Welcome to the 65th Annual Victoria Livestock Show

"The 65th Annual Victoria Livestock Show, A New Beginning"

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SCHEDULE

<u>June 2010</u>			
15	Major Show Steer Validation, Briggs Ranch, 4:00 - 6:00 p.m. Market Steers Tagging and entry fees for Victoria Livestock Show (VLS) are due now or on October 2, 2010.		
October 2010			
1	Last day to obtain special permission to show in VLS for certain exhibitors.		
2	Last day to purchase & be in possession of Market & Carcass Steers.		
2	Market Steer, Carcass Steer and Commercial Heifer tagging & entry fees due at Briggs Ranch, 8:00-11:00 a.m. in Bloomington.		
19	Market Lamb and Market Goat tagging for the VLS held from 4:30 - 5:30 p.m. at the VLS Pavilion.		
19	Major Show Lamb and Goat Validation, at the VLS Pavilion 4:30-5:30 p.m.		
23	Last day to purchase and be in possession of Market & Carcass Lambs.		
23	Carcass & Market Lamb tagging, tattooing & entry fees due at VLS Pavilion from 8 a.m. – 10:00 a.m.		
23	Last day to purchase and be in possession of Market Goats.		
23	Market Goat tagging, tattooing and entry fees due at Victoria Livestock Show Pavilion 8 a.m.–10:00 a.m.		
23	Market Broiler orders and entry fees due at VLS Pavilion 8 a.m. – 10:00 a.m. (Also Nov. 13, 8-10 a.m.)		
23	Market Rabbit entry forms and fees due at VLS Pavilion 8 a.m. – 10:00 a.m. (Also Nov. 13, 8-10 a.m.)		
November 2010			
1	Sweepstakes Heifers must be registered in the name of exhibitors.		
13	Market Broiler orders and entry fees due at VLS Pavilion 8:00 - 10:00 a.m.		
13	Market Rabbit entry forms and fees due at VLS Pavilion 8:00 - 10:00 a.m.		
13	Exhibitor registration and Market Hog, Carcass Hog and Breeding Gilt tagging & entry fees due for Victoria Livestock Show from 8-10 a.m. at the VLS Pavilion (Also on Dec.4) Entry fees for Market Hog and Carcass Hog are due at this time. Breeding Gilt entry fees are not due until February 10, 2011. No late exhibitor registration will be accepted.		
30	Major show Barrow Validation, Memorial Ag Farm parking lot 3:30-5:30 p.m. Hogs tagged for the major shows are eligible to be entered in the VLS but completed VLS entry forms & fees are required.		

December 2010

4 Entry deadline for Sweepstakes Heifers

4 Entry deadline for Pony Show

4 Exhibitor registration and Market Hog, Carcass Hog and Breeding Gilt

tagging & entry fees due for Victoria Livestock Show from 8-9 a.m. at the VLS Pavilion. Entry fees for Market Hog and Carcass Hog are due at this time. Breeding Gilt entry fees are not due until February 10, 2011. No

late exhibitor registration will be accepted.

4 Last day to purchase & be in possession of Market Hogs, Carcass Hogs

and Breeding Gilts. Breeding gilt entry fees are not due until Feb. 10,

2011.

January 2011

12 Market Broilers arrive - pick up at designated time and place.

15 Last day to withdraw market and carcass entries from Victoria Livestock

Show for refund. Contact your division superintendent to withdraw.

15 Entry deadline for Ag Mechanics Show

15 Entry deadline for VLS Scholarships

30 Market Rabbit validation and tattooing

Friday, February 4

Scholarship Applications due

Thursday, February 10

Entry fee deadline for Breeding Gilts

Last day to have Breeding Gilts registered in exhibitor's name

Tuesday, February 22

5:00-6:30 am	Carcass Hogs must arrive for weigh-in
5:30-6:00 am	Carcass Steers must arrive for weigh-in
6:00-6:30 am	Carcass Lambs must arrive for weigh-in

Wednesday, February 23

5:00-6:00 pm Ag Mechanics, County Fair and Clover Days Check-in

Thursday, February 24

5:00-7:00 am Market Hog weigh-in and sift 8:00-8:30 am Market Rabbit check-in and sift 8:00-10:00 am Market Broiler check-in and sift

8:30 am Market Rabbit judging 9:00 am-12:00 pm Ag Mechanics judging

8:30-9:30 am Market Lamb weigh-in and sift

9:00 am-12:00 pm County Fair judging

9:00-10:00 am Market Steer weigh-in and sift 9:30-10:30 am Market Goat weigh-in and sift

Thursday, February 24 Con't

10:00 am-12:00 pm Commercial Heifer check-in10:30-11:30 am Sweepstakes Heifer check-in

12:00 Noon Market Broiler judging

12:00 Noon Grand Opening Ceremonies1:30-2:30 pm Carcass winners announced

1:00-7:00 pm Ag Mechanics and County Fair open for viewing

2:30-9:00 pm Market Hog judging

3:00 pm Breeding Rabbit Judging

Friday, February 25

8:00 am Sweepstakes Heifer judging
10:00 am Commercial Heifer judging
10:00-11:30 am Breeding Gilt check-in

10:00 am-7:00 pm Ag Mechanics and County Fair open for viewing

1:00-3:00 pm Market Lamb judging 3:00-6:00 pm Market Goat judging

6:30 pm Commercial Heifer winners announced

7:00 pm Market Steer judging

Saturday, February 26

8:00 am TCCA Jr. Heifer Show.

10:00 am-12:00 pm Ag Mechanics, County Fair and Clover Day's projects released

1:00 pm Jr. Breeding Gilts judging3:00 pm Commercial Heifer sale

5:00 pm Sweepstakes Heifers released

9:00 pm FFA / 4-H Youth Dance

Sunday, February 27

8:00 am Pony Show judging

8:00-10:00 am Commercial Heifers released

8:00-10:00 am Non-sale Market Steers released

10:00-11:00 am Livestock Judging Contest Registration

11:00 am Livestock Judging Contest

12:30 -1:30 pm Range & Pasture Identification Contest Registration

1:30 pm Range & Pasture Identification Contest

1:00-2:00 pm Market Rabbits released 1:00-2:00 pm Jr. Breeding Gilts released 1:00-2:00 pm Market Broilers released

3:30 pm Range & Pasture Identification Contest Awards

Monday, February 28

8:00 am Auction set up

3:00 pm Buyer registration / sign in

4:00 pm 4-H / FFA Youth Awards/Scholarships

4:30 pm Victoria Livestock Show Auction

5:00 pm Last day to make arrangements for carcass processing

Tuesday, March 1

12:00 noon All animals must be removed from show grounds.

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Victoria Livestock Show February 20 – February 27

GENERAL RULES

- 1. Junior exhibitors will be limited to youth in good standing with their 4-H Clubs or FFA Chapters. The exhibitor must be attending regular classes in elementary, intermediate, or high school throughout the feeding period and must be passing at the last grading period prior to the show. Exhibitors must be in good standing with their school and eligible to participate in all aspects of the show on the first day of the show and remain eligible for the duration (February 22rd March 1st) as deemed by their respective school administrator. Exhibitors transferring from one school to another (public, private or home school) within four weeks of the Victoria Livestock Show will be eligible or ineligible under the originally attended school. An exhibitor must be at least 8 years of age and in the 3rd grade or 9 years of age by August 31, 2010 and have not reached their 19th birthday on or before August 31, 2010.
- 2. All junior market and carcass entry cards and entry fees must be paid and turned in at the time of tagging. Checks submitted to the Victoria Livestock Show that are returned for any reason shall be subject to a \$25.00 service charge for each time a check is returned. If the entry fee is returned and not made good prior to weigh-in/check-in the exhibitor is not eligible to participate in any aspect of the show. Exhibitors have until January 15, to withdraw and be refunded. To withdraw, contact your division superintendent. The Victoria Livestock Show will not dispose of any ineligible exhibitor's animal.
- 3. The junior show will be open to Victoria County 4-H and FFA members if they (1) reside in Victoria County throughout the total feeding period, and (2) attend regular school as defined in rule 1 above. Goliad FFA, Industrial FFA and Cuero FFA members may also participate if they (1) reside in Victoria County throughout the total feeding period, (2) attend regular schools as defined in rule 1 above, and (3) if they have both market and breeding animals, both must be entered and shown in the Victoria Show to be eligible to enter. No others will be allowed to exhibit in the Junior Market Show unless special permission is obtained annually from the Victoria Fair Association board of Directors before October 1st prior to the show year.
- 4. Any junior exhibitor will be allowed to sell a Grand Champion in the Market Division or Carcass Division twice before he/she is ineligible to show in the same division again.
- 5. Each entry must be the bonafide property of the exhibitor. In the junior classes, the animal must have been owned and fed by the exhibitor. Exhibitors must own their market & carcass sheep, goats and hogs by their tagging date. Steers can be purchased anytime and left on its dam or nurse cow, but must be weaned and in possession of the exhibitor by the steer tagging date, prior to the show. All projects will be fed and cared for by the exhibitor during that feeding period. No animal owned by a Club or Chapter will be eligible to be shown or sold.
- 6. Animals in all classes will be under the supervision of the exhibitor. In no case will the Victoria Fair Association, its management or any Victoria Livestock Show official be responsible for any loss, damage or injury to any person, exhibitor or animal. No claim for injury to person or property shall be assessed nor suit instituted.
- 7. All stalls, pens and exhibits must be cleaned by 9:00 a.m. daily. Each exhibitor is expected to keep his stalls, pens and exhibits clean, neat and with fresh bedding. For those who refuse to comply, the show management may eject the exhibitor and their animal from the show and the exhibitor and his family will be barred from the Victoria Livestock Show for life.
- 8. Each entry in the Junior Division must be shown and sold by its owner unless another 4-H or FFA member is authorized by the show officials.
- 9. Competent judges will be provided by the show management for all classes of livestock. The judge's decision on all placing will be final.
- 10. Weighing Market Classes
 - a. All entries in the Market Classes (except Broilers) will be weighed on the grounds, by a committee, appointed by the management. This will be the official weight for all purposes.

- b. Any re-weigh for animals must be called for immediately and must be done before the next animal is weighed. The animal will be held at the scale area until the scales have been cleaned and balanced and the animal's weight re-checked. If on the second weighing the animal does not reach the minimum or exceeds the maximum weight, the animal will be removed from the show.
- 11. An exhibitor can raise any number of steers, hogs, lambs, rabbits, goats or boilers or any combination of these in both market & carcass divisions. Rabbits, goats and boilers are not eligible for the carcass division. Exhibitors can raise only 50 broilers. Any number of heifers and gilts may be raised for the breeding divisions. The exhibitor can only show one market and one carcass entry and they may be of separate species. If an exhibitor is ineligible to show, no one else can show the animal for him/her. If an animal is sifted it is considered shown and no other species may be entered at that point. An entry card and a fee must be submitted for each Market Division entered. Junior exhibitors may sell only one entry in the Auction Sale. Junior exhibitors may show any number of entries in the breeding show but are limited to two in the Sweepstakes Heifer Show. all live animals placing high enough to make the sale will sell. An exhibitor who makes the sale with both live and carcass animals must sell their live animal. Exceptions being: Grand and Reserve Grand carcass champions will be sold instead of live animals. If an exhibitor exhibits a Grand and/or Reserve Grand champion in both live and carcass divisions that exhibitor will be given a choice of which animals will be sold. The decision must be made prior to the live animal leaving the show ring. All placing will remain the same regardless of any champion not selling. All Grand and Reserve Grand champion animals will remain in the show barn or in the cooler throughout the show.
- 12. Management will furnish initial bedding in the Junior Division. Exhibitors **must** furnish additional bedding for all animals except for broilers.
- 13. No awards from other shows will be exhibited on pens and stalls, except those of open show exhibitors.

