

January 2020

TO: Club Leaders, Vo-Ag Instructors, County Agents, Exhibitors, and Exhibitors' Parents

FROM: Lynn Cotter, Manager, Junior Livestock Show of Spokane

HAPPY NEW YEAR!

**NEW IN 2020:**

1. **Entry deadline is MARCH 10, 2020**
2. **ALL market hogs will be tagged at the scale. No hog tags will be mailed this year.**
3. **The Junior Livestock Show of Spokane strongly encourages exhibitors to complete the YQCA program, either online or in person. Please provide Certification # on the QA form that is turned in at weigh-in.**
4. **One day Sale, May 9<sup>th</sup>. Sale order: Steers – Goats – Lambs – Hogs –** The hogs and steers will alternate each year on selling first and last.
  - \*Hogs will go back to their pen following the sale.**
  - \*Hogs may not be hauled out until Sunday morning, so plan on staying until Sunday.** This will be a learning year for us all. Please be patient and willing to help with this process.
5. **ALL exhibitors will be responsible for feed and water for their animal until it leaves the fairgrounds, either Saturday or Sunday.** This will depend on processors and turn buyers' pickup schedules and we will do our best to accommodate them. Again, be prepared to stay until Sunday morning if needed.
6. **BEEF BARN-** the loading of tack from vehicles into the barn WILL NOT be permitted between 3-7 pm Tuesday.
7. **LAMB BARN –** Bred, Born & Raised ewe lamb. See Insert sheet for class description.

The **BENEFIT AUCTION** is rapidly approaching. It will be held **February 22<sup>nd</sup>** at the Spokane County Fair and Expo Center. We ask that **ALL** clubs/chapters pitch in and help by donating at least **ONE** auction item, large or small. Gift baskets sell very well as do gift certificates, so be creative. The money raised by this event benefits all exhibitors. If your club is available to help with set up or tear down, please contact me. This is a great community service opportunity and I will sign off on school forms for those students that help.

Enclosed are all contest rules as well as the entry forms. Please look through this information thoroughly. Feel free to make additional copies or find forms on the website [www.juniorshow.org](http://www.juniorshow.org). **Online entries will open January 1<sup>st</sup>** from the link provided on the website. All mailed entries must be **postmarked** no later than **March 10, 2020**. Do not hesitate to contact the Jr. Show office with any questions.

- a. **Sheep:** Hair samples must be sent into the show office with EVERY entry form. See enclosed instruction or check on the website [www.juniorshow.org](http://www.juniorshow.org). NOTE: For online entries, hair samples must be sent to the Jr. Show office for entry to be complete and accepted.
- b. **Livestock Judging Forms:** MUST BE FILLED OUT for entire club and returned to the Jr. Show office. All participants must have adult volunteers to help with the contest. You may be contacted by Spokane County Extension Agent Gary Varella who is in charge of the judging contest.
- c. **Barn Captain Nominations:** An opportunity to become a leader and helper in your barn. **Due March 10.**
- d. **Ambassadors Application:** A leadership opportunity that is open to High School Juniors. **Due March 10.**
- e. **Scholarship Application:** Open to High School Seniors. **Due March 10.**
- f. **Beef Chute Fee:** \$10 for every trim chute that will be set up on the premises. For online entries, this fee is listed as a class.

g. **For security purposes**, all animals **MUST** be in the barns during the night while at the Jr. Show.

The Junior Livestock Show of Spokane is open to all 4-H and FFA members. We endorse the rules of these two organizations. We also have specific rules of our own. **Be familiar with the Premium Book for eligibility requirements and all rules.** The Premium Book will be online at [www.juniorshow.org](http://www.juniorshow.org) or call the Jr. Show office to get a copy mailed to you.

**NATIONAL SHOW RING CODE OF ETHICS** is enclosed. Please review this with your club/chapter as this will be followed in all barns.

**Check the posted schedule for check-in/weigh-in times for each barn and make sure exhibitors have ALL needed paperwork at the scales:**

\***QA Form** must be turned in at weigh-in for EACH animal.

\***Ear Tags:** All market animals, except market hogs, must be ear tagged prior to arriving at the show.

**Leaders/Advisors** please get a count of how many of which tags your group needs and request them by phone: (509) 535-6737; email: [jrshow75@gmail.com](mailto:jrshow75@gmail.com); or text (509) 999-5854.

\***OUT-OF-STATE ANIMALS: A Health Certificate** is required for **EVERY out-of-state animal**. Make copies if you have more than one animal listed on the certificate so that each animal has an accompanying health certificate.

**Set-Up Day:** Don't forget set-up day beginning at **9 AM on Saturday May 2<sup>nd</sup>**. Lots of help is needed in setting up pens and panels in **ALL barns**. The more help there is, the easier it is and the quicker it gets done. We will have a **BBQ lunch** after the set-up, around noon. Jr. Show will provide the meat, condiments, and drinks. Please pitch in with salads, chips, and desserts for a **potluck** lunch. Clubs/chapters may set up stall decorations **IF** the penning assignments have been completed in the barn. There is no guarantee that this will happen on Saturday; check with Barn Superintendents. **Reminder:** there is **NO security during this weekend at the fairgrounds**, so think carefully about what things you want to leave there prior to May 5<sup>th</sup>.

**Camping** – The Fairgrounds is in charge of all camping arrangements. Contact the Fairgrounds at (509) 477-2770 if you have questions that are not addressed on the enclosed information and forms.

I make every effort to get information out, but if you know of any new club and/or leaders that have not received this information, please pass it along or contact the Jr. Show office so it can be mailed to them.

DATES to REMEMBER:

January 1<sup>st</sup> --Own your Steer

January 1<sup>st</sup> --Online entries open

February 1<sup>st</sup> – Own your Hog

February 22<sup>nd</sup>-- Benefit Dinner and Auction at the Fairgrounds

February 28<sup>th</sup>--Have your carcass hog weighed and form into Jr. Show office

March 1<sup>st</sup>-- Own your Lamb

March 1<sup>st</sup>-- Own your Goat

March 1<sup>st</sup> – Own your Heifer/Prospect Steer

March 10<sup>th</sup>--Mail-in entries must be postmarked – or enter online by midnight

May 2<sup>nd</sup>-- Set-up day at the Fairgrounds – ALL barns will set up this day

May 5<sup>th</sup>- May 9<sup>th</sup>--85th Annual Junior Livestock Show

May 9<sup>th</sup>--Steer Sale followed by Goats, Lambs, and Hogs

May 10<sup>th</sup>--Complete load out, clean barn, and release of exhibitors