

Rules, Regulations, Contests, Events & Shows



SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

Entry Form/Weight/Tag-in Dates and Times

Saturday, September 16, 2017:	8:00a - 10:00a	Fat Steers
Tuesday, December 5, 2017:	Entry Form	BBQ, Dairy Cow, Dog, Goat,
Tuesday, December 12, 2017:	Deadlines	Heifer, Horse, Poultry, Rabbit
Friday, December 1, 2017:	3:00p - 6:30p	Feeder Steers
Saturday, December 2, 2017:	7:00a - 9:30a	Swine

MARCH 8-11, 2018

Wednesday, March 7:

4:30p - Scholarship Application Deadline

Thursday, March 8:

3:00p - 7:00p - Poultry & Rabbit Entry

Friday, March 9

4:00p - 6:00p - Dairy Cow, Goat Does & Heifer Entry

5:30p - Cloverbud Rabbit Show/Showmanship

After Cloverbud Show - Rabbit Show

6:00p - Poultry Show

6:00p - Poultry & Rabbit Showmanship

After Show - Rabbit & Poultry Release, See Superintendent if you are showing on Saturday.

Saturday, March 10:

7:30a - 8:00a - Horse Entry

8:30a - Horse Show

After Horse Show - Gymkhana (Speed) Contest

8:30a - 11:00a - Dairy/Meat Doe Goat Showmanship

After Showmanship - Dairy/Meat Doe Goat Shows

After Goat Shows - Dairy Doe Goat Contests

After Contests - Dairy/Meat Doe Goat Release

11:00a - 1:30p - Dairy Cow Show/Showmanship

After Show - Dairy Cow Release

12:30p - 2:30p - Ag-Life Contest

4:00p - Heifer Show

After Show - Home Grown Heifer Show

After Home Grown - Heifer Showmanship

Sunday, March 11:

1:00p - Dog Show Entry & Show

1:00p - BBQ Contest

Fair grounds will be opened by 6:00 a.m. and closed by 10:00 p.m. every day. No one is to sleep in the Livestock area, in tents, or in any area not designated. All children must be under adult supervision at all times.

Dixie-Gilchrist-Ley Counties 66th Annual Suwannee River Youth Livestock Show and Sale

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2018 RULE & REGULATION CHANGES

SALES COMMISSIONS

- ✓ 3% Decrease
- ✓ Swine 13%, Feeders, 10%, Fats 8%

SCHEDULE CHANGES

- ✓ Fair Dates & Non-Sale Animals

SALE RULES & PROCEDURES: Pg 7

- ✓ 3. Exhibitors must be with their animal when it enters the sale ring or their animal will receive resale price only.

MARKET SALE CHECK RULES: Pg 7

- ✓ 2. Handwritten thank you letters
- ✓ 3. No Torn Pages/ Frayed Edges
- ✓ 5. Cards are acceptable as long as all other criteria are met.
- ✓ 9. 15% penalty fee

BEEF GENERAL RULE: Pg 17

- ✓ ~~Cattle must be clipped prior to arrival at the fairgrounds in March~~
- ✓ Feeders and Fats must gain ~~2~~ 1 pound/day

RECORD BOOK/SUMMARY: Pg 22

- ✓ **Market Animals** (Fat Steer, Feeder Steer, Swine, Wether)
- ✓ **Non-Market Animals** (Beef Heifer, Dairy Cow, Dairy Doe, Dog, Horse, Meat Doe, Poultry, Rabbit)
- ✓ Exhibitors may enter 1 record book per show they are participating in.

DOG SHOWS: Pg 27

- ✓ Dogs \$25.00 1st and \$10.00 2nd
- ✓ New Rules

GOAT SHOWS: Pg 30

- ✓ New Rules
- ✓ Market Wether Show

HORSE SHOWS: Pg 33

- ✓ All rules have been revised
- ✓ ~~Previous Year Florida 4-H Area and State Horse Show Contest Rules, Regulations and Procedures~~
- ✓ 4. Contest Rules, Regulations and Procedures will go through the show superintendent and the SRF website rules.
- ✓ 12. Western pleasure riding bridle must have brow band with throat latch or single/double ear and split reins. Hunter riding bridle with throat latch and hunter type reins.
- ✓ 14. The Judge for the SRF horse show has the final decision on any discrepancies. SRF rules apply to all protests.
- ✓ 15.e Show management and/or judge has the option to conduct random bit checks according to breed specifics, no longer than 8 inch shanks. Any bit can be excused per judges discretion.
- ✓ Performance Show: **Western Riding Pattern 1**: Pattern may change yearly.
- ✓ Speed Show: **Flag Race**
- ✓ ~~Texas Barrels.~~

RABBIT SHOW: Pg 38

- ✓ 3. 4-H Cloverbud projects must have tattoo in left ear.

SWINE SHOW: Pg 39

- ✓ ~~No clipping at fair grounds~~
- ✓ 7. Clipping is allowed in designated area or in pen with cordless clippers.

2019 PROPOSED RULE CHANGES

- ✓ None at this time.

ASSOCIATION MEMBERSHIP

1. Eligibility: Any resident of Dixie, Gilchrist or Levy County.
2. Dues: Persons meeting eligibility must submit \$5.00 annually.
3. Nominate and elect Directors from each of the 3 counties participating in the Fair.
4. Provide input to the Board of Directors as to the interests of the participating public.
5. Members must be 18 years old. Members cannot be a student grade K-12 or home school equivalent in Dixie, Levy or Gilchrist counties.

BARNs - GROUNDS - PAVILION RENTAL

The pavilion is available for rental for your event. The heat and cooled 15,000 square feet handicap accessible main pavilion building seats up to 975 people. For more information: www.suwanneeriverfairpavilion.com

MARKET ANIMAL SALE CHECK RULES AND PROCEDURES

1. All market animal participants are **REQUIRED** to write an appropriate thank you letter to all buyers.
2. **Letters MUST BE HANDWRITTEN** and placed in an unsealed, stamped, addressed envelope.
3. No Torn Pages, and or Frayed Edges will be excepted.
4. Letters **AT THE MINIMUM MUST** include 3 paragraphs with at least 9 sentences, using the following format:
 - ▶ Paragraph 1: Introduce yourself (name, age, school, club/chapter, what other shows you participate in, etc.);
 - ▶ Paragraph 2: tell what the project is (steer, swine, horse, rabbit, etc.) and describe what you learned from the project (do not just say "I learned responsibility" or "I learned time management," but explain how you learned it and why it is important);
 - ▶ Paragraph 3: Express your appreciation and tell how you intend to use these funds or tell how much you appreciate them and their sponsorship.
5. **NO FORM LETTERS.** Cards are acceptable as long as all other criteria are met.
6. Prior to the last day of school, all thank you letters shall be given to the 4-H Agent or FFA Advisor for mailing. 4-H Agents and FFA Advisors will notify the Fair Secretary, at least weekly, as to receipt of Thank You Letters. After the last day of school all thank you letters will be submitted to the Fair Secretary.
7. Sale check will be mailed in participants name to the legal guardian address upon receipt of an appropriate thank you letter(s) from exhibitor to their buyer(s).
8. The mailing address will be obtained from the official mailing address of the legal parent/guardian on the Market Animal Entry Form.
9. After 90 days from Sale Date, any checks that have not been mailed due to lack of proper thank you letters shall be subject to a **15%** penalty fee.

RESALE AUCTION PROCEDURE

The President will form a committee to evaluate resale options prior to the sale.

SALE RULES & PROCEDURES

1. The sale order will provide for a mixed animal sale. A certain number of swine, then a number of fat calves, then a number of feeder calves, then a number of wethers, will sell. The numbers in each "cycle" will be determined by calculations based on total numbers in each category.
2. Grand Champions in each category will sell first, then Reserve Champions in each group. Entries in each category (swine, feeders, fats, wethers) will sell based on this order while maintaining the mixed animal "cycle" described in #1 above.

3. Exhibitors must be with their animal when it enters the sale ring or their animal will receive resale price only.
4. Each animal will be sold separately to the highest bidder.
5. Auctioneer will determine the highest bidder and settle all disputes.
6. Terms are cash, credit card, or check made payable to the **Suwannee River Fair and Livestock Association, P O Box 252, Trenton, FL 32693**.
7. Sale weight on steers will be the official weigh-in weight less 3% shrinkage. Market swine and wether sale weight will be the official weigh-in weight.
8. A resale price will be established and announced at the beginning of the sale. Buyers will be billed for the purchase price less the announced resale value.
9. Any person buying animals for another party must sign their name to the purchase contract and is legally responsible for the payment of the bill.
10. Payment is due no later than 30 days after the date of the sale. Payment is overdue after 30 days and interest on the unpaid balance will be charged after 60 days. After 90 days, appropriate legal action will be taken to collect unpaid bills. Such bills will be charged attorney and legal fees plus interest on the unpaid balance.
11. Add-ons will be allowed until 5:00p on the Friday following the sale. Add-ons must use form with complete billing address and signature. All add-ons are subject to sales commission, no resale credit will be applied.
12. No Individual resale is allowed.
13. No custom kill or retained ownership purchases are allowed. All animals must be resold and delivered to the resale buyer.

SCHOLARSHIP AWARDS

1. Applicants must be active FFA, FCCLA or 4-H member in good standing in Dixie, Gilchrist or Levy Counties.
2. Applicants must be a senior in high school and exhibiting in the current year of the Suwannee River Fair and Livestock Show.
3. Application must be made on an approved form and submitted to the Suwannee River Fair business office, **P. O. Box 252, Trenton, FL 32693** by 4:30p the **1st Wednesday in March**.
4. Scholarships will be awarded on the basis of information supplied on approved application form including: Financial Need, Scholarship (Grade Point Average), Project Record, Fair Participation, Leadership Experience, Personal Information.
5. Volunteer work at the Suwannee River Fair is required. A total minimum of 40 hours are required and must be completed by February 15 of your 12th grade year.
6. Recipients must submit proof of enrollment in either college or trade school within 1 year following their award, if not all monies will be forfeited to the SRF Association. Exceptions will be considered by the board on a case by case basis.

Suwannee River Fair Scholarships:

The following applies to the Suwannee River Fair Scholarships:

1. Two - \$500.00 scholarships will be awarded and these awards are for attendance at a University or Community College or Trade School.

2. Applications will be reviewed anonymously and recipients selected by a committee appointed by the President of the Board of Directors.

Suwannee River Fair Swine Committee Scholarship:

The following applies to the Suwannee River Fair Swine Committee Scholarship:

1. One - \$500.00 scholarships will be awarded and these awards are for attendance at a University or Community College or Trade School.
2. Applications will be reviewed anonymously and the recipient selected by members of the Swine Committee.

SHOW & BELT BUCKLE SPONSORS

1. To defray the cost of each show, all superintendents are responsible for securing a \$250 dollar Primary Show Sponsor. The name of the sponsor will be added to trophies and plaques if applicable. Show superintendents will announce and thank the sponsor during their show. Show sponsors will be encouraged to have a representative present at the awards night. Primary show sponsors can supply the Fair Association a banner (3x5) to be displayed in the arena. Current sponsors will be billed in October and if they choose to cancel their sponsorship, the show superintendent will need to secure another sponsor.
2. **Belt Buckles:** First place showmanship plaques for each show may be replaced with belt buckles as long as additional funding or sponsors are secured for the buckles. See Fair Secretary for Information.

