

DEPARTMENT U - GOATS

ABGA Sanctioned

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TOTAL PREMIUMS OFFERED IN THIS DEPT.\$2,500.00 approx.

Premiums will be based on entries and added money, minus expenses, for this division.

NEW FOR 2023 - We are now an American Boer Goat Association Sanctioned Show. Following the ABGA Show will be the Illinois Wether Series Show.

To provide exhibitors and fairgoers with the best in county fairs, we have revised and updated our Premium Book. Please read rules and regulations carefully before making any entry. No entries will be made by the Secretary after Wednesday, July 5. Entries received after July 5 will be charged \$5 late fee. Entries may be completed online at knoxfair.com or mailed to, Knox County Fair, Livestock Superintendent, P.O. Box 204, Knoxville, IL 61448. Exhibitor passes and exhibitor number signs can be picked up when health papers are presented.

ONLY TWO PREMIUMS WILL BE PAID PER EXHIBITOR, PER CLASS. Premise ID information is required on all entries.

Entry Fees.....\$15.00

EXHIBITOR'S PASS (not required but \$3 daily gate charge will apply).....\$10.00

PLEASE READ ALL RULES AND REQUIREMENTS AS LISTED BELOW.

GENERAL REQUIREMENTS AND CRITERIA

1. Each Exhibitor must comply with the General Eligibility Rules.
2. Animals must be registered and tattooed in the name of the exhibitor only. Wethers must have been born on or after October 1, 2022 and have milk teeth. Milk teeth will be checked at weigh-in by Superintendent and show committee.
3. Each Exhibitor shall be limited to two (2) entries in each class in this department. Exhibitors must show their own animals. All animals must be exhibited in the judging rings by the owners. In the event an exhibitor has two (2) animals in the same class the second animal must be shown by another bonafide exhibitor in the Junior Department.
4. Exhibitors must use only pens assigned by the Superintendent (exhibitor is responsible for additional fencing if needed to keep animals in pens).
5. **The A.B.G.A. Association rules will govern the show and can be found online at www.abga.org.**
6. All goats six months or older must be registered with one of the following IBGA, ABGA or USBGA. ORIGINAL registration certificates are required. No copies of registration or stamped duplicate of office registration will be accepted by the show officials. In extreme emergencies, a faxed copy of the registration certificate from the association accompanied by a cover letter will be accepted.
7. All goats must have legible tattoos or other means of permanent identification consistent with its registration certificate or the animal will be disqualified. If animal has a microchip as its permanent identification, the exhibitor is responsible for providing a microchip reader.
8. Animals with natural horns or disbudded or dehorned may be shown at official IBGA, ABGA or USBGA shows without regards to discrimination. Any goat showing any pronounced defect or abnormality will be barred from the show in any breeding classes. Artificial coloring will be a disqualification as well as illegible tattoos or tattoos that are inconsistent with goat's registration papers.
9. All animals must be registered purebred, fullblood or percentage blood Boer goats. Percentage doe classes are for goats 50% to 80%, Purebred/Fullblood classes are for does that are 15/16 blood (94%) and higher, 31/32 blood (97%) and higher for bucks.
10. Birth dates, as listed on registration certificate will be used to determine the class division. Take the show date and count back to the birth date to determine the age and the class for the animal.
11. Questions concerning entry procedure, registration, and tattoo requirements should be referred to the Superintendent prior to date of arrival.
12. The Illinois Humane Care for Animals Act prohibits physical mistreatment of animals. The use of electrical shock or withholding of feed or water are considered direct violations of the Act. The presence of any type of equipment to induce electrical show in the exhibition are will be considered as intent to inflict electrical shock on animals under care of the person with the equipment. Persons found mistreating goats shall be prohibited from exhibiting and dismissed from the fairgrounds.

THE DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE SHALL USE ITS BEST EFFORTS TO SECURE SUFFICIENT APPROPRIATIONS TO FUND PREMIUMS. IN ANY YEAR FOR WHICH THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS FAILS TO MAKE AN APPROPRIATION SUFFICIENT TO PAY SUCH PREMIUMS, PREMIUM AMOUNTS MAY NOT BE ACCURATELY REFLECTED IN THE PREMIUM BOOK.

Please read rules and regulations carefully.

Livestock will be permitted on the fairgrounds Monday after 5:00 p.m. and must be on grounds by 7:00 a.m. Tuesday.

Any deviation from this rule must have approval from the livestock supervisor.

Goats will be judged on the basis of weight and grade for top market goats.

Weigh-in for wethers will be at 7:30 a.m. Tuesday. Wether classes will be determined and posted by superintendents after weigh-in is completed.

All goats will be released following completion of goat show. EXHIBITORS MUST CLEAN OWN STALLS.

WOOD CHIPS WILL BE THE ONLY APPROVED BEDDING. NO STRAW ALLOWED.

Must be two head to make a class. Animals will be shifted to next class until animal requirement is met.

Premiums in classes 3560 - 3604, not including Championship Classes.