14. Entry Fees: [due at time of entry]

Market Steers \$ 25.00 per exhibitor

Market Hogs \$ 25.00 per exhibitor

Market Lambs \$ 25.00 per exhibitor

Market Goats \$ 25.00 per exhibitor

Market Broilers \$ 25.00 per pen

Market Rabbits \$ 40.00 per exhibitor (includes processing)

Junior Breeding Gilts \$ 25.00 per exhibitor No Late Entry Accepted

Junior Commercial Heifers .. \$ 40.00 per pen Sweepstakes Heifers \$ 35.00 per head

TCCA Heifers \$ 20.00 per head -per ring

Carcass Steer \$ 75.00 per exhibitor
Carcass Hog \$ 55.00 per exhibitor
Carcass Lamb \$ 55.00 per exhibitor

15. Health Regulations:

All animals must meet the Texas Animal Health Commission requirements for "Admission of Livestock to Shows, Fairs and Exhibits". Veterinarians will be at the show to check animals. Any animal requiring blood tests must have such tests within the prescribed time of the show. Steers, hogs, lambs and goats will be inspected upon entry to the show grounds by an approved veterinarian. All sexually intact female lambs and goats must have an official USDA Scrapie Eradication Program identification ear tag.

All breeding animals must meet state requirements in regard to freedom from tuberculosis and brucellosis. (See your veterinarian for details on breeding animals.) When required by the Texas Animal Health Commission, health papers are required at check-in.

- 16. No pumping, filling (of the animal) or tampering to change the natural conformation or appearance of market animals before or during the show will be permitted. This rule will be strictly enforced by the Victoria Livestock Show officials.
- 17. It is expected that all exhibitors are of the highest moral character and integrity and any violation of good order will subject the offender to such action as the show management deems advisable.
- 18. Closing time 11:00 p.m. till 5:00 a.m. No exhibitor, parent or unauthorized person may remain on show grounds.
- 19. Show management reserves the right to interpret these rules and regulations and settle and determine all matters in regard to the show. They shall also have the right to amend or add to these rules as its judgment may determine. Any exhibitor who violates any of the rules of the show can be ejected from the show along with his or her animal and be refused to exhibit at all future shows as well.
- 20. No animal may be removed from the grounds without a special release signed by the superintendent of that division.
- 21. Exhibitors are responsible for feeding and watering animals until removed by disposition or disposition representative. Failure to do so will result in disbarment from the show.
- 22. Hog, lamb and goat exhibitors must designate, at time of entry, the disposition of their animal if it does not make the sale. Those not so designated will be disposed of by the show management. The deadline for disposition change is January 15th.
- 23. Disposition of market hogs, lambs, goats and rabbits will be limited to a local packer or the designated livestock commission buyer as determined by the Disposition Superintendent. No hogs, lambs, goats or rabbits will be released to individuals under any circumstances -- this is a terminal show. All market hogs, market lambs, market goats and market rabbits must be slaughtered.
- 24. The exhibitor will assume responsibility for dispositions of their steer, hog or lamb carcass if they do not make the sale and all carcasses are not purchased by the processor. If all carcasses are not purchased, exhibitors must make arrangements with the processor no later than four days following the auction. The Saturday after the sale, the meat processor may begin processing any carcass that the instructions have not been given on. The owner will be responsible for all costs. Any carcasses left after 30 days will be donated to local charities.
- 25. No scales other than the official ones are allowed in the barn. Scales in the barn are for official use only.
- 26. The Victoria Livestock Show reserves the right to use any animal in the Victoria Livestock Show Judging Contest.
- 27. Illegal Use of Drugs in Animals

Exhibitors must insure that his/her animal:

- a. has not received any substance not approved by the Food and Drug Administration (FDA) and/or the U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA) and
- b. is not within any withdrawal time relative to the administration of any drug, chemical or feed additive approved by the FDA and/or USDA when the animal is weighed in for the Livestock Show.

If FDA/USDA conducts unannounced inspections and testing, any animals testing positive will be disqualified and the ranking of all other animals will remain unchanged. If any animal is condemned for any drug related reason by a packer, the exhibitor will be responsible for any loss incurred by the packer and/or the buyer.

28. No market animal that has been exhibited in another county show is eligible to compete in the Victoria Livestock Show.

- 29. Any unruly animals may be sifted at the discretion of the officials at any time during the show.
- 30. No cell phones will be allowed in the show ring.
- 31. No alcoholic beverages allowed except in designated areas.
- 32. No non-entered animals will be allowed on the Victoria Livestock Show grounds, with exception being petting zoo animals and certified service animals such as Seeing Eye dogs.

SIFTING RULES

- All animals will be sifted at weigh-in at the sifter's discretion. Decisions will be final. Sifted animals will be removed from the show barn and handled by show management. Animals may be sifted for the following reasons: crippled, diseased, external parasites, malnutrition, failure to meet the weight requirement, etc. The respective division superintendent will discuss the sifting protocol with the sifter.
- 2. Weighing Market Classes
 - a. All entries in the Market Classes (except Broilers) will be weighed on the grounds, by a committee, appointed by the management. This will be the official weight for all purposes.
 - b. Any re-weigh for animals must be called for immediately and must be done before the next animal is weighed. The animal will be held at the scale area until the scales have been cleaned and balanced and the animal's weight re-checked. If on the second weighing the animal does not reach the minimum or exceeds the maximum weight.
- 3. Show management reserves the right to sift unruly animals at any time during the show.

SALE RULES

- 1. The auction will be held Monday, February 28, 2011. No more than 275 lots will be sold.
- 2. Sale to consist of animals determined by a committee consisting of the General Superintendent, Assistant General Superintendent, Superintendent from each Junior Market Division, a County Extension Agent, Auction Superintendent, Carcass Superintendent, Records Superintendent, Disposition Superintendent and a representative of the Vocational Agriculture Instructors. Sale of 275 animals from the various Livestock Divisions will be based on the percentage of total number of entries eligible to show. In the Steer Division seventy-five percent (75%) of the market steers exhibited and placed will be allowed to sell, not to exceed twenty-five (25) head, or an equal percentage of all other stock, whichever is greater.
- 3. The show management reserves the right to refuse the sale of any exhibitor's animal that breaks any rule of the show in any form.
- 4. All animals qualifying will be sold by the entry lot.
- All payments will be made directly to the exhibitor upon presentation of an official show sales slip by the exhibitor to the buyer. Victoria Livestock Show shall not be liable for payment to the exhibitor.
- 6. Exhibitors must be at their animal's pen, take their animal to the holding pen and then into the sales ring when their number is called. Failure to do so will result in a NO SALE.
- 7. If an exhibitor's market/carcass animal makes the sale, he or she MUST sell their animal the day of the sale. If the exhibitor does not show up at the time the market animal/carcass is to be sold then he or she forfeits their sale slot and is not longer eligible to exhibit any market/carcass animal in future Victoria Livestock Shows.
- 8. Each exhibitor must accompany their own animal through the sale ring unless authorized by show officials to have someone else to sell their animal.
- 9. Only halter awards, ribbons and banners may be displayed in the auction ring. No other decorations will be allowed (i.e. glitter, bandanas, scarves, T-shirts, riders, etc.). The sale will be stopped, until decorations are removed.
- No exhibitor can withdraw from the show or sale after the animal is weighed in and accepted for show.
- 11. An exhibitor can raise any number of steers, hogs, lambs, rabbits or goats or any combination of these in both market & carcass divisions. Broilers, rabbits and goats are not eligible for the carcass division. Exhibitors can raise only 50 broilers. Any number of heifers and gilts may be raised for the breeding divisions. The exhibitor can only show one market and one carcass entry and they may be of separate species. If an animal is sifted it is considered shown and no other species may be entered at that point. An entry card and a fee must be submitted for each Market Division entered. Junior exhibitors may sell only one entry in the Auction. They are also eligible to sell one pen in the Commercial Heifer Sale.
- 12. All live animals placing high enough to make the sale will sell. An exhibitor who makes the sale with both live and carcass animals must sell their live animal. Exceptions being: Grand and Reserve Grand Carcass Champions will be sold instead of live animals. If an exhibitor exhibits a Grand and/or Reserve Grand Champion in both live and carcass divisions that exhibitor will be given a choice of which animal will be sold. The decision must be made prior to the live animal leaving the show ring. All placings will remain the same regardless of any champion not selling. All Grand and Reserve Grand Champion animals will remain in the show barn or in the cooler throughout the show.
- 13. Disposition of market hogs, lambs and goats will be limited to a local packer or the designated livestock commission buyer as determined by the Disposition Superintendent. No hogs, lambs or goats will be released to individuals under any circumstances -- this is a terminal show. All market hogs, market lambs and market goats must be slaughtered.

14. Sale order will be posted by Saturday 10:00 am. Any changes/corrections must be reported to the computer room by 12:00 noon Saturday. The show will not be responsible for any error after that time.

For additional information contact: Teresa Moorman Auction Superintendent 361-578-2934 361-550-6694

MARKET STEER RULES

- 1. Read General Rules
- 2. Only one steer may be shown per exhibitor. Steer has to be dehorned, halter broken and fitted for the show.
- 3. All steers must be ear tagged to compete in the show. Ear tagging will be Tuesday, June 15, 2010, 4:00 6:00 pm (major show validation date) and Saturday, October 2, 2010, 8:00 11:00 am at Briggs Ranch, Bloomington, Texas. Entry fees are due at tagging. All steers, to be eligible to show, must have the official Victoria Livestock Show (VLS) ear tag or major show tag which is placed at the official tagging. Steers with major show tags will be assigned VLS #. At VLS show weigh-in, the exhibitor will decide to either leave the major show tag in or have the steer committee remove major show tag and replace it with a VLS tag at that time. If the official VLS ear tag is lost, it is the exhibitor's responsibility to notify the steer superintendent within 24 hours. Contact: Dr. Bob Horton at 361-572-4397. The superintendent will then re-tag the steer, if no tampering or unethical practice has been exercised.
- 4. At show weigh-in, minimum weight is 950 pounds.
- 5. There will be three (3) breed classifications with one or more weight classes in each breed at the discretion of show management. One entry will make a breed class.
 - a. American/Brahman crosses must exhibit at least 25% Brahman characteristics.
 - b. English Steers must appear to have predominant characteristics of the following breeds Angus, Hereford or Shorthorn.
 - c. All Other Breeds All steers which do not fall into the above classifications.
- 6. Weight Classes: In each breed classification there may be weight classes divided as equally as possible.
- 7. The sifter will have the authority to change breed classification of an entry. Should they feel that an animal does not meet the requirements, it will be placed in the proper breed classification. All steers' hair must be clipped to within one-quarter (1/4") inch prior to entering the show grounds.
- 8. Hair sifting will take place from 9:00 a.m. 10:00 a.m. Exhibitors not meeting the hair sift will be allowed to remove their animals to a designated clipping area, however they must be finished with their clipping prior to 11:00 a.m.
- 9. No steers will be allowed to exercise, invade or otherwise move through the area where commercial cattle, lambs or hogs are stalled. When steers leave their assigned stall space, they must be accompanied by the exhibitor at all times.
- 10. There will be no drenching, pumping and/or filling of market steers before or during the show.
- 11. Seventy-five (75%) percent of the market steers exhibited and placed will be allowed to sell, not to exceed twenty-five (25) head, or an equal percentage of all other livestock, whichever is greater. All three breed classifications will sell at least 75% up to four entries, after four entries in a breed the percent sold will be determined by the number of sale slots available. In order to sell at least 75% of the first four entries in each breed there must be at least twelve steers entered in the show. All NO SALE steers may be brought back for sale slot re-evaluation immediately following selection of Champion and Reserve Champion.
- 12. Only the exhibitor and one assistant will be allowed in the judging ring holding area.
- 13. All steers must be manageable by the exhibitor. The exhibitor must present their steer for evaluation. (No steer will be evaluated while tied to the rail.) Only the steer committee persons will assist the exhibitors with their animals while in the show ring. Any steer that becomes unruly or creates a disturbance will immediately be excused. THE MANAGEMENT WILL DECIDE IF THE STEER MAY RETURN TO THE RING OR BE REMOVED FROM THE SHOW.