SHOW & CONTEST JUDGE SELECTION

A judge selection committee will be chosen by random drawing at the meeting held after the elections in August/September. The committee will consist of 2 directors from each county. This committee will submit the names and contact information for 3 judges for each of the following:

1. Swine show/showmanship
2. Heifer show/showmanship/home grown show
3. Steer show
4. Steer showmanship/home grown show
5. Wether show

The president will be given these names and he/she in turn will submit them to the fiscal clerk who will contact the judges and make the final selection.

For all other shows and contest the superintendents and/or show committees are personally responsible for the selection and securing of judges. The name, title and address of ALL judges, including show judge and showmanship judge, are to be submitted to the Fair Secretary no later than December 1.

SUWANNEE RIVER FAIR ASSOCIATION INC. PARENTAL PERMISSION, RELEASE AND WAIVER OF LIABILITY AND INDEMNITY AGREEMENT

ADULT AND MINOR PARTICIPANTS: Let it be known that all those directly associated with the Suwannee River Fair Association Inc./Suwannee River Youth Livestock Show & Sale/Suwannee River Fair (hereafter "Releasee"), including but not limited to Board Members, Staff, Show Committees, Sponsors, and Volunteers are to be held harmless and not responsible in any way in case of any damage, fire or accident as to person, lost articles, livestock, etc. entered and/or exhibited or any accidents that might occur to the exhibitor or their family, and/or the general public

while visiting on the grounds at any time during fair activities. It is understood that all exhibitors entering any of the Suwannee River Fair shows and/or contests agree to comply with all General Rules and Regulations, Animal Inspections Rules & Regulations and the IAFE National Code of Show Ring Ethics, as well as the rules governing each individual show and contest.

NOTICE TO THE MINOR CHILD'S PARENT or LEGAL GUARDIAN

READ THIS FORM COMPLETELY AND CAREFULLY. YOU ARE AGREEING TO LET YOUR MINOR CHILD ENGAGE IN A POTENTIALLY DANGEROUS ACTIVITY. YOU ARE AGREEING THAT, EVEN IF RELEASEE USES REASONABLE CARE IN PROVIDING THIS ACTIVITY, THERE IS A CHANCE YOUR CHILD MAY BE SERIOUSLY INJURED OR KILLED BY PARTICIPATING IN THIS ACTIVITY BECAUSE THERE ARE CERTAIN DANGERS INHERENT IN THE ACTIVITY WHICH CANNOT BE AVOIDED OR ELIMINATED. BY SIGNING THIS FORM YOU ARE GIVING UP YOUR CHILD'S RIGHT AND YOUR RIGHT TO RECOVER FROM RELEASEE IN A LAWSUIT FOR ANY PERSONAL INJURY, INCLUDING DEATH, TO YOUR CHILD OR ANY PROPERTY DAMAGE THAT RESULTS FROM THE RISKS THAT ARE A NATURAL PART OF THE ACTIVITY. YOU HAVE THE RIGHT TO REFUSE TO SIGN THIS FORM, AND RELEASEE HAS THE RIGHT TO REFUSE TO LET YOUR CHILD PARTICIPATE IF YOU DO NOT SIGN THIS FORM. F.S. 744.301(3)(b) PARENTAL CONSENT.

IN CONSIDERATION of being permitted to enter any of the livestock areas at the Suwannee River Fair (including, but not limited to, the show ring, competition areas, chutes, hog pens, steer barn, scales, washing/drying areas, areas reserved and intended for exhibitors or restricted to the general public), or being permitted to compete, officiate, observe, work for, or for any purpose participate in any way in the event, by signing below, I agree as follows:

1. I am aware that there are livestock animals at the Suwannee River Fair and I understand that livestock can be unpredictable and dangerous at times.
2. If allowed to enter any livestock area, I agree to be mindful and aware of my surroundings in any areas that I may be in and will conduct myself in a safe and sensible manner.
3. I agree that if, at any time, I am in a livestock area and I feel anything to be unsafe, I will immediately notify Fair officials of such and will leave the area. '
4. I agree not to sue any youth exhibitors, the Suwannee River Fair or any affiliate of the Fair, the Fair Board Members, Fair Superintendents, Fair Officers, or anyone else associated with the Fair for any loss or damage claimed by myself due to the injury or death of myself or any person under my care at this event.
5. I understand that the activities of the Fair can be very dangerous and could involve the risk of serious injury and/or death and/or property damage, and I assume this risk on behalf of myself and anyone under my care while at this Fair.
6. I understand that neither the Suwannee River Fair nor any of its affiliates are responsible for loss of or damage to any of my personal property or belongings while at the fairgrounds.
7. I understand that this release, waiver, and indemnity agreement is intended to be as broad and inclusive as is permitted by the law of the Province or State in which the event is conducted and that if any portion thereof is held invalid, it is agreed that the balance shall, notwithstanding, continue in full legal force and effect.
8. I agree the laws of the State of Florida shall govern the validity of this Release, the construction of its terms, and the interpretation of the rights and duties hereunder.

I HAVE READ THIS DOCUMENT IN ITS ENTIRETY. I UNDERSTAND IT IS A WAIVER AND RELEASE OF ALL CLAIMS. I UNDERSTAND THAT I ASSUME ALL RISK INHERENT IN THIS FAIR WHICH INVOLVES UNPREDICTABLE LIVESTOCK ANIMALS. I FREELY AND VOLUNTARILY SIGN MY NAME EVIDENCING MY ACCEPTANCE OF THE ABOVE PROVISIONS.

GENERAL FAIR RULES & REGULATIONS

FOR ALL SHOWS & CONTESTS

1. The Suwannee River Fair Association (SRF) reserves to its Board of Directors, the final and absolute right to interpret all rules and regulations.
2. The SRF reserves all rights to make changes to individual shows, events, and/or rules and regulations throughout the year as the Executive Board deem necessary for the betterment, improvement and safety of exhibitors, volunteers, and guests.
3. The fair will take place at the discretion of the SRF Board of Directors and when possible the following year Fair dates will be set in January prior to the opening of the current Fair year.
4. Market animals that show must sell. Exhibitor owns the animal until it goes on the trailer of the resale buyer after the sale.
5. All animals will be the responsibility of the exhibitor and remain in their designated area during the feeding period or until released by show committee. The care and welfare of the shows animals will be checked periodically by FFA advisors, county Agents, 4-H leaders and/or board members.
6. The website mysrf.org has entry forms, record books, updates and changes to any rule.
7. No animals, concessions or goods may be advertised for sale on the fair grounds unless officially sanctioned by the Board of Directors.
8. Gate at SE corner of Horse arena will stay shut all the time. **No Vehicles, No Trailers.**
9. The Fair will not be responsible for any actions by the US Post Office concerning entries or thank you letters. This includes letters lost or delayed through the mail.
10. Use of drugs in animals not in compliance with manufacturer's label as to dosage, time of withdrawal limitations, or other manufacturer's limitations and show regulations is prohibited. The use of tranquilizers or possession of same after arrival at the Fair will be construed as tampering.
11. **SRF Association Resale Buyer Quality Assurance & Drug Statement.** This is to acknowledge that I have been advised that the presence of any drug, antibiotic or biological residue in my market animal at slaughter will result in the condemnation of the carcass and forfeiture of all sale proceeds and premiums. I certify that any drug, antibiotic or biological substance which may have been administered by myself or any other person, was done so in strict compliance with the manufacturers label requirements or as prescribed by a veterinarian. I certify that I produced this animal, it was not fed any prohibited feedstuffs and all feeds were fed in strict compliance with the manufacturer's label instructions.
12. Show officials may refuse participation in any show, contest or sale, any exhibit or exhibitor who they feel is not a credit to the fair and/or does not adhere to all rules and regulations.
13. The decisions of Judges, Graders, DFACS Inspectors and other officials of the fair are final. There will be no arguments, verbal or written, or protest to the fair Judges or Graders. Protests are allowed under the provisions of SRF general rule #14.
14. Any disagreement or protest regarding any fair activities must be made in writing to the Fair Board President. The executive board will consider such protests and a decision rendered as soon as possible.

CODE OF CONDUCT

15. Exhibitors and exhibitor's parents are expected to adhere to the following rules of conduct at all fair sanctioned events. Failure to do so could result in forfeiture of all premiums, awards and elimination or expulsion from participation in the current or future fair events.
 - a. Abide by all SRF rules and regulations.
 - b. Consumption, possession of alcoholic beverages on fair property or being under the influence of such beverages is strictly forbidden.
 - c. The use of profanity or fighting on fair property is forbidden.
 - d. The possession of firearms by anyone under the age of 18 on fair property is forbidden. Adults must secure firearms in locked vehicles when left unattended.
 - e. No open fires are permitted on fair property.
 - f. Any intentional destruction or abuse of Fair property will be grounds for immediate expulsion from the fair grounds and/or activities.
 - g. No improper comments or conduct toward buyers, fair officials or volunteers will be tolerated.

EXHIBITOR ELIGIBILITY & RESPONSIBILITY

16. Participants in SRF must be certified members in good standing of 4-H, FFA or FCCLA in Dixie, Gilchrist or Levy Counties. Verification of membership is the sole responsibility of the advisors or agents and implies member compliance with national, state and local membership rules and policy. Membership is certified initially by the signature of the appropriate Advisor, Agent or Leader on the appropriate entry form. Final certification from Advisor or Agent will be verified from SRF Master Entry List.
17. **Age Division** between Primary (8-10), Junior (11-13), and Senior (14+) classes shall be uniform throughout the Fair. **The base age date for all shows: September 1, 2017.**
 - a. Except Horse: Beginner any age, Jr: 8-13, Sr: 14 years and older
 - b. Exhibitors who are not 8 years old by **9/1/2017** cannot participate in Large Animal Projects.
18. **4-H Cloverbuds** are 4-H members who are 5, but not 8 years old as of **9/1/2017**.
 - a. Cloverbuds may not compete for any awards and/or prizes. They may enter and participate only in events specific to their age group.
 - b. Cloverbuds are eligible for participation in the Creative Life Skills, Small Animal Division Show and showmanship.
 - c. Cloverbud entries will be judged and awarded green ribbons of participation. See Specific Shows for Rules and Regulations.
 - d. A Cloverbud project summary sheet and a show sponsor thank you letter, drawing, or picture on 8.5x11 paper for rabbit and or poultry shows is required.
19. **SRF Dress Code:** All exhibitors participating in Shows, Sale, Contests and at Awards Program will be required to be clean, neat and dressed in gender appropriate dark black jeans, slacks or skirts, a solid white shirt with a white collar and dark or green tie. 4-H or FFA Jacket or 4-H Accessories are required. Closed-toed shoes with backs or boots are required. No hats or caps allowed. **Show Only Exceptions:** Cloverbuds may wear 4-H

Accessories. BBQ Contest and Dog Show participants check contest/show for dress code requirements. Dairy Cow and Goat participants may wear white pants and shirt. Horse Show participants are required to wear attire, boots and helmet appropriate to riding style.

