



## Dept. H – Draft Horse and Mule

Superintendent: Carolyn Maher – 240-409-6428

Show 8:30 a.m., Sunday, Sept. 20, 2026

**SHOW WILL BE HELD RAIN OR SHINE – ENTRY FEES ARE NON-REFUNDABLE**

### Rules & Regulations:

1. Refer to rules and regulations of general Fair for pass policy.
2. Entries close August 15. **No late entries will be accepted.**
3. Judges' decisions are final.
4. All horses and mules nine months or older must have proof of negative EAI/Coggins test within 12 months of the show date (i.e. – dated after September 15, 2026) Copy **MUST Accompany entry form.**
5. **Per State Law, all out-of-state equine must have a CVI no more than 30 days prior to the show (dated after 8/22/26).**
6. **Per State Law, all in-state equine must have either a CVI or VCPR no more than 60 days prior to the show (dated after 7/23/26) in order to participate.**
7. All animals exhibited in divisions 1-23, (classes 1 -75) must be registered with the appropriate breed association. You **MUST** send a copy of the registration papers with your entries, including Drum Horse Geldings with breed associations. Youth ages are determined by their age as of January 1, 2026.
8. Youth exhibitors 18 years, as of January 1 of current year may waive youth status and show as adults in hitch/cart classes and are not eligible for any youth classes.
9. Pee-Wee showmanship, class 106, must be accompanied by an experienced adult at all times when in the ring. Pee-Wee exhibitors must wear protective head gear.
10. Youth driving in classes 125, 126, 134 & 135 must be accompanied by an experienced adult driver.
11. Youth **MAY NOT** show, ride or drive Stallions. Exception: 2026 Stallion Foals and Mare & Foal classes.
12. Youth and Pee-Wee exhibitors must wear riding helmets in Under Saddle Classes.
13. Any stallion not being shown under control will be excused from the ring and will have to be housed on the trailer or removed from the Fairgrounds.
14. Senior showmanship is for exhibitors 65 years & older. The limited Mobility Showmanship class is for adults with restricted mobility. Showman will be asked to **WALK ONLY** with their horse/mule. Showman **CANNOT** show in both classes and are **NOT** allowed to

show in any other Halter classes (Mare, Mare & Foal, Stallion, Gelding or Mule).

15. The show committee reserves the right to divide, combine or cancel classes as numbers of entries warrant. The show committee reserves the right to refuse any entry.
16. The Great Frederick Fair, Inc. will not be responsible for accidents, damage, injury, or illness of the animals, owners, drivers, employees, attendants, spectators, or any other person or property in connection with The Great Frederick Fair Draft Horse and Mule Show.
17. Rules of courtesy must be obeyed at all times. Any act of discourtesy to judges or show officials on the part of owner, exhibitor, or groom will disqualify that entry and all entry fees and premiums will be forfeited.
18. Animals not in show condition or showing any lameness will be disqualified. All vehicles and harness must be in safe, useable condition.
19. Any owner, exhibitor or groom mistreating an animal will be barred from the show and all entry fees and premiums forfeited.
20. All use of alcohol or drugs is strictly forbidden. Anyone found using these substances before, during, or after the show will forfeit all premiums and will be removed from the Fairgrounds.
21. Dogs are not permitted on the grounds.

**Dress Codes:** The dress codes apply to all Draft Horse and Mule exhibitors includes driver and show ring assistants to the exhibitor.

**Halter classes:** Dress slacks, shirt or blouse, tie, and hat optional. No blue, faded or torn jeans. Proper footwear required. No T-shirts.

**Hitch classes:** **Gentlemen** – dress slacks, coat, tie, dress hat and proper footwear **is** mandatory. Proper footwear required. NO blue, faded or torn jeans.

**Ladies** – Long Dress or formal, long skirt with blouse, dress pantsuits and proper footwear. No blue, faded or torn jeans.

#### **THE SHOW WILL FOLLOW AS PRINTED UNLESS THE SHOW COMMITTEE DECIDES OTHERWISE**

#### **BREED CLASSES - ALL ANIMALS EXHIBITED IN THESE DIVISIONS MUST BE REGISTERED WITH THE APPROPRIATE BREED ASSOCIATION. SEND COPIES OF REGISTRATION WITH ENTRY FORM**

*\*Note: All Breeds will compete in stallions classes 57-61; and by individual breed classes 62-66.*

*Premiums: 1<sup>st</sup> - \$25 | 2<sup>nd</sup> - \$20 | 3<sup>rd</sup> - \$15 | 4<sup>th</sup> - \$10 | 5<sup>th</sup> - \$5 | Champ – Ribbon*

