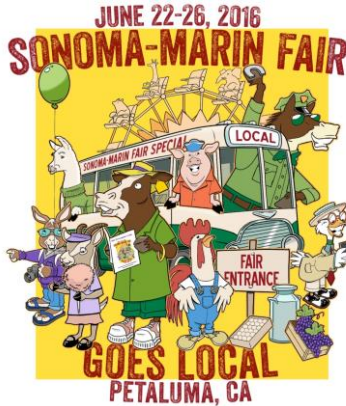


2016 Sonoma-Marin Fair Farmer's Day Competitive Events Rules & Regulations



TENTATIVE SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

Saturday, June 25, 2016

12:15 pm Opening Ceremonies:

Miss Wine Country Rodeo Queen

Drill Team

National Anthem

12:30 pm Three-Man Penning

1:00 pm Junior Team Penning

1:30 pm Mutton Bustin'

2:00 pm Egg Toss

2:15 pm Wild Cow Milking – Heat #1

2:45 pm Pig Scramble

3:15 pm Hide Race

3:30 pm Boot & Shoe Scramble

3:45 pm Wild Cow Milking – Heat #2

4:15 pm Sonoma-Marin Tug of War

ENTRIES OPEN: Tuesday, April 26, 2016

ENTRY FORMS DUE: Monday, May 16, 2016

PLEASE NOTE: All pre-registered participants will receive one admission ticket via mail prior to the fair. All Team Penning & Hide Race participants will receive one admission ticket and parking pass via mail prior to the fair.

TEAM PENNING, HIDE RACE, & WILD COW MILKING: No day of event registration will be accepted, **MUST PRE-REGISTER TO PARTICIPATE.**

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TEAM PENNING

1. Entry Fees

SENIOR: \$45 per person or \$135 per team

JUNIOR: \$32.50 per person or \$65 per team

SENIOR teams will consist of three people.

JUNIOR teams will consist of two people.

(18 years of age or younger as of June 25, 2016)

If a Junior rider chooses to ride on a Senior Team they are NOT able to ride on a Junior Team. **NO** team may participate more than one time. Changing at least one team member constitutes a new team. Up until June 1st, a person may sign up to compete on a maximum of **TWO** teams. After June 1st, if the 30 team limit has not been reached, a person can sign up to compete on as many teams as they wish, as long as the teams change as required.

2. Limit of 30 teams for seniors. → Depending on the number of teams entered, a qualification run may be held at 10:00 am on June 25th. The top ten scoring teams will compete in the final round.

Limit of five teams for juniors. →

1 run – top 5 teams paid.

(If the Junior team limit does not fill up by June 1st, we will accept additional junior teams to fulfill the quota of 10 Junior teams total.)

4. The time limit for Seniors will be 1 ½ minutes for three head of cattle. Times can be called with fewer cattle, but will be counted for that amount of cattle. The time limit for Juniors for one head is two minutes.
5. Entries will be accepted beginning **Tuesday, April 26, 2016** and close **Monday, May 15, 2016** by 5:00 pm in the Fairgrounds Administration Office. No late entries will be accepted. All Team Penning participants will receive one admission ticket and parking pass via mail prior to the fair. **No day of event registration will be accepted, MUST PRE-REGISTER TO PARTICIPATE.**

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TEAM PENNING CONTINUED

6. All entry fees **after cattle fee is taken** out will go into Jackpot and will be split as follows:

First Place _____	40%
Second Place _____	30%
Third Place _____	15%
Fourth Place _____	10%
Fifth Place _____	5%

7. All contestants must wear long pants, long sleeved shirts, western hats and boots to participate. NO EXCEPTIONS.
8. There will be a **MANDATORY** riders meeting at 9:00 am Saturday June 25th (Qualification run held at 9:30 am.)

STARTING ORDER:

All drawings are to be done by the Farmer's Day Committee. Team numbers shall be assigned by random draw for order of go.

JUDGING:

There shall be three judges who shall be the two flaggers and the head timer.

