

# SPECIAL CONTESTS

## ROUND ROBIN

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 6TH, 2026, AT 9:00 AM

### DEPARTMENTAL RULES AND REGULATIONS

1. Superintendents and staff may use any animal they see fit for Round Robin. Exhibitors/Parents/Advisor/Leaders' willingness to use animals is expected and required.
2. **Only 4H Junior, 4H Senior, FFA Novice and FFA Senior divisions are eligible to compete in Round Robin.**
3. These classes are open to the first place FFA and 4-H Showmanship winners of each Livestock Division of Beef, Sheep, Swine, Dairy Cattle, Dairy Goats, Meat Goats, Poultry, and Rabbits. If the first-place winner in 4-H Junior Showmanship wins first place in 4-H Senior Showmanship, the exhibitor will have the option to enter Senior Round Robin. If first place winner does not enter or chooses not to participate, second place can go into Round Robin.
4. Each participant will show all four (4) species – Beef, Sheep, Swine, Meat Goats.
5. If Showman wins in a specie and they are the only showman, it is mandatory they show for that specie in Round Robin.
6. Participant must provide their own equipment i.e., cane, show stick, etc.
7. Only 4-H and FFA exhibitors from Monterey, Santa Cruz and San Benito counties are eligible.
8. Any contestant suspected of misconduct will be immediately disqualified by management.
9. An official uniform of the organization is required for all 4H and FFA Exhibitors while competing in all Divisions and while receiving awards during the 2026 Monterey County Fair.

### ROUND ROBIN AWARDS

1st Place – Buckle

2nd and 3rd Place – Ribbons

## CLUB/CHAPTER GROUPS

### DEPARTMENTAL RULES AND REGULATIONS

1. **Club/Chapter Group** of three animals must be owned by members of a single Club or Chapter. **Entries are limited to one (1) group entry per Club or Chapter.**
2. **Mixed Club/Chapter Group** is when there are less than three animals entered for specific Club/Chapter. Members can then ask other Club/Chapter members to assist in making up a group.
3. NO ENTRY FEES. NO PREMIUMS AWARDED.
4. **MUST PRE-ENTER BY ENTRY DEADLINE. NO ENTRIES WILL BE EXCEPTED AT THE SHOW**

### CLUB/CHAPTER GROUP AWARDS

1st Place – Banner

2nd and 3rd Place – Ribbons

- 4-H Beef Cattle
- 4-H Sheep
- 4-H Meat Goats
- FFA Beef Cattle
- FFA Sheep
- FFA Meat Goats

## PEE WEE SHOWMANSHIP

*Hosted By: MCF Junior Fair Board*

**SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 6TH, 2026, AT 3:00 PM**

*Located in the Main Livestock Show Ring*

### DEPARTMENTAL RULES AND REGULATIONS

1. **Registration required for participation.**
2. This division is open to ages 5 and under, and ages 6 to 9 years (children who are 9 years old and not currently enrolled in the 4-H Program are eligible).
3. Classes will include Swine, Sheep, and Market Goat Showmanship only.
4. Each Pee Wee Swine, Sheep, and Goat Showman must make arrangements to show an animal provided by a current MCF exhibitor. A Pee Wee Showman must make the arrangements to show an animal entered in the Fair prior to Pee Wee Showmanship. Participants must have the necessary show equipment.
5. Pee Wee showmen should not be in a uniform. Open-toed shoes are not allowed.
6. Pee Wee showman may only show one specie.
7. Pee Wee Showmanship will be judged by 4-H and FFA exhibitors.
8. **REGISTRATION DEADLINE:** Sunday, September 6<sup>th</sup> by 12:00 PM.

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### PEE WEE SHOWMANSHIP AWARDS

1<sup>st</sup> - Buckle

2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> Place - Rosettes

All Other Exhibitors - Participation Ribbons

#### **SPECIES**

Sheep, Goats, and Swine

## MASTER SHOWMANSHIP

### DEPARTMENTAL RULES AND REGULATIONS

1. The top two (2) winners of 4-H Senior and FFA Senior Showmanship for **Sheep, Swine, Market Goats, and Beef ONLY** may progress and compete in Master Showmanship competition. Top two (2) 4-H Senior and top two (2) FFA Senior showmen will show together; one Master Showman will be chosen.

