

Gilliam County Youth Fair 101: Welcome to The Barn!

A walk through of being in the 4-H barns



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Gilliam County Fair

The Gilliam County Fair is an opportunity for 4-H youth to display all of the hard work they've poured into their projects – animal and non-animal. Youth are judged with the Danish Merit system during shows and interviews. Parents and volunteers are not allowed to help youth with their projects at Fair, unless it is a safety issue. The County Fair is for the youth to shine. Youth engage with the public to educate on their projects, as well as 4-H programming.



Faculty at Fair



4-H Program Coordinator

Maggie Justice is the 4-H Coordinator that will oversee the 4-H Youth Fair this 2024 year. If you have questions for the 4-H office surrounding Fair, you can contact her!

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Volunteers & Leaders



4-H Education Program Assistant

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4-H Volunteers & Leaders

4-H Association Volunteers supports the Youth Fair & This year we will have Volunteers throughout the fair week helping in the office & around the grounds. 4-H Leaders shall be available at all times during fair for members to ask questions & lean on for guidance during fair. Leaders will be aware of all schedules for members during fair week.

Say THANK YOU to your Leaders & Volunteers!

Fair Partners



Superintendents

Superintendents are 4-H volunteers that meet with 4-H faculty throughout the Fair to prepare for Fair, as well as provide additional educational opportunities for youth. Superintendents manage the barns and shows at the County Fair, for 4-H. See the Fair Book for superintendents' details and contact information.

Say THANK YOU to your Superintendents!



Gilliam County & Fair Board Members

Gilliam County Fairgrounds is a big partner in the Gilliam County Fair – they host us! This is home of the county fairgrounds and a strong staff/Board that helps run the County Fair. Gilliam County also takes care of helping organize the camping for 4-H Families during fair time.

Say THANK YOU when you see members out and about!



Exhibitor Packets

- All exhibitors should pick up their packets in designated times
 - Fairgrounds 4-H Office on
 - Wednesday, August 28th 12AM – 7 PM
- Packets include schedule, exhibitor show back tag (if needed), entry list, schedule and other fair resources.
- **All Explanation cards are online or at the 4-H Office. Please request these ahead of time & have them prefilled with your exhibits. This is exhibitors' responsibility to complete explanation cards.**
- **This is your chance to make sure your classes are correct! Triple Check**
- Registration July 29th-August 6th
 - <https://gilliam4h.fairwire.com>
 - Fair Book: [Click Here](#)