*Premiums awarded 1<sup>st</sup> – 3<sup>rd</sup> placing ONLY for divisions marked with an \*.*

#### **Judged at a walk and trot.**

#### **DIVISION 1 – MARE 4 YRS. & OVER**

Class 1 – Am. Cream, Suffolk, Drum, Other

Class 4 – North Am. Spotted

Class 2 – Belgian

Class 5 - Percheron

Class 3 – Clydesdale & Shire

#### **DIVISION 2 – MARE 3 YRS. & UNDER 4**

Class 6 – Am. Cream, Suffolk, Drum, Other

Class 9 – North Am. Spotted

Class 7 – Belgian

Class 10 - Percheron

Class 8 – Clydesdale & Shire

#### **DIVISION 3 – INDIVIDUAL BREED SENIOR CHAMPION MARE**

*1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> place winners from classes 1-10*

Class 11 – Am. Cream, Suffolk, Drum, Other

Class 14 – North Am. Spotted

Class 12 – Belgian

Class 15 - Percheron

Class 13 – Clydesdale & Shire

#### **DIVISION 4 – INDIVIDUAL BREED RESERVE SENIOR CHAMPION MARE**

*1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> place winners from classes 1-10*

Class 16 – Am. Cream, Suffolk, Drum, Other

Class 19 – North Am. Spotted

Class 17 – Belgian

Class 20 - Percheron

Class 18 – Clydesdale & Shire

### **DIVISION 5 – MARE 2 YRS. & UNDER 3**

Class 21 – Am. Cream, Suffolk, Drum, Other      Class 24 – North Am. Spotted  
Class 22 – Belgian      Class 25 – Percheron  
Class 23 – Clydesdale & Shire

### **DIVISION 6 – MARE 1 YR & UNDER 2**

Class 26 – Am. Cream, Suffolk, Drum, Other      Class 29 – North Am. Spotted  
Class 27 – Belgian      Class 30 – Percheron  
Class 28 – Clydesdale & Shire

### **DIVISION 7 – 2026 FILLY FOAL**

Class 31 – Am. Cream, Suffolk, Drum, Other      Class 34 – North Am. Spotted  
Class 32 – Belgian      Class 35 – Percheron  
Class 33 – Clydesdale & Shire

### **DIVISION 8 – INDIVIDUAL BREED JUNIOR CHAMPION MARE**

*1<sup>ST</sup> and 2<sup>ND</sup> place winners from classes 21-35*

Class 36 – Am. Cream, Suffolk, Drum, Other      Class 39 – North Am. Spotted  
Class 37 – Belgian      Class 40 – Percheron  
Class 38 – Clydesdale & Shire

### **DIVISION 9 – INDIVIDUAL BREED RESERVE JUNIOR CHAMPION MARE**

*1<sup>ST</sup> and 2<sup>ND</sup> place winners from classes 21-35*

Class 41 – Am. Cream, Suffolk, Drum, Other      Class 44 – North Am. Spotted  
Class 42 – Belgian      Class 45 – Percheron  
Class 43 – Clydesdale & Shire

### **DIVISION 10 – INDIVIDUAL BREED GRAND CHAMPION MARE**

*Selected from Jr. & Sr. Champion & Reserve*

Class 46 – Am. Cream, Suffolk, Drum, Other      Class 49 – North Am. Spotted  
Class 47 – Belgian      Class 50 – Percheron  
Class 48 – Clydesdale & Shire

### **DIVISION 11 – INDIVIDUAL BREED RESERVE GRAND CHAMPION MARE**

*Selected from Jr. & Sr. Champion & Reserve*

Class 51 – Am. Cream, Suffolk, Drum, Other      Class 54 – North Am. Spotted  
Class 52 – Belgian      Class 55 – Percheron  
Class 53 – Clydesdale & Shire

### **DIVISION 12 – SUPREME CHAMPION MARE**

*Selected from Jr. & Sr. Champion & Reserve – Premium \$50*

***Premium sponsored by Bloomsburg Forge Farm***

Class 56

### **DIVISION 13\* – STALLION 3 YRS & OLDER**

Class 57 – All Breeds

### **DIVISION 14 – SENIOR CHAMPION STALLION**

*1<sup>ST</sup> and 2<sup>ND</sup> place winners from class 57*

Class 58

### **DIVISION 15 – SENIOR RESERVE CHAMPION STALLION**

*1<sup>ST</sup> and 2<sup>ND</sup> place winners from class 57*

Class 59

### **DIVISION 16\* – STALLION 2 YRS & UNDER 3**

Class 60 – All Breeds

### **DIVISION 17\* – STALLION 1 YR & UNDER 2**

Class 61 – All Breeds

### **DIVISION 18 – 2026 STALLION FOAL**

Class 62 – Am. Cream, Suffolk, Drum, Other      Class 65 – North Am. Spotted  
Class 63 – Belgian      Class 66 – Percheron  
Class 64 – Clydesdale & Shire

