

**New Mexico State Fair
September 9 – 25, 2011**

JUNIOR DIVISION

Calf Scramble

Division 28

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Superintendent
Ronald Lamb

Scramble
Thursday, September 15, 2011 7:00pm
During the Rodeo

Show
Thursday, September 15, 2011 8:00am

Announcements

Entry

Deadline - July 11, 2011

Heifers must be entered in appropriate Junior Beef Heifer class or Junior Replacement Dairy Heifer classes online.

Arrival

Jr. Replacement Dairy Heifer entries must arrive Friday, September 9th, 2011. Jr. Beef Heifers may arrive as early as Friday, September 9th, 2011 but must be on grounds by Sunday, September 11th, 2011. Move in hours are from 8:00 am until 5:00pm.

Livestock Inspection

Please refer to the Jr. Replacement Dairy Heifer or Jr. Beef Heifer rules for more information.

Event Details

The Calf Scramble will be held at the Rodeo at Tingley Coliseum Thursday September 15th, 2011.

Contestant Meeting

Contestant meeting on Thursday, September 15th, 2011 at 11:00 am in the Beef Barn show ring.

Special Rules

Calf Scramble

Division 28 – Section 32801

1. The New Mexico State Fair will not be responsible for any accidents that may occur to any participant in the Calf Scramble before, during, or after the scramble.
2. Incomplete Minors Releases Will Not Be Accepted. All information requested on the Minors Release must be complete. There must be two adult witnesses to the signing of the Release by the parents and the participants. BOTH PARENTS must sign the Release. However, if the parents are divorced, or if one is deceased, one signature is sufficient, but the notation of "DIVORCED" or "DECEASED" must be made in the space provided or the Minor's Releases will be returned.

Selection Of Contestants

1. Entries for the Calf Scramble will be taken until noon on Wednesday, September 14th, 2011 in the Livestock Office. Entries will be taken on a first come, first served basis until the maximum number of contestants is reached, provided entrants meet the qualifications listed below.
2. These participants should be carefully selected. Absolutely no substitutions will be made in the participant lists after they are received by the New Mexico State Fair Office, from Agriculture Education Advisor or County Extension Agent.
 - a. Ages:
Participants must have reached their 13th, but not their 17th birthday on January 1, 2011 and not be enrolled beyond their Junior year in high school.
 - b. Weight:
Participants must weigh at least 100 pounds.
 - c. Participants:
Participants who report to the Scramble Office must be in top physical condition. Any participant appearing with broken limbs, etc. will automatically be disqualified and the first alternate will be put in their place.
3. The following questions should be taken into consideration by Agricultural Education Advisor or County Extension Agents when making the selection of participants in the Calf Scramble.
 - a. Calf Scramble winners will be awarded \$750.00 for the purchase of a registered heifer and will be mailed to the winner. Many of the participants have had to add more money in order to obtain a suitable heifer for showing. Would the participant's parents be financially able to do this if it is found to be necessary?
 - b. Does the participant have suitable facilities for caring for and developing a heifer?
 - c. Does the participant have a real desire to own and show a heifer?
 - d. Is the participant the type who would devote their attention to the calf in an effort to bring a heifer to the 2012 Show that he or she, their sponsor, their supervisor and the New Mexico State Fair will be proud to show?
 - e. Are the parents willing (and are grades satisfactory) to allow the participant to spend the time away from school and other activities to bring the heifer to the 2012 Show and stay with her for the days necessary to show and care for her?
 - f. Will the participant be conscientious in submitting regular monthly reports to the New Mexico State Fair Calf Scramble Superintendent, to the sponsor and to you, on forms that we furnish?
4. Any participant who has won a calf through participation in the Calf Scramble at the New Mexico State Fair and Rodeo will not be eligible to participate in the Calf Scramble again.
5. After all Minor's Releases have been checked by the Junior Livestock Entry Office, each applicant will be notified of their acceptance as a participant, when and where to meet on the date and time they are to participate in the Calf Scramble by the New Mexico State Fair Entry Office.

