

DAIRY CATTLE

04 - Open Dairy Cattle Show

Superintendent: Sue Ann Claudon

Open Class Premiums Offered: \$24,611.00

Land of Lincoln Class Premiums Offered: \$34,706.00

**Premiums will be pro-rated according to participation and pay up to six (6) places.*

INFORMATION

Entries

Required fees include \$20.00/head (entry fee) and \$10.00/head (manure). Entries in all classes shall be made through the online fair entry system at the Illinois State Fair website. Payment must be made via credit card at the time of entry. No other type of entry will be accepted. Assistance with entries is available at the Competitive Events Office, Monday-Friday 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. All entries must be submitted online by 12 noon on July 15, 2024. Fees will not be refunded. Late entries will be accepted through July 31, 2024, with an additional \$50.00/exhibitor charge assessed. **Exhibitors are highly encouraged to bring a copy of their entry receipt to check-in.**

Notice to Exhibitors

Beginning in 2024, Individual identification of each animal shall be by a USDA official animal identification number ear tag, ("840" tag), and in 2025, the tag must be able to be read both visually and electronically.

Animal Processing:

Stalls Available	Sunday, August 11, 6:00 p.m.
Animals in place by:	
Milking Shorthorn, Ayrshire, Guernsey, & Brown Swiss	Tuesday, August 13, before 9:00 a.m.
Holstein & Jersey	Tuesday, August 13, 12:00 p.m.
Ring Cards Issued	After Check-in
Exhibitor Meeting	Tuesday, August 13 7:00 p.m. (Livestock Center)
Animals Released:	
Milking Shorthorn, Ayrshire, Guernsey, Brown Swiss, and Out-of-State	Saturday, August 17, 4:00 p.m.
Jersey	Saturday, August 17, 4:30 p.m.
Holstein	Saturday, August 17, 5:00 p.m.

**Note – No dairy cattle, feed, bedding, show tack, or equipment may arrive on the fairgrounds prior to 6:00 p.m. on Sunday, August 11. All exhibitors must check in with the Superintendent for stall assignments before unloading. Further, only one vehicle per stalling group will be allowed to unload and load on the street between Brick Barn Series 18 and 25 on the South, and Brick Barn Series 25 and 36 Barn Series on the North.*

***Note – Dairy Cattle Exhibitors will not be paid for milk produced on the fairgrounds. Milk will be hauled away as fluid waste with no milk samples or records collected.*

Show Schedule

Shows will be held in Livestock Center. Start times may vary slightly from the published schedule. Exhibitors should watch and listen for announcements.

Wednesday, August 14

8:00 a.m. – Heifers: Ayrshire and Guernsey; alternating breeds in classes

10:00 a.m. – Cows: Ayrshire and Guernsey; alternating breeds in classes

12:00 p.m. – Heifers: Brown Swiss and Milking Shorthorn

2:30 p.m. – Cows: Brown Swiss and Milking Shorthorn

Thursday, August 15

8:30 a.m. – Heifers: Jersey

11:30 a.m. – Cows: Jersey

Friday, August 16

8:30 a.m. – Heifers: Holstein

11:30 a.m. – Cows: Holstein

Saturday, August 17

1:00 p.m. – Overall Showmanship

1:45 p.m. – Supreme Champion Heifers (Open and Junior Shows)

2:30 p.m. – Superior Young Dairy Producer Awards

2:45 p.m. – Supreme Champion Female (Open and Junior Shows)