20. **Buyer's Invitation:** It is the exhibitors responsibility to help get new and returning buyers to come to the livestock sales.

EXHIBITOR ENTRIES & RESPONSIBILTIES

21. Animals must be entered at the initial and final entry time.
22. Exhibitors must own in full any animal exhibit offered for sale. No individual may show and/or sell more than one **SALE** animal per year. Chapter or club animals must be shown and sold by someone that does not have a market animal in the show.
23. Exhibitors must show and sell, his/her own animal unless the show committee approves an alternate.
24. All exhibits must be picked up no later than the time and date listed in the schedule of events or show barn for each show and division.
25. Early removal of exhibits may result in loss of ribbons and future showing privileges.
26. Steer and/or heifer exhibitor is required to demonstrate to the satisfaction of the directors that they are able to handle their animal safely. This will include an unassisted walk around the indoor arena by the exhibitor. If any animal is deemed "green, unbroke, or unsafe" the exhibitor will be excused from the show and sale, regardless of division. There will be two opportunities to do this. At the March weigh-in and a time to be announced prior to the Show. Failure to do so will result in dismissal from the show and sale.
27. For the safety of all exhibitors, any animal that becomes loose or unruly while in the show ring due to lack of control by the exhibitor shall be penned or tied to the fence for the remainder of the class.
28. **STATEMENT OF UNDERSTANDING:** By signing and submitting an entry to the Suwannee River Youth Fair, the exhibitor, parents, leaders, and advisors agree that they have read and agree to abide by the Rules and Regulations as published by the Suwannee River Fair Association, and that all information on the entry form is true. By signing the entry form you release the Suwannee River Fair Association and those directly associated with it from any liability to your person or property and you consent to the use, by the Fair, of any pictures taken during the events for promotion or advertising of the Suwannee River Youth Fair.
29. **LIABILITY WAIVER:** Parent/Guardian and/or Exhibitor must sign and submit a Parental Permission, Release and Waiver of Liability and Indemnity Agreement with their entry form.
30. **WRIST BANDS:** Colored wrist band will be issued to exhibitor and parent/guardian. Wristbands are required to enter restricted livestock areas of the fair grounds.
31. **Entry Fees:**
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| \$35.00 | Fat Steer, Feeder Steer, Swine & Wethers |
| \$30.00 | Dairy Cattle, Goats (dairy, meat doe) & Horse |
| \$30/25.00 | Beef Heifers \$30.00 1 st then \$25.00/Head 2 nd & 3 rd |
| \$25/10.00 | Dogs \$25.00 1st and \$10.00 2nd |
| \$20.00 | Rabbit & Poultry |
| \$10.00 | BBQ Contest |
| \$5.00 | Cloverbud Rabbit & Poultry |
| None | Creative Life Skill Shows |

32. **Entry Forms:** Exhibitors must enter their animals on a completed official entry form that has been signed by the exhibitor, exhibitor's parent or guardian, and the FFA Advisor, 4-H Agent or 4-H Leader. Entry forms are due according to Registration Deadlines and with the correct fees. No refunds will be made after entry deadline.
33. **Registration Deadlines:** All paperwork is the responsibility of the exhibitor and entry forms are due into the show superintendents no later than:
- Market Steer & Swine Animals:** On the day of Weight/Tag-in.
 - Non-Sale & Market Wether Animals:** Forms must be post marked by the 1st Tuesday in December of the current fair year. Entries post marked after the deadline but on or before the 2nd Tuesday of December will be accepted at double the entry fee. Exhibitors are encouraged to include a self-addressed, stamped post card which will be returned upon receipt of their entry forms. A list of all received entries will be posted on the Fair website. Dropped off forms will not be accepted.
34. **REQUIRED Show/Contest Sponsor Thank You Letters:** Your animal will not be checked into the fair until a show/contest sponsor thank you letter is submitted. No Torn Pages, Frayed Edges or Envelopes will be excepted. Letters **MUST BE HANDWRITTEN** and **AT THE MINIMUM MUST** include 3 paragraphs with at least 9 sentences, using the following format:
- ▶ Paragraph 1: Introduce yourself (name, age, school, club/chapter, what other shows you participate in, etc.);
 - ▶ Paragraph 2: tell what the project is (steer, swine, horse, rabbit, etc.) and describe what you learned from the project (do not just say "I learned responsibility" or "I learned time management," but explain how you learned it and why it is important);
 - ▶ Paragraph 3: Express your appreciation and tell how much you appreciate them and their sponsorship.
35. **Mandatory Project Summary Sheet OR Record Book:**
- All animal exhibitors **MUST** complete either a Project Summary Sheet or a Record Book for each animal project they enter. Any exhibitor wishing to participate in the Record Book Contest must fully complete a Record Book.
 - Animals will be group as either Market or Non-Market Animals.
 - The completed project summary sheet or record book will be presented to the show committee check-in station where all summary sheets and record books will be examined for completeness.
 - If a summary sheet or record book is found to be incomplete, the exhibitor and their animal **WILL BE** diverted out of line to an area where they will complete their sheet/book.
 - Exhibitors showing in multiple animal divisions have the choice of completing either the project summary or the record book, so long as one or the other is completed for each division.
 - If the sheet/book is complete, it will be rubber stamped as approved, and the exhibitor's hand will be stamped for entry into the scale house, arena or barns.
 - Optional Record Book Contest:** Refer to Contests and Other Events Rules.

36. **Showmanship Contests – General Rules:**

- a. There will be Primary, Junior, and Senior divisions.
- b. Refer to show division for specific criteria on participation.
- c. The exhibitor must show his own animal. No one will be allowed to participate unless they have an official entry in the show and division. Exhibitors of chapter or club animal may compete in the showmanship contest, 1 per club/chapter by designated club leader or chapter advisor.
- d. Awards may be given to the top three (3) showmen in each show category.

ANIMAL INSPECTION RULES & REGULATIONS

37. All animals shall enter the show grounds through the North gate, unless specified in SRF Division and Show.
38. Exhibitors will be required to maintain their exhibits in a clean and attractive manner, properly care for (feed and water) animal exhibits, for the duration of the Fair. Inspections will be performed by the Board.
39. **Proper Care:** If your animal is reported for lack of care and the grievance is found to be valid, the pen will be tagged with a date and time. Once your pen is tagged you must immediately report to the office/show superintendent. If the problem or concern is not corrected you will be withdrawn from the show.
40. State Veterinarian, USDA representative, SRF Grievance Committee or their representative reserve the right not to accept animals if they appear to be unhealthy, infected with external parasites (such as lice, mites & fleas), malnourished, or not in the best interest of the fair.
41. There will be no medicating of animals, unless approved by SRF Grievance Committee or their representative.
42. If illness appears during the course of the Fair, the SRF Grievance Committee or their representative reserve the right to remove animals from the barn that day.
43. Liability in case of death or injury to any exhibited animal remains with the exhibitor until released from Fair.
44. All health rules as outlined by the Suwannee River Fair and the Florida Department of Agriculture, Division of Animal Industry must be adhered to. State inspectors will be on the grounds to verify health papers and check in all animals. No animals will be unloaded without the inspector's approval.
45. The State Inspector has the right to test any animal on the facility without prior notice under **Florida Statues 5C-4.0017 General Requirements & Limitations.**
 1. *Official Certificate of Veterinary Inspection (OCVI) Required. Animals presented for exhibition purposes in Florida, unless specifically exempted, must be accompanied by an OCVI issued by a veterinarian accredited in the state of origin.*
 - (a) *The OCVI must be complete including the breed, sex, and registration number, and the official individual identification of each animal.*
 - (b) *Results of a specific test requirement or herd accreditation, certification or validation number for each animal must be recorded on the OCVI with the date of the test or herd accreditation, certification or validation.*

2. *Expiration of Required OCVI.*

(a) For Florida-origin animals an OCVI is valid for 90 days from the date of issue; or until the expiration date of any required tests, whichever is the earliest date.

4. *Exemption to Required OCVI. An OCVI is not required for animals originating in Florida and entered in market classes provided that animals are segregated from other animals and the pens are occupied only by the animals in a market class. Pens used for market classes must not be reused until after cleaning and disinfecting.*

5. *Inspection Required. Prior to immediate acceptance at an exhibition, all animals presented for exhibition must be visually inspected by an authorized representative for:*

(a) The required official individual identification of the animal; and

(b) Clinical signs of disease including, but not limited to: caseous lymphadenitis, blisters/ulcers around the mouth, nostrils, coronary band, pinkeye, pox, scabies, lice, ringworm, atrophic rhinitis, or multiple warts that are clearly visible; and

(c) Evidence of compliance with animal tests and OCVI requirements, where required.

5. *Animals Rejected for Exhibition.*

(a) Any animal in noncompliance with animal tests and OCVI requirements, or (b) Any animal not meeting the official individual identification requirements, or (c) Any animal which is suspected of having or showing clinical signs of dangerous transmissible, contagious or infectious disease on visual inspection, or any animal which is known to be exposed to such diseases must be: Immediately withdrawn from exhibition and returned to the place of origin, or Examined by a Florida-licensed and USDA-accredited veterinarian at the owner's expense within 24 hours, who certifies by a signed, written statement, that the animal is free of dangerous transmissible, contagious or infectious disease and pests.

CATTLE DIVISION RULES & REGULATIONS

CATTLE GENERAL RULES & REQUIREMENTS

1. The SRF General Rules and Regulations apply to this Division and Shows.
2. Health Requirements:
 - a. 5C-4.0017 General Requirements & Limitations.
 - b. 5C-4.002 Cattle (Beef & Dairy): **OCVI Required.** (a) Florida-origin cattle moved for exhibition must be accompanied by an OCVI dated not more than 90 days prior to exhibition. (Health Certificate)
 - c. Cattle must have an **Official Individual Animal ID**, except Fat Steers.
3. No nose rings allowed. Cattle must be polled or dehorned at the time of the initial entry, limited at the discretion of the board.
4. Cattle must be halter broken in March. A screening committee appointed by the board of directors may sift out any animal that becomes unruly and dangerous at any time during the show and sale. Sifted cattle will not be sold by the Association and must be removed from the grounds.
5. No reserving spots or setting up cages in advance of the weigh-in. All spots will be selected in the order of weigh-in. No cages will be setup until all animals are weighed and have selected their spots.
6. Animals must be groomed by the exhibitor, no professional groomers allowed.
7. Cattle shows and contests will be blow and go (shampoo and blow-dry). This means no hair care products. **Wash, Blow, Comb, Show.** If you have grooming products on your animal you will not show.
8. Cattle must be shown with show halters only. Animals requiring a rope halter will be tied if unruly, but must enter the show ring in a show halter.
9. All Cattle Must Stay In Designated Area. If an animal leaves their designated area the exhibitor will be disqualified from the show.
10. No altering of cattle: including but not limited to pumping, false switches, or improper injections.
11. **Beef Cattle Homegrown Champions:** A Grand and Reserve grown on the family farm animal will receive a plaque. Homegrown means the mother of the show animal was owned by your family's farm. Only 1 Heifer per exhibitor may be shown in the homegrown show.