- 14. Market classes with exhibitors who have already won a Grand Champion carcass or Reserve Grand Champion carcass will have an equal number of entries placed in that class. The additionally placed entries will only be eligible for the sale if the market division exhibitor decides to sell their Grand Champion carcass or Reserve Grand Champion carcass.
- 15. Any unruly animals may be sifted at the discretion of the officials at any time during the show.
- 16. Non-Sale market steers will be released Sunday, February 27, 2011, 8:00-10:00 am.
- 17. Final disposition of all non-sale Market Steers will be determined and reported to the Market Steer Superintendent by the time of their release.

For additional information contact: Dr. Bob Horton Market Steer Superintendent 361-572-4397

MARKET HOG RULES

- 1. Read General Rules
- 2. There will be five (5) breed classifications: (1) Duroc, (2) Hampshire, (3) Yorkshire, (4) Other Pure Breeds, and (5) Crossbreeds. In each breed classification there will be weight classes to be decided after all entries are weighed in. Each class will contain a near equal number of hogs.

GUIDELINES FOR PUREBRED HOGS

BERKSHIRE – The general color of Berkshires shall be black with white points, appearing on nose, feet, and tail (any of these points may be missing or an occasional splash of white may appear on the body)

INELIGIBLE -

- 1. Any color present on the animal, other than white or black.
- 2. Rounded and heavy, drooped ears.
- 3. Formation of a belt encompassing part of the one-third front of the body.

CHESTER WHITE - White in color

INELIGIBLE

- 1. Animal with non-white (red, black, sandy, etc.) hair.
- 2. Animal with non-white skin pigmentation larger than a silver dollar in any one place.
- 3. Animals that lack breed character (erect ears, etc.)
- 4. Chester Whites that are crypt orchids are ineligible.

DUROC – Red in color

INELIGIBLE –

- 1. White feet or white hair located directly above the feet, i.e. commonly referred to as white socks.
- 2. White spots or white hair located anywhere on the remainder of the animal's body not mentioned in item 1.
- 3. Black spots larger than two inches in diameter located anywhere on the body.
- 4. Excessive dark or black pigment located anywhere on the body i.e. larger dark colored patches of skin or obvious shadings of a belt on the fore front of the animal.

LANDRACE - White in color

INELIGIBLE -

- 1. Animal with any natural color hair other than white
- 2. Animal with more than a total of three spots of skin pigmentation.
- 3. Animal with any spots of skin pigmentation exceeding the size of a United States minted quarter currency.
- 4. Animal with upright ears.

POLAND CHINA – Poland Chinas are traditionally black with six white points (face, feet, and switch of the tail) and possess down ears, splashes of white hair on the body is permitted.

INELIGIBLE -

- 1. Animal that lacks breed character (erect ears, belt formation, etc.)
- 2. Animal that has red or sandy hair and/or pigment.

SPOTTED SWINE - Black & White in color

INELIGIBLE -

- 1. Must not have brown or sandy coloration of any kind on the body.
- Solid black from ears forward.

- 3. Must not have a combination of black leg and black foot.
- 4. Very erect ears.
- 5. A complete belt formation around the front one-third of the body reaching over the upper portion of the shoulder.
- 6. Animal that lacks breed character.

HAMPSHIRE – Black in color with a white belt starting on a front leg. The belt may partially or totally encircle the body.

INELIGIBLE -

- 1. Animal with droopy, rounded ears.
- 2. Animal with any white streaking in the center of the face.

YORKSHIRE - White in color

INELIGIBLE -

- 1. Any hair other than white located on any part of the animal's body.
- 2. Any non-white pigmentation spot larger than a quarter or total color spots larger than a silver dollar Also, the masking around the forehead.
- 3. Lack of Yorkshire breeds type and character (i.e. floppy ears etc.)

Classes will be divided as follows:

1 - 6 Hogs 1 weight class 7 - 12 Hogs 2 weight classes 13 - 60 Hogs 3 weight classes 61+ Hogs 4 weight classes

- 3. The exhibitor must present the breed classification at the tagging date. The sifter will have the authority to change breed classification of any entry. Should they feel that an animal does not meet requirements, it will be placed in one of the above mentioned classifications.
- 4. Barrows and gilts will be eligible for showing in the above classes.
- 5. Minimum weight is 230 pounds and maximum weight is 270 pounds. For re-weigh see General Rules pg. 10 or Sifting rules pg. 15
- 6. No oils, paint, powder or other dressing may be used on hogs. Only water can be used. The sifter will check each hog on weigh-in day. If any material is on the animal other than water during show day, the animal will be disqualified.
- 7. No canes or any abusive devices will be allowed for the purpose of showing market hogs.
- 8. No other tags will be allowed in a hog's ear except the Victoria County Livestock Show tag. Ear tags number must be clean and visible.
- 9. An exhibitor can enter as many market hogs as they want as long as each animal is tagged in a family name. Also, every possible exhibitor in the family must be named to the hog at the time of tagging. At weigh-in of the show, the exhibitor must designate one of the original entries to enter into the show. Ear tagging will take place November 14, 2010, from 8:00 to 10:00 a.m. and December 4, 2010, from 8:00 to 9:00 a.m. at the VLS Pavilion. Entry fees are due at tagging. Hogs that are double entered (both market and carcass) must be brought in on one of the above dates for market validation. Only one (1) entry fee is required per exhibitor.
- 10. If a hog loses its ear tag, the exhibitor has 24 hours to notify officials to get the tag replaced. Call Greg Gordon 361-935-5720. He will re-tag the hog if no tampering or unethical practice has been exercised. If this is not done, the animal will be disqualified. No one is allowed to cut tags out of hog's ears except show officials.
- 11. On show days, Friday, Saturday and Sunday, all pens must be cleaned and hogs must be fed and watered by 9:00 a.m. After this is done, exhibitors must have their pen checked by a hog superintendent. Failure to do this will result in a No Sale. Exhibitors are responsible for additional bedding. Feed buckets must be kept in show boxes when not in use.

- 12. Exhibitors must be at their animal's pen, take their animal to the holding pen, and then into the sales ring when their number is called. Failure to do so will result in a NO SALE.
- 13. Management will furnish initial bedding in the Junior Division. Exhibitors **must** furnish additional bedding for all animals except for broilers.
- 14. Market classes with exhibitors who have already won a Grand Champion carcass or Reserve Grand Champion carcass will have an equal number of entries placed in that class. The additionally placed entries will only be eligible for the sale if the market division exhibitor decides to sell their Grand Champion carcass or Reserve Grand Champion carcass.
- 15. No feeding or watering of hogs will be allowed on Thursday until all hogs are checked in.
- 16. No hogs are allowed to exercise out of their pens during the show.

For additional information contact: Greg Gordon Market Hog Superintendent 361-935-5720

MARKET LAMB RULES

- 1. Read General Rules.
- 2. Only wether and ewe lambs will be eligible.
- 3. All lambs must be clean shorn not more than seven (7) days before the show. Lambs with over 1/4" wool will be sifted.
- 4. Major show tagging will be on Tuesday, October 19, 2010 from 4:30-5:30 p.m. at the VLS Pavilion. Victoria County show Market and carcass Lambs may also be brought for tattooing, tagging and entering. Tattooing and tagging for the Victoria County show ONLY will take place on Saturday, October 23, 2010 from 8:00 10:00 a.m. at the VLS Pavilion. All lambs must be tattooed and ear tagged to compete in the show. Entry fees will be paid at tagging. All sexually intact ewe lambs must have an official USDA Scrapie Eradication tag. No other tags will be allowed in the lambs ears except VLS tags.
- 5. An exhibitor can enter as many market lambs as they want as long as each animal is tattooed and tagged to a specific family. At the weigh-in of the show, the exhibitor must designate one of the original entries to enter into the show.
- 6. If an ear tag is lost after the tagging dates, the market lamb superintendent must be notified within 24 hours. Contact B.J. Kloesel at 361-648-3292. He will re-tag the lamb if no tampering or unethical practice has been exercised.
- 7. Market lambs will not be checked for a full set of milk teeth.
- 8. There must be a minimum of four head to be considered a breed classification. There will be one or more weight class in each breed, at the discretion of show management. (Finewool and Finewool Cross must be a cross with evidence of at least 50% Finewool breeding.)
- 9. Minimum weight is 90 pounds. There is no maximum weight. All lambs under weight will be reweighed at that time. See General rules pg 10 or Sifting rules pg. 15. (Sifting rule #1 will apply).
- 10. Drenching of market lambs with electrolytes for hydration will be allowed. General Rule #16 applies.
- 11. Feeding in pens will not be allowed. Feed buckets must be kept in show boxes when not in use.
- 12. Market classes with exhibitors who have already won a Grand Champion Carcass or Reserve Grand Champion Carcass will have an equal number of entries placed in that class. The additionally placed entries will only be eligible for the sale if the market division exhibitor decides to sell their Grand Champion carcass or Reserve Grand Champion carcass.
- 13. Only the exhibitor and show officials will be allowed in the judging ring.
- 14. Shearing/clipping will be allowed on Thursday after check in and Friday morning of the show. All clippings and hair are to be cleaned up immediately. No blocking of the aisles with equipment will be permitted. All blocking tables and other equipment used to shear lambs must be removed immediately following the lamb judging.
- 15. Stalls will not be pre-assigned. Stalling will occur on a first come, first serve basis.
- 16. Exhibitors are expected to be ready to show when their class is called. Superintendents will not be accountable for finding the exhibitor. If you are not there when the gate is opened, you will not be allowed to show your lamb and it will automatically go out the back gate. Please be a responsible exhibitor.
- 17. Management will furnish initial bedding in the Junior Division. Exhibitors must furnish additional bedding for all animals except for broilers.

For additional information contact: B. J. Kloesel Market Lamb Superintendent 361-648-3292

MARKET BROILER RULES

- 1. Read General Rules.
- 2. All 4-H and FFA youth intending to raise and show broilers at the Victoria Livestock Show must pay the entry fee and the cost of broilers on Saturday, October 23, 2010 from 8:00 a.m. –10:00 a.m. or Saturday, November 13, 2010 from 8:00 a.m. 10:00 a.m. at the VLS Pavilion.
- 3. Each exhibitor must order only 50 broilers.
- 4. All broilers will be ordered from one hatchery, will be of the same breeding and will be hatched the same day. The 2011 Market Broiler Show will only consist of one division with pullets and cockerels showing in the same division. All 50 broilers will be banded and numbered as one group for a possible entry of three broilers or one entry. If a broiler loses a band or they are tampered with, the individual broiler is automatically disqualified from the show.
- 5. Exhibitors or parents must pick up their day old chicks on January 12, 2011 at 4:00 at the Activity Center.
- 6. Each exhibitor must select and show three Market Broilers for one complete entry. A complete entry consists of three Market Broiler Cockerels or three Market Broiler Pullets.
- 7. Each exhibitor must present their pen of three Market Broilers at the show. The exhibitor is allowed to provide one back-up market broiler at the time of the sift to present to the sift judge if one of the pen of three are not acceptable for show. Following the sift, exhibitors are required to remove the back-up market broilers from the exhibit barn.
- 8. A sifting committee, with the department superintendent as one member, will be appointed to inspect all entries for the purpose of eliminating any entry not in proper show condition. Sick and diseased birds will be refused and if discovered during the sift, will be removed. Broilers losing their wing band for whatever reason will not be eligible to show. If the band and/or wing web shows evidence of tampering or if the wing web is torn in any way, the bird will be disqualified.
- 9. Each exhibitor is required to bring two one-pound coffee cans or any metal can of equal size, shape and weight with a hole punched in the side next to the top of the can to be used for feed and water. All feed will be provided by the exhibitor. Litter will be furnished by the show.
- 10. Market Broilers will be shown by the exhibitor with the help of two other 4-H or FFA members to hold the birds. Helpers must be participants in the Victoria Livestock Show. It is the exhibitor's responsibility to find help before judging.
- 11. Market Broiler pens and the immediate area will be cleaned by the exhibitor before 9:00 a.m. each morning.
- 12. No one will be allowed to handle the exhibitor's Market Broilers without the exhibitor's approval.
- 13. All Market Broilers must be removed from the show barn between 1:00 2:00 p.m., Sunday.
- 14. Exhibitors are responsible for delivering processed broilers to their buyer.
- 15. Exhibitors making the sale will present themselves and their placement ribbon during the auction. must bring one broiler to the auction.
- 16. Market classes with exhibitors who have already won a Grand Champion Carcass or Reserve Grand Champion Carcass will have an equal number of entries placed in that class. The additionally placed entries will only be eligible for the sale if the market division exhibitor decides to sell their Grand Champion Carcass or Reserve Grand Champion Carcass.