### **DIVISION 19 – JUNIOR CHAMPION STALLION**

*1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> place winners from class 60-66*

Class 67

### **DIVISION 20 – JUNIOR RESERVE CHAMPION STALLION**

*1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> place winners from class 60-66*

Class 68

### **DIVISION 21 – GRAND CHAMPION STALLION**

*Selected from Jr. & Sr. Champion & Reserve*

Class 69

### **DIVISION 22 – RESERVE GRAND CHAMPION STALLION**

*Selected from Jr. & Sr. Champion & Reserve*

Class 70

### **DIVISION 23 – DRAFT MARE & 2026 FOAL**

Class 71 – Am. Cream, Suffolk, Drum, Other      Class 74 – North Am. Spotted  
Class 72 – Belgian      Class 75 – Percheron  
Class 73 – Clydesdale & Shire

### **GELDING**

*(Pure draft, NO crossbreeds)*

### **DIVISION 24 – GELDING 3 YRS & OLDER**

Class 76 – Am. Cream, Suffolk, Drum, Other      Class 79 – North Am. Spotted  
Class 77 – Belgian      Class 80 – Percheron  
Class 78 – Clydesdale & Shire

### **DIVISION 25 – GELDING UNDER 3**

Class 81 – Am. Cream, Suffolk, Drum, Other      Class 84 – North Am. Spotted  
Class 82 – Belgian      Class 85 – Percheron  
Class 83 – Clydesdale & Shire

### **DIVISION 26 – GRAND CHAMPION GELDING**

*1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> place winners from class 76-85*

Class 86 – Am. Cream, Suffolk, Drum, Other      Class 89 – North Am. Spotted  
Class 87 – Belgian      Class 90 – Percheron  
Class 88 – Clydesdale & Shire

### **DIVISION 27 – RESERVE GRAND CHAMPION GELDING**

*1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> place winners from class 76-85*

Class 91 – Am. Cream, Suffolk, Drum, Other      Class 94 – North Am. Spotted  
Class 92 – Belgian      Class 95 – Percheron  
Class 93 – Clydesdale & Shire

### **DIVISION 28 – SUPREME CHAMPION GELDING**

*Selected from individual breed champion geldings – Premium \$50*

*Premium sponsored by New Chester Draft Horse Company*

Class 96

### **DIVISION 29 – CLASSIC SERIES HALTER**

*Any age animal may participate. First place animals only. Only Belgian, Clydesdale, Percheron & Shires may participate. This is a rule of Classic Series Halter, not GFF. Must be a member of the Classic Series Halter; have your membership number available. Must exhibit animal in this class regardless to receive premiums.*

Class 97 – Mare – Belgian, Clydes., Percheron, Shire Only  
Class 98 – Stallion – Belgian, Clydes., Percheron, Shire Only

## MULES

*(The following classes are for mules' 15 hands or over. Mini mules and donkeys are not eligible).*

### DIVISION 30 – JOHN (HORSE) MULE

Class 99 – 3 years and over

### DIVISION 31 – MOLLY (MARE) MULE

Class 100 – 3 years and over

### DIVISION 32 – MULE OF EITHER SEX

Class 101 – 2 years and under

### DIVISION 33 – GRAND CHAMPION MULE

*1<sup>st</sup> & 2<sup>nd</sup> Place winners from classes 100-101*

Class 102

### DIVISION 34 – RESERVE GRAND CHAMPION MULE

*1<sup>st</sup> & 2<sup>nd</sup> Place winners from classes 100-101*

Class 103

## SHOWMANSHIP

*Premiums – 1<sup>st</sup> - \$25 | 2<sup>nd</sup> - \$20 | 3<sup>rd</sup> - \$15 | All others \$10 Each  
(Premiums listed will be the same regardless of species)*

### DIVISION 35 – YOUTH SHOWMANSHIP

Class 104 – Showman 14-18 yrs. old with Draft Horse or Mule

Class 105 – Showman 8-13 yrs. old with Draft Horse or Mule

Class 106 – Showman PeeWee Lead Line 7 yrs old and under with Draft Horse or Mule-Ribbon Only

*PeeWee Lead Line awards sponsored by Winter Springs Farm*

Class 107 – Sr. Showmanship 65 years & older with Draft Horse or Mule - Walk only

Class 108 – Limited Mobility Showmanship - For adults with limited mobility. Draft Horse or Mule judged at a WALK ONLY.

Showman in classes 107 & 108 CANNOT participate in both classes.