### MASTER SHOWMAN AWARDS:

1st Place per Specie - Award & Ribbon

## ADULT SHOWMANSHIP

*Hosted By: MCF Junior Fair Board*

**SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 6TH, 2026**

**FOLLOWING PEE WEE SHOWMANSHIP**

*Located in the Main Livestock Show Ring*

### DEPARTMENTAL RULES AND REGULATIONS

2. This division is open to ages 19 years and older (anyone currently enrolled in 4-H or FFA Programs are ineligible).
3. Judges will be Senior Showmanship winners.
4. No abuse of animals or judges will be tolerated.
5. Animals can be attired or decorated as long as animals can be restored to their normal appearance after the contest (NO glitter permitted).
6. No abuse of other showmen in the ring will be tolerated.
7. No grain or hay in the ring.
8. Showman will supply animal and equipment for show.
9. Classes of animals are one class each of Swine, Sheep, Beef, and Market Goats.
10. **REGISTRATION DEADLINE:** Saturday, September 5<sup>th</sup> by 8:00 PM.

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### ADULT SHOWMANSHIP AWARDS

1<sup>st</sup> through 3<sup>rd</sup> Place - Rosettes

# FFA AND 4-H LIVESTOCK JUDGING CONTEST

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 6TH, 2026 AT 12:00 PM  
LIVESTOCK SHOW RING

## DEPARTMENTAL RULES AND REGULATIONS

1. **ELIGIBILITY:** Each judging contest participant at Monterey County Fair must comply with the following rules:
  - Must be a member of a 4-H Club or FFA Chapter.
  - A **Novice** Judge will be any individual who has not participated in a previous Livestock Judging contest.
  - A **Senior** Judge applies to any individual who has previously participated in Livestock Judging.
2. A judging Team shall consist of three (3) members from the same FFA Chapter or 4-H Club.
3. The contest is open to any FFA or 4-H member who wishes to judge on an individual basis. Participants are NOT required to be Fair Exhibitors.
4. Participants sign up in Livestock Office.
5. There will be at least six (6) classes judged, consisting of at least one (1) class in each of the following: Beef, Sheep, Swine, and Meat Goats.
  - All contestants shall be allowed ten (10) minutes for placing each class.
  - Oral reasons will be given. Contestants will be given two (2) minutes for each set of reasons.
6. Reasons will be used as a Tie Breaker.
7. **REGISTRATION DEADLINE:** Saturday, September 5<sup>th</sup> by 8:00 PM

## LIVESTOCK JUDGING AWARDS

### AWARDS PER 4-H & FFA TEAM

- 1<sup>st</sup> Place Team – 3 Blue Ribbons + Award
- 2<sup>nd</sup> Place Team – 3 Red Ribbons
- 3<sup>rd</sup> Place Team – 3 White Ribbons

### AWARDS PER 4-H & FFA INDIVIDUALS

- 1<sup>st</sup> High Senior Individual – Buckle
- 1<sup>st</sup> High Novice Individual – Award

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# FFA AND 4-H VEGETABLE JUDGING CONTEST

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 6TH, 2026, AT 2:00 PM  
LIVESTOCK EVENT CENTER

## DEPARTMENTAL RULES AND REGULATIONS

1. Participants sign up in Livestock Office.
2. There is no limit to the number of contestants that may enter from any one Chapter or Club.
3. Individual members may compete even if there are less than three (3) individuals from any one Chapter or Club.
4. The highest three (3) scores from each Club/Chapter's participants will be used to calculate Team honors.
5. A **Novice** Judge will be any individual who has not participated in a previous Vegetable Judging contest.
6. A **Senior** Judge applies to any individual who has previously participated in Vegetable Judging.
7. There will be no oral reasons given.
8. Official placing and I.D. answers will be given at the end of the contest.
9. Ties will be broken by Tie Breakers in the I.D. section.
10. **REGISTRATION DEADLINE:** Saturday, September 5<sup>th</sup> by 8:00 PM