For additional information contact: Ronnie Bollom Market Broiler Superintendent 361-576-6340

MARKET RABBIT RULES

- 1. Read all General Rules.
- 2. All exhibitors intending to show a Market Rabbit pen will complete an entry form and pay an entry fee of \$40.00 (includes processing) on October 23, 2010, 8:00 a.m. 10:00 a.m., or November 13, 2010 from 8:00 a.m.-10:00 a.m. at the VLS Pavilion.
- 3. All Market Rabbits entered must be purebred, with or without pedigree papers.
- 4. Only commercial rabbits from the following breeds may be entered and shown: ARBA recognized six (6) class meat breeds of New Zealand (White, Red or Black), Californians, Palominos, Satins (all ARBA recognized colors), Cinnamons, Crème D'Argents and Champagne D'Argents.
- 5. All Market Rabbits must be the bonafide property of the exhibitor. Rabbits to be validated for the market division show must be kindled (born) while in the possession of the exhibitor.
- 6. Exhibitors may purchase a bred doe. The target breeding date is 100 days prior to the show, with an ideal kindling date of 70 days prior to the show.
- 7. All exhibitors must provide their own equipment for feeding and watering their entry. Should it become necessary, exhibitors are responsible for the cooling of their rabbits. (Fans and frozen water bottles are permissible).
- 8. All water and feed storage containers must be removed from the cooping area after the animals are fed and watered.
- 9. Rabbit pens and the immediate area must be cleaned by the exhibitor before 9:00 a.m. each morning.
- 10. An exhibitor can raise as many rabbits as they want and may be tattooed in a family name. Every possible exhibitor in the family must pay a separate entry fee and be named to the rabbits at the time of tattooing. Rabbits for the market division will be validated and tattooed on January 30, 2011 from 1:00 pm to 3:00 pm at the 4-H activity center.
- 11. At the weigh in of the show each exhibitor must designate 3 tattooed rabbits and one alternate, out of the rabbits originally validated to the exhibitor/family.
- 12. Market pens will consist of three (3) rabbits of the same breed. Exhibitor will be limited to one (1) Market pen. Each exhibitor will be allowed to provide one back-up market rabbit at the time of the sift to present to the sift judge if one of the pen of three are not acceptable for the show. Following the sift, exhibitors are required to remove the back-up market rabbit from the exhibit barn.
- 13. Market Rabbits will check in on Thursday, February 24, 2011, from 7:30 a.m. 9:00 a.m. Judging will start immediately following the completion of check-in. Check-out will be Sunday, February 27, 2011 at 1:00 pm
- 14. All rabbits will be sifted at the time of check-in, using the general standards as published by the "American Rabbit Breeders Association" (ARBA). The rules as set out in the "ARBA Standard of Perfection" are listed under "General Faults" and "Disqualifications from Competition". At this time, exhibitor or family will be required to purchase, or have on hand, one "ARBA Standard of Perfection" book (approximately \$12 each). Book is valid until December 31, 2015.
- 15. Weight limits: 3 1/2 lbs. minimum; 5 lbs. Maximum
- 16. All rabbits will be judged on the ARBA points schedule for meat pens. Complete narrative is available in the "ARBA Standard of Perfection"

Meat40 pointsFlesh & Condition30 pointsBody & Weight Uniformity20 pointsFur10 pointsTotal100 points

17. No one will be allowed to handle the exhibitor's rabbits without the exhibitor's approval.

- 18. Non sale rabbits will be released for processing by the Market Rabbit Superintendent immediately following judging/showmanship. All Market Rabbits will be processed at one facility to be decided by the Market Rabbit Superintendent, Disposition Superintendent and VLS management.
- 19. Market classes with exhibitors who have already won a Grand Champion Carcass or Reserve Grand Champion Carcass will have an equal number of entries placed in that class. The additionally placed entries will only be eligible for the sale if the market division exhibitor decides to sell their Grand Champion Carcass or Reserve Grand Champion Carcass.
- 20. Exhibitors participating in Market Rabbit showmanship will be divided into a Junior division and a Senior division. Based on Market Rabbit Showmanship criteria, participants are limited to one Junior Award and one Senior Award in lifetime.
- 21. Management will furnish initial bedding in the Junior Division. Exhibitors **must** furnish additional bedding for all animals except for broilers.

For additional information contact: David Kabela Market Rabbit Superintendent 361-582-2909 work 361-573-6399 home

MARKET GOAT RULES

- 1. Read General Rules.
- 2. All goats must be tagged too compete in the show. Ear tagging and tattooing will be Tuesday, October 19, 2010 4:30 5:30 pm (major show validation date) and October 23, 2010, 8:00 am 10:00 am at the VLS Pavilion. Entry fees are due at tagging. Goats may be validated by family name where more than one child in the immediate family is raising goats. All goats will be tagged with an ear tag furnished by VLS and tattooed in the opposite ear on tagging date. If a goat loses its ear tag, the exhibitor has 24 hours to notify George Hood to get the goat re-tagged. If this procedure is not followed, the animal will be disqualified. No one is allowed to cut tags out of the goat's ears except show officials. All sexually intact female goats must have an official USDA Scrapie Eradication Program identification ear tag. No other tags will be allowed in the goat's ears except VLS tags.
- 3. The show is open to any breed or crossbred meat goat type.
- 4. Only wethers or does that are not bred may be shown.
- 5. Market goats will not be checked for a full set of milk teeth.
- 6. Minimum weight at check-in is 65 pounds and maximum weight is 130 pounds. For re-weigh see General Rule's pg. 10 or Sifting rules pg. 15. (Sifting rule #1 will apply).
- 7. Exhibitors will be required to have the horns tipped blunt before arrival at check-in. Failure to do so will be grounds for sifting of the animal. Horns may be of any length.
- 8. Goats must be sheared slick (approximately 3/8 inch or less) above the knee and hock joints; excluding the switch, before arrival on the grounds. Blocking tables are permitted, but isles must be free and passable. All tables and equipment must be removed following the goat judging.
- 9. If an animal has a health problem it will be sifted. Sifter may consult with the veterinarian on duty.
- 10. Drenching of goats with electrolytes for hydration will be allowed. General Rule #16 applies.
- 11. Feeding in pens will not be allowed. Feed buckets must be kept in show boxes when not in use.
- 12. Only the exhibitor and show officials will be allowed in the judging and sifting ring.
- 13. Weighing and assignment of weight classes will be determined under the direction of the goat superintendent.
- 14. Management will furnish initial bedding in the Junior Division. Exhibitors **must** furnish additional bedding for all animals except for broilers.

For additional information contact: George Hood Market Goat Superintendent 361-573-3082 home 361-935-1208 cell

JUNIOR CARCASS DIVISION RULES

- 1. The Carcass Contest shall be governed by the general rules and regulations of the Victoria Livestock Show Associates.
- 2. An exhibitor may nominate more than one steer, wether or ewe lamb, gilt or barrow in each division but only one animal may show in the carcass show. The animal shown must be nominated to a specific family.
- 3. All animals weighing in at the carcass contest will be slaughtered at the Carcass Division packer or, if sifted, at the packer designated by the exhibitor.
- 4. An exhibitor may show one steer, lamb or hog in the carcass show and one in the market show: however, only one of these animals may be sold at the Victoria Livestock Show Auction.
- 5. Completed nomination cards and entry fees are due at nomination:
 - \$ 75.00 per head for Steers
 - \$ 55.00 per head for Hogs
 - \$ 55.00 per head for Lambs
- 6. All animals must be clean for evaluation at check in prior to show. All steers must be halter broken and manageable by the exhibitor and one adult assistant.
- 7. Due to TAKS Test exhibitors need not be present for evaluation.
- 8. Carcass steers placing beyond 7th place are sold through Sam Kane. Those making the VLS Auction will be auctioned as "Resale Only". Exhibitors should not contact Sam Kane. There is no VLS resale buyer for carcass hogs or carcass lambs. The exhibitor will assume responsibility for disposition of their hog or lamb carcass if they do not make the sale. Arrangements must be made with the processor as soon as the sale sheet has been posted and no later than 5:00 p.m. on Monday, February 28, 2011. The meat processor may begin processing any carcass that the instructions have not been given on. The owner will be responsible for all costs. Any carcasses left after 30 days will be donated to local charities.
- 9. Winners will be announced Thursday, February 24, 2011 at 1:30 p.m. All participants are strongly encouraged to dress in the appropriate attire for this announcement.
- 10. An exhibitor can raise any number of steers, hogs, lambs, rabbits or goats or any combination of these in both market & carcass divisions. Broilers, Rabbits and Goats are not eligible for the carcass division. Exhibitors can raise only 50 broilers. Any number of heifers and gilts may be raised for the breeding divisions. The exhibitor can only show one market and one carcass entry and they may be of separate species. If an animal is sifted it is considered shown and no other species may be entered at that point. An entry card and a fee must be submitted for each Market Division entered.
- 11. Junior exhibitors may sell only one entry in the Victoria Livestock Show Auction. All live animals placing high enough to make the sale will sell. An exhibitor who makes the sale with both live and carcass animals must sell their live animal. Exceptions being: Grand and Reserve Grand Champion carcasses will be sold instead of live animals. If an exhibitor exhibits a Grand and/or Reserve Grand Champion in both live and carcass divisions, that exhibitor will be given a choice of which animal will be sold. The decision must be made prior to the live animal leaving the show ring. All placing will remain the same regardless of any champion not selling. All Grand and Reserve Grand Champion animals will remain in the show barn or in the cooler throughout the show.

CARCASS STEER RULES

- 1. Read General Rules.
- 2. Steers must be born no earlier than October 1, 2009 (17 months prior to show). A signed breeder's statement verifying correct birth date of calf must be presented at registration to the Carcass Steer Superintendent. Tagging and registration will be held on October 2, 2010 from 8:00 to 11:00 a.m. at Briggs Ranch in Bloomington. Steers will be tagged with a VLS ear tag and weighed for information only. Entry fee is due upon registration.
- 3. Steers presented for Major Show registration and tagging can be nominated for the Junior Carcass competition under conditions that the exhibitor presents a signed breeder's statement of birth date validation upon registration and payment of entry fee. Steers will be tagged with a Major Show tag and weighed for information only on date determined for Major Show tagging.
- 4. All entries will be identified by ear tag. Should a steer lose its ear tag, the Carcass Steer Superintendent (Lou Svetlik 550-1135) must be notified within 24 hours. Failure to promptly notify of tag loss or any evidence of ear tag tampering will disqualify the animal from the carcass contest.
- Entries must arrive from 5:30-6:00 a.m. but no later than 6:00 a.m., Tuesday, February 22, 2011.
 Weighing of animals will begin at 5:30 a.m. NO ENTRIES WILL BE ACCEPTED AFTER 6:00
 A.M. Minimum weight for check-in is 950 lbs.
- 6. All animals must be de-horned or have loose horn scurs less than 1 inch in length. All steers must be halter-broken, clean for evaluation, and manageable by the exhibitor. Any unmanageable steers will be removed by the exhibitor.
- 7. Steers will be evaluated at 6:15 a.m. and at the judge's discretion, will be slaughtered and entered in the carcass evaluation contest.
- 8. The meat specialists check the validity of the steer carcass ages by standard bone and lean evaluation procedures. Steers exceeding a maximum of 900 lb. warm carcass weight will be disqualified from placing and ineligible to be sold in the VLS auction.
- Steer carcasses will be ribbed between the 12th and 13th ribs. The judge will examine and record the following data in determining the carcasses USDA Yield Grade:

WARM CARCASS WEIGHT (LBS)
RIBEYE AREA (SQ. IN.)
KIDNEY, PELVIC & HEART FAT (%)
FAT THICKNESS OPPOSITE RIBEYE(IN.)
PRELIMINARY YIELD GRADE
(Based on estimate of overall fat cover)

Yield Grade will be calculated using the following formula:

USDA Yield Grade = 2.50 + (2.5 x adjusted fat thickness, inches) +

(0.20 x % kidney, pelvic & heart fat) + (0.0038 x warm carcass weight, lbs) - (0.32 x rib eye area, square inches).