BEEF HEIFER SHOW RULES

Show Superintendent:	Scott Mills 352.490.1007
Show Committee:	Adam Elliott, Lint Jerrels
Entry Fee:	\$30.00 1 st then \$25.00/head

1. The Cattle General Rules and Regulations apply to this show.
2. Heifers must be **6 months to 30 months** of age.
3. Participants can only show 3 heifers or 2 heifers and a cow/calf pair. Cow/Calf pairs will not be considered for Grand and Reserve Trophies.
4. Any evidence of tampering with a heifer (such as the use of unapproved drugs) will automatically be disqualified.

5. Heifers will be classed by weight. No more than 8 heifers to a class.
6. All heifers will be released following showmanship. Please clean up your area before you leave. After the heifer show, all cages must be removed.

DAIRY COW SHOW RULES

Show Superintendent: Sherry Roux 386.623.4387

Entry Fee: \$30.00

1. The Cattle General Rules and Regulations apply to all shows and contests.
2. All animals must be halter broken, clipped and washed prior to arrival at the show, and groomed ethically and according to good show ring practices. Animals must be groomed by the exhibitor, no professional groomers allowed.
3. All animals must show a predominance of dairy breeding.
4. Only females of recognized breeds and exhibiting a predominance of dairy breeding may be shown.
5. All dairy cattle must be dehorned for entry; animals with horns may be disqualified.
6. All dairy animals must be owned or leased.
7. All exhibits must remain on display until the release time.
8. Heifer & Cow Grand & Reserve Divisions.
9. Each exhibitor may enter and show only 1 animal in each class with a maximum of 3 animals in the show.
10. Classes will be as follows:

Heifer Classes: Junior Heifer Calf, Intermediate Heifer Calf, Senior Heifer, Winter Yearling, Junior Yearling, Summer Yearling

Cow Classes: Senior Yearling, Junior 2-Year Old, Senior 2-Year Old, Senior Milk Cows

STEER SHOW RULES

Show Superintendent: Scott Mills 352.490.1007

Show Committee: Todd Begue, Frank Dola, Adam Elliott

Entry Fee: \$35.00

1. The Cattle General Rules and Regulations apply to all shows and contests.
2. Cattle determined by the committee to be structurally unsound and therefore unmarketable may be rejected from the show & sale.
3. Any suspicion of tampering with a steer, unethical or altering, will be subject to the fair requiring an inspection by a certified vet at the owner's expense.
4. Steer will be weighed only once. The exhibitor, at this time, may request the animal be removed from the scales, the scales rebalanced and the animal re-weighed. Any request for re-weighing must be at the time of the initial weighing. Animal must not leave scale area. No animal will be weighed more than twice.
5. Steers must exhibit a predominance of beef breeding.
6. The top steer from each class will compete for Grand Champion. In the class from which the champion comes from, the 2nd place animal can compete for Reserve Grand Champion.
7. Ethical Treatment of Animals: Immediately following each class in both Market and Feeder

Steer shows, the top 2 winners will report to the scale house with their animal. Steers will be weighed and must not weigh more than 5% of their beginning March weight. Violators of this rule will be disqualified from placing in that class. Subsequently, placed animals will advance to the vacated positions and be weighed. The disqualified animal will still be eligible for sale.

8. If any rules are found to be violated, exhibitors will only receive resale value.
9. Exhibitors must deliver steers to the holding pen and sign delivery list after the conclusion of the sale.

MARKET FEEDER STEER SHOW RULES

1. **Maximum weight at first weigh-in is 500 lbs.**
2. Calves must gain a minimum of 1 pound per day during the feeding period.
3. Weight in March will be a minimum of 600 and maximum of 850. The objective is to grow the calf, not to fatten the calf, producing a healthy growing steer.
4. After all steers are entered, they will be classed by ending weight.
5. A **10%** sales commission, plus a \$1.00 Beef Check-off Fee as required by law, will be deducted from the exhibitor's proceeds. The exhibitor is paid on a 3% shrunk weight (97% of the ending weight).

MARKET FAT STEER SHOW RULES

1. **Maximum weight at first weigh-in is 950 lbs.**
2. Steers entered in the show and sale must have gained a minimum of 1 pound per day during the feeding period and weigh a minimum of 1000 pounds at the March weigh-in.
3. After all the steers are entered, they will be classed by weight starting at 1000 pounds with no more than 8 animals in a class.
4. A **8%** sales commission, plus a \$1.00 Beef Check off fee as required by law, will be deducted from the exhibitor's proceeds. The exhibitor is paid on a 3% shrunk weight(97% of the ending weight).
5. **Group Steer Contest:** Group entries shall be submitted to the Superintendent of the show by noon prior to the start of the fat steer show. A steer group will consist of 3 entered animals selected from each club or chapter participating in the fair. Any club or chapter may enter only 1 group of steers. Groups selected should be uniform by conformation, size, and desirable carcass traits. Judging will be based on 50% uniformity and 50% carcass traits. Awards will be given for top 3 groups.
6. **Gain In Weight Contest:** Designed to measure the exhibitor's ability as a herdsman to select and feed an animal for economical gain. Steer committee will be responsible for weighing and certifying these weights to the sponsor. Any certified steer entry in the SRF, which meets contest rules, will be eligible to compete. Each steer must be identified at the time of weigh-in with an ear tag and EID provided by the association. The show classification weight will be used at the end of the feeding period weight. Awards will be given for top 3 places.

CONTESTS & OTHER EVENTS RULES & REGULATIONS

GENERAL REGULATIONS & REQUIREMENTS

1. The SRF General Rules and Regulations apply to all Contests & Events.
2. Do Not have separate 4-H & FFA Awards.
3. Contact <http://mysrf.org> for study materials.

AG-LIFE CONTEST

Contest Superintendent: Holly Houghton

Entry Fee: None

This contest encourages youth to continue expanding their understanding, knowledge, and participation in all areas of agriculture.

1. **Dress Code:** You must be dressed according to the rules of the show you are participating in or according to the SRF official dress code.
2. Individual contest with Primary, Junior and Senior age divisions.
3. During the contest participants can start and stop station rotation as needed to compete in other shows and contests. You must turn in your score cards prior to leaving contest area and it is your responsibility to complete this contest.
4. Discussing the competition will result in disqualification.
5. Areas of study and study materials will be published on mysrf.org.
6. **AWARDS** - Ribbons and Prizes are awarded at the discretion of the Suwannee River Youth Fair. CHAMPION - One Belt Buckle Champion will be selected based on total score, regardless of age division.

LIVESTOCK JUDGING CONTEST

Contest Superintendent: Brad Etheridge

Entry Fee: None

1. **Dress Code:** To Judge on the Rail SRF Official Dress Required. No Cell Phones.
2. Individual and Team contest. Primary, Junior, Senior and Mixed age divisions. A mixed team will be entered at the level of the oldest participant. Club/Chapter may enter multiple judging teams & individuals per age division.
3. Teams will consist of 3 or 4 members. The team score will be the total of the 3 highest individual scores of members of the team.
4. Contestants or Teams must be registered 30 minutes prior to the start of the contest. No one is allowed in the judging area except judging teams (No Adults).
5. Classes for the judging contest will be selected by the contest committee from available market animals. 10 minutes will be allowed to judge a class.
6. Only SRF participants will be allowed to judge on the rail. Auditing teams will judge from the stands. Outside counties/schools will be permitted to "school" or "audit" the livestock judging contest for their educational benefit; however will be ineligible for SRF awards.
7. **Awards** will be given to the first three (3) places in Primary, Junior and Senior Divisions and high individuals for each age group.

MR. LORAN'S BBQ CONTEST

Contest Superintendents: Genevieve Mendoza & Holly Houghton

Entry Fee: \$10.00, pre-registration is required

1. Individual Belt Buckle Contest for ages 9 and up.
2. Participants are **Required** to follow the contest safety videos. All videos, required forms, study materials, and meat type for contest are available at <http://mysrf.org>
3. **Dress Code:** Official Dress is **Not Required**. Participants **Will Not** have any means of identification as to their name, club, chapter or community. You are **Required** to wear appropriate clothing and hair covers/hats.
4. Judges reserve the right to disqualify anyone for unsafe or unsanitary procedures.
5. Sharing is not permitted. Each contestant must have their own supplies.
6. Fair will **provide** meat, presentation plate and portion cup, for sample of sauce.
7. Each participant will:
 - a. Be scored on their entry card, record sheet, barbeque skills and sensory evaluation of final product.
 - b. **Furnish** their own **prep table** (3' x 6' or 2 smaller) and **small portable charcoal grill**. You should be able to walk/carry it into the contest area. **Furnish** all other equipment, food thermometer, charcoal, starter fluid, supplies and sauces. **No** self-starting charcoal or automatic fire starter blocks will be permitted. However chimney-starters may be used.
9. Check in and Set up begins at posted time. Sign in, turning in a contest card, and record sheet. You will receive a participant number and last minute instructions.
10. The contest will start with the lighting of the fires. There will be a 2 hour time limit. Each participant will present **cooked** meat to the panel of judges at the conclusion of the contest. One (1) point will be deducted for every 5 minutes late.
11. No One except exhibitors will be permitted in the cooking area until after judging.
12. All contestants:
 - a. must set up and start their own grill, are required to stay in their assigned area until end of contest and will work alone during cooking unless officials have safety concerns. You will loose points if lighter fluid is sprayed on live (hot) coals. You must use the technique outlined on our website.
 - b. will receive their meat when ready to cook. Cook the meat to **minimal internal temperature and time**.
 - c. may not inject any fluid or sauce into the meat and may not place meat in baskets to aid in turning.
 - d. will be observed from the time of setup and fires are lit until the food is submitted for judging and their respective area is cleaned. Trash bins will be provided.
13. **AWARDS** - Ribbons and Prizes are awarded at the discretion of the Suwannee River Youth Fair. **CHAMPION** - One Belt Buckle Champion will be selected based on total score, regardless of age division.

