



Florida Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services

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Dear Friends:

It my great pleasure to welcome you to the St. Lucie County Fair.

While you're here, have fun enjoying the delicious fair food, midway rides and the entertainment and contests featured on the main and community stages during this event. Check out the competitive exhibits where area residents show off their talents and vie for ribbons and other prizes. Experience Florida's true agricultural roots by visiting the livestock exhibits.

As Florida's Commissioner of Agriculture, I have a profound appreciation for the positive impact that fairs and livestock shows have on the agriculture industry. Join me in honoring the many volunteers, staff members, employees and exhibitors that make Florida fairs and exhibitions a success year after year.

I am especially proud of our youth who utilize the opportunities provided by the fair as they participate in various agricultural events and programs. Please take a moment while visiting the fair this year to appreciate the support and efforts of youth group programs such as the FFA and 4-H.

Again, it is my pleasure to welcome you to the St. Lucie County Fair. Enjoy your visit.

Sincerely

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Charles H. Bronson".

CHARLES H. BRONSON
COMMISSIONER OF AGRICULTURE

Premium Book

45th Annual St. Lucie County Fair

Friday, February 26 through Sunday, March 7, 2010

HOURS: Monday through Friday opening 4:00 p.m.
Saturday and Sunday opening 12:00 Noon
Closing daily 10:00 p.m.
Midway open until midnight Monday through Thursday
until 1:30 a.m. both Fridays
until 1:00 a.m. Saturday

The St. Lucie County Fair is chartered under Florida State Statutes, Chapter 616 as a County Fair serving residents of St. Lucie, Martin, Indian River, and Okeechobee counties. The fair is dedicated to promoting the agricultural, horticultural, industrial, creative arts and sciences, and educational opportunities while providing quality entertainment for the people of the Treasure Coast.

The Fair welcomes any and all support from individuals and businesses who wish to help the Fair fully realize its goals to serve our residents and to promote our great county.

The Fair Association is recognized as a 501(C)-3 non profit educational organization by the Federal Government and the State of Florida.

2009 - 2010 Livestock Committee

Livestock Coordinators.....Wes Carlton
Livestock Secretary.....Peggy Ward
Show Barn Chairpersons.....Aaron Macon; Pete DeBus
Steer/Beef Breeding Chairperson.....Danny Baumker
 Assistants.....Wade Yarborough
Steer Barn Chairperson.....Sid Albritton
 Assistants.....Rodney Hall; David Lounds
Swine ChairpersonJason Rivas
 Assistant.....C. J. Holley; Buck Grose; Rusty Grace
Swine Barn Chairperson.....Henry Ashburn
 Assistants.....Eric Macon; Gary Rhodes
Horse ChairpersonEdna Vachon
 Assistant.....Mary Beth Becton; Anne Green
Small Animal Chairperson.....Dora Mathis
 Assistant.....Liz Hensel; Mark Mathis
Sales Chairperson.....Sandra Crouch
 Assistant.....Amber Murphy
Livestock Photographer.....Beth Yarborough
Record Books.....Audrey Beany
 Assistant.....Bryan Beaty
Livestock SecurityRay Crump
Parking Coordinator.....Vince Drawdy
Barn Sign Coordinators.....Charlotte Stahlberg; Pat Presutti

