in a beef project** in one of the following counties are eligible to participate in the show: Sanilac, Tuscola, Lapeer, Huron, Macomb, St. Clair, Oakland. We will honor the 4-H participant age policy which states that the 4-H age will be determined by the young person's age as of January 1 of the program year which runs September 1 through August 31. **A young person in 4-H or FFA must be 9 years old as of January 1, 2017 in order to exhibit in this year's show.**

Entry Fees are **\$30.00 per head** and must be **postmarked by, Friday, April 8, 2017**. There will be **no late entries** accepted for the Show. **Please mail entries early!** There will be **no refunds** of entry fees. Exhibitors may enter as many breed steers/market heifers or breed/commercial heifers as they wish as long as the animals can be **identified by their Beef Superintendent as their sole 4-H or FFA project** in accordance with each counties individual eartag/noseprint or identification procedure. Each exhibitor as well as their parent/legal guardian must attest to project ownership on their entry forms by their signature. If an exhibitor has two animals that fall into the same weight or breed class, another 4-H/FFA Beef Project member age 9-19 from one of the seven counties may show the animal for the exhibitor in the market/breed classes.

Codes of Conduct

The 4-H & FFA Thumb Jackpot Beef Education Program subscribes to the International Association of Fairs and Exhibitions (IAFE) National Code of Show Ring Ethics and Thumb Jackpot Beef Education Programs 4H Code of Conduct. When exhibitors enter their project they and their parents/legal guardians/families and associated visitors agree to abide by these Codes of Conduct. Copies are available in all 4-H Offices.

Show Format/Awards/Judging:

Jackpot Show format. Premiums will be pro-rated based on entry fees, class size and donations. All participants will receive ribbons. Market cattle will be judged as beef prospects.

Arrival/Weigh-in/Check-in:

*****Please be patient and cooperative with all show volunteers during this process;**

All cattle must arrive on Friday, April 21st and be weighed/checked in. Cattle may arrive after 12:00 noon on Friday, April 21st. Cattle will be weighed/checked in between 4:00 pm - 9:00pm. Scales may close for 30 minutes for Family Night Dinner. **There will be NO weigh-in/check-in on Saturday. All cattle must remain on the fairgrounds after they are weighed/checked-in.**

General Information:

Emergency Cellular Phone Numbers: Please call Jennifer McKay 810-694-0561, or Gordon McKay 248-894-9861 in the **event an emergency** contact is needed on April 21st or April 22nd.

Responsibility: The 4-H Thumb Jackpot Beef Show will not be responsible for accidents or any losses by death, injury, crippling, bruising or condemnation.

Food Service: Food will be available to purchase at the Fairgrounds on show day.

Generators: Electrical power is very limited; Generators are strongly encouraged but cannot be placed in the buildings; consider borrowing, renting or sharing a generator.

Clean up: Exhibitors are REQUIRED to clean their own stall area prior to leaving.

Camping: Camping is permitted on the Fairgrounds for a fee of \$10.00 per night. Water and power ***is not*** included. Make camping reservation and payment on show entry form. Include the camping fee with your show entry payment.

Lodging: Best Western: 2282 Water St, Port Huron **Phone: 810-987-1600**

Comfort Inn: 1700 Yeager St, Port Huron **Phone: 810-982-5500**

Fairfield Inn: 1635 Yeager St, Port Huron **Phone: 810-982-8500**

Hampton Inn: 1655 Yeager St, Port Huron **Phone: 810-966-9000**

Holiday Inn Express: 2025 Water St, Port Huron **Phone: 810-662-3400**

Scholarship Award Program: Saturday, April 22, 2017

All High School Seniors graduating in 2017 from one of the seven counties (Huron, Tuscola, Sanilac, Lapeer, St. Clair, Macomb and Oakland) are eligible for a scholarship if they have exhibited their Beef Project three or more years at TJBS **and** one year must include exhibiting in the 2017 show and be pursuing college or vocational training post-graduation from High School. Amounts of Scholarship Awards are based upon contributions each year and pay out distribution decision of the Executive Committee. In order to participate in the Scholarship Award Program the exhibitor must **indicate their interest to participate the scholarship award program on the Thumb Jackpot Beef Show registration/entry form.** For more information contact Kayla DeLong, Scholarship Chairman at 989-551-4002.

2017 Thumb Jackpot Beef Show Entry Form

Exhibitor name: _____ Birth date: _____ Grade in School: _____ E-mail: _____

Address: _____ City: _____ Zip: _____ Phone: _____

4H County: _____ 4H/FFA Club*: _____ Leader: _____

***If you are an FFA member ONLY and not enrolled in 4-H, you must complete the FFA Members Section of this entry form.**

Beef Show: Entry Fee \$30.00 per head and must be postmarked by Friday, April 8, 2017.

Please indicate Registered breed (i.e. Angus, Shorthorn, Limousin, Chi, etc.), Dairy, or Crossbred (if not registered).

REQUIRED to enter your COMPLETE RFID tag# - this MUST BE ALL 15 DIGITS of the number

Market Steers Show

Indicate Breed or Crossbred	RFID Tag #	Breed Registration Number	\$
<i>Sample: Simmental</i>	840-003-000-352-615	12345678	\$30.00
_____	_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____	_____

Market Heifer Show

Indicate Breed or Crossbred	RFID Tag #	Breed Registration Number	\$
_____	_____	_____	_____

Breed/Commercial Heifer Show

Breed or Commercial	RFID Tag #	Registration Number	Birth date	\$
<i>Sample: Simmental</i>	840-003-000-352-615	12345678	4/3/2008	\$30.00
_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____	_____	_____

Camping: Camping is permitted on the Fairgrounds for a fee of \$10.00. Power is not included. \$ _____ **AMOUNT DUE FOR CAMPING**

TOTAL Number of head: _____ x \$30.00 = \$ _____ AMOUNT DUE FOR ENTRIES

\$ _____ TOTAL AMOUNT DUE

Make Checks Payable to: 4H & FFA Thumb Jackpot Beef Program

Mail entry form and check to: 4-H & FFA Thumb Jackpot Beef Education Program c/o Jennifer McKay; 11149 Vassar Rd., Holly, MI 48442

Scholarship Award Participation: I am graduating from High School in 2017 and wish to participate in the Thumb Jackpot Beef Educational Programs scholarship award program at the 2017 Show. I must meet all qualifying conditions for the academic award as approved by the TJBEP Organizing Committee.
_____ Yes _____ No I have exhibited in the Thumb Jackpot Beef Show for _____ number of years (including 2017).

I attest that the steers and heifers I will be showing are my sole 4-H/FFA Project and that I have read and understand the **Rules & Codes of Conduct**.

Signatures: 4H/FFA Member: _____ Parent/Guardian: _____ Date: _____

FFA Members (not enrolled in a 4-H Club) must complete this section or have a copy of the permission slip for the field trip attached to the entry form:

The 2017 Thumb Jackpot Beef Show, to be held on April 21 & 22, 2017 at the St. Clair County Fairgrounds, Goodells, Michigan, is an approved school sponsored activity at _____
(school name)

as approved by _____ on _____
(signature of principal) (date)