10. The judge will determine carcass Quality Grade with the following categories:

PRIME (PR+, PR, PR-) CHOICE (CH+, CH, CH-) SELECT (SE+, SE, SE-) STANDARD (STD+, STD-)

11. Any STANDARD Quality Grade steers will be disqualified from placing and will not sell in the VLS auction. Exhibitors will be notified prior to the contest placing.

12. Carcasses exhibiting the following deficiencies in the judges' discretion will be subject to applied adjustments for appropriate order of placing:

DEFICIENCY

CARCASS WT < 550 LBS RIBEYE FAT THICKNESS < .25 IN. "DARK CUTTER" APPEARANCE

13. The judge will place all qualified carcasses and rank them by accepted beef industry standards used in determining individual carcass value. The most desirable carcasses will exhibit the following: Quality and Yield Grade characteristics:

QUALITY GRADE		<u>YIELDGRADE</u>
PRIME	<4.0	
CHOICE		<3.5
SELECT		<3.0

- 14. Steers will be transported to Sam Kane Beef Processing facility in Corpus Christi and processed under the direction of Victoria Livestock Show management.
- 15. Following the steer carcass evaluation, the top seven (1st thru 7th place) placing carcasses will be transported to Harwell's Custom Processing for final disposition through the VLS Auction proceedings, or as determined by an exhibitor that also places a live animal eligible for the VLS Auction (see #11, VLS Auction Rules).
- 16. Carcasses placing 8th place and below (those other than the top seven) which are eligible for the VLS Auction per VLS Auction determination procedures, will be sold in the VLS Auction as "resale" only, as these carcasses have final disposition through Sam Kane facility at fair market value, agreeable to show management.
- 17. Those carcasses below 7th place and not eligible for the VLS Auction will not be available to the exhibitor due to no local storage and processing facilities being available. These carcasses will have final disposition through Sam Kane Beef Processors and sold through their facility at reasonable value for the beef market conditions at the time of the show, per agreement by VLS management, payable to VLS.
- 18. Exhibitors will receive checks from VLS for all carcasses below 7th place not sold through the VLS Auction equal to the amount received as fair market value from Sam Kane. No carcasses below 7th place are available to the exhibitor as these carcasses are shipped from Sam Kane per normal business and USDA beef storage restrictions within 72 hours following processing.
- 19. All 1st thru 7th place steers not sold through the VLS Auction are the responsibility of the exhibitor for disposition through Harwell's Custom Processing, 575-5120.
- 20. All correspondence with Sam Kane Beef Processors concerning any carcass entered into the VLS Carcass Steer competition will be directed through VLS management.

For additional information contact: Lou Svetlik Carcass Steer Superintendent 361-576-1037

CARCASS HOG RULES

- 1. Read General Rules.
- 2. All market and carcass hogs will be nominated on November 13, 2010, from 8:00 a.m. until 10:00 a.m. and on December 4, 2010, from 8:00 a.m. until 9:00 a.m. at the Victoria Livestock Show Pavilion. Entry fees must be paid at that time. Hogs desired to be entered only in the carcass division must be brought in, and the ear tag number must be listed on the nomination form. Hogs that are double entered (carcass & market) are required to be brought in for market show nomination.
- 3. All entries will be identified by a Victoria Livestock Show ear tag. Ear tags number MUST be clean and readable at weigh in. The Carcass Hog Superintendent must be notified within 24 hours should a hog lose its ear tag. Failure to do so will eliminate the hog from the carcass show. Contact Tim Faltysek at 573-0446.
- 4. Entries must arrive by 5:00 a.m., but no later than 6:30 a.m. on Tuesday, February 22, 2011 for weigh in. Only barrows and gilts will be evaluated. No late entries will be accepted.
- 5. Minimum weight is 230 pounds and maximum weight is 280 pounds. Any re-weigh of an animal must be called for immediately. For re-weigh see General Rule's pg. 10 or Sifting rules pg. 15. Unsound and stress symptom hogs will be sifted. A maximum of 35 hogs will be processed for evaluation, subject to the judge's discretion. All others will be delivered to the slaughter house or VLS buyer.
- 6. Of the 35 hogs taken to Granzin's Meat Market for evaluation, only the Grand and Reserve Grand Champions will be brought back to the VLS. All buyers at the VLS Auction and exhibitors that are not eligible for the auction will receive resale checks only.
- 7. All ear tags must be clean and readable at weigh in.
- 8. The objective of the carcass hog contest is to select the kind of carcass that is desirable to all segments of the meat industry. Therefore, carcasses eligible for placing must meet the following minimum requirements:
 - a. The carcass must weigh between 152 and 210 pounds
 - b. USDA Grade #1 hogs
 - c. Minimum carcass length, 29.5 inches
 - d. Minimum average carcass back fat thickness. .7inch
 - e. Maximum back fat thickness at the last rib, 1.24 inches
 - f. Minimum carcass muscling score of 2.0 as illustrated in the 2002 Pork Composition and Quality Assessment Procedures (NPPC, Des Moines, IA).

Carcasses will be evaluated for meat quality by visually appraising the loin muscle, color, marbling, and firmness as well as other abnormalities (soft and oily fat; pale, soft and watery lean; dark, firm and dry lean). Carcasses failing to meet two or more of the acceptable range requirements as outlined on the current Pork Composition and Quality Assessment Procedures (NPPC, Des Moines, IA) will be disgualified for placing.

Carcasses meeting the above minimum requirements will be evaluated for the percentage of fat-free lean by the following National Pork Producers Council formula: Percentage of fat-free lean equals $[((8.588 - (21.896 \times the 10^{th} rib fat depth, in.) + (3.005 \times 10^{th} rib loin muscle area, in²) + (0.465 x warm carcass weight, lbs.)) / warm carcass weight, lbs.] x 100.$

Carcasses will be ranked on percentage of fat-free lean. Final carcass placing will be made at the discretion of the carcass judge based on overall carcass merit.

9. An exhibitor can nominate as many carcass hogs as they want as long as each animal has a signed entry card and is tagged to a specific family.

For additional information contact: Tim Faltysek Carcass Hog Superintendent 361-573-0446

CARCASS LAMB RULES

- 1. Read General Rules.
- 2. All quality carcass lambs will be tagged and identified on Tuesday, October 19, 2010, from 4:30 p.m. to 5:30 p.m. and Saturday, October 23, 2010 from 8:00 a.m. to 10:00 a.m. at the VLS Pavilion. Entry fees must be paid at that time.
- 3. All entries will be identified by a VLS ear tag and tattoo. The Carcass Lamb Superintendent must be notified within 24 hours should a lamb lose its ear tag. Failure to do so will eliminate the lamb from the carcass show. Contact Larry Green at 361-645-1040.
- 4. All sexually intact female lambs must have an official USDA Scrapie Eradication Identification ear tag.
- 5. Entries must arrive from 6:00-6:30 a.m. but no later than 6:30 a.m. on Tuesday, February 22 2011, for weigh in. Only wether and ewe lambs will be eligible. No late entries will be accepted.
- 6. Lambs must weigh 90 lbs. minimum to 135 lbs. maximum. They must be shorn to ½" of wool or less.
- 7. Lambs will be evaluated at 6:30 a.m. Unsound lambs will be sifted. A maximum of 30 lambs will be processed for evaluation, subject to the judge's discretion. All others will be delivered to a slaughter house or VLS buyer.
- 8. The objective of the carcass lamb contest is to select the kind of carcass that is acceptable to all segments of the meat industry. The judge will place the carcasses on the basis of quantitative yield of the preferred cuts, quality of the carcass, size of the rib eye and thickness and completeness of subcutaneous fat cover.
- 9. The ideal lamb carcass:
 - a. Has a bright, attractive color of lean.
 - b. Has a quality of USDA Choice.
 - c. Has large rib eye.
 - d. Is at least slightly, but completely covered with external (subcutaneous) fat.
 - e. Has a minimum fat thickness over the center of the rib eye of .10 inch and maximum of .25 inch.
- 10. All carcasses will be ribbed between the 12th and 13th ribs according to the approved practice established by the American Meat Science Association. The rib eye area and thickness of fat over the center of the rib eye will be measured. The rib eye muscle will be evaluated for marbling, color, firmness and texture.
- 11. Carcasses must have 0.10 inch 0.25 inch fat over the rib eye and must grade U.S. Low Choice or better to be eligible for placing.
- 12. Lambs with a maximum warm weight exceeding 80 lbs. will be disqualified.
- 13. Carcass lambs will be placed based on the following two formulas:
 - a. Yield Grade = $0.4 + (10 \times adjusted fat thickness, inches)$
 - b. % Boneless closely trimmed retail cuts = 49.936 (0.0848 x warm carcass weight, lbs.) (4.376 x adjusted fat thickness, inches) (3.530 x body wall thickness, inches) + (2.456 x rib eye area, square inches)
- 14. The Grand and Reserve Champion Carcasses will be brought to VLS and hung in the carcass cooler as in the past.
- 15. All buyers at the VLS Auction and any exhibitors that do not make the sale will receive resale checks only.

For additional information contact: Larry Green Carcass Lamb Superintendent 361-645-1040

BREEDING DIVISION RULES

- 1. Read General Rules.
- 2. Premiums will NOT be mailed. Exhibitors are expected to pick their checks up before leaving the show.
- 3. Individual entry cards must be submitted for the Junior Heifer Show, Sweepstakes Heifer Show, Open Cattle Show and the Junior Breeding Gilt Show.

JUNIOR HEIFER SHOW

- The Junior Breeding Heifer Show will be a Texas Junior Livestock Association (TJLA) sanctioned show. Mail all entries to Gary Loest, 313 Kolodzey Rd Victoria, TX 77905.
- 2. All entries in this division will be subject to the general rules of the livestock show except where they conflict with the special rules in this division. In such cases the special rules of this division will prevail.
- 3. No heifers older than 9-1-2008 are eligible to show.
- 4. Entry fees of \$20.00 per head, per ring (A-B) will be submitted no later than midnight February 21, 2011. There will be an additional \$5.00 fee per exhibitor for late entries.
- 5. Junior heifers must be registered in the records of their respective breed association in the name of the exhibitor. Original junior heifer registration papers must be presented at time of show. No bill of sale will be accepted. Copies of scramble heifer registration papers will be accepted.
- 6. This is a Blow & Go Show. No trim chutes allowed. Generators welcome, but must be set outside of the barn in compliance with the fire code
- One animal constitutes a breed and classes will be determined at the discretion of the superintendent.
- 8. Junior breeding heifer entries may arrive Friday evening, February 25, 2011, but must arrive by 7am on Saturday, February 26, 2011.
- 9. Check in cut off time is 7:00 am Saturday, February 26, 2011. Breeding heifer entries will be released Saturday, February 26, 2011 after the show.