Arena Rules

1. Participants and calves will be placed in the arena as directed by the arena director.
2. Participants will take into the arena a rope halter that will be supplied by the New Mexico State Fair. The halter cannot be used as a lariat. Halters must be placed on the head of the animal in the usual way. (It is suggested that the supervisors of all participants instruct the participants in the proper use of a rope halter, and how to place it on the head of a calf before coming to participate in the Scramble).
3. At no time will a participant be permitted to tie the rope to his body or belt.
4. Each participant will attempt to catch and halter one of the calves released. The participant catching a calf is required to halter it and lead it across the finish line without aid.
5. If a participant has hold of a calf, no other participant will be allowed to touch the calf until it breaks away.
6. If a participant catches the calf by the tail, they will be given a reasonable amount of time to work around to his head; otherwise, the referee will order him to let the calf go.
7. If two or more participants catch the same calf, the calf will be turned loose.
8. A participant who secures and properly halters a calf and leads it across the finish line will be declared a winner when so indicated by the referee.
9. Undue roughness will not be tolerated by the referee. Poor sportsmanship automatically disqualifies any contestant. Do not drag calf.
10. The Calf Scramble is to be refereed by a select group of not less than four referees.
11. Shoes with any type of knob or cleat (rubber or metal) will not be allowed.

Rules For Purchasing Calves Won In The Calf Scramble

1. A participant catching a calf in the Calf Scramble and otherwise declared a winner will receive a \$750.00 check with which to purchase a heifer of his or her own choice of the eligible breeds.
2. Should any contestant participating in the Calf Scramble fail to catch a calf and is then awarded a heifer by some member of the audience, said participant will participate in all awards offered to the scramble winners. The winner must care for the heifer under the Calf Scramble Rules, and the donor will become a Calf Scramble Sponsor.
3. To enable each individual winner to make the decision as to the breed of heifer they desire to purchase, substitute calves will be used in the arena for the Calf Scramble. Winners and their supervisors will then purchase the animal of their choice. This places the responsibility for the proper selection on the participant and their supervisor. It is designed to give the participant experience in selecting the proper type of animal for breeding purposes.

4. Beef Heifer Purchases:
 - a. The heifer must be purchased not less than 150 days prior to the check-in day at the 2012 New Mexico State Fair. Purchase verification (copy of registration papers or bill of sale) and proof of insurance must be mailed to New Mexico State Livestock Office, PO Box 8546 Albuquerque, NM 87198 by April 2012.
 - b. The calf must be registered in the association records of the following breeds: American Angus (Black), Brangus (Black), Brahman, Charolais, Hereford, Limousin, Chianina, Maine-Anjou, Red Angus, Santa Gertrudis, Salers, Shorthorns or Simmental. Commercial Heifers (need not be registered) are eligible to show in the A.O.B. Class.
 - c. Check the Junior Breeding Beef Cattle Division for proper calving dates.
 - d. The nomination process must have been completed and mailed to the fair on time.
5. Dairy Heifer Purchases:
 - a. The heifer must be purchased not less than 90 days prior to the check-in day at the 2012 New Mexico State Fair. Purchase verification (copy of registration papers or bill of sale) and proof of insurance must be mailed to New Mexico State Livestock Office, PO Box 8546 Albuquerque, NM 87198.

Reporting And Exhibition

1. Winners MUST exhibit their heifers at the 2012 New Mexico State Fair in their respective Junior Heifer show class, unless circumstances approved by the New Mexico State Fair, sponsor and supervisor make this impossible. (For example: The animal may turn out to be unsuitable for the project due to deformity, disease, or other unforeseen reasons).
2. The animals may be exhibited at any time. The animal may not be sold until after being exhibited at the New Mexico State Fair.
3. Once a month through August, 2012 the winner will be required to make a report on their animal. Report must be mailed to New Mexico State Livestock Office, PO Box 8546 Albuquerque, NM 87198. Forms for report are in Calf Scramble packet. By Saturday, noon, on the first Saturday of the fair, they must submit a final record book (500 word essay about heifer project experiences, copies of monthly reports, pictures of projects, registration papers, bill of sale, etc.) to the Show Secretaries at the Junior Livestock Office in the Youth Hall.
4. Monthly progress reports shall be submitted to the sponsor and the participant's County Extension Agent or Agricultural Education Advisor.
5. Heifers must be entered in the same manner as any other Junior livestock entry and submit to the same deadlines. Entry must be made through FFA Advisors and 4-H Agents to the NMSF-Livestock, P.O. Box 8546, Albuquerque, NM 87198, (505) 222-9732.
6. Purchase verification (copy of registration papers or bill of sale) and proof of insurance must be mailed to New Mexico State Fair Livestock Office, PO Box 8546 Albuquerque, NM 87198 by April 11, 2012.
7. Parking permits, admission passes and dormitory reservation must be made in the same manner as all other Junior exhibitors and submit to the same deadline online.

