

## GOATS

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### DAIRY GOAT MANUALS

BU – 8352 Getting Your Goat –Grades 3 - 5  
BU – 8353 Stepping Out –Grades 6 - 8  
BU - 8354 Showing the Way –Grades 9 -12

### MEAT GOAT MANUALS

BU – 7909 Just Browsing – Grades 3-5  
BU – 7910 Growing with Meat Goats – Grades 6-8  
BU – 7911 Meating the Future – Grades 9-12

PYGMY, ANGORA AND OTHERS MAY CHOOSE EITHER THE DAIRY  
GOAT MANUAL OR THE MEAT GOAT MANUAL

### **GENERAL RULES**

Members may choose to exhibit any combination of live animals, a poster, and/or present an action demonstration detailing some aspect of the goat project. The poster and action demonstration options may be in place of or in addition to the live animal exhibit. Posters must meet poster guidelines described in 4-H Fair Exhibit Information section of this handbook and relate to some area of the manual the member is currently using. Action Demonstration guidelines are also found in this section. Posters must be entered on Thursday morning in the Animal Poster division before the 4-H Fair begins. Members wishing to give an action demonstration are to set up a time with the project superintendent(s).

1. Dairy exhibitors wear all white clothing when showing. In showmanship classes breed specific attire will be worn, such as dairy- whites, other breeds dark blue jean (no tears, holes, etc) white shirt, black or brown belt with basic belt buckle (no large, flashy buckles) NO SHORTS OR TANK TOPS ALLOWED. Exhibitor's midriff shall not be showing when bending over or standing. Showmanship (includes all breed types) classes for all goats to run concurrently to determine individual showmanship winners.
2. 4-H members must enroll in the goat project before February 1 on their enrollment card. The 4-H'ers must also complete three activities from the Goat Manual before the fair. At least two of these must be from the "Required/Chapter Activities" section. This manual MUST be turned in when the animals are checked in at the 4-H Fair. If not turned in, you WILL NOT show. The two-page livestock record sheet must be in your green folder with your other record sheets and turned in by Thursday of the 4-H Fair.

3. All goats must be identified by an ear tattoo applied by May 15 and listed on the May 15 State 4-H Goat Enrollment Form. **All meat goat wethers will be required to be noseprinted/retinal scanned & eartagged, (LaManchas will only be noseprinted or retinal scanned).** The form must be received by May 15 in order for the 4-H member to show at the 4-H Fair. Each exhibitor, whether animals are owned or leased, must also turn in an Animal Location Form by May 15. Goats may not be switched from one 4-H member to another after May 15<sup>th</sup> except for siblings who have co-enrolled their animals.
4. Each exhibitor may exhibit goats of more than one breed.
5. Goats may be of grade, recorded grade, or registered stock. (Grade animals for county show only.)
6. All goats must wear a collar and have available a tie chain during their stay at the fair.
7. Dairy goats shall be completely clipped before coming to the fair. Touch-ups and show preparations will be allowed. Pygmy, Angora and Boer goats need not be clipped and shall be fitted for the show. All goats must have trimmed hooves.
8. No horns are allowed unless horns are a part of the breed judging characteristics (i.e. Angora).
9. The goats must be owned by the 4-H member or the member's family, or leased with an agreement prior to May 15. All goats must be cared for by the 4-H member.
10. A 4-H member may enroll and exhibit a maximum of two entries per class. A member may show a maximum of 8 goats. The maximum amount of goats per family cannot exceed 15. Pens will be limited by the number of animals a member brings. 1-3 animals = 1 pen, 4-6 = 2 pens, 7-8 animals = 3 pens. Size of animals will be taken into consideration. No more than 4 pens will be issued to a family that has more than 1 member exhibiting. Pen assignments will be on the night of pen set-up. First assignments will be given to members with seniority in participation in the goat project. Pen selection shall be done by the exhibitor only (without assistance from parents, relatives or other non-exhibitors). Exhibitors must be present at pen set-up/selection, or they will be assigned pens by the superintendents. Special exceptions will be considered by superintendents in writing 72 hours before pen set-up.
11. Exhibitor must show his own goat, unless he has more than one goat in a class. If this is the case, any 4-H member from the county may show the additional goat in that class. See General Rules.
12. No "Bucks" will be exhibited - does and wethered kids only.
13. All breeds will be judged separately: Saanen, Sable Saanen, Nigerian Dwarf, Nubian, Alpine, Toggenburg, LaMancha, Oberhasli, and Recorded Grade. If animals are registered, registration papers will need to be shown to superintendents to ensure proper class placement.
14. A goat record sheet must be turned in prior to the goat show in order to complete the project.
15. Straw, hay, grain, water pails, feed pans, etc. must be furnished by exhibitor.
16. Stalls and walkways are to be kept clean by the 4-H member.

