

FAWE 2024 Pullet Project



2023 FLORIDA AGRICULTURE & WILDLIFE EXPO

MARKET PULLET SHOW AND SALE

Entry Form Due Date: September 15, 2023

Animal Pick-up: October 21, 2023 @ Ranch Hand Feed Depot (subject to change if necessary, times TBD)

Arrival Date: March 22, 2024 3:00 – 6:00 p.m. Show/manship Date: Saturday, March 23, 2024

Open cages by 10:00 a.m.; showmanship begins at 1:00 p.m.

Sale Date: Saturday, March 30, 2024 11:00 a.m. All Exhibitors MUST sell a cage of three birds!

Pullets must be removed after the sale and before 6:00 pm March 30, 2024. Sign-out sheets are required.

MANDATORY Clean up March 30, 2024 3:00 – 4:00 p.m. exhibitors must be present the entire hour

MANDATORY Buyer & Belt Buckle Thank you notes due March 30, 2024 4:00 – 6:00 pm.

The FAWE Livestock Committee will provide participants with instruction and opportunities to gain experience with feed, water, and care for chickens from the “day old hatching” stage to “ready-to-lay” pullets. This project will benefit young people by providing opportunities to develop self-responsibility, discipline, and persistence, and it will also provide a pathway into developing the character traits necessary to transition into larger animal projects.

To ensure uniformity (age, gender, and breed) and to increase survivability, each participant will be given 6 chicks that have been purchased from the hatchery. Prior to receipt, all chicks will be vaccinated at the hatchery for Marek’s Disease and each participant will receive the health-related information needed for the care of their new arrivals. Only provided birds are permitted.

If you would like to purchase UP TO THREE additional birds at \$4.00 each, you must indicate so on your form and pay at with registration. Numbers will be limited based on total needed.

At the end of the project the participants will select their top three pullets to enter for judging at the 2024 FAWE. Each entry will be judged as a ready to lay set by an unbiased official and ribbons will be awarded. This project is open to all Hernando 4-H and FFA members in good standing. All age divisions are welcome to enroll, HOWEVER, there are a limit of 70 entries. Priority will go to Cloverbuds (ages 5-7) or exhibitors not showing other market animals. There will be a waiting list.

Youth will be permitted to choose one of their three pullets as their showmanship bird.

In the unfortunate situation a bird is determined to be a rooster, that animal will not be eligible.

Poultry will be tested by a livestock inspector (date to be determined) or on receiving day, March 22, 2024. State health and USDA requirements will supersede any other rules or health requirements. Certain conditions may be treated at the discretion of the exhibitor and the committee will determine if it remains. Pre-tested and NPIP holders will have priority check-in.

Mandatory Educational Meeting for all PULLET Exhibitors October 17, 2023 beginning at 6:30 pm at the VFW Post 10209. Failure to attend will result in disqualifications from all ‘23-‘24 pullet events.

All care, feeding, cleaning, and general responsibilities for the project are the responsibility of the member who may receive assistance from FFA Advisor, 4-H leader, parent/guardian, or fellow exhibitor. Feeding must be done at least TWICE per day and must be completed by 10:00 a.m and then 9:00 p.m. or one hour after a show/sale.

Exhibitors are REQUIRED to bring a sturdy feeder and water containers. Milk jugs are a great, inexpensive option.

Showmanship participation is optional. Pullet project participants must declare at check-in on March 22, 2024 whether they will participate in poultry showmanship.

Any livestock exhibitor earning a belt buckle must submit a thank you letter. For pullet exhibitors, those are due March 30, 2024, between 4:00 and 6:00 pm at the Livestock table. Exhibitors are encouraged to pre-write a note and bring the same pen to the event.

INSTRUCTIONS for Thank you letters and Belt Buckle Sponsors:

*Letters MUST be handwritten in pen by the exhibitor. Place letter in STAMPED, UNSEALED envelope. CLOVERBUD exhibitors may write notes in pencil!

*Buyer/Belt Buckle Sponsor Addresses will be provided on check-out day March 30, 2024.

*All letters will have a greeting/salutation, body paragraph (age appropriate), & closing

*Exhibitors should sign each letter.