Department Rules

** Note: This show will follow the PDCA Show Ring Code of Ethics*

1. Each exhibitor must comply with the Illinois Exhibition Health Requirements; Animal Care, Drug, Testing and Welfare Policies; and General Rules of the Open Livestock Division.
2. Exhibitors may stall animals in the Open or Junior Dairy Barns.
3. Junior and Open Show registration/check-in will be conducted simultaneously in stalls.
4. The following breeds are eligible to show and must be recorded in their respective National Breed Association Book: Ayrshire, Brown Swiss, Guernsey, Holstein, Jersey, and Milking Shorthorn.
5. Proof of ownership must be evidenced by ownership prior to show and be presented for inspection by State Fair personnel or Dairy Superintendent.
6. Exhibitors are allowed open substitution within breed from an individual class to an individual class or from a group class to a group class up to 8:00 a.m. on the day of the show. No added entries will be allowed.
7. Entries in the cow classes may or may not be in milk; however, all animals in milk must show in cow classes.
8. Due to limited time and space for cattle judging, the Open Class and Land of Lincoln Class are considered as one show and judged at the same time. The only exception will be in Championship Classes.
9. NEW Grooming tents in the 25 Barn Series must be no larger than 10'x10', located in the center of the barn, and aisles must be preserved wide enough for people and wheelbarrow passage.
10. NEW All fans in the 25 Series Barns must be hung to move air from North to South.
11. Exhibitors and grooms must be properly attired in the showing. Acceptable attire includes white or light-colored pants, jeans or skirts, and collared shirts or farm shirts. T-Shirts, bare midriffs, tank tops, shorts or dark colored pants, jeans or skirts are unacceptable.
12. Where a herd is registered in the names of different members of a family residing on one (1) farm, all entries may be considered as a single exhibitor for purposes of Premiere Breeder, Premiere Exhibitor, Best Three Females, Dairy Herd, Dam & Daughter, Produce of Dam, and Breeders Herd of Five Females Classes.

Special Awards

Awards: In each of the breeds listed the following awards will be given: Junior Champion & Reserve Female, Intermediate Champion & Reserve Female, Senior Champion & Reserve Female, Grand & Reserve Champion Female, Premiere Breeder Award, and Premiere Exhibitor Award.

Land of Lincoln Grand Champion Females: A plaque will be given by the Illinois State Fair to the exhibitor of each of the Land of Lincoln Show Grand Champion Females of each breed at the 2024 Illinois State Fair.

Premiere Herdsman Overall Breeds Award: A plaque will be given by the Illinois State Fair to the Premiere Herdsman Overall Breeds of the 2024 Illinois State Fair. Additionally, the Illinois Purebred Dairy Cattle Association,

Inc. will award \$50.00 to the Premiere Herdsman Overall Breeds. The following point considerations will be made: 50 on general appearance, 25 on cooperation, and 25 on show ring demeanor.

Premiere Breeder Award: The Breeder winning the most points (National PDCA) on not to exceed six (6) animals in the open single classes, exhibited by themselves and/or another exhibitor shall be designated Premiere Breeder and receive a banner. Best Udder and futurity classes are not included. In the case of a tie, the exhibitor with the most 1st places will be declared winner.

Premiere Exhibitor Award: The Exhibitor winning the most points (National PDCA) on not to exceed six (6) animals in the open single classes, owned and exhibited by themselves shall be designated Premiere Exhibitor and receive a banner. Best Udder and futurity classes are not included. In the case of a tie, the exhibitor with the most 1st places will be declared winner.

Supreme Champion Heifer and Female Over All Breeds: The Grand Champion Heifers and Females of each breed will compete for Overall Grand Champion on Saturday, August 17, at 3:00 p.m. A plaque will be given by the Illinois State Fair to the exhibitor of the Supreme Champion Heifer and Supreme Champion Female of the Open Show at the 2024 Illinois State Fair. A plaque will also be given by the Illinois State Fair to the exhibitor of the Supreme Champion Land of Lincoln Heifer and Female of the Open Show at the 2024 Illinois State Fair.