RECORD BOOK CONTEST

Contest Superintendent: Jaime NesSmith

Entry Fee: None

1. Exhibitors who complete a record book for an animal do not have to also complete a project summary sheet for the same animal.
 2. Individual Contest. Primary, Junior, and Senior age divisions.
 3. Age Divisions for the contest will be grouped as follows:
 - a. **Primary** division (ages 8-10)
 - b. **Junior** division (ages 11-13)
 - c. **Senior** division (ages 14+)
 - d. **4-H Cloverbuds** are Not eligible to participate in Record Book Contest
 5. Record Book Divisions for the contest will be grouped as follows:
 - a. **Market Animals** (Fat Steer, Feeder Steer, Swine, Wether)
 - b. **Non-Market Animals** (Beef Heifer, Dairy Cow, Dairy Doe, Dog, Horse, Meat Doe, Poultry, Rabbit)
 6. Exhibitors may enter 1 record book per show they are participating in.
 7. A portion of the entry fee will be utilized to provide a cash award.
 8. When possible, individuals from outside the Tri-County area will be sought to judge and score the record book competition.
 9. Rubrics will be provided in the back of each record book template for all participants. These rubrics will then be used to score individual books.
 10. Ribbon Awards: Blue 90-100 points; Red 80-89 points; White 70-79 points; Green 69 points & below.
 11. Awards: First, second and third place may be awarded.
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CREATIVE LIFE SKILLS DIVISION RULES & REGULATIONS

Division Superintendent: Trisha Barber

Entry Fee: None

1. The SRF General Rules & Regulations apply to this Division, Shows and Contests.
2. The Suwannee River Fair Association reserves to its Board of Directors, the final and absolute right to interpret all show rules and regulations. All Creative Life Skills (CLS) exhibitors will be under control of the CLS Superintendent. The Association will in no case be responsible for any loss or damages that may occur to entries.
3. **Eligibility:** Exhibitors will be grouped as follows: Cloverbuds, Primary, Junior, Senior, and Participants. **Participants** in any grade who have a diagnosed mental or physical condition that prevents them from competing at their grade level. With **WRITTEN PARENTAL** consent, participants may enter their items into the CLS Show for display only and will be awarded a ribbon for their participation.
4. **Shows & Contests:** Clothing, Textiles, Foods, Handicrafts, Program Cover Contest, Poster Contests & Photography.
5. **Number of Entries:** Exhibitors are limited to 6 entries in this Department. Only 1 entry per division will be accepted at registration.
6. **Registration:** Entry forms, which will also serve as registration forms, will be sent to leaders and advisors before the fair and must be signed by both the exhibitor and the leader or advisor. Division and class information may be completed on the form when the exhibit is entered into the show. No entry will be accepted without a signed entry form.
7. **Exhibits:** All exhibits must have been completed in the last 12 months and must be individual work of the exhibitor. All exhibits must be clean and attractively displayed.
8. **Entry and Release Times:** Non-food exhibits can be entered between 6:00p-8:00p on Friday. All exhibits, including food exhibits, can be entered between 9:00a-11:00a on Saturday. All cakes and breads entered into the Food Division will be released from 4:00p-5:00p on Saturday. **Perishables not picked up at this time will be disposed of by show superintendent.** Exhibits and ribbons must be picked up between 3:00p-5:00p Tuesday.
9. **Judging:** All sessions of judging will be closed except to judges and designated volunteers. The CLS Superintendent and Division chairs are responsible for orienting judges and encouraging them to write comments for each exhibit.
10. **Awards:** The decision of the judges will be final in all cases except where mistakes or misrepresentations are discovered. They will be referred to the CLS Superintendent.
11. Judges will first award blue, red and white ribbons for all exhibits. Only blue ribbon exhibits will be considered for Best of Division Rosettes in the respective age categories. Only exhibits awarded rosettes will be considered for Best of Show plaques, which are awarded annually to the top entry in clothing, textiles, foods, handicrafts and photography.
12. **Protest** – The CLS Superintendent has the final decision on any discrepancies. SRF rules apply to all protests.
13. **Names** – The only place that an exhibitor's name can appear is on the entry form. This is to insure anonymity for judging. Items marked with an exhibitors name will not be accepted.

CLOTHING SHOW RULES

1. Participation in the evening Fashion Revue is **optional, but recommended**.
2. To insure garments are correctly identified by the judges, print the number of your entry form onto a 1" by 3" piece of white fabric. Also print the number of pieces of clothing being entered (for example: 1 of 2, or 3 of 3). Pin fabric inside the garment and hang your garment on a hanger.
3. The entry form number must also be written on the pattern envelope and guide sheet. Put the envelope and guide sheet into a plastic bag and hang it on the same hanger as the garment. Exhibitors who draft their own pattern should write that information and their entry form number on an index card as well as a brief description of how they assembled their garment and put the card in the plastic bag in place of the guide sheet and pattern envelope.
4. A personal data form is due at the time the clothing exhibit is entered into the fair.
5. Repurposed Clothing: participants designs and sews a wearable garment from previously used materials. The completed garment is different from its original use.
6. Belts may be professionally made and finished garments professionally pressed, but must be so labeled.
7. Accessories constructed to complement clothing entry (shoes, hat, purse, jewelry, etc.) will be entered into appropriate division for judging and will not be judged as an ensemble. However accessories entered in other divisions may be used to complement garment during the Fashion Revue.

FOOD SHOW RULES

1. Food containing **UN-BAKED** ingredients such as custard, cream cheese, or raw eggs will be accepted. However, this division does not have accessibility to refrigeration before, during or after the judging session. All cakes and breads entered into the Food Division will be released from 4:00p-5:00p on Saturday. **Perishables not picked up at this time will be disposed of by show superintendent.**
2. For each entry, write the exhibitor's entry form number on a small piece of white paper and attach to the underside of the exhibit.
3. With the exception of pies and canned goods, **foods must be set on cardboard covered aluminum foil. No cake plates or glass pie dishes will be accepted.**
 - a) For smaller items such as cookies, muffins, candies, rolls or biscuits, place 6 of them on a 6"x6" foil-covered cardboard and put in a plastic bag. All 6 items will be retained for display.
 - b) Larger items such as cakes and bread should be entered on a 12"x12" or smaller foil covered cardboard. Place unfrosted cakes right side up and cover with plastic wrap.
 - c) Canned Good entries will include 2 jars of the same product canned within the last 12 months in identical, clear, standard jars in good condition with new, 2-piece canning lids (flat lid and band). Each jar must be labeled with the name of the food and the date it was preserved. Entries without required labeling will not be judged. Unsealed exhibits or products showing signs of spoilage will not be judged. Any foods that are considered hazardous to consume will be disposed of by the judges or volunteers. Jar

1 will be opened for judging then disposed of by volunteers. Jar 2 will be kept for display and must be picked up on Tuesday at exhibit release time. Fancy padded lids, fabric overlaps or cozies interfere with the judging process and should not be used.

4. Recipes are mandatory and must be stapled to the entry form with the exhibitor's entry form number clearly written across the top. **Do not write exhibitors name on recipe cards.** The use of box mixes and bread machines are prohibited.

HANDICRAFT SHOW RULES

1. **This Show Is Not Responsible For Breakage!**
2. In general, handicrafts are items that are inedible and have not been hand or machine stitched. Kits are not permitted with the exception of paint-by-number kits for Cloverbuds and Primaries.
3. Each exhibit must come with an explanation of how it was made. The explanation should be printed or typed on an index card. Both the card and the form must be attached to the exhibit.
4. Items must be ready for their intended use. This means that pictures and other works of art intended for hanging must be ready to hang or will be disqualified.
5. Pot hangers should have unbreakable pots rather than clay or pottery pots.
6. All hemming and finishing must be the work of the exhibitor.

PHOTOGRAPHY SHOW RULES

1. **No Frames, Glass Or Plexiglas Will Be Allowed!**
2. A photo entry may be either black/white or color, processed from a negative or a digital camera and must be taken by the exhibitor.
3. The exhibit must have a short explanation of why the picture was taken and chosen for entry. The explanation should be printed or typed on an index card. Both the card and the entry form must be attached to the exhibit.
4. Exhibitors may submit 1 entry as either: A series of photos: picture sequence or story showing a logical progression of images, or an individual photo.
5. Pictures should depict activities typical of those in which a 4-H or FFA member and their friends would likely participate.
6. The photo must be mounted on foam board. Maximum size for a single photo is 8"x10".

POSTER CONTEST RULES

1. This contest is open to all participants to show project knowledge gain.
2. Refer to website for current year topic
3. Acceptable poster size is **20"x30"** on poster board or foam board and must be of education value. The purpose of the poster is to help educate the public .
4. The required information must be on the back of the poster as follows: name, age and club name and county.
5. Art work must be that of an exhibitor, but parents are encouraged to help guide their child especially the Primary and Cloverbud divisions.

PROGRAM COVER DESIGN CONTEST RULES

1. This is an open contest to anyone age 8 - 18 as of September 1.
2. Decisions of the Judging Committee will be final.
3. No offensive or obscene material will be allowed.
4. No copyright material will be allowed.
5. All designs become the property of the Suwannee River Youth Fair to be used in whatever advertising capacity they deem acceptable without compensation to the exhibitor.
6. If deemed worthy by the panel of judges, the winning design will become the cover for the following year Suwannee River Youth Fair and/or promotional items or advertising.
7. The exhibitor must have done the work on the design.
8. Only one (1) design per exhibitor will be allowed.
9. Design must be Portrait/Vertical submitted on 8½ x 11 paper.
10. Computer generated art is allowed, but it must be printed out, do not submit on disk.
11. The following must be incorporated into the design:
 - a. The 67th Anniversary of the Show & Sale.
 - b. The general theme of the Fair (farm animals, 4-H, FFA, crafts, etc.)
 - c. The dates for the Fair.
 - d. "Free Admission" for the Fair.
 - e. Create a slogan
 - f. The location of the events – Suwannee River Fair Grounds, Dixie, Gilchrist, and Levy Counties Florida.
 - g. There must be room left for the insertion of the Fair Logo.

TEXTILE SHOW RULES

1. Textiles are made with fabric or yarn that has been hand or machine stitched or both.
 2. Kits may be used, but that information must be plainly noted.
 3. Each exhibit must come with an explanation of how it was made and whether a kit was used. The explanation should be printed or typed on an index card. Both the card and the entry form must be attached to the exhibit and have the exhibitor's name on them.
 4. Entries must be complete and ready to use. For example: a counted cross-stitch sampler should be framed and ready to hang. However, **NO GLASS!!** Label any items that have been professionally framed.
 5. Liquid embroidery is acceptable if at least 25% of the item is stitched, crocheted or otherwise needle worked.
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DOG DIVISION RULES & REGULATIONS

Division Superintendent: Becky Bussard 352.284.6861

Entry Fee: Dogs \$25.00 1st and \$10.00 2nd

DOG GENERAL REGULATIONS & REQUIREMENTS

1. The SRF General Rules and Regulations apply to this Division and Shows.
2. Exhibitors are **REQUIRED** to attend at least 1 SRF dog workshop with each dog that they are showing prior to entry deadline in December to determine their competition level and guarantee the safety of this event. Several workshops will be offered throughout the year, please contact the show superintendent for further details.
3. All class descriptions of what will be expected of youth and their dogs will be included in the **dog show handbook**. More information about each division show will be housed on the SRF Dog Project Facebook page and mysrf.org website.
4. Health Requirements:
 - a. A signed veterinarian slip with the dog's rabies vaccination covering expiration date must be attached to the entry form.
 - b. All purebred and mixed breed dogs, at least 6 months of age.
 - c. A female dog in season will not be permitted to show or be present during the show even if they have been registered for the event.
 - d. Dogs must be well groomed, washed and brushed with all mats removed from the coat, ears clean and nails trimmed.
5. Only animals being shown at the Suwannee River Fair will be allowed on show grounds.
6. Dogs are not permitted anywhere on the Fairgrounds except with their handler in the Arena & grooming areas. Anyone found violating this rule will be disqualified from the show.
7. Keep safety and common sense in mind at all times. Dogs must be leashed or crated at all times outside of class requirements. All crates must be placed in the designated area. Only exhibitors and 1 of their parents/guardians will be allowed in the crate area.
8. All dogs must be owned or co-owned by the exhibitor or their immediate family; however, dogs may be leased/loaned to the exhibitor with a lease agreement.
9. Two members of the same family may show the same dog. The Dog will be allowed in each class one time.
10. Each owner/handler is responsible for their dog's behavior. Any dog exhibiting acts of aggression will be excluded from participation. Uncontrollable or aggressive dogs must be immediately be removed from grounds.
11. Dogs must have been trained by their youth handler. No dog shall be individually hands-on trained by a professional dog trainer.
12. While on the fairgrounds, only the exhibitor may handle, train, work, prepare or groom his/her dog. Violation of this rule will result in disqualification. Adults are strictly prohibited from providing direct assistance in preparation or showing of animals unless exception is permitted by the fair board, requests must be made in advance, in writing in order to be considered.

