

Goat Exhibitors,

We wanted to send out a few reminders and information ahead of time as you prepare for this year's fair:

- Goat pen assignment tags will be posted on the pens by Sunday, September 10<sup>th</sup>. Exhibitors are welcome to decorate their pens and bring in bedding ahead of time. If decorating your pen(s), please be sure that all decorations are out of the reach of the goats.
- Those who sold market projects at the fair last year are strongly encouraged to display thank you signs over their pens to recognize their buyers.
- For those wishing to bring pop-up tents for use while grooming goats, please put those only along the north side of the barn. Due to fire regulations, they must be at least 8 feet from the building.
- We would like to ask for volunteers again to help keep an eye on the animals in the barn. Volunteers would be asked to walk around the barn and if anyone is doing anything they shouldn't with animals, ask them to leave the barn or stop. We are looking for coverage on the first Saturday and Sunday of the fair, as well as Tuesday of the fair between 2 PM and lights out (10 to 11 PM). If you are able to help, please email Julie Lucas at [countrysqrrl@aol.com](mailto:countrysqrrl@aol.com) with the date(s) and times you are available.
- There were some issues last year with people using the manure dumpster for trash. If you see anyone throwing trash in the dumpster, please ask them to remove it and dispose of it properly in the trash cans.
- There is an exhibitor meeting on Saturday, September 16<sup>th</sup> at 2 PM in the Pig and Lamb barn. All exhibitors or their representative are asked to attend. The market goat weigh-in will take place immediately after the meeting.
- There is a "For Fun Obstacle Course" contest held on Tuesday, September 19<sup>th</sup> at 5 PM. Any goat exhibitor may enter the contest. It is a timed event and cash prizes for 1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup>, and 3<sup>rd</sup> will be awarded after the contest. Sign-up sheets will be posted prior to the start of the contest.
- The goat costume contest is Monday, September 18<sup>th</sup> at 4 PM. Both the goat and exhibitor should be in costume. Awards are presented for the Most Original and Best Matching costumes. No pre-entry is required for this contest. The exhibitors should line up with their goats in costume starting around 3:50 PM in the Lamb and Pig Barn.
- Goat check-in times are Friday, September 15<sup>th</sup> from 4 to 8 PM and Saturday, September 16<sup>th</sup> from 8 to 9 AM. All goats must have an approved Scrapie ID. If the ID is a tattoo, please be sure it is legible. If a microchip is used, please bring a microchip reader with you. Remember, goats with a microchip ID must also have a tattoo that reflects the location of the microchip (E or T). Registration papers must be presented for those that are registered with the tattoo listed.
- Please note general fair rule #24. If you cannot make Weigh-in, Show or Sale, please note the requirements below.
  - o Rule 24. The expectation is that exhibitors are responsible for the daily care of their animal and participation in all exhibition events (e.g. market project weigh-ins, live show, sales). Exhibitors can only miss one of the following: market animal weigh-in, live show, or sale. Exhibitors who are sick, injured, or know they will be unable to attend (e.g., an academic conflict) must submit a written letter to the show chairperson/superintended at least 24 hours prior to the conflict, indicating which Delaware County Junior Fair

member in good standing will market project weigh, live show, or sell in their absence. This rule includes conflicts of overlapping shows. Emergency situations dictating a last-minute request will be determined at the discretion of the chair or vice-chair of the FAC committee.

- All goats are released to go home at 2 PM on Wednesday, September 20<sup>th</sup>. (Market goats being sold will be loaded after the sale.) Exhibitors are strongly encouraged to take their goats home on this day. If you choose to leave your goat at the fair and take them home another day, you are responsible for ensuring they are properly fed, watered, and cared for while still on display. Please note that there will not be as many people in the barn to keep an eye on the goats as there are during the first few days of the fair.

#### Market Goat Exhibitors:

- W-9 forms are required to go through the sale. The completed form should be submitted to the fair office prior to the fair. W-9 forms are available at <https://www.delawarecountyfair.com/junior-fair/> under required to sell.
- Market project exhibitors are required to take a picture with their project animal for use by the sale committee. The form will be at [https://linktr.ee/delawareco\\_jrfairsale](https://linktr.ee/delawareco_jrfairsale) and must be submitted between 8/14/23 and 9/9/23. **Please be sure to name the photo with the exhibitor's first and last name.** Exhibitors must be in proper show attire for the picture. Dress code is rule #9 on page 84 in the Exhibitor Handbook.
- Drug Use notification forms will be online again this year at: <https://go.osu.edu/deldunf> One form is required per animal. Please use the goat's Scrapie ID (not a name) for your animal's identification number. Forms should be filled out between September 4th and September 15th. If for some reason you give medication to your animal after submitting your DUNF, email Jacci at [smith.11005@osu.edu](mailto:smith.11005@osu.edu) for a new form.
- We do need one more volunteer to help with the buyer's dinner on Wednesday, September 20<sup>th</sup> from 4 PM through the end of the dinner. If anyone is interested in helping, please let Julie Lucas know ahead of time.

#### Dairy Goat Exhibitors:

- All goats entered in the milking classes (even if dry at the time of the fair) are required to submit a DUNF as well. The forms are available at the link noted above and one form is required per goat.
- Dairy goats in milk are permitted to come to the fair on the day of the show only and can leave after they have shown. This only applies to the does actively in milk. Please let Julie Lucas know ahead of time if you are planning to haul any does in milk on the day of the show.
- There is an open class dairy goat show on Saturday, September 23<sup>rd</sup>. Dairy goats must be registered with either the American Dairy Goat Association (ADGA) or the American Goat Society (AGS) to show. Goats may be entered the day of the show at \$4/goat.

We look forward to seeing you at the fair!

Julie Lucas

Goat Department Chair