Class Description	Open Class	Land of Lincoln Class
Supreme Champion Heifer	\$250	\$125
Supreme Champion Female	\$500	\$250

Best Udder of Class: The Best Uddered animal from each milking class in the Open Show will be recognized with a ribbon. Additionally, the top two (2) Best Uddered animals from milking classes in the Land of Lincoln Show will be recognized as follows:

Breed	1 st	2 nd
Ayrshire	\$30	\$20
Brown Swiss	\$15	\$13
Guernsey	\$20	\$15
Holstein	\$25	\$19
Jersey	\$32	\$27
Milking Shorthorn	\$10	\$5

Land of Lincoln Production Awards: In recognition of milk production and milk production capacity in the Open Dairy Cattle Show premiums will be paid as follows:

Breed	1 st	2 nd
Brown Swiss	\$25	\$15
Guernsey	\$45	\$15
Holstein	\$50	\$35
Jersey	\$55	\$40

Open Show Championship Premium Awards: The following awards will be made to breed champions:

Breed	Class Description	1 st
Guernsey	Senior Champion	\$25
Holstein	Junior Champion	\$50
	Junior Reserve Champion	\$50

	Intermediate Champion	\$50
	Intermediate Reserve Champion	\$50
	Senior Champion	\$50
	Senior Reserve Champion	\$50
	Grand Champion	\$100
	Reserve Grand Champion	\$50
Milking Shorthorn	Junior Champion	\$50
	Grand Champion	\$100

Land of Lincoln Show Championship Premium Awards: The following awards will be made to breed champions:

Breed	Class Description	1 st
Guernsey	Senior Champion	\$50
	Grand Champion	\$75
Holstein	Junior Champion	\$100
	Junior Reserve Champion	\$50
	Intermediate Champion	\$100
	Intermediate Reserve Champion	\$50
	Senior Champion	\$100
	Senior Reserve Champion	\$50
	Grand Champion	\$150
Jersey	Reserve Grand Champion	\$75
	Junior Champion	\$60
	Junior Reserve Champion	\$50
	Intermediate Champion	\$80
	Intermediate Reserve Champion	\$65
	Senior Champion	\$80
	Senior Reserve Champion	\$65
Milking Shorthorn	Grand Champion	\$80
	Reserve Grand Champion	\$65
	Junior Champion	\$50
	Grand Champion	\$100

Definitions

Dairy Herd: Group consisting of four (4) cows that have been freshened. All animals must be owned by the exhibitor/farm.

Best Three Females and Junior Best Three: All three (3) animals bred and owned by one exhibitor/farm.

Dam and Daughter: Both females must be entered and shown in respective classes. Animals may be owned by more than one (1) exhibitor.

Breeders Herd of Five Females: Group to consist of five (5) females of which two (2) must be over 2-Years of age, two (2) under 2-Years of age, and one (1) any age. All owned by exhibitor with at least three (3) bred by exhibitor.

Produce of Dam: Group to consist of two (2) animals, any age, the produce of one (1) cow. The dam must be named. Animals need not both be owned by exhibitor.

CLASSES

Division 1030 – Ayrshire

Class	Class Description	Open Class	Land of Lincoln Offered*
Junior Heifer Calf	Born on or after Mar. 1, 2024, must be 4 months of age at show day	01	*
Intermediate Heifer Calf	Born between Dec. 1, 2023, and last day of Feb. 2024	02	*
Senior Heifer Calf	Born between Sept. 1 and Nov. 30, 2023	03	*
Summer Yearling Heifer	Born between June 1 and Aug. 31, 2023	04	*
Junior Yearling Heifer	Born between March 1 and May 31, 2023	05	*
Intermediate Yearling Heifer	Born between Dec. 1, 2022, and last day of Feb. 2023	06	*
Senior Yearling Heifer	Born between Sept. 1 and Nov. 30, 2022	07	*
Best Three Junior Females	Born after Sept. 1, 2022	08	*
Junior 2-Year Cow	Born between March 1 and Aug. 31, 2022	09	*
Senior 2-Year Cow	Born between Sept. 1, 2021, and last day of Feb. 2022	10	*
Junior 3-Year Cow	Born between March 1 and Aug. 31, 2021	11	*
Senior 3-Year Cow	Born between Sept. 1, 2020, and last day of Feb. 2021	12	*
4-Year Cow	Born between Sept. 1, 2019, and Aug. 31, 2020	13	*
5-Year Cow	Born between Sept. 1, 2018, and Aug. 31, 2019	14	*
6-Year Cow	Born before Sept. 1, 2018	15	*
Dairy Herd		16	*
Produce of Dam		17	*
Dam and Daughter		18	*
Best Three Senior Females		19	*

The following awards will be given in the Ayrshire Division: Best Udder of Class for Junior 2-Year Cow, Senior 2-Year Cow, Junior 3-Year Cow, Senior 3-Year Cow, 4-Year Cow, 5-Year Cow, 6-Year Cow and Over.