Show and Classes

13. Full SRF official dress is required. Skirts are permitted for showmanship, but it is

recommended that all exhibitors wear pants for rally, agility, and obedience.

14. Bring proper leash and collar for each class entered. As well as treats, water, crate, and lots of patience!
15. Dogs must be on a leash at all times, except during advanced, off-leash exercises. A 6 foot leash with a choke-chain or nylon training collar. No pinch collars, tags, attachments, lead collars, chain leash, or harness will be accepted.
16. Coaching from the rail will not be permitted. In addition, on show day, only handler/dog pairs, fair board members, judges, and appointed ring volunteers will be permitted in the show ring.
17. All classes may be divided into age divisions if the number of entries received warrant it at the Show Committee's discretion.
18. Dogs must be entered in a class comparable to their level of training. If required, the Show Committee shall determine proper/improper class entry for the handler/dog. In this case, they will be allowed to participate but will not receive scores or placement for the incorrect class.
19. Basic and 8-11 year old handlers may enter 1 dog. Experienced handlers or handlers 11+ years of age as of September 1st of the current 4-H year may choose to exhibit up to 2 dogs. Dogs may not exhibit in the same class.
20. Each exhibitor will be responsible for cleaning up after their dog. Any dogs relieving themselves in the show ring will be disqualified from class.
21. Any dog that has competed in or holds a Title in AKC or UKC Obedience or Rally may not compete in Basic or Sub-Novice Classes.
22. Outside Venue: Any show other the SRF Dog Show including AKC, UKC, NADAC, etc.
23. **AWARDS:** For each class all exhibitors will be scored using the modified Danish judging system and 1-6 place rosettes will be given. For each age group, despite their experience level, there will be an overall award for showmanship, rally, obedience, and agility. The judge's decision/placing will be final.

24. **Height of dog at withers Height to be jumped**

11 inches and under	4 inches
12 inches to 15 inches	8 inches
15 inches to 18 inches	12 inches
18 inches to 22 inches	16 inches
over 22 inches	20 inches

SHOWMANSHIP

1. SRF Dog Show General Rules and Regulations apply to Showmanship.
2. Handlers are judged on teamwork and presentation of their dog. Class entered should be determined by the experience and show record of the handler first, then the dog.
3. **Classes:** Basic, Novice, Advanced, Excellent.

AGILITY SHOW

1. SRF Dog Show General Rules and Regulations apply to Agility.
2. Only open to dogs 15 months of age or older as of the date of show.
3. Dogs Without formal agility training or dogs unfamiliar with obstacles Should Not be entered.
4. All exhibitors will receive a copy of the

- pattern before they compete at the show.
5. Equipment provided at show will be based on AKC standards as modified by the Dog Show Committee. This event is subject to change depending on what type of equipment and supplies we are able to secure before the fair.
 6. *All Dogs Must Have A Height Card And Bring It To Check In, Or They Must Be Measured By A Representative Of The Committee To Participate In Agility.*
 7. For handlers and dogs with agility training, the only acceptable collar is a flat buckle collar. Off-lead dogs may run with no collar.
 8. No contact familiarization before each class.
 9. Dogs capable of off-lead work should not enter in on lead classes.
 10. In the on-lead agility classes, a loose leash must be maintained at all times.
 11. Judges will deduct points each time the leash is tightened, and a major deduction will be taken for a constant tight leash.
 12. **A Dog Will Be Allowed 3 Refusals.** Points will be taken for each refusal, after 3 refusals the maximum points off will be taken and the exhibitor will be instructed to "move on" to the next obstacle.
 13. ALL dogs jumping one jump height level LOWER than an AKC standard.
 14. **Classes:** Basic On Lead, Sub-Novice On Lead, Novice Off Lead, Advanced Off Lead

OBEDIENCE SHOW

1. SRF Dog Show General Rules and Regulations apply to Obedience.
2. Obedience will be judged according to AKC rules as modified by the Dog Show Committee.
3. A 6' lead (cloth or leather) and the following collars are permitted: Metal or

- nylon training, martingale or flat buckle/snap collars. All classes will be scored out of 200 points.
4. Scoring ties will be broken first by the best sits and downs score, second by the best heeling score, and third by the best stand for examination score.
 5. **Classes:** Basic On Lead, Sub-Novice On Lead, Beginner Novice, Novice

RALLY SHOW

1. SRF Dog Show General Rules and Regulations apply to Rally.
2. Rally is a form of obedience in which the dog and handler complete a course which has been designed by the judge.
3. Dog Show rally rules are based on AKC Rally Rules, as amended 12/1/2015.
4. **General Rally Scoring Times** will be recorded but not posted. Times will be used only to break ties for placements.
5. Any dog that has competed in or holds a Title in AKC or UKC Obedience or Rally may not compete in Basic Classes.
6. **Advanced & Excellent Jump Heights:** The dog's jump height shall be given on the entry form. Entries will be arranged according to the jump height of the dogs. The judge may allow handlers to run out of order to allow for conflicts at their discretion.
7. Broad jump is to be set at twice the height the dog jumps.
8. **Classes:** Basic, Novice, Advanced, Excellent

GOAT DIVISION RULES & REGULATIONS

Division Superintendent:	Tina Blair 325.494.4876
Dairy & Meat Doe Goat Entry Fee:	\$30.00
Market Wether Entry Fee:	\$35.00

GOAT GENERAL REGULATIONS & REQUIREMENTS

1. The SRF General Rules and Regulations apply to this Division and Shows.
2. Health Requirements:
 - a. 5C-4.0017 General Requirements & Limitations.
 - b. 5C-4.005 Goat: **OCVI Required**. Florida-origin goats presented for exhibition must be accompanied by an OCVI dated not more than 90 days prior to presentation. Goats imported into Florida for exhibition must be accompanied by an OCVI completed within 30 days prior to exhibition.
 - c. Identification. All goats entered for exhibition purposes must have an official individual identification in accordance with the National Scrapie Eradication Uniform Methods and Rules, APHIS 91-55-066, June 1, 2005.
 - d. All goats registered, unregistered, or grade must have a scrapie ID number that meets the identification requirements mandated by the USDA.
 - e. Goats shall be free of any health or skin illnesses, and free of lice.
 - f. All goats must be polled or have their horns either tipped or cushioned with a material to help prevent injury to the exhibitor. No tipping of horns on the show grounds.
 - g. Unruly animals will be removed from the show.
 - h. Each exhibitor must provide their own equipment to maintain the health of their animal and the cleanliness of their pens. Such as feed, water and milking buckets, rakes, wheelbarrows and large clips or snapping device for the latching of their pens gate. Bedding will be provided by the fair.
3. **Shows and Classes:**
 - a. Meat and Dairy goats are separate shows. A goat cannot be shown in both shows.
 - b. Only 1 goat per class is allowed to be shown. There must be a minimum of 5 exhibitors to host a show. In the event of limited entries, the non-qualifying show exhibitors can still participate in the running show and will be judged to that show standard.
 - c. Pygmy goats are allowed only in the meat classes and will be judged to meat standards.
 - d. No Bucks will be allowed to show.
 - e. Does over 24 months that have not kidded cannot be shown.
 - f. No painting, powdering or artificial coloring is allowed.
 - g. Base Date is the age of the animal on the day of the show. Date of birth must be included on entry form.
 - h. Exhibitors will be allowed to use halters or collars in the show ring.
 - i. Exhibitors will be in control of their goat at all times or they may be dismissed/disqualified from the show.

4. **Proof of Ownership:**

- a. All animals must be owned or leased by the show entry deadline. Lease agreement must be attached to entry form. No substitutions of goats allowed.
- b. Scrapie/ Premise ID or Tattoo ID must be included on entry form or entry will be considered incomplete and not accepted.
- c. All exhibitors must maintain continuous full ownership, possession and provide primary care for their animal project from time of entry until show day. If at entry time the animal is not in the exhibitor's possession the entry will be invalid and no refund given. A farm visit is up to the discretion of the SRF leadership.

5. **Show Entry:**

- a. All goats must be checked in after vet check. All animals not checked in will be considered "No Shows" and will be deleted from the show.
- b. Goats with Tattoos will need to bring their registration paperwork at check-in.
- c. **Only animals exhibited, entered, shown and checked by the State health inspectors will be allowed in the barn.** No exceptions. Kids under 3 months of age and still nursing their dam may be brought into the barn after check-in. If kids are buckling's they will not be part of the show.
- d. Once animals are checked in they cannot leave the grounds until show is complete.
- e. All goats must be broken to lead, clipped and washed prior to arrival at the fair grounds. Unclipped goats will not be permitted to check in.
- f. There will be No Body Clipping Of Goats on the fair grounds. Minor trimming, washing, grooming and fitting as necessary for show appearance is allowed.

6. **Showmanship is Mandatory**

- a. The exhibitor must indicate on the entry form which goat is being used for showmanship.
- b. The Superintendent reserves the right to combine Dairy Goat and Meat Goat shows for Showmanship if there are less than 4 in each age division.
- c. Prior of show entry date, if there are less than 4 exhibitors in an age division the superintendent reserves the right to withhold belt buckle.

7. **Poster Contest:** All exhibitors are encouraged to turn in an Educational poster for judging. Refer to **Creative Life Skill Division for rules.**

8. **Doe Costume Contest:** *Must have a minimum of 10 exhibitors. Notification by email after entry deadline will confirm the contest. The goat is in costume and the exhibitor is encouraged to dress up as well. Costumes must be comfortable and allow for movement of both the exhibitor and the goat. All ages compete together.*

BREEDING MEAT DOE SHOW RULES

1. The Goat General Rules and Regulations apply to all shows.
2. Exhibitors is limited to a total of 6 entries, only 1 entry in each class is allowed.
3. **Classes** will be established after check-in at the discretion of the show committee based on the number of entries.