GILLIAM COUNTY FAIR

AUGUST 26TH-31ST 2024

HARVEST THE MEMORIES

4-H EVENTS

MONDAY

FOOD CONTESTS

TUESDAY

MODELING CONTEST, JUDGING AND COMMUNICATION

WEDNESDAY

WEIGH-IN AND EXHIBIT CHECK IN

THURSDAY

HORSE, SMALL ANIMAL AND DOG SHOW

FRIDAY

MARKET, BREEDING AND STYLE REVUE SHOW

SATURDAY

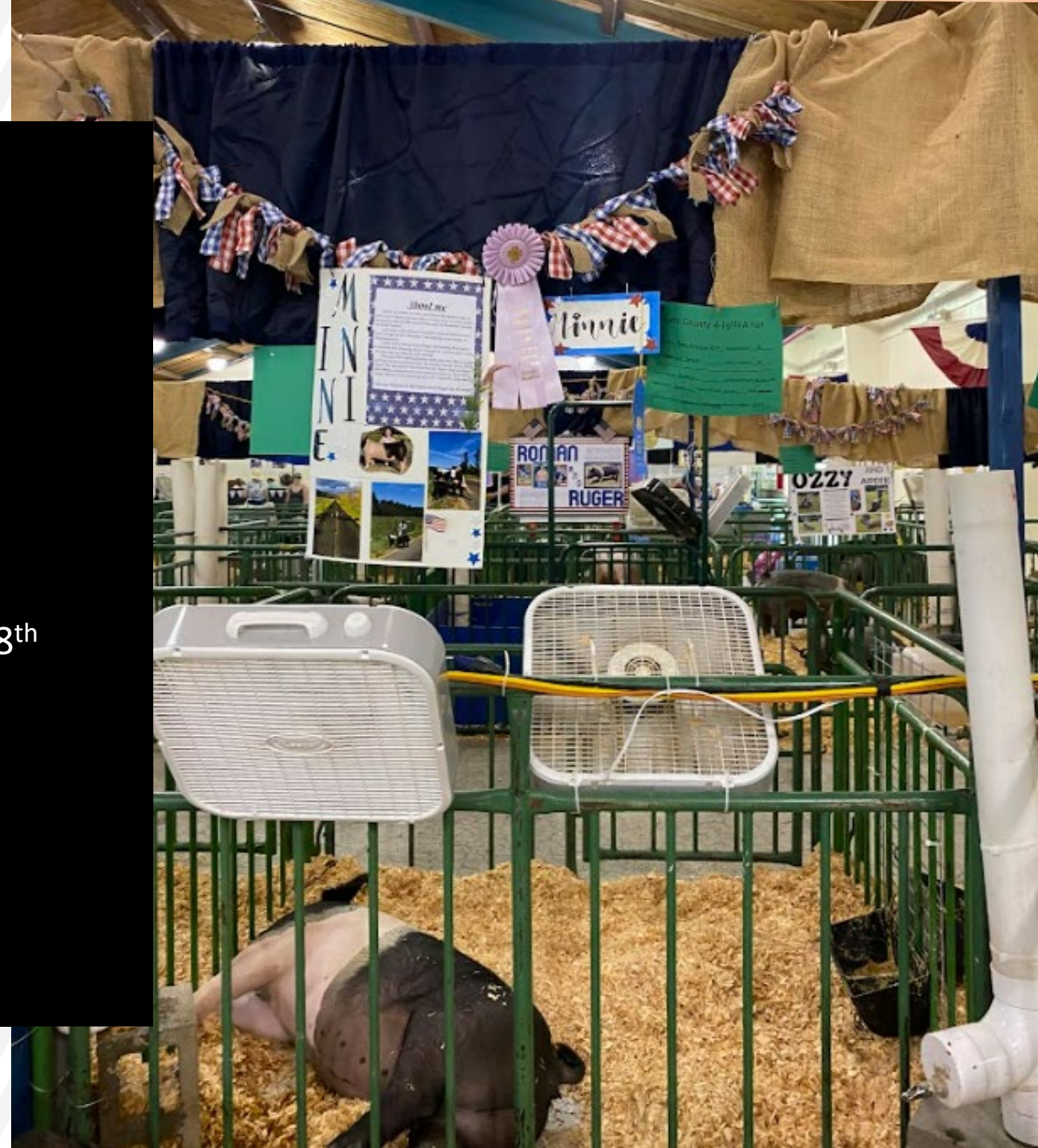
SHOWMANSHIP, AWARDS AND AUCTION





Barn Set Up

- Clean Up days in barns
 - Sunday, August 25th 9 AM
- Coordinator with your club when you'll meet to set up decorations
- Decoration themes are up to club
- Must be set up by Wednesday August 28th by 8pm
- Fill pens with shavings
 - Provided by the Fair Board
- All Stall signs must be hung & Complete
- Animals must be in pens by 8pm





Packing for the Barns

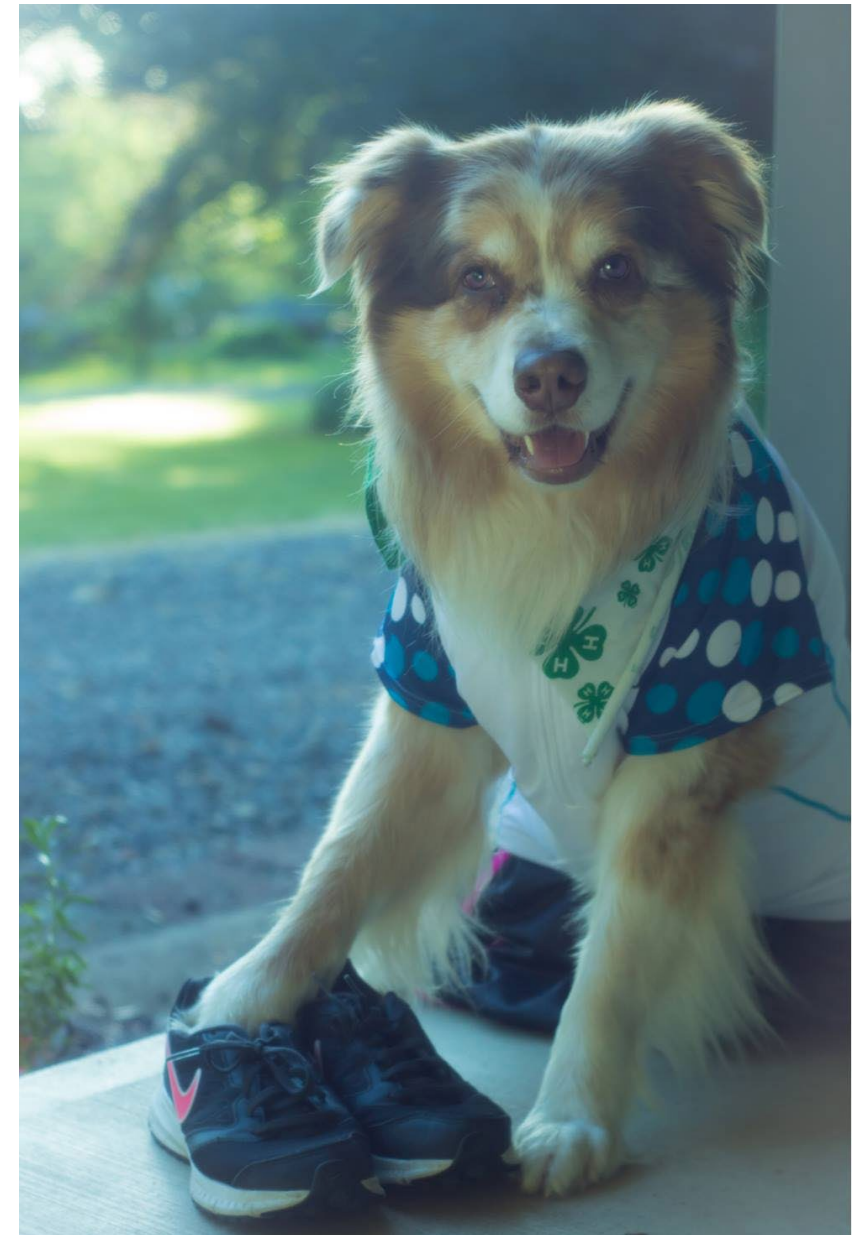
- Tack box with all materials you need to prepare for shows
- Feed for your animals, neglect will not be tolerated & will be cause for removal of animal and member
- Buckets for water and feed pans
 - Hay bags if you'll be feeding hay
- Shovels & wheel barrels for cleaning barns
- Show clothes for show days 😊