Livestock Schedule

Sat., August 29 th , 2009	Initial Steer Weigh-In.....7 – 9 a.m.
Sat., November 7 th , 2009	Initial Swine Weigh-In..... .7 – 10 a.m.
Mon., November 16 th , 2009	Welcome to the Small Animal Barn Or Thurs., Nov 19 th , 2009Mandatory Meeting – 4H Classroom.....6:00 p.m.
Fri., November 20 th , 2009	Small Animal Registration Forms Due To the , 4-H office..... 4:00 p.m.
Wed., January 6 th , 2010	Beef Breeding Mandatory Meeting.....7:00 p.m.
Tues., January 12 th , 2010	Indian River Research & Education Ctr, Rock Road Horse Barn Mandatory Meeting at Hurricane House.....7:00 p.m.
Mon., January 18 th , 2010	Mandatory Market Steer/Swine/Beef Breeding Exhibitors Meeting at SLC Fairgrounds.....7:00 p.m.
Tues., January 19 th , 2010	Small Animal Mandatory Meeting Or Thurs., Jan 21 st , 2010 at the 4-H Classroom.....6:00 p.m.
Wed., January 20 th , 2010	Horse Barn Mandatory Meeting.....7:00 p.m. At the Hurricane House
Sat, February 6 th , 2010	Small Animal Showmanship Clinic... ..9 am -12 noon At the 4-H Classroom (Record Book Optional)
Tues., February 16 th , 2010	Record Book & Cage Signs due 4-H Office.....4:00 p.m.
Sat., February 20 th , 2010	Swine Grade.....7 – 10 a.m.
Sat., February 20 th , 2010	Mandatory Small Animal Barn Set-up.....8:00 am – 12 noon
Thurs., February 25 th , 2010	Beef Breeding Enter.....5 – 8 p.m. Small Animals Enter.....5 – 7 p.m.
Fri., February 26 th , 2010	Swine Enter.....7 – 10 a.m.
Fri., February 26 th , 2010	Horses Enter.....8—10 a.m.
Fri., February 26 th , 2010	Cattlemen’s Beef Breeding Show.....6:30 p.m
Sat., February 27 th , 2010	Junior Beef Show.....,12:00 noon Small Animal Show.....,8 a.m. – 12 noon Swine Show.....4:00 p.m. Beef Breeding must be out after.....,9:00 p.m.
Sun., February 28 th , 2010	Steers Enter.....7 – 9 a.m. Swine Sale.....5:00 p.m.
Mon, March 1 st , 2010	Pee Wee Pig Show.....7:00 p.m.
Tues., March 2 nd , 2010	Steer Show.....7:00 p.m.
Wed., March 3 rd , 2010	Market Swine ‘Thank You’ Letters due.....5:00 p.m. Steer Sale.....7:00 p.m.
Thurs., March 4 th , 2010	Steer Showmanship/Grooming.....6:30 p.m.
Fri., March 5 th , 2010	Beef & Swine Exhibitor Awards.....4:30 p.m. Market Steer ‘Thank You’ Letters due.....7:00 p.m.
Sat., March 6 th , 2010	Horse Show – Judged and Speed Events.....9:00 a.m.
Sun., March 7 th , 2010	Horse and Small Animal Exhibitor Awards.....3:00 p.m. Horses can leave barn.....5:00 p.m. Mandatory Small Animal Barn clean-up

2009-2010 Scale Schedule

8:00 a.m. Until 9:00 a.m.

August	29	Steer Weigh-in
October	10	Buck Grose
October	24	Buck Grose
November	7	Swine Weigh-in
November	28	Pete Debus
December	12	Henry Ashburn
January	9	Pete Debus
January	23	Ray Crump
February	13	Rodney Hall
February	20	Swine Grade

Livestock Owner's Certificate

The undersigned certifies that, to the best of his/her knowledge, as of (date) _____, none of the livestock shipped to or delivered to the (fair) _____ will be, on such date, adulterated within the meaning of the Federal Food, Drug, and Cosmetic Act (i.e., none of the cattle or other ruminants will have been fed any feed containing protein derived from mammalian tissues, e.g. meat and bone meal, as that term is defined in 21 CFR 589.2000 and none of the livestock will have an illegal level of drug residues). This certificate shall remain in full force and effect until revoked in writing by the undersigned seller and such revocation is delivered to the (fair) _____.

Date: _____

Exhibitor/Seller: _____
Name (please print)

Exhibitor/Seller: _____
Signature

Mailing/Street Address _____

City/State/Zip _____

Phone Number _____

(To be completed and turned in at final weigh-in to Livestock Secretary.)

Youth Livestock Rules

1. ELIGIBILITY:

A. All exhibitors must meet the following requirements:

- 1) Exhibitor must reside in Saint Lucie County.
- 2) Exhibitor must be currently enrolled and in attendance in school in Saint Lucie County. The Livestock Committee reserves the right to ask for proof of school records. Upon entry to the fair, the exhibitor must provide proof of current, original report card. No photocopies will be accepted.
- 3) Exhibitor must be a bonafide member of a chartered youth organization active in Saint Lucie County. Additionally, the Board of Trustees and the Livestock Committee of the Saint Lucie County Fair Association finds and determines that the livestock exhibitions and programs related thereto are for the developmental ages of children.
- 4) Physical conditions of exhibitors which management considers to be a problem in show or sale may result in the management not accepting an entry or allowing the entrant to participate in the show or sale.
- 5) **No alcoholic beverages, mind-altering drugs or weapons of any kind are permitted on the premises.**

B. All exhibitors must follow all rules for the exhibition as required by the Florida Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services (<http://www.flrules.org> and enter chapter 5C-4) and the Livestock Owner's Certificate.

2. ENTRY FEES:

Market Steers:	\$50.00/per - deducted from sale proceeds
Market Swine:	\$50.00/per - deducted from sale proceeds
Beef Breeding:	\$10.00/per
Horse:	\$15.00/per
Small Animal:	\$2.00/cage - due at barn set-up

3. Exhibitors, their parents, their family, and their friends will show good sportsmanship and courtesy at all times to each other and officials, including judges, graders, veterinarians, building superintendents, and Fair management. Misconduct by the individual prior to or during the Fair may be grounds for removal of the exhibit from the Fair and/or suspension from future shows.