PREMIUMS: 1st - 45% 2nd - 30% 3rd - 25%

Open Boer Goat Classes \$15 Entry Fee Per Entry

Percentages Does:

3560	0 to 3 Months
3561	3 to 6 Months
3562	6 to 9 Months
3563	9 to 12 Months
3564	Junior Division Champion
3565	Junior Division Reserve Champion
3566	12 to 16 Months
3567	16 to 20 Months
3568	20 to 24 Months
3569	Yearling Division Champion
3570	Yearling Division Reserve Champion
3571	24 to 36 Months
3572	36 Months Plus
3573	Senior Division Champion
3574	Senior Division Reserve Champion
3575	Grand Champion
3576	Reserve Grand Champion

Fullblood/Purebred Does:

3580	0 to 3 Months
3581	3 to 6 Months
3582	6 to 9 Months
3583	9 to 12 Months
3584	Junior Division Champion
3585	Junior Division Reserve Champion
3586	12 to 16 Months
3587	16 to 20 Months
3588	20 to 24 Months
3589	Yearling Division Champion
3590	Yearling Division Reserve Champion
3591	24 to 36 Months
3592	36 Months Plus
3593	Senior Division Champion
3594	Senior Division Reserve Champion
3595	Grand Champion
3596	Reserve Grand Champion

Fullblood Bucks:

3600	0 to 3 Months
3601	3 to 6 Months
3602	6 to 9 Months
3603	9 to 12 Months
3604	Junior Division Champion
3605	Junior Division Reserve Champion
3606	12 to 16 Months
3607	16 to 20 Months
3608	20 to 24 Months
3609	Yearling Division Champion
3610	Yearling Division Reserve Champion
3611	24 to 36 Months
3612	36 Months Plus
3613	Senior Division Champion
3614	Senior Division Reserve Champion
3615	Grand Champion
3616	Reserve Grand Champion

Meat Goat Classes Unregistered Does:

3620	0 to 4 Months
3621	4 to 8 Months
3622	8 to 12 Months

Unregisterd Yearling Does:

3623	12 to 18 Months
3624	18 to 24 Months

Senior Does:

3625	24 to 30 Months
3626	30 Months and Over

Wether Jack Pot Shows at all IMPG Shows

Classes will be divided by weight.
No more than 25 judged at a time.

3627	Wether Class
3628	Grand Champion Wether
3629	Reserve Grand Champion

Grand Champion Breeding Goat.....Banner & \$50.00
Banner and premium donated by **LYDIC FARM, BERWICK, IL**

Grand Champion Wether.....Banner & \$100.00
Banner and premium donated by **BROWN ANIMAL HOSPITAL, PEORIA, IL**

ILWS Wether Show Rules

The Series Shows are limited to youth 21 and under as of January 1 of the current year

ETHICAL FITTING PRACTICES MUST BE OBSERVED AT ALL TIMES

- The two highest placing wethers of an exhibitor will contribute to the individual ILWS points per show.
- The accumulated points for all shows, will equal the total calculated points for the series
- Youth may enter and show a maximum of four wethers at any individual show unless otherwise specified by a specific show
- Youth must show their own wether unless there are two or more wethers entered by the same youth in a particular class. This includes champion drive.
- Wethers must have ownership declared before weigh-in and may not be entered or shown in another youth's name after being weighed-in.
- Wethers must have all kid teeth still in place.
- Wethers must be slick shorn to an even length above the knee and hock but excluding the head and tail switch.
- Wethers may not have any testicular tissue, exhibit behavioral signs of still being intact males, disbudded is preferred or encouraged but horns are not a disqualification
- Each entry will cost \$25 each animal at time of registration unless the show has existing entry fees.
- Prizes for the top three in each division will be awarded at the end of the show that day.
- The highest two-point totals at the end of the year, regardless of age will be awarded Grand and Reserve Overall respectively. The Grand and Reserve will each receive a special reward.
- The ILWS reserves the right to drug test any animal exhibited in a series show for any illegal substances.
- No points will be awarded for Grand or Reserve Champion at a show
- Participation is not limited to Illinois youth. Only Illinois residents can participate and accumulate points in the series.
- The Coordinator of each individual show reserves the right to refuse entry into the show to any animal that exhibits a transmissible disease, fungus, etc. or to any individual or family not acting appropriately.

ILWS Showmanship Rules

- By becoming a member, you are automatically enrolled into accumulating points earned in showmanship. Becoming a member enrolls you in the Showmanship, Wether Series point program and Premier Exhibitor Award.
- Each show will include showmanship directly following weigh-in and the cost of entry is \$10.00 each show
- Exhibitors MUST show their own animal registered in their name upon entry. No bucks will be shown in showmanship. Exhibitors can show wethers and wether dams, but must show an animal that is registered as their animal on the day of the show. No farm name or family nominations will be accepted.
- Prizes for the top five in each division will be awarded at the end of the year.
- Prizes will be awarded at each show in the series for the top 3 winners in each division. Prizes awarded by each individual show may vary depending on the show

Showmanship Divisions (Age as of September 1)

Novice 5 – 8 years of age

Junior 9-12 years of age

Intermediate 13-16 years of age

Senior 17 – 21 years of age

ETHICAL FITTING PRACTICES MUST BE OBSERVED

- PeeWee showmanship classes may be offered at each show. Participants 8yrs and younger are eligible to participate in the PeeWee Showmanship. PeeWee classes are limited to exhibitors NOT participating in the series showmanship classes. No points are awarded. \$5 per entry
- Participation is not limited to Illinois residents. Only Illinois residents can participate and accumulate points in the series.
- The Coordinator of each individual show reserves the right to refuse entry into the show to any animal that exhibits a transmissible disease, fungus etc; or to any individual family not acting in appropriate manner as deemed by the committee without refunding monies.