Department Rules

Calf Scramble Showmanship

Division 28 – Section 32802

Judge: John Rayfield

Judging: Thursday, September 15, 2011
following the Jr. Breeding Heifer show

1. Sponsor Relation
 - a. Accuracy and completeness of records
 - b. Objectives met
 - c. Project completion theme
2. Showmanship Phase – Entry fee of \$5.00 per class
 - a. Member will exhibit the heifer at the 2011 New Mexico State Fair in the respective breed and age class of the Junior Heifer Show.
 - b. Calf Scramble animals will show in a separate showmanship contest consisting only of catch-a-calf animals.
 - c. Calf Scramble Dairy Heifers will be judged on showmanship during regular class unless there are enough dairy heifers for a separate showmanship class. There must be at least 4 calf scramble dairy heifers to hold a separate showmanship class.
3. Total Points shall be assigned to each phase as follows:
The heifer that accumulates the most points will be the Champion Calf Scramble Heifer.

Awards (Classes 1, 2, 3)

First: \$750.00 Second: \$400.00 Third: \$250.00

Class 1. Sponsorship Relationship

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| 1. | Accuracy and completeness of records | 20 points |
| 2. | Objectives met | 10 points |
| 3. | Project theme | 20 points |

Class 2. Showmanship – heifer's placing in their respective breed class:

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| 1. | Placing in class: | | | |
| | Placing | 1st | 2nd | 3rd |
| | Points | 20 | 15 | 10 |

Class 3 Showmanship – heifer's placing in calf scramble class:

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| 1. | Placing | 1st | 2nd | 3rd |
| | Points | 20 | 15 | 10 |

Awards will be presented prior to the naming of the Supreme Heifer of Show during the Junior Heifer Show.



Calf Scramble

Applicant Name _____

Address _____ Birth Date _____

City, State, Zip _____ Age _____

County _____ SS# _____

4-H Club or FFA Chapter _____ Phone _____

Grade in School _____ Weight _____

1. List previous experience with beef project (if any): _____

2. How do you plan to handle the financial responsibility? _____

3. Describe your facilities: _____

4. Please attach a separate sheet of paper and describe in 500 words or less why you want to own and show a registered heifer.

5. Please attach a separate sheet of paper give a general description of the farm or ranch you live on including the amount of range or pasture, crops and livestock raised.

Should I receive a heifer, I understand that I will provide all necessary care, submit regular monthly reports as required and will not receive title to the heifer until exhibited at the 2012 New Mexico State Fair Junior Heifer Show.

Signature Date



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SUPPORT AUTHORIZATION

I/we, as parent of the applicant fully support his/her Application, and read and agree to the conditions involved. I/we feel that our son/daughter is prepared to properly and safely manage the heifer, and that I/we lend our assurance that the necessary resources will be available to provide proper care of the heifer.

Further, we agree to hold harmless New Mexico State Fair, New Mexico State University, the Cooperative Extensions Service, the State of New Mexico, New Mexico 4-H, USDA, and the donor in the event of injury or loss to our son/daughter or other parties or property by the heifer.

Signature of Parent/Guardian (s)

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In my opinion, the 4-H or FFA member has sufficient experience and resources to properly and safely manage and care for the heifer.

Signature of 4-H or FFA Leader

The applicant is an active 4-H or FFA member in _____ County or Chapter and, in my opinion, is capable of meeting the conditions required should the heifer be awarded to him or her.

Signature of County Agent

Signature of Agriculture Advisor

Signature of Parent/Guardian (s)

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Entries submitted prior to the NMSF should be sent to the following address:
NEW MEXICO STATE FAIR, LIVESTOCK DEPARTMENT, P.O. BOX 8546 ALBUQUERQUE, NM 87198