4. The owner is responsible for care, management, veterinary services, and feeding of their own animals from the time of entry to departure day. Registration papers, bills of sale, and up-to-date record books, approved and signed by the leader or advisor, must be submitted upon entry to the Fair. Failure to comply with this rule may result in disqualification.

5. Cattle will be bedded on sand and swine will be bedded on sawdust. This will be at no cost to the exhibitor.

6. A. Beef breeding animals must be the property of a qualified exhibitor as of January 1, 2010, or since birth, prior to entering the Fair. Exceptions to ownership may be granted by the Livestock Committee provided the owner signs proof of care for the period covering January 1, 2010, until entry into the Fair. Market animals must be the bonafide property of the exhibitor seven days prior to the first weigh-in. Proof of ownership (Bill of Sale, etc.) must be presented at time of weigh-in.

- B. Animals must be properly fitted, clean, and free of parasites.
 - C. Animals must be exhibited and shown in their respective classes and exhibitors are required to complete a record book for each exhibit.
 - D. Vocational agricultural teachers and youth organization leaders must certify, on entry blanks, that the exhibitor is a bonafide member.
 - E. All animals entered may be sifted by members of the Livestock Committee approximately one month prior to the Fair.
 - F. Market entries shall be limited to one entry per exhibitor.
7. In order that the livestock exhibits can be presented in a more attractive manner, each exhibitor in the show must keep an extra supply of feed in designated areas of the barns.
8. Each exhibitor will be issued one free pass for admission to the Fair and such attendant passes that are necessary for the proper handling of the livestock during the show.
9. Each exhibitor will handle his/her livestock as to protect him/her as well as protect the property of the Fair. The Fair will not be responsible for damages by wild and unruly animals.
10. For the sake of neatness and appearance, only signs approved by the Livestock Committee will be permitted. Leaders will be responsible for exhibitors complying with the sign regulations approved for their area.
11. An 8x10 photograph will be furnished by the Fair to each animal exhibitor for a delivery in a plaque to the buyer. In the event an exhibitor has multiple buyers, photographs will be provided by the Fair. Proof of delivery must be shown prior to receiving sale monies. Failure to do so will be grounds for exclusion from future shows. A fee of \$15.00 will be due upon entry to the Fair for photographs.
12. All stalls and pens must be clear of unsightly debris and the premises cleaned up one half hour before opening each day and maintained in an attractive manner from opening until 9:00 p.m. each night. Refuse matter will be disposed of as directed by the barn chairpersons. **SMOKING IS NOT PERMITTED IN ANY BARN.** All feed equipment shall be removed between opening and 9:00 p.m. daily. All show boxes and equipment shall be kept clear of all walkways and shall be located as directed by the barn chairperson. Show boxes shall be limited in size to a maximum of 30" depth by 48" length. Show boxes larger than stated size will be addressed on an individual basis as room in the barn allows.
13. All exhibitors are required to be with their exhibits during Fair hours.
14. One parent or guardian must be with the exhibitor at all weigh-ins, grading, and entry to the Fair.
15. All market and beef breeding animals shall be doubled tied with a neck rope and sturdy halter. No nose rings or tongs shall be used on market animals.
16. The Fair scales are to be used only in accordance with policy and schedule as established by the Livestock Committee.
17. No animal will be allowed to leave before 10:30 p.m. Saturday, March 6, 2010, without permission of the Livestock Committee. Any exhibitor doing so will forfeit all premium money

and awards of any kind. Beef breeding animals must be out after 9:00 p.m. Saturday, February 27, 2010.

18. Hogs will be taken out as authorized by the Livestock Committee at any time following their sale.

19. Neither the local interest participation in the sponsorship of the show nor any of the personnel shall be responsible for any accidents or errors that might occur. However, every effort will be made to provide for the safety and comfort of the guest and their animals.

20. All youth market animal exhibitors are required to write a Thank You letter in business format to the buyer(s) of their animal. Thank You notecards will not be accepted. Letter(s) must be submitted in a properly addressed and stamped, unsealed envelope to Sales Committee Chairperson: Market Swine - Wed., March 3 by 5:00 p.m. Market Steers - Fri., March 5 by 7:00 p.m. Non-compliance will result in a \$50.00 fine.

21. No animal may be exhibited that cannot be handled by the exhibitor.

22. A. The Livestock Committee shall have the authority to require vaccination of any animals at anytime and to assess the exhibitor for the cost of this vaccination.

B. Tampering with any animals such as filling with foreign substance, etc. is prohibited. The use of tranquilizers on show animals or the possession of the same after arrival to the Fair will be construed as a form of tampering. The use of anabolic steroids is prohibited and exhibit may be tested at any time. Tampering will result in the immediate disqualification fo the animal. No chemicals are to be administered within 30 days of show dates unless administered by a veterinarian and accompanied by a letter from him/her.