Division 1031 – Brown Swiss **Note: This show is an All-American Qualifying Show*

Class	Class Description	Open Class	Land of Lincoln Offered*
Spring Heifer Calf	Born on or after Mar. 1, 2024, must be 4 months of age at show day	01	*
Winter Heifer Calf	Born between Dec. 1, 2023, and last day of Feb. 2024	02	*
Fall Heifer Calf	Born between Sept. 1 and Nov. 30, 2023	03	*
Summer Yearling Heifer	Born between June 1 and Aug. 31, 2023	04	*
Spring Yearling Heifer	Born between March 1 and May 31, 2023	05	*
Winter Yearling Heifer	Born between Dec. 1, 2022, and last day of Feb. 2023	06	*
Fall Yearling Heifer	Born between Sept. 1 and Nov. 30, 2022	07	*
Best Three Junior Females	Born after Sept. 1, 2022	08	*
Yearling in Milk	Born between Sept. 1 and Dec. 31, 2022	09	*
Summer 2-Year Cow	Born between June 1 and Aug. 31, 2022	10	*
Junior 2-Year Cow	Born between March 1 and May 31, 2022	11	*
Senior 2-Year Cow	Born between Sept. 1, 2021, and last day of Feb. 2022	12	*
Junior 3-Year Cow	Born between March 1 and Aug. 31, 2021	13	*
Senior 3-Year Cow	Born between Sept. 1, 2020, and last day of Feb. 2021	14	*

4-Year Cow	Born between Sept. 1, 2019, and Aug. 31, 2020	15	*
5- Year Cow	Born between Sept. 1, 2018, and Aug. 31, 2019	16	*
6-Year Cow and over	Born before Sept. 1, 2018	17	*
Component Merit Cow		18	*
Dry Cow	Born before Sept. 1, 2021	19	*
Produce of Dam		20	*
Best Three Senior Females		21	*

The following awards will be given in the Brown Swiss Division: Production Awards for Yearling in Milk, Summer Junior 2-year old cow, Junior 2-year cow, Senior 2-year cow, Junior 3-year cow, Senior 3-year cow, 4-year cow, 5-year cow, 6 year and over cow. Best Udder of Class Awards for Yearling in Milk, Summer Junior 2-Year Cow, Junior 2-Year Cow, Senior 2-Year Cow, Junior 3-Year Cow, Senior 3-Year Cow, 4-Year Cow, 5-Year Cow, 6-Year Cow and Over.

Division 1032 – Guernsey *Note: This show is an All-American Qualifying Show

Class	Class Description	Open Class	Land of Lincoln Class
Spring Heifer Calf	Born on or after Mar. 1, 2024, must be 4 months of age at show day	01	*
Winter Heifer Calf	Born between Dec. 1, 2023, and last day of Feb. 2024	02	*
Senior Heifer Calf	Born before Sept. 1 and Nov. 30, 2023	03	*
Summer Yearling Heifer	Born between June 1 and Aug. 31, 2023	04	*
Junior Yearling Heifer	Born between March 1 and May 31, 2023	05	*
Intermediate Yearling Heifer	Born between Dec. 1, 2022, and last day of Feb. 2023	06	*
Senior Yearling Heifer	Born between Sept. 1 and Nov. 30, 2022	07	*
Best Three Junior Females	Born after Sept. 1, 2022	08	*
Senior Yearling in Milk	Born between Sept 1 and Dec. 31, 2022	09	*
Junior 2-Year Cow	Born between March 1 and Aug. 31, 2022	10	*
Senior 2-Year Cow	Born between Sept. 1, 2021, and last day of Feb. 2022	11	*
Junior 3-Year Cow	Born between March 1 and Aug. 31, 2021	12	*
Senior 3-Year Cow	Born between Sept. 1, 2020, and last day of Feb, 2021	13	*
4-Year Cow	Born between Sept. 1, 2019, and Aug. 31, 2020	14	*
5-Year Cow	Born between Sept. 1, 2018, and Aug. 31, 2019	15	*
6-Year Cow and Over	Born before Sept. 1, 2018	16	*
Breeder's Herd of Five Females		17	*
Best Three Senior Females		18	*
Produce of Dam		19	*
Dam and Daughter		20	*