17. Any exhibitor may sell their wether in the auction providing they do not sell any other animal in the auction. NOTE: This is a "Slaughter Only" auction. No animal in the auction may be removed from the fairgrounds after the auction by an unauthorized party. All auctioned livestock become under the control of the Auction Committee immediate following the sale of the animal.
18. Leased animals may be shown upon approval by the superintendents. A lease must be signed no later than May 15 and a copy of the lease must accompany the identification form.
19. Check in times will be assigned and will be given at a later time.
20. Exhibitor is only allowed one entry per each group class.
21. At the superintendent's Extension Educator's and/or Exhibit Association President's discretion, animals showing signs of disease or sickness will not be allowed to stay on the fairgrounds. If an animal is asked to be removed for health or other reasons, the exhibitor has the right to a second professional opinion at the exhibitor's cost with prior notice to the superintendents. Superintendents must be present at the time of the professional examination of the animal in question.
22. Animals in Group Dairy Classes may be animals shown by siblings (from the same farm), but must be listed on the exhibitor's May 15<sup>th</sup> enrollment form. For example – in a Mother/Daughter class, the mother may be listed on one May 15<sup>th</sup> form and the daughter may be listed on another May 15 form, as long as it is from the same family, such as brother/sister.

## **CLASSES**

### **Dairy**

#### **Junior Doe Show**

1. Junior Kids – Born on or after April 1 of the current year.
2. Intermediate Kids – Born March 1 to March 31 of the current year.
3. Senior Kids – Born on or after January 1 and up to and including February 28 of the current year.
4. Junior Yearlings– Never freshened, born June 1 of prior year to December 31 of the prior year.
5. Senior Yearlings – Never freshened, born on or before May 31 of prior year.

#### **Senior Doe Show**

1. Milking Yearling – Under 2 years of age on the date of show.
2. Two Year Old Milker – 2 years and under 3 years of age on the date of show.
3. Three years and under 5 on the date of show (milking).
4. Five years and over on the date of show (milking).
5. Champion Challenge Class – Current Senior Grand Champion, previous years' Senior Grand Champion, and previous Champion Challenge Winners. Once a doe has won Senior Grand Champion Challenge this is the only class (other than group classes) that she is eligible to show in.
6. Get of Sire – Consists of 3 does, any age, the produce from the same sire
7. Produce of Dam - Two does, any age, the produce of one dam
8. Mother/Daughter - Any age so long as one is the daughter of the other
9. Best Three Females – Consist of any three does exhibited by the same 4-H family

## **Wethers**

1. Junior Kids – Born on or after April 1 of the current year.
2. Intermediate Kids – Born March 1 to March 31 of current year.
3. Senior Kids – Born on or after January 1 and up to and including February 28 of the current year.
4. Dairy wethers must weigh 30 pounds at fair arrival weigh-in. If you are in question of weight, contact superintendent 10-14 days prior to check in to schedule a pre-weigh.