C. The Livestock Committee shall have the authority to request the Fair Veterinarian to draw blood from any animal tagged and entered into the fair.

23. All clipping on animals shall be done outside the barn.

24. Professional fitters will not be allowed to groom animals or advise exhibitors after arrival to the Fair.

25. No award will be given or premium paid for any animal in any class that, in the opinion of the judges, does not deserve the award.

26. All market animals entered into the Fair will be consigned to sale and slaughter by the contracted slaughterhouse. An assessment of 5% of the sale price of each animal shall be made to help defray the expense of the livestock shows.

27. Upon immediate notification to the Livestock Committee, if an animal dies within seven days of initial weigh-in, exhibitor has seven days from date of loss to replace animal.

28. Each exhibitor must assume all liability in case of death or injury to his/her animal until the end of the Fair, at which time, market animals become the liability of the purchaser.

29. Animals must be fed and cared for by the exhibitor at the exhibitor's home or farm. In cases where this cannot be done, permission to house and care for the animal must be received

from the Fair Association no later than entry blank deadlines. In such cases where permission is granted, the show management may make an inspection of the premises and will require a witness affidavit from the exhibitor that it is being fed and cared for in conformance with the rules of the show. Approval to change location where animal is kept must be obtained from the livestock Committee prior to change.

30. Any exhibit not receiving proper care (feed, water, etc.) will be cared for by show management. The exhibitor will be fined \$50.00 with payment taken out of sale monies or due by Friday, March 5 at 7:00 p.m. Any exhibitor not attending to the cleaning and care of the animal and pen or stall area may be assessed as noted above by the Livestock Committee after having been warned by the appropriate chairperson.

31. Age determination for Junior and Senior Show awards shall be based on age as of September 1, 2009. Senior awards shall be divided into two classes: Senior I, ages 13-15 and Senior II, ages 16-18 and Junior, ages 8-12.

32. Routine veterinarian services shall be performed at owner's expense on and off the fairgrounds. A fee of \$10.00 will be charged to each exhibitor to cover the Health Certificate. This fee will be paid at the first weigh-in.

33. Exhibitors will be required to clean their area at the end of the Fair.

34. Horse play on clean up day will not be tolerated.

35. Exhibitors shall wear designated youth organization attire for show and sale nights.

36. All complaints shall be filed in writing with the Livestock Committee for review and resolution by the Livestock Committee with final interpretation and administration of all rules and regulations to be vested in the Livestock Committee and the Board of Trustees of the Saint Lucie County Fair Association and their decision final. Evidence of exhibitors engaging in any illegal activities on the fairgrounds shall be considered grounds for disqualification of entries and forfeiture of premiums.

37. No writing on Market Animals at any time.

38. Golf carts, UTV's, and other motorized vehicles are prohibited.

Example Notice of Exhibitor Fine

March 8, 2010

Exhibitor Name

Address

City & State

Dear (Exhibitor),

The St. Lucie County Fair Livestock Committee has advised the Fair Office to deduct _____ from your monies from the sale of your animal.

The reason these monies are being deducted are due to:

_____.

Should you have any questions please feel free to contact the Livestock Committee.

Livestock Secretary

DRESS CODE

The following code will be enforced during fair hours unless noted otherwise:

1. Vulgar, illegal (including weapons, alcohol, drugs, and tobacco) and/or sexually oriented statements or suggestions on clothing, jewelry, buttons, or accessories are not permitted. Any dress or statement, which may cause a hostile, intimidating, degrading, offensive, harassing, or discriminatory environment is prohibited.
2. Shorts and skirts will have hems and will be no shorter than the middle of the thigh. Shirts and tops will be no lower than the collarbone, must have sleeves, and must be long enough to be tucked in. Low cut tops, see-through clothing, tank tops, spaghetti straps, and shorts and skirts shorter than the middle of the thigh are examples of styles that are considered unacceptable for exhibitors.
3. See-through clothing is not permitted. Clothing that is ripped, torn, or has holes in it is not permitted. All undergarments are to be covered.
4. Oversized clothing, which compromises the safety of exhibitors, is not permitted.
5. Exhibitors must wear close toed shoes, no sandals, flip flops, or open heeled shoes permitted. This rule will be enforced at all times while exhibitor is on the St. Lucie County Fairgrounds.
6. Failure to comply with dress code will result in the exhibitor being sent home to change. Exhibitor must still comply with livestock schedule.

