

Heart of Michigan Fall Harvest Beef Show

Saturday, October 7, 2023

**Osceola County Sheriff Posse Grounds
21940 6 Mile Road, Reed City, MI 49677**

Judges: TBA

Show Schedule:

Friday, October 6

If you are interested in arriving after 3 p.m. to camp (rustic camping), please contact Carla by October 5 to make arrangements (\$30). 517-242-2395. **All trailers (1 fee per family) that arrive on Friday will be required to pay the overnight/camping fee.**

6 – 7 p.m.

Early Check In/Weigh In

Saturday, October 7

7 – 9 a.m.

Check in

10:00 a.m.

Heifer Show

Showmanship: Peewee followed by Senior, Intermediate, Junior and Novice
Market Animal Show

Prizes will be awarded to Top 5 Heifers, Top 5 Market Animals and Showmanship in each age division.

Heart of Michigan Show Committee:

Carla McLachlan – 517-242-2395

Julie Judge – 517-881-6001

Rules & Requirements

1. Exhibitor Eligibility: The Heart of Michigan Fall Harvest Show is an **open show**. Showmanship divisions will be based upon the MI Shows Points showmanship divisions. (Participants that have reached their 8th birthday and are not yet 22 by January 1, 2024). This show is sanctioned by MI Shows Points. We welcome youth with a chronological age greater than 21 years of age who participate in 4-H or school activities with their developmental aged peers, to participate in Showmanship. (As recommended by the American with Disabilities Act). PeeWee Showmanship is open to exhibitors less than 8 years of age.

2. ENTRIES: Entry fees are non-refundable \$35 for each animal entered. Entries must be made **online ONLY** on or before October 4, 2022 at 9:00 p.m. Cash only late entries will be accepted at check-in \$50/each.

3. CHECK-IN: Check-in will be October 6 from 6 to 7 p.m. and October 7 from 7-9 a.m. Registration certificates are not required for this show, MI Show points will not be official until all registration papers are presented. (i.e. points earned at this show will not be official until registration papers, matching the age/division animal shows in at this event are presented/confirmed with the MI Shows committee). RFID tags required.

4. YOUTH SHOWMANSHIP: Participants must signup for showmanship with entry. No additional fee for showmanship. Showmanship will begin in arena after the conclusion of the heifer show. Peewee, Seniors (18-21), Intermediate (15-17), Juniors (12-14), and Novice (8-11). Classes will be divided by age as of 1/1/24. Exhibitors must show their own animals. (Pee Wee may show any animal that is entered.)

5. GROOMING REGULATIONS: NO forced administration of fluids to create gut fill will be allowed. Violation will result in the disqualification of the entry and exhibitor. This show is **Fit/No Fit, showman's choice**. The water pressure at the grounds is less than desirable so reduced wash rack use is recommended. **Generators are needed!**

6. RESPONSIBILITY: Show Committee, sponsors and facility staff will not be responsible for any loss by death, injury,

cripling, bruises, theft or condemnation.

7. FACILITY: All exhibitors must clean the area around their trailers/fitting area. No Bedding outside of trailers. Manure, hay, spilled bedding should be picked up and placed in provided spreaders. No barns/stalling is available. Tie to trailers only. Livestock trailers must park within the fenced area surrounding the show arena. **Trailers arriving on Friday (tack/livestock/camping) will be required to pay the overnight fee of \$30.**

8. HOUSING: Rustic camping is available. Please contact Carla by October 5 at 517-242-2395 if you are interested in camping. Hotels are available in Evart and Big Rapids.

9. Breed requirements: If less than 4 animals in 1 breed – they may show as AOB.

Angus Heifer & Steer: Purebred Angus Registration Papers

Char Composite Heifer & Steer: Charolais Registration Papers & Color Requirements

Chi Heifer & Steer: All registration papers issued by the ACA

Hereford Heifer & Steer: Purebred Hereford Registration Papers

Maine Heifer & Steer: 75%- Maine Registration Papers (Brown)

Mainetainer Heifer & Steer: 25%-74% All Registration papers issued by the Maine Association

Shorthorn Heifer & Steer: 15/16 – Shorthorn Registration Papers

Shorthorn Plus Heifer: Minimum 50% **Steer:** Minimum 25% - - Shorthorn Plus Registration Papers

Purebred Simmental Heifer: 7/8 or greater Simmental Registration Papers **Steers:** Show in AOB

Percentage Simmental Heifer & Steer: Minimum 50% but no greater than 7/8 Simmental Registration Papers

All Other Registered breeds (AOB) – animals with registration papers, but not meeting the requirements listed above.

Include Charolais, Limousin, Red Angus, lower percentage Simmental (less than ½) and purebred Simmental steers, etc.

Dairy Market Animals – Steers or heifers more than 50% dairy breeds. Will compete for overall market animal. Prospect weights (900 lbs or less).

Commercial Heifer – Heifers that are not eligible for registration. Age requirements are in effect and heifers will show by weight. Will compete with breed heifers for Top 5 heifer.

Market Heifer – Heifers that are shown by weight and will compete for overall market animal.

Crossbred Steer – Steers that are not eligible for registration, typically of 2 or more mixed breeds.

10. Dual registered animals may only participate in one division. **Heifers showing in a breed division (or commercial) may not also enter as a market heifer.**

11. Disputes/Protests. All disputes and/or protests should be submitted to Show Committee in writing. Resolution of all disputes and protests are the responsibility of the show committee and their designees.

PROSPECT MARKET ANIMALS

11. Market Prospect Animals will show by breed then by weight light to heavy. Only market animals born on or after January 1, 2023 are eligible. Dairy Steers weighing less than 900 lbs are eligible.

12. ORDER: Dairy prospect market, crossbred steers, Angus, AOB, Char Composite, Chi, Hereford, Maine, Mainetainer, Shorthorn, Shorthorn Plus, Simmental, Percentage Simmental, Market Heifers. Class breaks will be determined after all entries have been processed.

HEIFERS

13. AGES: Heifers must have a birthdate on/after **September 1, 2022.** (Including Commercial heifers)

14. Heifers will show from youngest to oldest. Commercial heifers will show by weight light to heavy but must also meet the age requirements.

15. ORDER: Angus, AOB, Char Composite, Chi, Hereford, Maine, Mainetainer, Shorthorn, Shorthorn Plus, Simmental, Percentage Simmental, Commercial. **Class breaks** will be determined after all entries have been processed.

TB and Health Requirements:

All cattle participating in the 2023 Heart of MI Fall Harvest Show must have an RFID/EID tag. Neither an official USDA alphanumeric metal ear tag nor an official breed registry tattoo will be accepted in place of an RFID tag. Please refer to the 2023 Health Requirements Livestock Exhibited in Michigan –

www.michigan.gov/mda-exhibitinfo.

By completing entry to this show, exhibitors and their families/guests are agreeing to follow rules printed in this entry packet as well as any additional rules and/or guidelines that the show committee, facility staff or show officials deem necessary.

Interested in sponsorship? Please contact Carla McLachlan at Mclachlancarla@gmail.com or visit our FB page: Heart of MI Jr Beef Show

**All Entries will be accepted through the Showman App
(available after 9/5/2023)**