For additional information contact: Gary Loest 361-571-2130 Junior Heifer Show Superintendent

SWEEPSTAKES HEIFER SHOW

- 1. All entries must be submitted on a printed entry form supplied by the Victoria Livestock Show. Sweepstakes heifers must be entered and shown in the junior show. There will be an entry fee of \$35.00 per head. Entry fees are due December 5, 2010.
- 2. Animals must be registered with the parent breed association. AOB and ABC heifers may be shown if certified by the TCCA and have official TCCA AOB or ABC ear tag and certificate number. Each animal must be registered in the name of the individual exhibitor. Only bonafide members of Victoria County 4-H Clubs or FFA Chapters are eligible. Only two heifers may be entered per exhibitor.
- 3. All animals must be owned, in possession and registered in the name of the exhibitor by the parent association on or before November 1, 2010.
- 4. All heifer breed division classes will be set up as follows: There will be a minimum of two heifers per breed division. Breeds with less than two animals will go to American/Brahman or "Other Breeds" division. Number of entries may warrant a division in classes. Classes may then be divided according to age. This decision will be at the discretion of the division superintendent.
- 5. Grand Champion Heifer Class Each breed division will be represented by their Champion and Reserve Champion in the Sweepstakes. These heifers will be judged and placed as follows: Grand Champion, Reserve Grand Champion, Third Place Overall, Fourth Place Overall, Fifth Place Overall*, Sixth Place Overall*.
 - * Total placing will depend on number of divisions.
- 6. High school seniors are not eligible to receive a donated heifer. If a heifer is donated, it will go the highest placing eligible exhibitor.
- 7. Donated heifers must be shown at next year's show. Failing to show a donated heifer will result in the exhibitor being ineligible to exhibit other heifers in the Sweepstakes Show.
- 8. Banners will be presented to the overall Grand Champion and to the Reserve Grand Champion. One banner to the exhibitor and a like banner to the breeder will be presented.
- 9. Premium money will be paid as follows: Grand Champion Heifer of the Show 31.25% of the premium money raised not to exceed the sum of \$500.00.Reserve Grand Champion Heifer 25% of the premium money raised not to exceed the sum of \$400.00.Third Place Heifer 18.75% of the premium money raised not to exceed the sum of \$300.00. Fourth Place Heifer 12.5% of the premium money raised not to exceed the sum of \$200.00.Fifth Place Heifer 6.25% of the premium money raised not to exceed the sum of \$100.00.Sixth Place Heifer 6.25% of the premium money raised not to exceed the sum of \$100.00.
- 10. Any entry that becomes unruly or creates a disturbance in the show ring will immediately be excused at the discretion and instruction of the ring steward and will not be eligible to compete.
- 11. All Sweepstakes Heifers must arrive on Thursday, February 24, 2011, between 10:30 a.m. and 11:30 a.m. and will be released Saturday, February 26, 2011 after 5:00 p.m.
- 12. All Sweepstakes Heifer entries will be stalled together.
- 13. The Sweepstakes Heifer Show will be at 8:00 a.m. on Friday, February 25, 2011.
- 14. All trim chutes must be removed Friday by noon.

For additional information contact: Susan Hempel Sweepstakes Heifer Show Superintendent 361-649-6960

JUNIOR COMMERCIAL HEIFER SHOW AND SALE

The purpose of the Commercial Heifer Show and Sale is to provide a project that will expose the exhibitors to commercial cattle production. This includes the purchasing, development, breeding, exhibition, and marketing of crossbred beef heifers.

This project is not part of the Junior Livestock Auction Division; therefore, 4-H and FFA members can sell in this program as well as the Junior Livestock auction. However, exhibitors must abide by the General Junior Live-stock Rules.

- 1. This show is limited to projects owned, fed, and cared for by Victoria County 4-H and FFA members in good standing and under the supervision of the Agriculture Science Teachers and County Extension Agents.
- 2. The Junior Commercial Heifer Show and Sale is an opportunity to show and sell commercial heifers. Crossbred heifers are desired, but purebred heifers will be permitted to show. Any heifer exhibited in the Commercial Heifer Show will not be allowed to compete in any other Junior Beef Heifer Show of the Victoria Livestock Show.
- 3. Due to space limitations, the total number of pens (exhibits) will be limited to 65 or less. Therefore, if more than 65 pens are entered at tag-in date, a sifting rule will be implemented. At show time, judges will be asked to sift any pens of heifers that do not meet quality or condition to make suitable replacement females. All heifers passing the sift standards must be present for sale. Those heifers not passing the sift standards must be removed from the Victoria Livestock Show grounds upon completion of the sifting program. Three sifting judges will be used, with each judge having 1 white chip (signifying pen approval) and 1 black chip (signifying non approval). Sifting judges should refrain from discussing pens while making their decision. Each pen of heifers must receive 2 or more white chips to gain approval to enter the show and sale. Each pen of heifers receiving 2 or more black chips does not pass the sift test and declares them ineligible for the show and sale. Health certificates will be required and must include a pregnancy test that is no more than one month prior to show stating open, exposed, or calf at side.
- 4. A maximum of three (3) head may be tagged in. Each exhibitor may tag in one alternate heifer; only two head will be allowed to compete in the show and sale. If a heifer is unable to compete and the exhibitor has only one (1) remaining heifer, that single heifer will be able to sell in the sale, but will be ineligible to compete for awards or prize money. Each pen of heifers or heifer must pass the sifting standards as outlined in Rule #3.
- 5. All junior commercial heifer entries will be tagged and tattooed at Briggs Ranch on October 2, 2010 from 8:00-11:00 a.m. There will be an entry fee of \$40.00 per pen charged at the initial tag in. Each exhibitor is limited to one pen. Exhibitors must bring with them a statement showing the heifer's birth date.
- 6. All heifers must be Brucellosis calf-hood vaccinated by the initial tag in. They must have a legible brucellosis calf-hood vaccination tattoo.
- 7. Heifers cannot be added or switched after the tag in date.
- 8. Exhibitor must own heifers 100% throughout the feeding period starting on the initial tag-in date. Exhibitors must feed and care for heifers.
- 9. Heifers will be checked in for the Victoria Livestock Show on Thursday, February 24, 2011, from 10:00 a.m. to 12:00 noon at the Victoria Livestock Show Pavilion.
- 10. All heifers must comply with Texas Animal Health Commission Rules governing entry into Victoria County Livestock Show grounds.
- 11. Judging Guidelines and Selection for heifers:

a. Quality, confirmation and condition
b. Structural soundness
c. Frame size for age
d. Reproductive soundness
10 pts.

e. Area adaptability
f. Uniformity
g. Temperament
h. Presentation of project
5 pts.

- 12. Premiums will be established by the Junior Commercial Heifer Show and Sale committee. Prize money will be awarded according to monies available for judging animals and record books. Premium money will generally be paid 75% toward animal placing and 25% toward record books.
- 13. All heifers that pass sifting and grading must sell on Saturday, February 26, 2011, at 3:00 p.m. All payments will be made directly to the seller by the buyer. Victoria Livestock Show will not be liable for payment to the seller.
- 14. A 6% sales charge, minus the \$40, will be due from each exhibitor that sells through the sale ring to help compensate for sale costs. Exhibitors retain P.O. privilege, but a minimum of \$20.00 per head or 6% of last bid, whichever is greater, is due to the Victoria Livestock Show. All commission checks are due within seven days after the sale.

Mail checks to:
Victoria Livestock Show
P.O. Box 2255
Victoria, Texas 77902

Failure to pay this commission and or other fees will result in the exhibitor being ineligible to participate in future shows. The entry fee will be applied to the 6% sales charge.

- 15. All heifers will be released Sunday, February 27, 2011 between 8:00 a.m. and 10:00 a.m.
- 16. In order to comply with the National Law of Beef Check Off, one dollar (\$1.00) will be collected at time of check in at the Victoria Livestock Show.
- 17. The Commercial Heifer Committee reserves the right to amend these rules with the approval of the Victoria Livestock Show board.
- 18. All heifers entered in this program and sold, remain the property of the exhibitor until leaving the show grounds.
- 19. There will be no harassment of the judges, committees, or show board prior to, during, or after the sale.
- 20. This program is designed to be educational and beneficial to the youth of Victoria County. Any parent or exhibitor found not adhering to any rules pertaining to the Commercial Heifer Show will have their entire family banned for a period of one year to lifetime from exhibition in the program per the Commercial Heifer Committee's discretion.
- 21. Heifer Classes:

Class I - Spring born

1/1/10 to 3/31/10 Heifers must be open at day of Commercial Heifer Show check in.

Class II - Fall Females

7/1/09 to 12/31/09 May be exposed no earlier than November 15, 2010. Heifer can be no more than 120 days pregnant at the day of the Commercial Heifer Show check in.

Class III - Spring born 2 years old

1/1/09 to 6/31/09 Entries must have calf at side or be palpated safe in calf.

Champions from Classes I, II, and III will show for Grand Champion and Reserve Champion of the show.

Judging results will be announced Friday, February 25, 2011 at 6:30 p.m. prior to the steer show.

22. Record books are mandatory for all exhibitors and are due at check in at the Victoria Livestock Show.

a. Cost, calculations and breakdown
b. Creativity
c. Neatness and Form
d. Summaries
25 pts.
25 pts.

For additional information contact Joe Jones Commercial Heifer Superintendent 361-550-0994

JUNIOR BREEDING GILT SHOW

- 1. All entries and awards in this department will be subject to the General Rules and Regulations published in the Rule Book.
- 2. An exhibitor may enter no more than one gilt per individual class.
- 3. The Junior Breeding Gilt Show will consist of Breed classifications as justified, Other Pure Breed classes will be divided as needed and Commercial gilts.
 - a. Six (6) gilts will be needed to make a Breed Classification, based on entries.
 - b. Breeds represented by less than six (6) gilts will be combined as O.P.B.
 - c. If needed, O.P.B.'s could be split into White and Dark Breeds.
 - d. Large classes may be split into equal sub-classes.
 - e. A statement from the breeder indicating the birth date of the gilt is needed for commercial gilts. The original or copy of registry paper is required for all pure breeds.
- 4. Commercial gilts are not eligible to compete for grand and reserve champion of the Junior Breeding Gilt Show.
- 5. Any gilt which is not registered in the name of the exhibitor by February 10, 2011, will be assigned to the commercial class. No fresh ear notches will be permitted. Notches not matching papers will be assigned to the commercial class. Possession dates and exhibitor registration will be the same as market hogs (Nov.13 or Dec.4); with ear tagging to be used as verification. Be sure and mark Breeding Gilts when you tag your hogs. No late exhibitor registrations will be accepted. Entry cards and fees for breeding gilts will be due no later than February 10, 2011. Make checks payable to Victoria Livestock Show. No late entries will be accepted.
- 6. Health requirements will be under current regulations of the Texas Animal Commission.
- 7. Gilts will check in with breeding papers from 10:00 a.m.-11:30 a.m., Friday, February 25, 2011. Release time will be Sunday, February 27, 2011 between 1:00 p.m.-2:00 p.m. Premium checks will be handed out at 12:30 pm before release.
- 8. Junior breeding gilt judging will be Saturday, February 27, 2011 at 1:00 p.m. Exhibitors need to be in the bleachers 30 minutes before the show.
- 9. Premiums will be paid as money allows.
- 10. Any exhibitor not in their pen during sweepstakes judging will forfeit all monies won.
- 11. Sweepstake maximums will be \$400.00 Additional places will be paid as money is available.
- 12. Commercial gilts will be eligible for all awards from third place down.
- 13. An exhibitor may be awarded no more than one sweepstake place.
- Donated gilts are to be shown the following year unless released by the donor.
- 15. All entries must be on Junior Breeding Gilt Entry cards. Cards may be picked up from the superintendent or the County Extension Office or Ag teachers.
- 16. Gilts must be clean and clipped upon arrival. No clipping allowed on show grounds.
- 17. Animals need to be cared for twice daily. Do not feed during the show.
- 18. No dressings except water may be used on the gilts.
- 19. Each exhibitor must turn in 3 Thank You notes to our donors per entry. These are due at release time on Sunday.