TIMING:

The time will start when the first horse lopes across the starting line. Time shall end when one rider enters the pen gate with his/her hand raised. No rider calling time may enter the pen, any further than the front cinch of their horse.

A warning will be given to the working team 30 seconds prior to final time being called.

9. The Sonoma-Marín Fair Alcohol Policy states that no alcoholic beverages may be brought into or removed from the Fairgrounds.

DISQUALIFICATIONS:

1. A team calling for time with any wrong numbered cattle in the pen.
2. Contact with cattle by hands, hats, ropes, bats, romals, or horses.
3. Pushing cattle through or over the fence is a disqualification for unnecessary roughness.
4. After the team has finished its work and a time has been established, if in the opinion of a judge, unnecessary roughness has occurred, judges will signal for an inquiry. The judges will confer. If they agree that unnecessary roughness has occurred, the team will be given a no time.

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TEAM PENNING CONTINUED

5. Team will be allowed no more than four head of cattle across the line at any time.
6. Only assigned color/number of cattle will be penned. All other cattle must be on the cattle side of the starting line.
7. Any competitor who displays unsportsmanlike conduct or conducts themselves in such a way as to be a detriment to the program.
8. Any competitor who displays behavior deemed disruptive, ie: alcohol, drugs (use or possession).
9. Any competitor who conducts themselves in such a manner deemed to be abusive or inhumane to animals (horse or cattle).

HIDE RACE

1. Entry Fee: \$10.00 per team.
2. Team consists of horse rider and hide rider.
3. Time is between two flags; flag is given to hide rider.
4. Horse may only be used once.
5. Participant may enter only once.
6. The hide must be attached to saddle horn with a dally. No hard and fast. If any time between flags the rope is dropped to ground, no time is given.
7. If any time between flags the hide rider loses hold of handhold rope, no time is given.
8. A missed tire is no time
9. A time limit of one minute will be given after rope is offered to horse rider.
10. Decision of flagman is final.
11. Hide Rider must wear protective headgear, which must be provided by the participant.
12. Each member of the winning team will receive a plaque.
13. All pre-registered Hide Race participants will receive one admission ticket and parking pass via mail prior to the fair.
14. The Sonoma-Marin Fair Alcohol Policy states that no alcoholic beverages may be brought into or removed from the Fairgrounds.
15. **No day of event registration will be accepted, MUST PRE-REGISTER TO PARTICIPATE.**
16. **ALL CONTESTANTS MUST WEAR LONG PANTS AND LONG SLEEVED SHIRTS IN ORDER TO PARTICIPATE! NO EXCEPTIONS.**

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HIDE RACE CONTINUED

DISQUALIFICATIONS:

1. Any competitor who displays unsportsmanlike conduct or conducts themselves in such a way as to be a detriment to the program.
2. Any competitor who displays behavior deemed disruptive, ie: alcohol, drugs (use or possession).
3. Any competitor who conducts themselves in such a manner deemed to be abusive or inhumane to animals (horse or cattle).

BOOT AND SHOE SCRAMBLE

1. There will be two age groups:
Group 1: 14 years and younger
Group 2: 15 years and older
2. Contests will be held simultaneously.
3. Each participant is to remove their boots or shoes and place them in a specified area. (Shoelaces are to be removed from boots and shoes, no tying is required).
4. Participants are to line up at the starting line.
5. Once the start command is given, they are to run to their boots or shoes, find them put them on, and then return to the starting line, and give their name to a specified person.
6. The participants must put their shoes or boots on all the way before they start to return to the starting line!
7. First place winner will receive a plaque.
8. All pre-registered Boot & Show Scramble participants will receive one admission ticket via mail prior to the fair.
9. The Sonoma-Marín Fair Alcohol Policy states that no alcoholic beverages may be brought into or removed from the Fairgrounds.

DISQUALIFICATIONS:

1. Any competitor who displays unsportsmanlike conduct or conducts themselves in such a way as to be a detriment to the program.
2. Any competitor who displays behavior deemed disruptive, ie: alcohol, drugs (use or possession).