The following awards will be given in the Guernsey Division: Production Awards for Senior Yearling in Milk, Junior 2-year cow, Senior 2-year cow, Junior 3-year cow, Senior 3-year cow, 4-year cow, 5-year cow, 6 year and over cow. Best Udder of Class Awards for Senior Yearling in Milk, Junior 2-Year Cow, Senior 2-Year Cow, Junior 3-Year Cow, Senior 3-Year Cow, 4-Year Cow, 5-Year Cow, 6-Year Cow and Over.

Division 1033 – Holstein

Class	Class Description	Open Class	Land of Lincoln Class
Spring Heifer Calf	Born on or after Mar. 1, 2024, must be 4 months of age at show day	01	*
Winter Heifer Calf	Born between Dec. 1, 2023, and last day of Feb. 2024	02	*
Fall Heifer Calf	Born before Sept. 1 and Nov. 30, 2023	03	*
Summer Yearling Heifer	Born between June 1 and Aug. 31, 2023	04	*
Spring Yearling Heifer	Born between March 1 and May 31, 2023	05	*
Winter Yearling Heifer	Born between Dec. 1, 2022, and last day of Feb. 2023	06	*
Fall Yearling Heifer	Born between Sept. 1 and Nov. 30, 2022	07	*
Best Three Junior Females	Born after Sept. 1, 2022	08	*
Summer Junior 2-Year Cow	Born between June 1 and Aug 31, 2022	09	*
Spring Junior 2-Year Cow	Born between March 1 and May 31, 2022	10	*
Senior 2-Year Cow	Born between Sept. 1, 2021, and last day of Feb. 2022	11	*
Junior 3-Year Cow	Born between March 1 and Aug. 31, 2021	12	*
Senior 3-Year Cow	Born between Sept. 1, 2020, and last day of Feb, 2021	13	*
4-Year Cow	Born between Sept. 1, 2019, and Aug. 31, 2020	14	*
5-Year Cow	Born between Sept. 1, 2018, and Aug. 31, 2019	15	*
6-Year Cow and Over	Born before Sept. 1, 2018	16	*
125,000 lbs. Lifetime Production Cow		17	*
Best Three Senior Females		18	*
Produce of Dam		19	*
Dairy Herd		20	*

The following awards will be given in the Holstein Division: Production Awards for Summer Junior 2-year cow, Spring Junior 2-year cow, Senior 2-year cow, Junior 3-year cow, Senior 3-year cow, 4-year cow, 5-year cow, Production Award 6 year and over cow. Best Udder of Class Awards for Summer Junior 2-Year Cow, Spring Junior 2-Year Cow, Senior 2-Year Cow, Junior 3-Year Cow, Senior 3-Year Cow, 4-Year Cow, 5-Year Cow, 6-Year Cow and Over