Junior: 0-3 months, 3-6 months, 6-9 months, 9-12 months, Champion & Reserve
Yearling: 12-16 months, 16-20 months, 20-24 months, Champion & Reserve
Senior: 24-36 months, 36 plus months, Champion & Reserve
Grand & Reserve Champion

DAIRY DOE SHOW RULES

1. The Goat General Rules and Regulations apply to this show and contests.
2. Exhibitors is limited to a total of 6 entries, only 1 entry in each class is allowed.
3. Classes will be established after check-in at the discretion of the show committee based on the number of entries. If there are less then 5 exhibitors/goats to make a Sr Doe or Jr Doe show, the Superintendent reserves the right to combine the shows and award 1 grand and 1 reserve. However, all goats will be judged according to their breed characteristics and age.
4. Over uddering of dairy goats is frowned upon. The judge shall have the authority to excuse animals from the ring for removal of excess milk.
5. Goats over 24 months must have freshened (had kids) or can not be shown.
6. Junior does are under 24 months that have never kidded & are not in milk.
7. **Classes:**
Juniors: 0-6 months, 6-12 months, 12-18 months, 18-24 months, Champion & Reserve
Senior Milkers: 24-36 months, 3-4 years, 4 plus years Division Champions
Grand & Reserve Champion

MARKET WETHER SHOW RULES

1. The Goat General Rules and Regulations apply to this show and contests.
 2. Exhibitors is limited to 1 entry.
 3. **Must have a minimum of 10 entries in December to have a market wether sale.**
 4. Wethers must show no evidence of testicular tissue and be completely healed from castration.
 5. Use of muzzles is optional on market goats.
 6. There is no tooth (age) rule.
 7. Must be shorn to within 3/8 inch or less above the knees and hock joints prior to entering the show.
 8. Bracing will be allowed in the wether goat division.
 9. Goats will be divided into 3 classes by weight – Light, Medium and Heavy
 10. **Goats will be weighed from 50 – 200 lbs**
 11. Class breaks will be determined at the discretion of the division superintendent.
 12. A 13% sales commission will be deducted from the exhibitor's proceeds.
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HORSE DIVISION RULES & REGULATIONS

Division Superintendent: Leonora Hale leonorahale51@gmail.com

Entry Fee: \$30.00

HORSE GENERAL REGULATIONS & REQUIREMENTS

1. The SRF General Rules and Regulations apply to this Division and Shows.
2. Health Requirements:
 - a. 5C-4.0017 General Requirements & Limitations.
 - b. **5C-4.008 Horse:** All horses presented for exhibition must be accompanied by evidence of a negative official test for Equine Infectious Anemia (EIA), conducted within 12 months prior to exhibition and must be reported on VS Form 10-11.
3. Exhibitors are **REQUIRED** to wear an SEI or ASTM approved safety equestrian helmet with fastened chin harness in all warm-up/make-up areas and during all in hand and mounted classes. Additionally, appropriate footwear must be worn. This pertains to the entire show grounds from the time of arrival until departure. Failure to comply may result in disqualification. (SEI - Safety Equipment Institute, ASTM - American Society of Testing and Measures).
4. **Contest Rules, Regulations and Procedures will go through the show superintendent and the SRF website rules.** It is the responsibility of the contestant to comply with all rules and regulations.
5. The show will be held on the date scheduled barring a natural catastrophe. It is the responsibility of the exhibitor's parent or guardian to determine if he/she is able to compete safely. In case of inclement weather, all contestants must realize that the conditions and facilities are the best available as determined by the show management and show accordingly.
6. Performance and Speed Contest are separate shows. Exhibitors are encouraged to participate in all events.
8. **Junior and Senior Divisions:** Juniors are 8-13 and Seniors must be 14 years old on or before September 1st of the current 4-H year. Junior entrants have the option of competing in either the Junior or Senior division.
9. **Beginner Division** - Walk/Trot Only, Showmanship is Mandatory, No age division, Can not compete for Championship Trophies.
10. An exhibitor may show only one horse. More than 1 rider may exhibit a horse. When 2 people ride the same horse, the maximum number of classes **per event or contest** for that HORSE is 6 and under no circumstance will a horse be allowed to compete in any class twice or run any timed pattern twice.
11. Leasing of Horse is Permissible. Complete Lease Agreement on SRF website.
12. **Western pleasure riding bridle must have brow band with throat latch or single/double ear and split reins. Hunter riding bridle with throat latch and hunter type reins.**
13. Only the exhibitor is allowed to be riding the horse while on the show grounds. "Tuning-up" by persons other than the exhibitor is prohibited. Lunging by someone other than the exhibitor is permitted. **Failure to comply may result in disqualification of the contestant.**

14. The Judge for the SRF horse show has the final decision on any discrepancies. SRF rules apply to all protests.
15. Show management and/or judge:
- a. has the option of applying any additional rules and classes to meet SRF regulations.
 - b. reserves the right to stop or cancel a class in progress due to storm, accident, or other emergency.
 - c. reserves the right to combine, split, or cancel any class(es), to alter or modify any class procedures, obstacles, patterns, or rules for safety concerns, show facility restrictions, or other mitigating circumstances.
 - d. reserves the right to determine the number of horses that will be brought back to any semifinals, finals, or workout unless that number has been previously determined.
 - e. **has the option to conduct random bit checks according to breed specifics, no longer than 8 inch shanks. Any bit can be excused per judges discretion.**
 - f. has the authority to excuse any horse from a class which is obviously lame. Obvious lameness is the inability to move; consistently observable at a trot under all circumstances; marked nodding, hitching, or shortened stride; minimal weight-bearing in motion and/or at rest.
 - g. reserves the right to refuse an exhibitor entry into any class or event if they deem that entry unsafe for the exhibitor and/or other exhibitors or animals. With the exhibitor's safety in mind, any activity or situation deemed unsafe will be stopped and may result in disqualification from that class.
 - h. dismiss any horse receiving inhumane treatment while exhibiting. The standard by which conduct or treatment will be measured as what a reasonable experienced informed person or generally accepted equine training and exhibition procedures, would determine to be cruel, abusive, or inhumane. Striking a horse in front of cinch with anything other than the open hand or striking the horse with anything, including hand, in front of the throatlatch is a disqualification.
 - i. dismiss or disqualify any contestant receiving assistance or coaching while competing in a class. No communication devices will be allowed by exhibitors while in a class.
 - j. may check the appointments of any horse/rider combination throughout the duration of the show and have the authority to require the removal or alteration of any piece of equipment which, in their opinion is unsafe, tends to give unfair advantage or is deemed inhumane. No string, rubber bands, or other material to tie feet or legs in stirrups is allowed. Bandages (leg wraps) are not permitted in any class.
16. **CLASS POINT SYSTEM:** Each of the first 6 horses in a class will be given 1 point for each horse placing below it, plus 1 point. Points not to exceed 6 for first place. Horses not placing in the top 6 in a class will not receive points for that class. The number of horses in a class will be determined by the number actually shown. Under no circumstances shall a disqualified contestant receive points; however, all horses brought into the ring will constitute an entry and will be counted.
17. **CLASS TIE BREAKING PROCEDURES:** Ties for 1st, 2nd, and 3rd place in judged events will be worked off. Ties below 3rd place in any class will be broken at discretion of judge and show committee. For ties not broken by judge, any points involved will be evenly split between contestants.

18. **CHAMPIONSHIP/HIGH POINT AWARDS:** In a case of ties, the following priority order apply: 1. Most points earned in Showmanship; 2. The horse with the highest placing's.

SHOWMANSHIP AT HALTER

1. **Participation is mandatory.** This is a performance classes designed to test the exhibitor's horsemanship while working from the ground.
2. **Awards:** 1st - 6th Ribbons, Showmanship Buckles and/or other awards may be given.

PERFORMANCE HORSE SHOW RULES

1. The show will be divided by age into Junior and the Senior Divisions with a Grand and Reserve Championship awarded in each age division. **All Classes may be a combination of Western and Hunter styles.**
2. **AWARDS:**
 Beginners: 1st - 6th Ribbons, High Point, Reserve High
 Juniors: 1st - 6th Ribbons, Grand & Reserve
 Seniors: 1st - 6th Ribbons, Grand & Reserve
3. **CLASSES:**

Showmanship At Halter Class: Participation is mandatory and points earned in this class will be added to the points earned in the following classes.

Command/Obedience Class: An elimination contest where any rider not executing the judge's exact commands promptly and correctly will be eliminated. Awarding of ribbons is to be based on the order of elimination of final contestants.

Horsemanship Class: Riders will be asked to perform individual patterns. The patterns will consist of a combination of maneuvers that will test the equitation/ horsemanship skills of the rider. All individuals, or finalists may be asked to enter the ring and work on the rail.

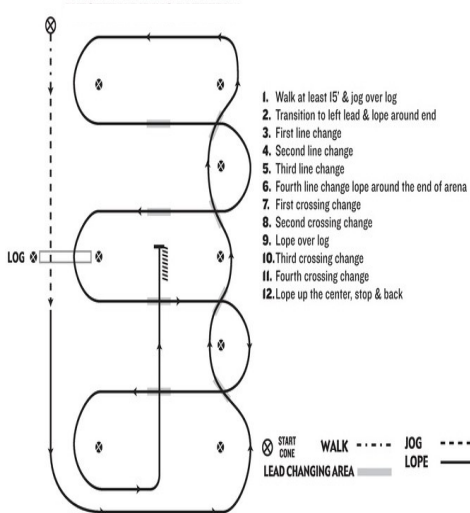
Pleasure Class: Horses will be shown at three gaits walk, trot/jog/natural gait and lope/canter/third gait in each direction of the arena. Horses must back easily and stand quietly. Judge has option to ask exhibitor to extend any gait or request any additional work.

Trail Class and Beginner (walk/trot only):

Attire and Tack must be acceptable for use in Pleasure classes. No tie downs, martingales or mechanical hackamores. The trail course will be closed until the start of the class (no practice on the obstacles). The period in which

the obstacle course will be open and **contestant order of go** will be posted and announced. Riders must take obstacles in order. Missing an obstacle or taking an obstacle out of order is a disqualification. Failure to complete an obstacle once attempted does not constitute a disqualification but should be scored accordingly. **A maximum of 3 refusals or 1 minute after first refusal will be allowed on any 1 obstacle.**

Western Riding Pattern 1: Pattern may change yearly.



SPEED SHOW RULES

1. These contests are strictly timed events. The contestant is allowed a running start. Timing shall begin as soon as the horse's nose crosses the starting line and will be stopped when the horse's nose passes over the finish line. Horses must be started and stopped in the arena. **No horse or rider will be assisted inside the arena. Failure to comply will result in disqualification.**
2. An electric timer is preferred for timed events, when available. In the absence of an electric timer, the average time from at least 2 stop watches will constitute the official time. In the event of a malfunction by the electric timer the contestant will be given a rerun.
3. A clearly visible starting line shall be provided. Times will be announced at the completion of each contestant's run.
4. No rerun will be given to any contestant if handicapped by failure of personal equipment or accident to horse or rider.
5. Loss of helmet from head while in arena will result in disqualification.
6. Failure to follow or complete course is disqualification.
7. Touching barrels or poles with hand(s) is disqualification. Contestant should leave no doubt as to whether or not they touched barrel or pole with hands. This may be accomplished by keeping hands completely away from these objects. Hands should be on the reins, some part of the saddle or holding a bat and completely away from the barrels and poles.
8. Total score will be an accumulation of showmanship at halter & speed show points
9. **AWARDS:**
Beginners: May Not Participate
Juniors: 1st - 6th Ribbons, Grand & Reserve
Seniors: 1st - 6th Ribbons, Grand & Reserve
10. **CLASSES:**

Showmanship At Halter Class: Participation is **mandatory** and points earned in this class will be added to the points earned in the following classes.

