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MASTER SHOWMANSHIP: MARKET & BREEDING

RULES

See General Rules, Regulations & Health Requirements
online at

<https://www.farmshow.pa.gov/pafarmshow/exhibit/rules-regulations>

-- ALL ENTRIES ARE EARNED --

- 1. General:** All entries will be subject to the Farm Show General Rules and Regulations as well as the Jr. Market Animal Department Rules or Breeding Livestock Rules. Each contestant will rotate through a series of classes while being judged on their showmanship skills and knowledge with each species of animal (market: beef cattle, market lambs, market goats, market swine, and rabbits and breeding: dairy cattle, dairy goats, sheep, meat goats, alpacas, rabbits, poultry) brought into the ring. The judges will use a numerical scoring system to evaluate each individual with the winner determined by the total score. Prior show placings will not be counted towards overall score.
- 2. Eligibility:** This contest is open to Grand Champion and Reserve Grand Champion Master Showmen from the market divisions for Supreme Market Showmanship and the breeding divisions for Supreme Breeding Showmanship. An individual may only qualify for this contest with one species in each year. In the event an individual qualifies with more than one species they will be entered in the contest with the first species they qualified with. In subsequent species, the next highest ranking individual will be eligible to enter the contest. If an individual who has qualified has a conflict or otherwise wished to not participate in the contest, then the next highest ranking individual in that species will be eligible to compete through 3rd place. Should the 1st, 2nd and 3rd place winners not be eligible or decline to compete in the contest no other exhibitors will be considered.
- 3. Entry process and dates of Contest:** All eligible exhibitors will be automatically entered in the Master Showmanship competition once winning Grand Champion or Reserve Champion in the respective species showmanship division.
 - a. Market: Monday, January 8, 2024, 5:00 p.m. Equine Arena following Grand Champion Drive.**
 - b. Breeding: Saturday, January 13, 2024, 2:30 p.m. Equine Arena**
- 4. Pre-Contest Meeting:** A mandatory meeting for all qualifying exhibitors and their parents or legal guardian will be held prior to the Supreme Master Showmanship Contest. A General Livestock Knowledge Test consisting of 20 questions will be administered at this time and will be used towards a contestants cumulative score. Any exhibitor not attending this meeting, without approval of the Show Manager, will automatically be disqualified from the contest.
 - a. Market: 3:00 PM Monday, January 8, 2024, Erie Room**
 - b. Breeding: 30 minutes prior to the competition in the Equine Arena**
- 5. Animals to be used:** The Farm Show remains the right to use all of the Champion Market Drive animals for the Master Showmanship contest. Remaining animals will be selected from the barns by the show committee. Refusing to allow an animal to be used in the contest will result in automatic disqualification from the Farm Show and forfeiture of all premiums. A selected animal may be excused if the Show Veterinary provides a written excuse no later than 2 hours prior to each competition. Contestants will not be allowed to show their own animals.
- 6. Judging:** Contestants will be awarded up to 10 points on how they handle and present the respective species. Overall winner will be determined by the total score. In the event of a tie, a winner will be selected based upon their score in the Knowledge Test.
- 7. Sale:** The All-Around Supreme Market Showman will be eligible to sell their qualifying animal in the Sale of Champions following the Grand Champions and Reserve Grand Champions.

SCORECARD FOR JUDGING LIVESTOCK SHOWMANSHIP

Appearance of Exhibitor 10%
Showing in the Ring 90% Moving
or Leading 25%

Posing 20%
Animal Show to it Best Advantage 25%
Poise, Alertness, and Attitude 20%

TOTAL 100%

Ties will be broken based on the results of the General Livestock Knowledge Test taken prior to the showmanship contest.

AWARDS:

Market Showmanship:

The Supreme Champion Market Showman will be awarded \$500. **Luke Svonavec Memorial Plaque:** The name of the winner of the Supreme Champion Market Showman will be engraved on a plaque displayed on the Pennsylvania Farm Show Complex Wall of Champions. The plaque is sponsored in honor of Luke Svonavec by his friends.

Breeding Showmanship:

The Supreme Champion Breeding Showman will be awarded \$500.

No additional premiums will be offered except for the winning Supreme Champion Showman in each division.