## VEGETABLE JUDGING AWARDS

### AWARDS PER 4-H & FFA TEAM

- 1<sup>st</sup> Place Team – 3 Blue Ribbons + Award
- 2<sup>nd</sup> Place Team – 3 Red Ribbons
- 3<sup>rd</sup> Place Team – 3 White Ribbons

### AWARDS PER 4-H & FFA INDIVIDUALS

- 1<sup>st</sup> High Senior Individual – Buckle
- 1<sup>st</sup> High Novice Individual – Award

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# CLEAN BARN AWARD

## DEPARTMENTAL RULES AND REGULATIONS

1. Purpose: to encourage exhibitors in the livestock area (you) to maintain a clean, presentable, safe display of animals for the public and exhibitors themselves.
2. All exhibits will be judged. We encourage your participation. The judge will report all exhibits not maintained to the livestock office.
3. Judging will take place twice daily between 8:00 a.m. and 6:30 p.m. Unannounced visits can occur anytime the judge feels necessary. Times to be judged will not be announced. All scores must be ready by Monday AM.
4. The judge will be made aware of show times and weigh schedules, but all areas will be judged daily. The public comes every day, as you do, and deserves a neat, presentable, safe area.
5. FFA and 4-H Beef, Dairy, Swine, Sheep and Goat exhibits are eligible.
6. 100 points total per day can be earned. Overall the Fair winner will be the Club and Chapter with the highest five-day total for each specie.
7. FFA and 4-H will be judged separately. Club/Chapter displays are part of clean barn. All decorations and displays will be installed and constructed by exhibitors. Parents are to supervise only.
8. On the judging score card General Appearance is just that. The general eye appeal of the area. Identifications include signs, stall cards, and any other identifying marks. Condition of Animals - pigs and sheep should be in their respective pens. Beef and dairy should be securely tied in the barn.
9. Scores will be posted daily as soon as possible after judging.
10. All judges' decisions are final.
12. There shall be no hassling of the judges by the parents, leaders, or exhibitors during or after judging. Clubs or chapters who don't respect this rule will be automatically disqualified from the competition.
13. Winners will be announced at the Awards Breakfast on Monday at 9:00 AM.
14. If pens are not identifiable as to which chapter or club they belong, they will not be judged.
15. No entry is required.
16. Clubs and chapters are encouraged to include an educational display as part of their presentation.

## SCORECARD FOR CLEAN BARN AWARD

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| 1. CLEANLINESS OF ALLEYS & STALLS OR PENS.....       | 40%         |
| • Bedding adequate, bright, dry, clean in place      |             |
| Animals are securely tied or penned.                 |             |
| Feed boxes in front of animals only at feeding time. |             |
| Manure hauled out - deposited in proper place.       |             |
| Watering points and drains kept clean.               |             |
| 2. CLEANLINESS OF ALLEYS AND WALKWAY.....            | 20%         |
| • Alleys raked clean, free of straw and debris.      |             |
| 3. ARRANGEMENT OF EXHIBIT.....                       | 10%         |
| • Exhibit lined up in an attractive manner.          |             |
| Large, objectionable boxes out of the way.           |             |
| Hay and straw or shavings neat and orderly.          |             |
| Feedboxes and tack in area provided.                 |             |
| 4. APPEARANCE OF ANIMALS.....                        | 15%         |
| 5. STALL CARDS.....                                  | 5%          |
| Readable from alley and neatly arranged.             |             |
| 6. DECORATIONS.....                                  | 10%         |
| Attractive, Educational                              |             |
| <b>TOTAL .....</b>                                   | <b>100%</b> |

## CLEAN BARN AWARDS

### AWARDS PER SPECIE

1<sup>st</sup> Place Team - Gift Card