## **Angora Goats – will follow the same order as Dairy Goats**

### **Pygmy Goats**

#### **All ages determined as of date of show.**

1. Junior Doe Show - **Must have exact birthdates to determine proper class placement such as 4/22/2009.**

Junior Does – kids under 3 months of age

Intermediate Does – 3 months to under 6 months of age

Senior Does – 6 months to under 9 months of age

Advanced Senior Does – 9 months to under 12 months of age

Junior Unfreshened Yearlings – 12 months to under 18 months of age

Senior Unfreshened Yearlings – 18 months to under 24 months of age

2. Senior Doe Show -

Yearling Freshened Does – 24 months of age and under as of date of show

Two year old does

Three year old does

Four year old does

Five year old and older does

#### **All ages determined as of date of show.**

Get of Sire – Consists of 3 does, any age, the produce from the same sire

Produce of Dam - Two does, any age, the produce of one dam

Mother/Daughter - Any age so long as one is the daughter of the other

Best Three Females – Consist of any three does exhibited by the same 4-H family

### **Boer Goats**

All ages determined as of date of show. - **Must have exact birthdates to determine proper class placement such as 4/22/2009.**

1. Junior Does – Classes will be as follows:

B1 – Does under 3 months of age

B2 – Does 3 months to under 6 months of age

B3 – Does 6 months to under 9 months of age

B4 – Does 9 months to under 12 months of age

B5 Does 12 months to under 24 months of age, never freshened

2. Senior Does – Classes will be as follows:

B6 – Does 12 months to under 24 months of age that have freshened

B7 – Does 24 months to under 30 months of age that have freshened

B8 – Does 30 months to under 36 months of age that have freshened

B9 – Does 36 months and older

B10 – Best of 2 Boer of Herd – May consist of does or wethers

## **Wethers**

All wethers must be shown with milk teeth in place. Wether classes will be divided according to the weight of the animals. Wethers will be weighed at check-in. Depending upon enrollment, animals will be divided into classes by weight: light, middle and heavy weight. Boer wethers must weigh a minimum of 50 pounds at fair arrival weigh-in. If you are in question of weight contact superintendent 10-14 days prior to check-in to schedule pre-weigh.

## **Rate of Gain**

A rate of gain class will be offered for Boer and Boer cross wethers. An entry card with the name, wether identification and weight must be completed at time of nose printing and turned in at that time. Final weight of animal will be its weight at check in. All animals entered in rate of gain must be exhibited by the member in the proper class.

## **Milk Production Award**

Milk will be weighed at four milkings (time and dates to be determined prior to the fair) preceded by a preliminary milk out. Awards will be based on the total amount of milk produced during the four milkings. Milk weights that vary 35% above or below the next highest or lowest weight will not be counted. Each 4-H member may enter only one doe that was shown by them in a milking class. The animal must be milked out by the 4-H member not by parents, relatives, friends, or others. Exceptions will be made with the approval of the superintendents, Extension Educators and/or Exhibit Association president. Exceptions must be made in writing and presented to superintendents 72 hours prior to first milk out. Does will be milked at specific times and specific locations in the presence of a superintendent and the udder must be checked by a superintendent. At the initial milk out, a heart girth measurement will be taken to determine the doe's weight. The winner will be the entrant that after the total of four milkings, has the highest percentage of milk to body weight ration. Milk will be weighted and recorded by a superintendent. Members must be on time, NO EXCEPTIONS, or they will be disqualified.

Showmanship – See general rules. In addition, in order to participate in a showmanship class the member must exhibit an animal in the appropriate breed class.