Market Steer Show

1. Animals must have been owned by the exhibitor by August 22, 2009.
2. Entry forms must be presented at initial weigh-in on Saturday, August 29, 2009. Weigh-in will be on the scales at the fairgrounds. All steers must be ear tagged. Tags will be furnished by the Fair Association and will be put in at weigh-in. An original Bill of Sale or other proof of ownership must be presented at initial weigh-in. The \$10.00 Health Certificate fee will be required at the initial weigh-in.
3. Each exhibitor may enter no more than one steer.
4. Steers must weigh a minimum of 950 lbs. at weigh-in on February 28, 2010 to show/sell and have gained a minimum of 1.75 lbs. per day from initial weigh-in date.
5. Each exhibitor must be able to handle their steer by themselves in the ring at the final weigh-in or the animal will be disqualified. This will be enforced by the Livestock Committee.
6. Each steer must be tied securely during the fair with a halter, lead and neck rope.
7. Steers shall be dehorned. Scurs shall be filed smooth. Animals with regrowth of a length deemed unsafe by show management shall be rejected.
8. Steers shall be divided into classes according to final weigh-in on February 28, 2010.
9. A maximum sale weight of 1250 lbs. will be allowed. Animals weighing more may be shown, but will be sold at 1250 lbs.
10. Specific grooming and showmanship rules will be outlined in the Grooming and Showmanship Award Rules.
11. Each animal will be submitted to a mandatory ultrasound. Results will determine the Carcass Contest.
12. Complete record books are due by 10:00 a.m., Sunday, February 28, 2010 in the main Show Barn at the announcer's table.

Awards:

Blue Ribbon - \$20
Red Ribbon - \$15
White Ribbon - \$10

Age Divisions:

Junior - 8-12 years old
Senior I - 13-15 years old
Senior II - 16-18 years old

Grand Champion - Trophy and Rosette
Reserve Grand Champion - Trophy and Rosette

Market Swine Show

1. Only barrows and open gilts are eligible.
2. Pigs must be brought in a trailer or open type pen to the weigh-ins and grades -- no dog boxes or completely closed transporters permitted.
3. Each exhibitor may enter only one animal and must have owned the animal before October 31, 2009.
4. Entry forms must be presented at initial weigh-in on November 7, 2009. Weigh-in will be on the scales at the fairgrounds. All swine must be ear tagged. Tags will be furnished by the Fair Association and will be put in at weigh-in. An original Bill of Sale or other proof of ownership must be presented at initial weigh-in. The \$10.00 Health Certificate fee will be required at the initial weigh-in.
5. All market swine shall meet USDA Market Grade 1 or 2 with no thin muscle score at the final grade, February 20, 2010 , to determine eligibility.
6. Final weigh-in, Friday, February 26, 2010, will determine eligibility and sale weight. Market swine must weight at least 190 lbs. and no more than 290 lbs.
7. Hogs shall be sold by weight class as indicated and determined at final weigh-in. Classes may be split as deemed necessary by show management.
8. No moving of hogs to clean pens. Do not use Horse Barn Shavings. Each club will donate for shavings.
9. No horse play in the barn. If you leave the barn, let your leader or an adult know and for what reason.
10. All hogs will be fed at the same time every night. If you are unable to be present to feed, prior arrangements must be made before feeding time.
11. Feed pans must be taken out by 8:00 a.m. Pens must be cleaned 30 minutes before opening each day so the walkways can be cleaned before opening. If you are unable to clean your pen, make arrangements. Each club must have their own wheel barrel and shovel/broom to clean pens.
12. An adult or leader must be present at all times to help.
13. The Market Swine Barn will be closed on show night to all persons except exhibitors and leaders.
14. After show night, it is required that the Grand Champion and Reserve Grand Champion be in the barn at all times to answer questions and greet potential buyers.

15. Specific grooming and showmanship rules will be outlined in the Grooming and Showmanship Award Rules.
16. On sale night, no radios are permitted in the barn and all exhibitors must be in the barn 15 minutes before the sale begins.
17. After the first three mandatory days, only half of each club will be required to be in the barn each day.
18. Rules that are broken or not followed may result in fines.
19. Complete record books are due by noon, Friday, February 26, 2010, in the main Show Barn at the announcer's table.

Awards:

Blue Ribbon - \$20
Red Ribbon - \$15
White Ribbon - \$10

Age Divisions:

Junior - 8-12 years old
Senior I - 13-15 years old
Senior II - 16-18 years old

Grand Champion - Trophy and Rosette
Reserve Grand Champion - Trophy and Rosette

Cattlemen's Beef Breeding Show

1. Entry blanks must be to the Beef Breeding Chairperson no later than January 6th, 2010. At the Beef Breeding Exhibitor's meeting at the UF/IRREC Research Center on Rock Road. The \$10.00 Entry fee will be required on Thursday, February 25, 2010.
2. Each exhibitor may show up to two animals and will receive premium money. Complete record books are due Thursday, February 25 by 7:00 p.m. in the main Show Barn at the announcer's table.
3. Beef breeding exhibitors are required to furnish registration papers, which will be checked by the Livestock Committee, as evidence of ownership, as well as date of birth, sire, dam, and other such information as usually required on registration certificate. Registration numbers must be entered on Fair entry blanks.
4. Pending registrations will require a letter from the respective breed association indicating the registration was applied for.
5. Exhibitors not owning animals entered are responsible for care and feeding of animals from January 1, 2010, until the fair show in order to be eligible to participate and must complete verification forms.
6. Purebred classes shall be determined by breed, sex, and age, up to 3 years old. Animals will be classed by age as of February 25, 2010. Age classes are: 0-1 year, 1-2 years, and 2-3 years.
7. There will be a crossbred class for animals that are not registered and not purebred. Classes will be determined according to age.
8. Bulls must have a nose ring or tong during the show or anytime the animal is not tied in the barn.
9. All steer barn rules apply for feeding and care of livestock.
10. Steer Grooming and Showmanship Award Rules will apply for all shows. Breeds could be separated in the grooming contest as designated by the Beef Breeding Committee.
11. Individuals other than 4-H/FFA members may display animals with the approval of the Beef Breeding Committee.
12. Upon entry to the Fair on Thursday, February 25, 2010, all animals must have an Official Certificate of Veterinary Inspection (OCVI) dated not more than 90 days prior to presentation and have proof of calf-hood vaccination for Brucellosis. Tattoo, ear tag, metal ear clips, and other methods of identification must correspond with the OCVI.

Showmanship Award Rules

Market Steer • Market Swine • Beef Breeding

The number of places awarded may be limited by show management in accordance with the number of entries. Showmanship contests shall be conducted in conjunction with all youth livestock shows listed which have a minimum of four entries.

In general, the contest will be judged on the following:

1. The ability of the contestant to lead, set up, and handle his/her own animal. The judge may ask you to show another contestant's animal.
2. The appearance of the contestant.
3. The contestant's attention to the judge and ring stewards.
4. The contestant's knowledge of proper handling procedures in the show ring as demonstrated by his/her actions and possible questions by the judge.
5. Other areas may be evaluated as deemed necessary by the judge to determine winners.
6. The contestant must begin showing his/her own animal.

Grooming Award Rules

1. Steer Grooming, February 28 through March 4, 2010 - Exhibitors may receive and/or give help to fellow exhibitors. Verbal assistance from the following leaders/advisors is allowed: Official FFA Advisor, Tracy Carlton, Audra Macon, Sharon Murphy, and Michelle Schwartz.
2. Steer Grooming, Thursday, March 4, 2010 - Only the exhibitor may groom his/her steer for the contest. Exhibitors may receive and/or give help to fellow exhibitors. Exhibitors may begin grooming their steers no earlier than 1:00 p.m.

Violation of these Grooming Rules will result in a \$250 fine to the exhibitor.

Classes and Awards

Senior II - First Place Belt Buckle
Senior II - Second Place Trophy
Senior I - First Place Belt Buckle
Senior I - Second Place Trophy
Junior - First Place Belt Buckle
Junior - Second Place Trophy

Horse Barn and Show Rules

1. A current negative coggins is required to enter fair and show. Two (2) legible copies are required – one included as a page in record book and the second one loose in front of record book for Horse Chairperson.
2. Each Stall Exhibitor is required to be present for 6:00 P.M. feeding. Each Stall Exhibitor is required to leave a supply of feed, marked with Horse and Exhibitor Name, for the designated person to feed all horses in the A.M. Horses are to be given fresh water at barn closing.
3. Halter and lead rope are to be left on stall door at all times – no tack left in the stall.
4. Only owners, club members, Livestock Committee members, and veterinarians are permitted in the stalls. Exhibitors should discourage parents, family, and friends from loitering around the stalls.
5. One adult must be present in barn during fair hours to oversee the exercising of horses.
6. Stall assignments will be designated upon entry into the fair.
7. In order to show at the fair, you must be a bona fide 4-H or FFA member with a signed vet release for permitting the Livestock Committee to call a vet if necessary. Exhibitors will be responsible for his/her vet fees during the fair.
8. Each exhibitor putting a horse in the barn will be supplied with an exhibitor board to display required information: name of exhibitor and club; name, age, and breed of horse. Other information and pictures may be added.
9. There will be a \$15.00 stall fee due from each stall exhibitor.
10. All paperwork is to be turned in by club leaders to the Horse Chairperson by Saturday, February 20, 2010 by 12 noon at the horse barn workday. Paperwork must include: one record book with two (2) copies of negative coggins (per horse entry), a signed vet release form (see #7 above), and a horse show class list with entries marked if participating in judged or speed events.
11. No additions or changes will be made to the judged or speed events class list after the first day of the fair.
12. State 4-H Horse Show Rules will be enforced. Boots and fastened safety helmet must be worn at all times when exhibitor is mounted on a horse. Proper attire and tack are required for each event (See 4-H State Rule Book for Hunt Seat, Saddle Seat, Speed Events, and Western requirements). Exhibitors not wearing proper attire will be disqualified.
13. No other person, including trainers, will be allowed to ride horses exhibited the day of the judged or speed events. Exhibitor will be disqualified.