Division 1034 – Jersey

Class	Class Description	Open Class	Land of Lincoln Class
Junior Heifer Calf	Born on or after Mar. 1, 2024, must be 4 months of age at show day	01	*
Intermediate Heifer Calf	Born between Dec. 1, 2023, and last day of Feb. 2024	02	*
Senior Heifer Calf	Born before Sept. 1 and Nov. 30, 2023	03	*
Summer Yearling Heifer	Born between June 1 and Aug. 31, 2023	04	*
Junior Yearling Heifer	Born between March 1 and May 31, 2023	05	*
Intermediate Yearling Heifer	Born between Dec. 1, 2022, and last day of Feb. 2023	06	*
Senior Yearling Heifer	Born between Sept. 1 and Nov. 30, 2022	07	*
Best Three Junior Females	Born after Sept. 1, 2022	08	*
Senior Yearling in Milk	Born after Sept. 1, 2022	09	*
Summer Junior 2-Year Cow	Born between June 1 and Aug 31, 2022	10	*
Spring Junior 2-Year Cow	Born between March 1 and May 31, 2022	11	*
Senior 2-Year Cow	Born between Sept. 1, 2021, and last day of Feb. 2022	12	*
Junior 3-Year Cow	Born between March 1 and Aug. 31, 2021	13	*

Senior 3-Year Cow	Born between Sept. 1, 2020, and last day of Feb, 2021	14	*
4-Year Cow	Born between Sept. 1, 2019, and Aug. 31, 2020	15	*
5-Year Cow	Born between Sept. 1, 2018, and Aug. 31, 2019	16	*
6-Year Cow and Over	Born before Sept. 1, 2018	17	*
Dairy Herd		18	*
Breeder's Herd of Five Females		19	*
Best Three Senior Females		20	*

The following awards will be given in the Jersey Division: Production Awards for Senior Yearling in Milk, Summer Junior 2-year cow, Spring Junior 2-year cow, Senior 2-year cow, Junior 3-year cow, Senior 3-year cow, 4-year cow, 5-year cow, 6 year and over cow. Best Udder of Class Awards for Senior Yearling in Milk, Summer Junior 2-Year Cow, Spring Junior 2-Year Cow, Senior 2-Year Cow, Junior 3-Year Cow, Senior 3-Year Cow, 4-Year Cow, 5-Year Cow, 6-Year Cow and Over.

Division 1035 – Milking Shorthorn *Note: This show is an All-American Qualifying Show

Class	Class Description	Open Class	Land of Lincoln Class
Junior Heifer Calf	Born on or after Mar. 1, 2024, must be 4 months of age at show day	01	*
Intermediate Heifer Calf	Born between Dec. 1, 2023, and last day of Feb. 2024	02	*
Senior Heifer Calf	Born before Sept. 1 and Nov. 30, 2023	03	*
Summer Yearling Heifer	Born between June 1 and Aug. 31, 2023	04	*
Junior Yearling Heifer	Born between March 1 and May 31, 2023	05	*
Intermediate Yearling Heifer	Born between Dec. 1, 2022, and last day of Feb. 2023	06	*
Senior Yearling Heifer	Born between Sept. 1 and Nov. 30, 2022	07	*
Best Three Junior Females	Born after Sept. 1, 2022	08	*
Junior 2-Year Cow	Born between March 1 and Aug. 31, 2022	09	*
Senior 2-Year Cow	Born between Sept. 1, 2021, and last day of Feb. 2022	10	*
Junior 3-Year Cow	Born between March 1 and Aug. 31, 2021	11	*
Senior 3-Year Cow	Born between Sept. 1, 2020, and last day of Feb, 2021	12	*
4-Year Cow	Born between Sept. 1, 2019, and Aug. 31, 2020	13	*
5-Year Cow	Born between Sept. 1, 2018, and Aug. 31, 2019	14	*
6-Year Cow and Over	Born before Sept. 1, 2018	15	*
Dairy Herd		16	*
Produce of Dam		17	*
Dam and Daughter		18	*
Best Three Senior Females		19	*

The following awards will be given in the Milking Shorthorn Division: Best Udder of Class for Junior 2-Year Cow, Senior 2-Year Cow, Junior 3-Year Cow, Senior 3-Year Cow, 4-Year Cow, 5-Year Cow, 6-Year Cow and Over.