20. Fee is \$25.00 per entry. Mail entries / money to:

Bobbie Guinn
2585 Burroughsville Rd
Victoria, TX 77905

For additional information contact: Bobbie Guinn Junior Breeding Gilt Superintendent 361-578-1992

Breeding Rabbit Show

- 1. The Victoria Livestock Show will hold a Project Show open to all Victoria county 4-H/FFA. Members currently registered in the Market Rabbit Division of the Victoria Livestock Show on Thursday February 24, 2011 at 2:00 p.m. in/at the same location as the Market Rabbit show. The show is being held so that the market rabbit Division participants can further evaluate their breeding stock. This will be a carrying cage show only, no cooping will be provided.
- 2. Entry Fee's will be \$3.00 per rabbit payable in cash or check (made payable to Victoria Livestock show) at the time of the show.
- 3. All General Rules of the Victoria Livestock show will apply to this show.
- 4. All Market Rabbit show rules will apply as applicable, to participating in this show.
- 5. All ARBA (American Rabbit Breeders Association) show and class rules will apply.
- 6. There will be one class winner also chosen in a Single fryer class.
- 7. Breeds will be judges individually by breed standards specific to that breed. The breed winners will be combined and awards given for overall winners in the categories below:

Best over all Buck

Best over all Doe

Best single Fryer

8. Immediately after the conclusion of the show all rabbits in the breeding rabbit show must be removed from the show grounds.

For additional information contact: David Kabela Market Rabbit Superintendent 361-582-2909 work 361-573-6399 home

PONY SHOW RULES

- As a minimum requirement, all ponies 46" and under, must be serviceably sound for show purposes. Any pony showing evidence of lameness, deformity in feet, broken wind or complete loss of sight in either or both eyes shall be disqualified.
- 2. Ponies may be of any color, either solid or mixed. No particular color is preferred, nor is any color to be considered undesirable, nor should discrimination be made because of the color of the eyes, such as glass, witch hazel, or blue.
- 3. Ponies should be neatly trimmed, well groomed, and attractively presented in the show ring. There is to be <u>NO</u> braiding or decorations of any kind on the pony. Ponies must have a full mane and tail with a bridle path.
- 4. Any handler found to be abusing an animal or any exhibitor found to be disruptive to the show procedures in or out of the ring is to be automatically excused from the show along with the animal. Any animal endangering another animal or exhibitor will be excused from the ring by the judge, ring steward or Pony Superintendent.
- 5. The Pony Superintendent or Assistants will be fully responsible for the interpretation and adherence to the show rules. The Superintendent will have the authority to make any decisions relative to these rules and policies. The Superintendent will have the full authority to disqualify an entry who fails to conform to the policies and rules.
- 6. There will be no adult classes held at the Victoria Livestock Show. Stallions can be shown at the summer show by an exhibitor 16 years of age and older. Exhibitors 12 to 15 may show a stallion (any age) with an adult assistant who must reside within 50 miles of Victoria County.
- 7. A regulation measuring stick purchased by the club will be used to measure all ponies. Ponies 46" and under are allowed. Measurement is at the withers.
- 8. Artificial apparatus, tack or stimulant of any kind is prohibited except an open faced halter in the halter classes.
- 9. Exhibitors 5 and under should be accompanied by an assistant. An assistant for 6 to 9 year olds can be used as needed. Only one assistant per youth exhibitor. The assistant is to let the exhibitor work and set-up the pony on their own. No assistant is to hold the lead line unless the pony becomes unruly.
- 10. Entry blanks should carry the year of birth of each pony using January 1st, as the birthday. The exhibitor's ages are to be as of January 1st, of current year.
- 11. The entry deadline date is December 5, 2010. The entry fee is \$20.00 per pony.
- 12. Grand and Reserve Champions will be selected from Model and Halter classes. Only 1st and 2nd places will come out to compete. The winners of model classes can compete in other classes.
- 13. A pony currently involved with or supervised by a person should not be judged by that individual.
- 14. There will be no riding or exercising inside the arena or show barn except at designated times.
- 15. 38" and under is open to any mare or gelding 3 years and older that is 38" or under at the withers.
- 16. Any 4-H or FFA member actually having a pony project may enter any of all classes. 4-H and FFA project ponies must be owned by the exhibitor and be listed as a project within a 4-H club.
- 17. The use of both hands on the reins will be permitted while performing in the pole, barrel and play game classes. You must use one hand on the reins while performing in the Western Pleasure classes. No whips or spurs will be allowed in the show ring.
- 18. All ponies must have a current Coggins test results in hand, and be vet checked by a veterinarian or an appointed person the day of the show.
- 19. Long sleeve or short sleeve attire is permissible for the show. However, for showmanship, you must wear long sleeve shirt, jeans, hat, boots, belt and neckwear.

- 20. In poles, barrels and play games, the exhibitor can lead or ride the pony. A child may enter Lead Line or Western Pleasure 5 and Under but cannot enter both. Western Pleasure will have no lead line. No adults will be allowed in the costume class, except as an assistant. In the trail and jumping classes the exhibitor can take only 1 pony.
- 21. No refunds for entries will be made unless you have a veterinarian's release. The Victoria Livestock Show Pony Division is primarily intended for youth ages 18 and under who reside within a 50 mile radius of the Victoria County line.
- 22. Any pony (mare or gelding), member or non-member, who has won a Grand Champion for 2 consecutive shows, will not be permitted to show at the next stock show or summer show in halter classes. The pony may be shown in showman-ship, color and performance classes.
- 23. There will be a 2 minute gate call. After the last call, you will not be allowed to enter the ring with your pony. The announcer times and makes the call.

For additional information contact: Ardith Morisak Pony Superintendent 361-550-0426 home

2011 COUNTY FAIR

- 1. All general rules of the Victoria Livestock Show will apply to this division.
- 2. Registration:
 - a. Wednesday, February 23, 2011, 4:00 6:00 p.m.
 - b. There will be no pre-registration.
 - c. Judging will be Thursday, February 24, 2011, 9:00 a.m. 12:00 noon.
 - d. No one other than the judges and approved leaders will be allowed in the exhibit area during the time exhibits are being judged.
 - e. Exhibits will open to the public Thursday, February 24, 1:00 to 7:00 p.m., Friday, February 25, 10:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m. Saturday, February 26, 10:00 a.m. 12:00 noon
 - f. All entries must be picked up Saturday, February 26, from 12:00 p.m. 2:00 p.m.
- 3. Entry is open to any resident of Victoria County. Entry must have been made since the 2010 Livestock Show and must be the work of the entrant.
- 4. A person may enter a total of five (5) items per division, but only one item per class. Divisions are:

Art

Photography

Crafts & Horticulture

Clothing & Handiwork

Foods

Educational Exhibits

3. The categories for competition will be as follows:

a. Just For Fun Pre-K2-4, K, 1st & 2nd graders (not judged competitively)

b. Junior Ages 8-10 *
c. Intermediate Ages 11-13*
d. Senior Ages 14-18*
e. Adult Over 18

6. The following exhibitor entry fees must accompany the entry forms:

Just For Fun No entry fee
Per Exhibitor: One (1) – Nine (9) \$3 entry fee
Per Exhibitor: Ten (10) or more \$5 entry fee

- 7. Parking Pass Eligibility: Any youth ages 8 and older who has ten or more articles accepted for competition at check-in will receive a parking pass.
- 8. Each item in a class will receive a Blue, Red or White quality of work ribbon. Each entry in Just For Fun will receive a participation ribbon only. In each division, a Grand and Reserve Champion item will be named in each respective age group. All Grand Champion items will then be judged for a "Best of Show" named for each age group.
- 9. Each article must be labeled with an entry card (name, age of exhibitor and identification) accompanied with a Summary Sheet at time of check-in. Entry cards and summary sheets can be picked up at the Extension Office prior to check-in.
- 10. Please see each Division for specific rules.

ARTS DIVISION

All artwork must be completed by entrant. Art may be matted, but use of frames or glass is prohibited. Please bring art unframed.

Class

- 1. Painting
 - a. Oil
 - b. Acrylics
 - c. Watercolor
- 2. Drawing
 - a. Pencil
 - b. Pen & Ink
 - c. Charcoal
 - d. Pastels
 - e. Crayon
- 3. Sculpture / Hand Arts
 - a. Clay Sculpture
 - b. Scratch Board
 - c. Other
- 4. Coloring on Pre-printed Paper
 - a. Crayons
 - b. Markers
 - c. Watercolors

PHOTOGRAPHY DIVISION

Only entries of single photographs will be accepted (no collages). Pictures may be taken with any camera. Entries must be mounted on photographic mount board, thin foam board, or commercial mat. All photos must be 8"x10" (excluding mat if used). Use of frames or glass is prohibited. Class is determined by focal point of picture.

Class

- 1. People
 - a. Color
 - b. Black & White
 - 2. Animals
 - a. Color
 - b. Black & White
- 3. Natural Landscape
 - a. Color
 - b. Black & White
- 4. Plant / Flora
 - a. Color
 - b. Black & White
- 5. Still Life
 - a. Color
 - b. Black & White

- 6. Special Effects (any photo that has been enhanced to bring out dramatic or artistic qualities; these enhancements can occur using the camera or developing process. Antiquing, hand-tinting, and sepia-tone photos would be entered in this class). Note: Does not include the simple conversion of a color photo to black and white.
- 7. Themed Victoria Livestock Show (photo related to any aspect of the Victoria Livestock Show such as the parade, Queen's pageant, livestock, etc.)

CLOTHING & HANDWORK DIVISION

All garments and accessories must be home sewn by the exhibitor. All articles must be brought to checkin on hangers and fastened securely. All garments and accessories must be clean. All garments and accessories must be finished and ready for wear/use. All quilts and quilted articles may not be commercially quilted.

Class

1. Clothing

Includes: Blouse, Coat/Jacket, Dresses, Skirts, Pants or Shorts, Tailored Dress, Tailored Suit, Skirt/Blouse, Ensemble, Split Skirts, Vest, Other

2. Accessories

Includes: Belts, Bags, Hats, Purses, Hair Or-naments, Jewelry, Other

3. Home Accessories

Includes: Pillows, Aprons, Pot Holders, Appliance Covers, Placemats (set of 4), Napkins (set of 4), Table Cloth, Casserole Carriers, Other

- 4. Quilting
 - a. Machine
 - b. Hand
- 5. Crochet

Includes: Pillows, Bedcovering, Home Access- ories, Clothing Accessories, Other

6. Knitting

Includes: Bedcovering, Home Accessories, Clothing Accessories, Clothing, Other

- 7. Needlepoint
- 8. Latch Hook
- 9. Cross Stitch

CRAFTS & HORTICULTURE DIVISION

All work must be that of the entrant. All articles must be finished and ready to use. Some classes may include fabric and/or fiber. All potted plants must be in exhibitor's care at least 90 days prior to check-in. All potted plants, including hanging baskets, must have saucers underneath for watering purposes. All plants should be clean with dead foliage removed and in clean, proper containers.