Cloverleaf Barrels is to be run around 3 barrels. Size of course will be determined by available space. First and second barrel should be at least 20 feet from fence. Each barrel knocked equals 5 second penalty.

Flag Race: Two 2-gallon buckets filled with sand are placed on top of barrels 1 and 3, with a flag in one of these buckets. Pick up the flag from barrel 1 and deposit it on barrel 3. The contestant is disqualified for failure to pick-up or place flag, dropping flag, hitting horse with

flag, knocking over barrel or bucket, place flag side down, running off course, falling of horse or rider.

Keyhole: is an event in which the contestant races from starting line to entrance way of key. Passes through entrance, turns in the circle, then return through the entrance and cross the start-finish line between markers. The contestant is disqualified if a horse steps on or outside the markings of the circle or the opening or fails to cross start-finish line between markers.

Pole Bending is a bending pattern run around 6 poles. Each Pole knocked equals 5 second penalty.

SMALL ANIMAL DIVISION RULES & REGULATIONS

SMALL ANIMAL GENERAL REGULATIONS & REQUIREMENTS

1. The SRF General Rules and Regulations apply to this Division and Shows.
2. All animals must remain in the possession of exhibitor and caged during the feeding period or until released by show committee. Animals may only be removed from cages with permission of the Superintendent, with the exception of pre-judging grooming.
3. All small animals must be owned by the exhibitor 60 days prior to fair entry. Leased or borrowed animals will not be permitted.
4. At check-in *Each Exhibitor Must Be Present with Their Animal, Completed Project Summary, and Cage or Coop Their Own Animal.* **Parents are not allowed to check in for exhibitors.** The Fair Association will furnish exhibition pens or coops.
5. Exhibitors must provide feed and water containers (for each cage) and feed and water animals daily. **Containers must be attached to cage.** Do Not Feed Animals That Do Not Belong To You. Contact Superintendent or committee member for assistance.
8. **4-H Cloverbud Entries** will be judged and awarded green ribbons of participation. A completed 4-H Cloverbud project summary sheet and a show sponsor thank you letter, drawing, or picture on 8.5x11 paper is required..
9. **Showmanship Contest:** Scores: 90-100 Blue, 80-89 Red, 70-79 White and 69 or below Green. 4-H Cloverbuds may participate in these contests for experience and will be awarded a green ribbon. Illustrated steps for showmanship are available at <http://mysrf.org>
10. **Awards:** Small Animals will be judged on the Modified Danish System. Blue, Red and White ribbons will be awarded to recognized purebred breeds and/or varieties, except for Cloverbuds which will receive a green ribbon. White ribbons will be awarded to all mixed breed entries, except for Cloverbuds, which will receive a green ribbon.
11. **Poster Contest:** All exhibitors are encouraged turn in an Educational poster for judging. Refer to **Creative Life Skill Division for rules.**

POULTRY SHOW RULES

Show Superintendent: Trisha Barber 352.949.3154
Entry Fee: \$20.00 **Cloverbud Entry Fee:** \$5.00

1. The Small Animal General Rules and Regulations apply to this show.
2. Health Requirement **5C-4.004 Poultry, Domestic Fowl:** A USDA Representative will examine the general health of the birds. All birds not on the NPIP program will be bled to check for pullorum-typhoid and throats swabbed for Avian Influenza and Exotic Newcastle. If you participate in the NPIP (National Poultry Improvement Plan) write your card number on your entry form in the space provided. Upon arrival at the fair notify USDA representatives prior to bleeding and show them your card.
3. The Judge has the right to, NOT handle any bird for judging or due to aggressive behavior.
4. Enter only fancy or best producing poultry by the division listed and age: cockerel, pullet, cock or hen. No guineas, quail, turkeys, peafowl, swans, geese, pigeons, pheasants, ostrich, emus, rheas or other exotic poultry or waterfowl may be entered.
5. Only birds recognized in the American Poultry Association and/or American Bantam Association Standard of Perfection may be shown. Refer to <http://www.amerpoultryassn> for a list of recognized breeds and their standards.

6. Each exhibitor may enter into the following classes:

Fancy Exhibition Chicken Division: 6 Pure Bred Large Fowl and/or Bantam Chickens. Commercial Egg Production hens entered in Fancy Exhibition will not receive a blue ribbon or be considered for Best of Breed or Best of Class.

Exhibition Duck Division: 2 Pure Bred Ducks may be shown.

Commercial Egg Production Hen Division: 2 Production Large Fowl White Leghorns, Rhode Island Reds, and Sex Links hens.

Pullet Management Contest: To enter this contest pullets must be pre-ordered in September by contacting Superintendent and picked-up in October. Exhibitors will register the best of 3 pullets as a pen in December and show this pen of 3 in March. Pullets not purchased from the Fair Association will receive a participation ribbon only.

5. **AWARDS:**

- a. Rosettes will be given to all Champion and Reserve Champion Class winners.
- b. An Overall Grand and Reserve Champion Poultry will be selected, based on overall qualities determined by the judge. Commercial Class entries will not be considered for these awards.

RABBIT SHOW RULES

Show Superintendent: Dr. TL Andrews 352.463.1818

Entry Fee: \$20.00 **Cloverbud Entry Fee:** \$5.00

1. The Small Animal General Rules and Regulations apply to this show.
2. Health Requirement: Rabbits will NOT be accepted for entry if they are emaciated, unhealthy or infested with interior or external parasites such as lice, mites and fleas. Any rabbit with traces of medication or oil in ear or fur will be denied entry into the fair. No doe may be shown pregnant.
3. All rabbits entered in the Rabbit Show must be tattooed in the left ear to be shown.
4. Entries will be limited to 3 rabbits plus 1 meat pen.
5. All rabbits will be judged individually, with the exception of meat pens, they are judged as a group of 3.
6. Meat pens shall consist of 3 rabbits, all of the same breed and variety. Maximum age limit is 10 weeks. Weight: Minimum 3 pounds each and Maximum 5 pounds each.
7. Exhibitor must physically show their animal during the show, using accepted handling techniques and abiding by SRF Dress Code.
8. All rabbits must be purebred to enter the show. Refer to American Rabbit Breeders Association (ARBA) - Standard of Perfection (SOP) and the ARBA website <http://arba.net> for a list of recognized breeds and their standards. A purebred rabbit will be defined as an animal whose parents are of the same recognized breed and meet the requirements for the standards of their breed as defined in the ARBA-SOP.
9. **AWARDS:**
 - a. Rosettes will be awarded to the class winners
 - b. A Grand and Reserve Champion will be selected, based on overall qualities determined by the judge according to ARBA-SOP.
 - c. Rosettes will be awarded to the 1st place meat pen

SWINE DIVISION RULES & REGULATIONS

Show Superintendent: Lorán Brookins 352.221.5935
Show Committee: Frank Bussard, Troy Johnson, Jaime NesSmith, Scott Mills
Entry Fee: \$35.00

MARKET SWINE SHOW RULES & REQUIREMENTS

1. The SRF General Rules and Regulations apply to this Division and Shows.
 2. Health Requirements:
 - a. 5C-4.003 Swine: Swine for exhibition as “market class” swine are exempt from the OCVI and test requirements provided that all swine in the class go directly to slaughter following the exhibition.
 - b. Swine with evidence of atrophic rhinitis “crooked nose disease” will not be allowed in the fair.
 - c. Swine must be clean and parasite free at the March entry.
 3. All swine must be barrows or gilts. Male hogs must have been cut at the time of the initial tag in.
 4. Swine will not be weighed at the initial tag in.
 5. Maximum weight at the March weigh-in will be 290 pounds, minimum weight will be 230 pounds.
 6. Swine will be weighed only once. The exhibitor, at this time, may request the animal be removed from the scales, the scales re-balanced and the animal immediately re-weighed.
 7. [Clipping is allowed in designated areas or in pen with cordless clippers.](#) Violation is subject to removal from show and sale. Recommended Clipping: No Shorter Than 3/8 inch.
 8. The wash area next to the dairy barn and facing the concession stand is for washing of swine only. NO clipping or electrical equipment allowed.
 9. Exhibitors must provide an automatic watering system for their hog. Each animal/family must have their own sufficient water source.
 10. Show ring implements must be of proper size and dimension for the exhibitor. Permitted show ring implements are flexible whips, crops, and bats. NO wooden canes and PVC pipes.
 11. No swine may change their assigned pens without authorization of a fair official.
 12. No hay is allowed in the swine pens.
 13. A 13% sales commission and a pork check-off fee of .0045% of market (resale) value, as required by law, will be deducted from the exhibitor's proceeds.
 14. “Swine Committee” Scholarship is offered to graduating Seniors. See Scholarships Awards for selection criteria.
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Rules, Regulations, Contests, Events & Shows

SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

MARCH 16-21, 2018

Dixie-Gilchrist-Levy Counties 66th Annual Suwannee River Youth Livestock Show and Sale

Friday, March 16:

- 4:00p - 7:00p - Swine Entry
- 5:00p - 8:00p - Creative Life Skills Entry (NON-FOOD ITEMS)

Saturday, March 17:

- 7:00a - 9:00a - Steer Entry
- 9:00a - 10:00a - [Wether Entry](#)
- 9:00a - 11:00a - Creative Life Skills Entry
- 10:00a - 11:00a - Livestock Judging Registration
- 11:00a - Livestock Judging Events
- 1:00p - Creative Life Skills Exhibits Judging
- 3:00p - Home Grown Steer Show
- After Home Grown - Fat Steer Showmanship
- After Market - Feeder Steer Showmanship
- 4:00p - 8:00p - Creative Life Skills Open for viewing
- 4:00p - 5:00p - Release PERISHABLE FOOD ENTRIES

Sunday, March 18:

- Posted Time - Church Service
- 1:00p - 5:00p - Creative Life Skills Open For viewing
- 1:30p - SRF Alumni Show Registration
- 2:00p - Alumni Steer Show
- 3:00p - Alumni Swine Show

Monday, March 19:

- 8:30a - Swine Showmanship
- 1:00p - [Market Wether Show](#)
- 9:00a - 7:00p - Creative Life Skills Open For viewing
- 5:00p - Swine Show

Tuesday, March 20:

- 8:30a - Feeder Steer Show
- 9:00a - 3:00p - Creative Life Skills Open For viewing
- 1:30p - Fat Steer Show
- 3:00p - 5:00p - Release of Creative Life Skills
- 6:00p - Fashion Revue
- 7:00p - Awards Ceremony

Wednesday, March 21:

- 9:30a - Sale
- 12:00p - Buyers Luncheon
- 1:30p - Sale

Fair grounds will be opened by 6:00 a.m. and closed by 10:00 p.m. every day.
No one is to sleep in the Livestock area, in tents, or in any area not designated.
All children must be under adult supervision at all times.