14. The Beginner Division is for exhibitors in their first two years of showing. Any exhibitor entering any Beginner Class may not enter any other riding class at the judged or speed events.
15. Thank you letters for awards must be turned in to the Horse Chairperson in an addressed and stamped envelope before any premium money will be awarded.
16. The Livestock Committee reserves the right to deny entry of any horse to fair activities if the horse's appearance or nature is not that of a healthy horse, for example: having open wounds, limping, being under conditioned. Exhibitors of horses that develop colic symptoms and other such problems will be asked to remove their horse immediately.
17. The exhibitor and parents are to be courteous to the Livestock Committee, judges, and fellow contestants at all times. Parents are responsible for their children and horse(s) during the fair. Horse play and careless riding will not be tolerated. Those involved will be dealt with accordingly as deemed necessary by the Livestock Committee.
18. A mandatory Horse Exhibitor meeting will be held January 12th and 19th at the SLC Extension's Hurricane House at 7:00 p.m. Each Exhibitor must attend one of these meetings. Failure to attend one of these meeting will be cause for disqualification from the horse show and horse barn.

Horse Show

9:00 a.m. - Saturday, March 6th - Judged and Speed Events
(Outside and Covered Arenas will be used simultaneously)

Speed Events:

- 1) Beginner Barrels
- 2) Junior Barrels
- 3) Senior Barrels
- 4) Beginner Poles
- 5) Junior Poles
- 6) Senior Poles
- 7) Beginner Hairpin
- 8) Junior Hairpin
- 9) Senior Hairpin

Judged Events:

- 10) Junior Grooming
- 11) Senior Grooming
- 12) Junior Showmanship
- 13) Senior Showmanship
- 15-minute tack change*
- 14) Beginner English Walk-Trot
- 15) Junior Western Pleasure
- 16) Senior Western Pleasure
- 17) Junior Western Horsemanship
- 18) Senior Western Horsemanship
- 15-minute tack change*
- 19) Road Hack
- 20) Saddle Seat Equitation
- 21) Beginner English Walk-Trot
- 22) Junior English Pleasure
- 23) Senior English Pleasure
- 24) Junior English Equitation
- 25) Senior English Equitation
- 26) Junior Hunter Hack (2'-2'3")
- 27) Senior Hunter Hack (2'-2'3")
- 28) Junior Trail (Course open 11:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m.)
- 29) Senior Trail (Course open 11:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m.)

Small Animal Show

Rabbits, Cavies, Poultry, Other Fowl, and Other Animals

1. Exhibitors must have been responsible for care and feeding of small animal exhibits by November 1, 2008, and are responsible until the fair show in order to be eligible to participate and must complete the Livestock Entry Form for each exhibit by October 31, 2008 to the 4-H Extension Office.
2. Small animal entries will be accepted on Thursday, February 26, 2009, from 5:00-7:00 p.m. Poultry will be bled by the state inspector upon entry to the fair. The show will be held on Saturday, February 28, 2009, from 1:00-4:00 p.m.
3. Animals must be clean and in good health. Animals can be excused from the Fair by the Livestock Committee or Fair Veterinarian. No animal, excluding animals not required to be checked by state, will be accepted without state officer's test complete.
4. Only 6 exhibits per exhibitor.
5. The Livestock Committee nor the Fair is responsible for any losses.
6. All 4-H and FFA exhibitors must complete a record book for each category. More than one exhibit in the same category may be in the same record book. Complete record books are due February 17, 2009 by 4 p.m. at the Extension Office.
7. Parent/Guardian must accompany child.
8. Exhibitor must have control of animal at all times.

Classes and Awards

Trophies - Best of Show and 1st Runner-Up
Ribbons - First, Second, and Third Place (Modified Danish)

Purple Rosette - Best of Breed
Showmanship Contest - First and Second Place

All Categories -
1st Runner-Up Trophy award only if there are 6 or more entries.
Florida raised only - no out-of-state or imports.