Class

1. Artistic Arrangement

Includes: Fresh Flowers, Fruit & Vegetables; Artificial Flowers, Fruit & Vegetables; Special Arrangements, Dried Arrangements, Wreaths

2. Handicrafts – Kit

Includes: Dolls, Decorations, Toys, Pictures, Glass crafts, Home Accessories, Other

3. Handicrafts - Creative

Includes: Dolls, Decorations, Toys, Pictures, Glass crafts, Home Accessories, Other

4. Hand Arts

Includes: Electricity, Leather Crafts, Metal Work, Plastic, Wood, Other

FOOD DIVISION

Baked products (cakes, pies, breads {except cornbread} must be brought in whole and in/on disposable containers (paper, cardboard, plastic or foil only). Brownies, cookies, candies must be brought as a sample of 3 in a Ziploc bag on a 6" disposable plate. No baked products or candies that require refrigeration will be accepted. All canned products must be in standard jars, pint or quart. Canned products will be disqualified if exhibited in mayonnaise, coffee or any other jar that is not a standard canning jar. All canned product jars must be clean and un-chipped with new lids and rings. All canned products must be sealed with only one lid. The use of paraffin or decorative lid coverings is prohibited.

Class

- 1. Decorated Items (cakes, cookies)
- 2. Homemade Cakes

Includes: Bundt, Layered, Sheet, Other

- Convenience Desserts (box mix /modified cakes, cookies, brownies) Includes: Bundt, Layered, Sheet, Other
- 4. Pies Includes: Fruit, Cobblers, Nuts, Other
- 5. Homemade Cookies
- 6. Homemade Brownies
- 7. Bread Yeast

Includes: Loaf, Cinnamon Rolls, Coffee Cake, Rolls, Strudels, Other

8. Bread - Quick

Includes: Loaf, Cinnamon Rolls, Coffee Cake, Rolls, Muffins, Other

- 9. Candies
- 10. Canned Foods
 - a. Canned Vegetables, Pickles, Relishes & Fruit
 - b. Preserves, Jam, Jelly, Marmalade
- 11. Dried Meats Class

Includes: Jerky, Sausage, Other

12. Snack Mix / Trail Mix

EDUCATIONAL EXHIBITS DIVISION

All must be the work of the entrant.

Class

- 1. 4-H Exhibits
- 2. Science Fair Projects
- 3. Books / Scrapbooks

AGRICULTURAL MECHANICS PROJECT SHOW

Entry deadline: January 15, 2011

Check-in: Wednesday, February 23, 2011 from 5:00 to 6:00 p.m.

Judging: Thursday, February 24, 2011 from 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 noon

Release time: Saturday, February 26, 2011 from 10:00 a.m. to 12:00 noon.

- 1. Exhibitors may enter as many projects as they desire. On group projects, the group should consist of a majority of Victoria County residents.
- 2. All projects must be the work of the exhibitor. A project must have been constructed between the date of the previous years show and the date of check in. A project can be exhibited only one time at the Victoria Livestock Show.
- 3. All projects must be painted and properly treated and must be clean and in a presentable condition even though they may have been used.
- 4. An original working plan or drawing, photographs showing stages of construction and a bill of materials are required with each project and must be properly displayed.
- 5. Appropriate and safe display stands are to be provided for gates, panels, and other projects that need support. Sharp edges and points are to be padded and/or covered as necessary to prevent possible injury. Heavy BBQ pit lids or doors must be secured open to prevent possible injury.
- 6. Every precaution will be taken to protect the projects entered; however, neither the VLS Board of Directors nor the officials of this Division will be responsible for any loss or damage to projects.
- 7. The standards for judging will be as follows:

a. Workmanship	30 points
b. Variety of skills performed	30 points
c. Design and materials used	10 points
d. Degree of difficulty	10 points
e. Desired finish	10 points
f. Plans, photos, bills/materials	10 points

- 8. There will be four classes for projects and the superintendent of the Ag Mechanics division will make the decision as to which class the project belongs.
 - Class I Metal working projects (at least 60% of the skills and construction time spent building the project involved metal working skills)
 - Class II Woodworking Projects (at least 60% of the skills and construction time spent building the project involved wood working skills)

Class III - Other

Class IV - Tractor Restoration

- 9. No one but the judge and show officials will be allowed in the exhibit area during the time the exhibits are being judged.
- 10. Prize money will be paid for class placing as available. The first and second places in each class will compete for grand and reserve champion of the show for additional prizes.
- 11. Projects exhibited must have been constructed by FFA or 4-H members, either as part of their school, 4-H or home project. All exhibitors must be in compliance with U.I.L. regulations. Victoria Livestock Show will provide a standard exhibitors name tag for the projects related to the shop division. Entry fee is \$20.00 per project entered. Mail entries to:

Patrick Moeller % Memorial FFA P.O. Box 1759 Victoria, TX 77902

- 12. Junior projects can be shown in either the Agricultural Mechanics or Youth Fair but not in both.
- 13. Projects will not be released from the VLS grounds without a proper release form.

For additional information contact: Patrick Moeller Ag Mechanics Superintendent 361-571-5719

LIVESTOCK SHOW JUDGING CONTEST

- 1. This invitational contest will be held on Sunday, February 27, 2011. Registration will be from 10:00 11:00 am behind the Victoria Community Center in the Jaycee Hall with the contest beginning at 11:00 p.m. in the VLS Pavilion.
- 2. Each FFA Chapter or County 4-H Club may enter as many teams as they wish. There will be no limits on teams from Victoria County. Teams may have 3 or 4 members. Individuals will be allowed to judge. All participants must be in compliance with U.I.L. regulations.
- 3. There will be two age divisions this year, Junior and Senior. The Junior division will consist of members who are in the 9th grade or below. The Senior division will consist of students in the 10-12 grade. Younger students may move up to the Senior division if necessary, but older students cannot move down. There will be no separate divisions for 4-H and FFA.
- 4. The entry will be \$40.00 per team or \$10.00 per individual. There is no entry deadline or late fees.
- 5. There will be 8 placing classes: 2 market steers, 2 market hogs, 1 market lamb, 1 market goat, 1 breeding gilt and 1 breeding cattle. There will also be 3 question classes of 5 questions each; 1 on beef, hog and sheep. These classes will be announced during the contest. Notes taken by contestants may be used.
- 6. Contestants will be given 12 minutes to judge classes and to answer questions. Generic scantron sheets will be provided. It is the responsibility of the contestant to turn in the completed scantron sheets.
- 7. There will be no talking allowed or conferring between contestants during the contest. Anyone caught will be disqualified and their team disqualified as well.
- 8. Officials will be announced as soon as the contest concludes. Results should be announced and awards presented by 2:00 p.m. All results are final as announced. Results can also be seen online at www.judgingcard.com.
- 9. The highest scoring team overall will each receive trophy buckles. The high point individual of the Junior and Senior Division will each receive a trophy buckle donated by the Harwell Family in memory of the late Stanley Harwell. The top five teams of each division will receive plaques and the top ten individuals of each division will receive caps.
- 10. Send entry forms and fees to:

Jerry Stratmann % Bloomington FFA P.O. Box 158 Bloomington, TX 77951

For additional information contact: Jerry Stratmann Livestock Judging Superintendent 361-897-1551 ex. 225

RANGE & PASTURE PLANT IDENTIFICATION CONTEST

SCHEDULE:

Date: Sunday, February 27, 2011 Registration: 12:30 - 1:30 p.m.

Contest Begins: 1:30 p.m.

Contest Location: Community Center Annex

Awards Presented: 3:30 p.m.

RULES:

1. Contest will be divided into two (2) divisions.

JUNIOR DIVISION: Contestants must be in 3rd grade or at least 9 years of age and no more than a freshman in high school.

SENIOR DIVISION: Contestants must be at least sophomores in high school and have not reached their 19th birthday on or before August 31, 2010.

- 2. Any Agriculture Science Teacher (AST) or County Extension Agent (CEA) may enter in each division up to two teams trained under his supervision. Contestants must be enrolled in a public or private elementary or secondary school in Texas to be eligible to compete. Contestants must be in compliance with U.I.L. regulations.
- 3. Competing teams will consist of three (3) or four (4) members. Scores of the three (3) highest team members will comprise a team score. Individual contestants may compete and contend for individual awards.
- 4. Teams may be entered in this contest by sending a completed official entry application to the Victoria County Extension Office, 442 Foster Field Drive, Victoria, Texas 77904, Attn: Joe Janak. Entry fee will be \$5.00 per contestant payable to "Victoria Livestock Show". Entry forms and fees are requested by January 15, 2011 but late entries at \$7.00 per person will be accepted the date of the contest.
- 5. Plants will be selected from the Master Plant List prepared by the Texas AgriLife Extension Service 9, the Departments of Vocational Agriculture, the Natural Resources Conservation Service and Show Officials. Additional copies may be obtained from your local CEA.
- 6. Samples will include mounted plants or live specimens.
- 7. Contestants will be given scorecards and will have 45 seconds per plant to identify the plant, write in the common name and check the characteristics. Scoring will be done by points. If the plant name is incorrect, no credit will be given for characteristics correctly identified. Tie scores will be broken by providing contestants involved an opportunity to identify another set of plants. Officials' decisions will be final.
- 8. Trophies/plaques will be presented to each member of the top placing team in the Junior and Senior Divisions. The high point individual overall will receive a "High Point Award" Belt Buckle. The top three (3) high point individuals in the Junior and Senior Divisions will receive "High Point Individual" caps.
- 9. SPECIAL ADULT DIVISION:

Contestants must not be currently enrolled in a 4-H or FFA youth program. Coaches, teachers, agents and others may enter at \$5.00 per contestant by January 15, 2011 or \$7.00 per person late fee. A "High Point Individual" cap will be presented to the high point adult.

If you have any questions concerning this contest, please contact: Joe Janak at 361-575-4581 or Rose Marie Wright at 361-578-2941

Dr. Barron S. Rector, Range Specialist Texas Cooperative Extension, Texas A&M University

4H / FFA YOUTH AWARDS / SCHOLARSHIPS

Scholarships

One Walt Gillig Memorial Scholarship - \$1500.00

One Dan McCue Memorial Scholarship - \$1500.00

One Dennis Williams Memorial Scholarship - \$1000.00

One Francis Obsta Memorial Scholarship - \$1000.00

Six Victoria Livestock Show Scholarships - \$1000.00 each

Applications are available from the Victoria County Extension office or from your Agriculture Science Teacher.

Applications are due by February 4, 2011.

**Additional scholarships may be awarded as money becomes available

For more information contact:

Leesa Brown Home: 576-0850 Cell: 218-8516

Showmanship

Senior Division Ages 14 & over Junior Division Ages 8-13 yrs.

Ages are as of August 31, 2010.

Senior Division Showmanship and Junior Division Showmanship will be awarded in the Market Show (Rabbit, Broiler, Hog, Lamb, Goat, & Steer divisions), the Heifer Sweepstakes Show and the Junior Breeding Gilt Show. The showmanship judge may select a 1st, 2nd, and 3rd place (judge's discretion).

Premiums:

1st place – guaranteed \$100.00 (+ belt buckle) 2nd place- guaranteed \$50.00; 3rd place guaranteed \$25.00

3 of the showmanship awards are presented in special memory as follows: the Mark Scherer Memorial Steer Senior Showmanship; the Louis Wedemeir Memorial Hog Senior Showmanship; and the Bob Weisiger Memorial Lamb Senior Showmanship.

Other awards presented:

Pete Gorham Memorial Award (hardest working Bloomington FFA senior)

David Anderle Memorial Award (Bloomington FFA greenhand hard worker)

Audrey Barrett Memorial Sportsmanship

Outstanding FFA Member

Outstanding 4-H Member

Emil Waida Memorial Sportsmanship Award

Herdsman Awards

May be awarded in the Hog, Lamb, Goat, Steer and Broiler divisions to 4-H Clubs and FFA Chapters at the show's discretion.

John Pozzi Victoria Livestock Show Chairman 361-648-0200

Gary Loest
Victoria Livestock Show Asst. Chairman
General Superintendent
361-571-2130

Dr. Bob Horton Agricultural Division Chairman 361-572-4397

Bryan Nethery Business Division Chairman 361-799-9266

OFFICIAL SHOW DATES

2011 - Feb. 21-Feb. 28

2012 - Feb. 20-Feb. 27

2013 - Feb. 18-Feb. 25