REMINDER: Exhibitors will be charged \$50 per letter not received or deemed inappropriate for any buyer, add-on, and/or belt buckle. Youth are encouraged to turn letters in early so they can be reviewed and replaced if necessary

Exhibitors agree and consent to the use of pictures, including but not limited to photographs and video of you and/or your animal in any or all publications, TV, publicity brochure, internet site, or other medium related to FAWE. Should you have privacy issues, please notify a member of the FAWE board or livestock committee in writing.

Any questions or protest concerning compliance with the rules and regulations or the eligibility of an exhibitor or their animal must be submitted in writing to the Pullet Show Chair within 24 hours after the discovery of the infraction along with a \$100 fee. The FAWE Pullet Committee and/or Management may investigate possible infractions of rules at any time. If your protest is upheld, your fee will be returned. If your protest is unfounded, your fee is forfeited to the FAWE.

Exhibitor donation lists will be ready for pick-up from your FFA advisor or 4-H Agent no later than April 5, 2024; *if any are received after lists are picked up, the exhibitor will be contacted.*

Thank you notes for listed donations will be due no later than April 17, 2024 by 4:00 pm. They can be turned into either Ms. Nelson or Dr. Moores.

No project will be permitted to sell more than four times. Donations to the exhibitor will be encouraged after four sales.

Buyers will need to remove birds the night of the sale with proof of purchase in the presence of a Livestock Committee Member. Exhibitors are encouraged to inform perspective buyers they will need to remove birds the night of the sale from after the final lot and before 6:00 pm.

CHECKS will be available to exhibitors **AFTER** payments for pullets, swine, steer, and donations are received. Any donations not received by that date shall be deducted and the responsibility of collection shall be with the exhibitor. Six percent (6%) of the sale price will be deducted to help defray costs.

CONDUCT:

- (a) Unbecoming conduct on the part of an exhibitor, ***or anyone associated with the exhibitor***, will, at the discretion of the Management, result in disqualification of the exhibitor and require immediate removal of the pullets and the exhibitor from the FAWE grounds with the loss of awards, premiums, show and/or sale privilege. Exhibitors will not be allowed to stay overnight on the grounds.
- (b) Profanity or bullying on show grounds by the exhibitor will result in a \$250 fine and/or disqualification.
- (c) Profanity or bullying at any event associated with the FAWE could result in disqualification.

IAFE National Code of Show Ring Ethics

1. All exhibitors must present, upon request of FAWE and livestock show officials, proof of ownership, length of ownership and age of all animals entered. Misrepresentation of ownership, age or any facts relating thereto is prohibited.
2. Owners, exhibitors, fitters, trainers, or responsible persons shall provide animal health certificates from licensed veterinarians upon request by FAWE or livestock show officials.
3. Junior exhibitors are expected to care for and groom their animals while at FAWE or livestock shows.
4. Animals shall be presented to show events where they will enter the food chain free of violable drug residues. The act of entering an animal in a livestock show is the giving of consent by the owner, exhibitor, fitter, trainer and/or absolutely responsible person for show management to obtain any specimens of urine, saliva, blood, or other substances from the animal to be used in testing. Animals not entered in an event, which culminates with the animal entering the food chain, shall not be administered drugs other than in accordance with applicable federal, state, and provincial statutes, regulations, and rules. Livestock shall not be exhibited if the drugs administered in accordance with federal, state, and provincial statutes, regulations and rules affect the animal's performance or appearance at the event. If the laboratory report on the analysis of saliva, urine, blood, or other sample taken from livestock indicates the presence of forbidden drugs or medication, this shall be prima facie evidence such substance has been administered to the animal

either internally or externally. It is presumed that the sample of urine, saliva, blood, or other substance tested by the laboratory to which it is sent is the one taken from the animal in question, its integrity is preserved and all procedures of said collection and preservation, transfer to the laboratory and analysis of the sample are correct and accurate and the report received from the laboratory pertains to the sample taken from the animal in question and correctly reflects the condition of the animal at the time the sample was taken, with the burden on the owner, exhibitor, fitter, trainer, or absolutely responsible person to prove otherwise. At any time after an animal arrives on the FAWE or livestock show premises, all treatments involving the use of drugs and/or medications for the sole purpose of protecting the health of the animal shall be administered by a licensed veterinarian.