<u>Age Groups</u>	<u>Record Books</u>	<u>Premiums</u>
Junior I - 8-10 years old	1 st and 2 nd Place only	Blue \$8.00
Junior II - 11-12 years old	Trophy and Ribbon	Red \$6.00
Senior - 13-18 years old	Blue - \$20.00	White \$4.00

Red - \$15.00

Herdsman Award

Herdsman Awards are awarded to exhibitors with the purpose of encouraging exhibitors to present more attractive displays. Show management reserves the right to withhold any or all Herdsman Awards if they are not merited. All livestock exhibitors are eligible to compete for these awards. Exhibits will be judged daily by the Livestock Committee on the following basis:

1. Orderliness and cleanliness of service areas, stalls, pens, animals, and public walkways.
2. Promptness in preparation of exhibit and exhibit areas by opening time and maintained until 9:00 p.m. daily.
3. Appearance of exhibitor.
4. Cooperation with show officials.
5. Availability to furnish information about their exhibits.
6. General conduct of the exhibitor.
7. Exhibitors shall discourage loitering by parents and acquaintances during fair hours.
8. There will be a First and Second Place in each barn.
9. A Special Award may be given for outstanding performance in areas of conduct, personal appearance, and assistance and cooperation with other exhibitors and show officials. This award is named in memory of "Lug" Tomlinson

First Place - Trophy and \$20.00

Second Place - Trophy and \$15.00

"Lug" Tomlinson Special Herdsman Award - Trophy and \$20.00

Record Books

1. Each exhibitor shall submit a complete and up-to-date Record Book upon entry to the Fair. Record Books are available on the St. Lucie County Fair website, www.stluciecountyfair.org, click on Exhibitor Information, Livestock, Record Books, and then choose the Record Book that corresponds with your age and your animal. Adobe Reader (free ware) is needed to download these files. Print on plain, white paper only. No scrapbooking or modifications to the official Record Book. Each Record Book has a set of directions and rules to follow. Age category will be determined by your age as of September 1, 2009.

Junior I, Junior II, and Senior I Record Books - Exhibitor is responsible for downloading and printing the appropriate Record Book. Extra pages may be printed at your convenience.

Senior II Record Books - Exhibitor is responsible for downloading and printing the appropriate Record Book. Extra pages may be printed at your convenience. You may fill-in the Record Book using Adobe Reader. After completing each session, you must print your completed work. Adobe Reader will not allow you to save the filled in form.

2. Records shall be submitted in the appropriate book and must be signed by the club leader or advisor. Exhibitors with more than one entry shall submit record books for each entry. Books will be judged separately by age and barn.

3. No exhibitor will be allowed to participate until an approved record book is completed and submitted.

4. Record books where it is apparent that the work was done by a parent or someone other than the exhibitor will be reviewed by the Livestock Committee. The Livestock Committee will determine if record book and/or animal will be accepted and/or judged.

5. Only blue ribbon record books will be eligible for the 1st or 2nd Place Award and premium money. If no blue ribbon book was awarded in the given category, no 1st or 2nd Place Award will be awarded.

Classes and Awards:

Senior II (16-18) - First Place Award and \$20.00
Senior II (16-18) - Second Place Award and \$15.00
Senior I (13-15) - First Place Award and \$20.00
Senior I (13-15) - Second Place Award and \$15.00
Junior II (10-12) - First Place Award and \$20.00
Junior II (10-12) - Second Place Award and \$15.00
Junior I (8-9) - First Place Award and \$20.00
Junior I (8-9) - Second Place Award and \$15.00

Other Barn Awards

Weight Gain Award

All Market entries weighed in at the Initial Weigh-In are eligible. The animal(s) with the highest average daily gain (ADG) will be selected using the following calculations:

Breeders Award

The night of each show, a plaque is presented to the breeder(s) of the Grand and Reserve Champion of the Market Steer and Market Swine Show.

Quad-County Bred Steer Competition

To compete for this award, steers must have been bred in St. Lucie, Indian River, Martin, or Okeechobee County. First Place - \$1000 cash award and belt buckle; Second Place - belt buckle.

Market Steer Carcass Award

Results from the mandatory ultrasound will determine the First and Second Place winners of the Market Steer Carcass Award. The St. Lucie County Cattlemen sponsor the award with First Place receiving \$100.00 and Second Place receiving \$50.00.

CattleWomen's Best Effort Award

Two female exhibitors are selected who have demonstrated special efforts in the Market Steer Show and/or Beef Breeding Show. Exhibitors are judged on attitude, appearance, helpfulness, and knowledge of the Beef industry. Competition begins when animals enter. Award is decided by a committee of the St. Lucie County CattleWomen. Awards: First Place - \$50.00; Second Place - \$25.00.

St. Lucie County Farm Bureau Outstanding Exhibitor Award

The St. Lucie County Farm Bureau is looking for the 'Ideal FFA/4-H Member'. One exhibitor from each barn (Beef, Swine, Horse, and Small Animal) will be selected based on Participation (barn time, interaction with public, time with animal, helping others, grooming/showmanship); Attitude (sportsmanship during shows and in the barn); Knowledge (about their animal such as breed, feeding program, breeder); Record Book (ribbon score and number score); and Exhibitor (appearance, appropriate clothes, and courteous to others). Winners will be recognized at the Exhibitor Awards and presented a belt buckle.