What to wear in the barns

- Closed toe shoes!
- Dress 4-H appropriate
 - Wear your 4-H gear!
- Like at all 4-H events, no political clothing
- Wear clothes/shoes you don't mind getting dust and dirt on 😊
- Talk with your 4-H leader on what is best to wear during show. See page 5 of the handbook.
- Nice Show shirts for Market & Showmanship





Move In Day!

- Wednesday, August 28th
 - 12:00 pm – 7:00 pm Weigh In All Animals
- Only animals showing are allowed at Fair
- Market animals must go across scales and get final weight
 - MUST be in weight range to sell: no exceptions
 - No switching tag numbers
 - All weights are final See page 100 of Exhibitor handbook
- Sheep=100-160lbs
- Goat=60lbs
- Swine=230-280lbs (can go to 300) Sell at 280
- Beef =1100lbs min
- Turkey =16-40lbs
- Chicken =4lbs min
- Rabbit =4lbs min



There will be construction going on so please pay attention!

Morning Meeting & Herdsmanship



- On Friday August 30th of Fair, there is an exhibitor and parent meeting at 8:00AM in the Beef Barn pre-Market Classes & then a meeting with Abby Walker our 2024 Large Animal Judge.
- Herdsmanship: Contest conducted for all 4-H clubs
- It is responsibility of the herdsman (youth members) to educate the public on humane treatment and care of animals through:
 - Demonstrating daily practices
 - Educational conversations with the public
 - Properly handling animals at Fair
 - Daily results will be posted in the Beef Barn



4-H Showing at County Fair

- There are 3 types of classes for youth to show livestock and small animals in at County Fair:
 - Showmanship: All youth entering livestock or small animals must enter in the Showmanship class for their age. In showmanship, youth are judged on their knowledge on their project, as well as their ability to handle their animal in the show ring/show table.
 - Breed: Youth who have pets or breeding stock may enter in breed classes. In these classes, animals are judged on their characteristics compared to a national breed standard.
 - Market: Youth who plan to enter their livestock or small animal in the Youth Auction must show in a market class. These classes are organized by weight of market animals. These projects are judged on their structure and build, as well as their product as a market animal. To sell in the auction, youth must earn a blue or red ribbon in this class.



All Around Showman

**Grand Champion
Reserve Champion**

- The highest 4-H showmanship honor at the county level
- One for large animals, one for small animals
- Champion of each species and age division competes in a round-robin style competition, showing each species at Fair, judge will decide how they want you to show, questions and more. Be prepared.
- Exhibitors' responsibility to prepare for contest and properly handle and show each animal asked.





Gilliam County Awards & Auction

- Awards presented to Youth during Fair week at 4:00pm on Saturday with Auction to Follow
- Youth can sell their market animals in the Youth Auction at County Fair. 1 Large Animal and 1 Small Animal
- The Gilliam County Auction Committee oversees this sale, along with Volunteers of the Fair Board members and 4-H
- Youth are responsible for marketing their project to local businesses and partners to come support them at the Auction
- Youth must make weight and receive a blue or red ribbon to sell at Saturday's Auction.
 - White Ribbons do NOT sell at auction.





Sunday in the barns!

- No Herdsmanship
- All Exhibits Released
 - 10:00 AM
- Animals' pens must be cleaned & all barn areas cleaned to superintendents' clearance before members are excused to leave the fairgrounds
- 12:00pm 4-H Office Closes: Check in before you leave for papers, ribbons and such
- Check in with your leaders/Superintendents before leaving the fairgrounds.



See you at the Fair!



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