

FAIR NEWS

HANCOCK COUNTY AG SOCIETY

ADDRESS CHANGE

Our address has changed! Please note our new address when mailing:

Hancock County Agricultural Society
1017 East Sandusky Street
Findlay, Ohio 45840

ECLIPSE NEWS

Our committee is hard at work planning for the April 8th Solar Eclipse. Stayed tuned in to our website and social media pages for updates on camping availability, concerts, activities and more!

SCHOLARSHIP UPDATE

The Old Mill Stream Foundation will be releasing the 2024 scholarship applications in the upcoming months- please keep an eye out for the application and submission dates.



EXCITING THINGS ARE IN THE WORKS!

Greetings to all! I'm excited to launch our first newsletter for the Hancock County Ag Society! The purpose of this newsletter is to keep you up to date on upcoming events for both senior and junior fair, events happening on the fairgrounds and to keep you informed of projects we are working on.

The county fair is a year-round, 365-day passion project. When most people think of the fair, they think of those six to seven days; but to myself, the staff, grounds crew and board members, that one week is just a small snapshot of time. It's our Superbowl, a event that we love. Committees are actively planning new and exciting events, classes and upgrades as we speak! This is going to be the best fair yet. If you haven't heard the news, the fair has been extended by one day this year and will start on Tuesday, August 27th. Labor Day will be the final day of the fair and will feature the junior fair livestock sale, be a free admission day and will host the Figure 8 demolition derby in the south grandstand. Please take a moment to review the FAQs on page two and three of the newsletter- it should (hopefully) answer all your questions. In the grand scope of things, there are minimal changes to the schedule but do consider the schedule as presented in this moment as tentative. As the schedule is finalized, we will make announcements. Only 210 days to go until the best week of the year!

If you are not already following the Hancock County Fair on social media, make sure to hit the 'like' or 'follow' button to stay in touch with all we have going on in 2024. Stay tuned for more!

NEW FAIR DATES ANNOUNCED

Have you heard the news? The 2024 fair dates have changed! The fair will start on Tuesday, August 27th and end on Labor Day, September 2nd. We've assembled a FAQ page to help answer your questions. The current schedule is tentative, but more information will be released as the schedule is finalized.

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GRANDSTAND AND SHOW ARENA ADVERTISING

Do you want to get your business out in front of thousands of people a year? Are you looking for an affordable and easy way to advertise? Grandstand and Show Arena advertising space is now available! Call the office at 419-429-7344 for more information.

Haley Reese,

Fair and Events Manager

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2024 FAIR DATES FAQ

What are the 2024 Hancock County Fair Dates?

Tuesday, August 27 – Monday, September 2

The fair is one day longer now, what does this mean and why did the board extend the fair dates?

The purpose of adding a day to the Hancock County Fair was to ease a very full junior fair show schedule, as well as alleviate pressure from Monday's livestock sale and move out times for rides, concessions, and vendors. There are still minor details that need to be confirmed before the official fair schedule is released.

When is move-in day?

Monday, August 26th will be move-in day, along with weigh-ins.

When do junior fair livestock shows start?

Tuesday, August 27th, all junior fair livestock shows will begin.

When is the opening ceremony?

The opening ceremony will take place the evening of Monday, August 26th.

When will exhibits and vendors be released?

Animals not going through the livestock auction, Grange exhibits, Merchant Building vendors and concessionaires will all be released Monday, September 2nd at 12pm noon.

Is there a tentative schedule in place? When will my child show their animal?

The schedule listed is *tentative* and has *not* been finalized. A final schedule will be released at a later date.

Tuesday

Gate special: In for Free by 3pm

Livestock and Horse Shows: market lambs, breeding lambs, sheep showmanship, dog showmanship, dog obedience, junior fair poultry and open class poultry shows, junior fair light horse and draft horse shows

Grandstand Entertainment: Band Show (South Grandstand)

Wednesday

Gate special: Veterans Day

Livestock and Horse Shows: swine show, poultry showmanship, dog agility, open class ARBA rabbit show, junior fair light horse show, open class draft show, dog agility

Grandstand Entertainment: Calf Scramble (North Grandstand), Harness Racing (South Grandstand)

Thursday

Gate Special: Senior Day

Livestock and Horse Shows: open class lamb carcass, junior fair goat show, rabbit showmanship, crossbred dairy feeders, Hosler Corbin dairy show, junior fair light horse show

Grandstand Entertainment: Harness Racing (South Grandstand)

STORAGE REMINDER

All RVs, campers, boats, vehicles, and any other storage vehicles must be removed from the fairgrounds property no later than April 1st in preparation for the solar eclipse.

UPCOMING EVENTS

February 5th

Senior Fair Board Meeting

Old Mill Stream Centre conference room

February 17th

4H Benefit

Old Mill Stream Centre

March 10th

Cattlemen's Banquet

Old Mill Stream Centre

March 17th

Sheep Banquet

Old Mill Stream Centre

March 24th

Sports Card Show

Old Mill Stream Centre

March 31st

Easter

April 1st

All storage vehicles must be removed from fairgrounds

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Friday

Gate Special: In By 5pm for \$5

Livestock and Horse Shows: junior fair dairy goat show, junior fair dairy cattle, open class dairy cattle, junior fair beef, open class beef, breeding beef, junior fair goat obstacle, open class light horse and pony show

Grandstand Entertainment: Barrel Battle (North Grandstand), KOI Drag Race (South Grandstand)

Saturday

Gate Special: None

Livestock and Horse Shows: open class market and breeding sheep, junior fair born and raised sheep, junior fair market and breeding rabbits, best dressed goat, junior fair dairy and beef feeder base bid auction, Shining in the Showing, open class dairy feeder pee wee showmanship, open class beef obstacle course, open class beef feeder pee wee showmanship, open class draft horse and pony show

Grandstand Entertainment: Draft Horse Pulls (North Grandstand), Demolition Derby (South Grandstand)

Sunday

Gate Special: None

Livestock and Horse Shows: livestock judging contest, guys and gals lead, small animal showmen of showmen, large animal showman of showman, best dressed small animal show, open class light horse show

Grandstand Entertainment: Dodgeball tournament (North Grandstand), Biggest Little Pull (South Grandstand), NTPA Track Pulls (South Grandstand)

Monday

Gate Special: Free Admission

Livestock and Horse Shows: Junior Fair Livestock Auction

Grandstand Entertainment: Figure 8 Demolition Derby



OFFICERS AND STAFF

President - Levi Beagle

Vice President - Darrell Baird

Secretary - Mike Stacy

Treasurer - John Livingston

Fair and Events Manager - Haley Reese

Office Administrator - Debbie Clunen

Junior Fair Coordinator - Britta Fenstermaker

Junior Fair

DATES TO REMEMBER

February 20th, 6:30 – 9:00 PM

Poultry Info Session in Old Mill Stream Centre

June 6th, 6:00-8:00 pm

Goat weigh-in in the Swine Barn

June 6th, 6:00-8:00pm

Sheep weigh-in in the Legacy Building

June 6th, 6:00-9:00pm

Dairy feeder weigh-in in the Buckeye Building

July 23rd, 5:30-8:30 PM

Poultry Pollorum Testing- Buckeye Building

July 25th, 6:00-9:00 PM

Poultry Clinic- NWO Show Arena

Royalty applications are now available in the office!

CONTACT

Office Hours

Mondays 9:00AM - 3:00PM

Wednesdays By Appointment

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419-429-7344

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www.hancockfairgrounds.org