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PIG SCRAMBLE

1. 50 contestants limit per age group.
2. No ropes, sacks etc. will be permitted.
3. Contestants must be 14 years of age or younger as of January 1, 2016.
4. There will be two divisions by age:
 - a. 6 to 10 year olds
 - b. 11 to 14 year olds
5. Each division will award 10 winners with \$5.00 each. - NO TIES
Pigs **MUST** be brought back to truck!
6. Any competitor who conducts themselves in such a manner deemed to be abusive or inhumane to animals will be disqualified.
7. All pre-registered Pig Scramble participants will receive one admission ticket via mail prior to the fair.
8. **ALL CONTESTANTS MUST WEAR LONG PANTS AND LONG SLEEVED SHIRTS IN ORDER TO PARTICIPATE! NO EXCEPTIONS**

MUTTON BUSTIN'

1. Contestant must be 5-7 years old as of June 25, 2016.
2. Contestant's weight must not exceed 50 pounds.
3. All contestants must wear protective headgear, which must be provided by participant.
4. The object is to ride a sheep. Contestants will be put on the sheep, and must ride the animal around the arena.
5. Contestant will be scored by a panel of judges, who will be watching how long the contestant stays on the sheep.
6. 12 entry limit.
7. A plaque will be given for best dressed cowboy and/or cowgirl.
8. Any competitor who conducts themselves in such a manner deemed to be abusive or inhumane to animals will be disqualified.
9. All pre-registered Mutton Bustin' participants will receive one admission ticket via mail prior to the fair.
10. **ALL CONTESTANTS MUST WEAR LONG PANTS AND LONG SLEEVED SHIRTS IN ORDER TO PARTICIPATE! NO EXCEPTIONS.**

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WILD COW MILKING

1. Entry Fee: \$25.00 per team.
2. Team of three contestants.
3. Helmets highly recommended.
4. Contestants will draw for the cow they milk.
5. This contest is limited to the first ten entries. Entries will **NOT** be accepted without the entry fee.
6. **No day of event registration will be accepted: MUST PRE-REGISTER TO PARTICIPATE.**
7. All contestants must meet behind the milking chutes 30 minutes PRIOR to contest. Contestants will be notified pre-fair which Heat they will be participating in.
8. Contestants will draw for chute number.
9. Contestants will be given a bottle at the start of contest.
10. Cow must be out of the chute to be milked. All four legs of the cow must cross white line in front of chute prior to being milked.
11. Cow must remain standing while being milked.
12. Cow may not be tied to chute.
13. **JUDGES' DECISION WILL BE FINAL.**
14. If all three contestants lose contact with cow, team will be disqualified.
15. If run is unsuccessful in allotted time, please stop run when informed by judges.
16. Belt buckle to be awarded to each member of winning team.
17. All pre-registered Wild Cow Milking participants will receive one admission ticket via mail prior to the fair.
18. The Sonoma-Marín Fair Alcohol Policy states that no alcoholic beverages may be brought into or removed from the Fairgrounds.
19. **ALL CONTESTANTS MUST WEAR LONG PANTS AND LONG SLEEVED SHIRTS IN ORDER TO PARTICIPATE! NO EXCEPTIONS.**

DISQUALIFICATIONS:

1. Pushing cows through or over the fence is a disqualification for unnecessary roughness.
2. Any competitor who displays unsportsmanlike conduct or conducts himself or herself in such a way as to be a detriment to the program.
3. Any competitor who conducts himself or herself in such a manner deemed to be abusive or inhumane to animals (horse or cattle).
4. After the team has finished its work and a time has been established, if in the opinion of a judge, unnecessary roughness has occurred, judges will signal for an inquiry. The judges will confer. If they agree that unnecessary roughness has occurred, the team will be given a no time.
5. Any competitor who displays behavior deemed disruptive, ie: alcohol, drugs (use or possession).