## **2008 GOAT AWARD SPONSORS**

### **DAIRY GOAT AWARDS**

**Grand Champion Milker**..... Kim LaFuse - State Farm Agent  
**Reserve Grand Champion Milker** ..... Tom & Corrine Lonergan  
**Grand Champion Dairy Junior Dry Doe** ..... KD Grey's Puppy Farm  
**Reserve Grand Champion Dairy Junior Dry Doe**..... AG Printing Specialists  
**Champion Dairy Challenge** ..... AG Printing Specialists  
**Champion Dairy Mother/Daughter**..... Haselby Family Trust  
**Champion Dairy Produce of Dam** ..... Haselby Family Trust  
**Champion Dairy Get of Sire** ..... UCT/Lafayette  
**Grand Champion Dairy Weather** ..... Stansbury Agency  
**Reserve Grand Champion Dairy Wether** ..... AG Printing Specialists  
**Champion Dairy Best 3 Females** ..... Clark Chiropractic  
**Champion Milk Production** ..... Russell's Drywall

Grand Champion Percentage Boer Senior Doe .....	Brickler Valley Boer Goats
Reserve Grand Champion Percentage Boer Senior Doe .....	Russell's Drywall
Grand Champion Junior Boer Doe .....	Russell's Drywall
Reserve Grand Champion Junior Boer Doe .....	Welsh Grain Systems
Grand Champion Percentage Junior Boer Doe .....	Dowell Automotive Repair, Inc.
Reserve Champion Percentage Boer Junior Doe .....	Russell's Drywall
Grand Champion Boer Wether .....	Russell's Drywall
Reserve Grand Champion Boer Wether .....	Russell's Drywall
Champion Best 2 Boers of Herd .....	Dowell Automotive Repair, Inc.
Champion Boer Get of Sire .....	Brickler Valley Boer Goats
Grand Champion Pygmy Senior Doe .....	AG Printing Specialist
Reserve Grand Champion Pygmy Senior Doe .....	AG Printing Specialist
Grand Champion Pygmy Junior Doe .....	Tom & Corrine Lonergan
Reserve Grand Champion Pygmy Junior Doe .....	AG Printing Specialists
Champion Pygmy Wether .....	Bob & Cecy Ritchie Grandchildren
Reserve Champion Pygmy Wether .....	AG Printing Specialists
Champion Pygmy Mother/Daughter .....	Demeter Communications
Champion Pygmy Produce of Dam .....	Demeter Communications
Champion Pygmy Get of Sire .....	Demeter Communications
Champion Pygmy Best 3 Females .....	Demeter Communications
Grand Champion Angora Senior Doe .....	Madeline & Frank Riscili
Reserve Champion Angora Senior Doe .....	Heron Hill Farm Angora Goats
Champion Angora Wether .....	Demeter Communications
Reserve Champion Angora Wether .....	Heron Hill Farm Angora Goats
Champion Best 2 Angoras of Herd .....	Catherine & John Staszewski
Champion Angora Get of Sire .....	Demeter Communications
Champion Kiko Junior Doe .....	Demeter Communications
Reserve Champion Kiko Junior Doe .....	Demeter Communications
Champion Kiko Wether .....	Demeter Communications
Reserve Champion Kiko Wether .....	Demeter Communications
Champion Best 2 Kiko of Herd .....	Demeter Communications
Champion Nigerian Dwarf Senior Doe .....	Baird Family
Reserve Champion Nigerian Dwarf Senior Doe .....	AG Printing Specialists
Champion Nigerian Dwarf Junior Doe .....	Demeter Communications
Champion Nigerian Dwarf Wether .....	AG Printing Specialists
Champion Best 2 Nigerian Dwarf of Herd .....	Baird Family
Champion Nigerian Dwarf Mother/Daughter .....	Baird Family
Champion Beginning Showman .....	Demeter Communications
Champion Junior Showman .....	Stansbury Agency
Champion Intermediate Showman .....	AG Printing Specialists
Champion Senior Showman .....	Demeter Communications
Grand Champion Showman .....	In Memory of Gordon Rutan
Reserve Grand Champion Showman .....	Russell's Drywall
Grand Champion Doe of Show .....	Erickson Communications & Consulting
Grand Champion Wether of Show .....	Erickson Communications & Consulting