5. Any surgical procedure or injection of any foreign substance or drug or the external application of any substance (irritant, counterirritant or similar substance) which could affect the animal's performance or alter its natural contour, confirmation, or appearance, except external application of substances to the hoofs or horns of animals which affect appearance only and except for surgical procedures performed by a duly licensed veterinarian for the sole purpose of protecting the health of the animal, is prohibited.

6. The use of showing and/or handling practices or devices such as striking animals to cause swelling, using electrical contrivance, or other similar practices are not acceptable and are prohibited.

7. Direct criticism or interference with the judge, FAWE or livestock show management, other exhibitors, breed representatives, or show officials before, during, or after the competitive event is prohibited. In the furtherance of their official duty, all judges, FAWE and livestock show management, or other show officials shall be treated with courtesy, cooperation and respect and no person shall direct abusive or threatening conduct toward them.

8. No owner, exhibitor, fitter, trainer, or absolutely responsible person shall conspire with another person or persons to intentionally violate this code of ethics or knowingly contribute or cooperate with another person or persons either by affirmative action or inaction to violate this code of ethics. Violation of this rule shall subject such individual to disciplinary action.

9. The application of this code of ethics provides for absolute responsibility for an animal's condition by an owner, exhibitor, fitter, trainer, or participant whether or not he or she was actually instrumental in or had actual knowledge of the treatment of the animal in contravention of this code of ethics.

10. The act of entering an animal is the giving of consent by the owner, exhibitor, fitter, trainer, or absolutely responsible person to have disciplinary action taken by the FAWE or livestock show for violation of this Code of Show Ring Ethics and any other rules of competition of the FAWE or livestock show without recourse against the FAWE or livestock show. The act of entering an animal is the giving of consent that any proceedings or disciplinary action taken by the FAWE or livestock show may be published with the name of the violator or violators in any publication of the International Association of Fairs and Expositions, including Fairs and Expositions and any special notices to members.

11. The act of entering an animal in a fair or livestock show is the giving of verification by the owner, exhibitor, fitter, trainer, or absolutely responsible person that he or she has read the IAFE National Code of Show Ring Ethics and understands the consequences of and penalties provided for actions prohibited by the code. It is further a consent that any action which contravenes these rules and is also in violation of federal, state, or provincial statutes, regulations, or rules may be released to appropriate law enforcement authorities with jurisdiction over such infractions.

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Entry Fee: \$20 (6 birds)

FAWE USE ONLY

Received Date: _____

Time Received: _____

Received by: _____

Payment Amt.: _____

Exhibitor Name: _____ Date: _____

4-H Club or FFA Chapter Name: _____

Leader/Advisor Name: _____

I want to purchase _____ extra birds @ \$4/ea (if available)

Exhibitor Address: _____

City: _____ Zip: _____ Email _____

Birthdate: _____ / _____ / _____ Age (as of 9/1/23): _____

Parent/Guardian(s): _____

Phone #: _____ Alternate #: _____

FFA members require one signature; 4-H members require two signatures:

FFA Advisor Signature: _____ Date: _____

or

4-H Club Leader Signature: _____ Date: _____

and

4-H Extension Agent Signature: _____ Date: _____

I AFFIRM THAT I HAVE COMPLETE KNOWLEDGE OF THIS ENTRY, AND THAT I AUTHORIZE MY CHILD TO ENTER A PEN OF PULLETS IN THE FAWE LIVESTOCK SHOW & SALE. WE BOTH HAVE READ, ACKNOWLEDGE, AND WE AGREE TO ABIDE BY, ALL RULES & REGULATIONS.

Exhibitors Signature: _____ Date: _____

Parent/Guardian Signature: _____ Date: _____

Exhibitors may turn entry form and payment into Ms. Nelson or Dr. Moores. If you choose, you may Mail Entry Form and \$20.00 Entry Fee + additional fees to: FAWE - P.O. Box 12025 - Brooksville, FL 34603
(Must be turned in or postmarked NO LATER THAN September 15, 2023).

T-Shirt Size (Circle Appropriate Size for Exhibitor)

Youth: Small Medium Large

Adult: Small Medium Large X-Large XX-Large XXX-Large XXXX-Large

If registering a club/chapter/family animal, multiple shirts are permitted