## UNDER SADDLE

*Pure Draft horses & Mules 15+ hands Only, NO Stallions. Adult and Youth must choose EITHER English or Western.*

*Exhibitors cannot enter both classes. ANYONE RIDING IN BOTH WILL BE DISQUALIFIED ON BOTH CLASSES  
FORFEITING THEIR PREMIUMS IN UNDER SADDLE CLASSES*

*Premiums – 1<sup>st</sup> - \$25 | 2<sup>nd</sup> - \$20 | 3<sup>rd</sup> - \$15 | 4<sup>th</sup> - \$10 | 5<sup>th</sup> - \$5 | 6<sup>th</sup> - \$5  
(Premiums listed will be the same regardless of species)*

### DIVISION 36 – ENGLISH – HORSE OR MULE

Class 109 – Adult Rider Under Saddle - English

Class 110 – Youth Rider 14 – 18 yrs. old Under Saddle - English

Class 111 – Youth Rider 8 –13 yrs. old Under Saddle - English

### DIVISION 37 – WESTERN – HORSE OR MULE

Class 112 – Adult Rider Under Saddle - Western

Class 113 – Youth Rider 14 – 18 yrs. old Under Saddle - Western

Class 114 – Youth Rider 8 –13 yrs. old Under Saddle - Western

Class 115 – Pee-Wee Lead line Under Saddle Draft Horse/Mule - English or Western.

*Youth riders 7 yrs & under - Ribbon Only | Pee-Wee awards sponsored by Winter Springs Farm*

### DIVISION 38 – CLASSIC CART SERIES

*All participants must be members in good standing with the Classic Cart Series. Premiums will be determined by the number of participants (max 10 placings)*

Class 116 - Classic Cart

## HITCHES

*Draft stallions, donkeys & light mini mules are NOT eligible for hitch classes. A \$5 premium will be paid in classes 116-126 to any placing below 6<sup>th</sup>. Premiums will be the same regardless of species.*

*Judged at a walk and trot both ways of the ring.*

*Judged on manners, suitability, condition, and performance of the driver.*

### DIVISION 39 – MULTIPLE DRAFT HORSE OR MULE HITCHED TO A WAGON

CLASS	1 <sup>st</sup>	2 <sup>nd</sup>	3 <sup>rd</sup>	4 <sup>th</sup>	5 <sup>th</sup>	6 <sup>th</sup>
117. Antique Farm Implements & Antique Four Wheel Vehicles	<i>Total of \$100 awarded</i>					
<i>(No wagons or carts. Implement to be in workable condition. To be judged Danish System. Premium to be divided equally among exhibitors – none less than \$10)</i>						
118. 6 Horse Hitch	400	350	300			
119. 6 Mule Hitch	150	125	100			
120. 4 Horse Hitch	250	225	175	150		
121. Multiple Mule Hitch (3 or 4 Mules hitched abreast or tandem)	125	100	75	50	35	
122. Unicorn – Horses	75	65	50	40	30	
123. Mule Team Hitch	75	65	55	45		
124. Draft Horse Team Hitch	75	65	55	45	35	25
125. Youth Driving Team (14-18 yrs. old)	25	20	15	10	5	
126. Youth Driving Team (8-13 yrs. old)	25	20	15	10	5	

### DIVISION 40 - CART

*Draft stallions, donkeys & light mini mules are NOT eligible for cart classes. A \$5 premium will be paid in classes 130-136 to any placing below 6<sup>th</sup>. Premiums will be the same regardless of species.*

CLASS	1 <sup>st</sup>	2 <sup>nd</sup>	3 <sup>rd</sup>	4 <sup>th</sup>	5 <sup>th</sup>	6 <sup>th</sup>
127. Tandem Hitch (2 horses or mules hitched in tandem to two wheeled cart)	75	65	50	40	30	
128. Pleasure Driving (2 or 4 wheeled vehicle, no braiding, fancy harness, casual dress. Horse/Mule cannot be shown in any other hitch class)	20	15	10	10		
129. Mule Cart – Gentleman to Drive	35	25	20	15	10	5
130. Gentleman's Cart – Draft Horse	35	25	20	15	10	5
131. Mule Cart – Lady to Drive	35	25	20	15	10	5
132. Lady's Cart – Draft Horse	35	25	20	15	10	5
133. Registered Mare to a Cart (Lady or Gentleman to drive)	35	25	20	15	10	5
134. Youth Driving – Cart (14-18 yrs. Old)	25	20	15	10	5	5
135. Youth Driving – Cart (8-13 yrs. Old)	25	20	15	10	5	5
136. Senior Driving – Cart (65 and Older)	25	20	15	10	5	5