

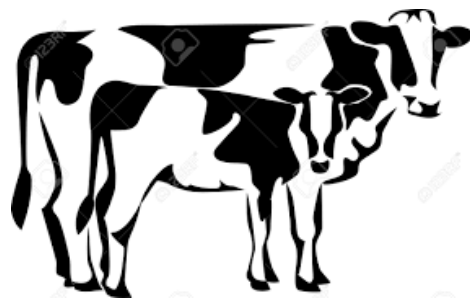
Dairy Handbook 2017



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*Your guide for a
Successful Year
as part of the
Dairy Project*



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WELCOME

Welcome to the Washington County Dairy Handbook. The information in this booklet was composed with the input of dairy project members, leaders, parents and guardians from 4-H, FFA, and Washington County Junior Holstein Association and other recognized youth organizations in Washington County. The main purpose of the dairy handbook is to outline the opportunities, educational programs and other organized activities available for dairy project members. This book is a tool to help make your dairy project an enjoyable learning experience.

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WASHINGTON COUNTY DAIRY COMMITTEE

What is it?

Established in 1998, the dairy committee oversees the entire dairy project in Washington County and acts to create unity between 4-H, FFA, breed associations and other recognized youth organizations in the county. The dairy committee also serves to:

- Establish and update policies and procedures for the dairy project.
- Serve as a hearing body to interpret the policies and make decisions about discipline and penalties if needed.
- Receive and review forms, entries and records from project members. These include; Dairy Management Agreement, Dairy Education Activities, applications for chaperone or other items requested.
- Organize for state fair entries.
- Determine premium eligibility.

Who can be a part of the Dairy Committee?

ALL members, parents, guardians, dairy leaders of 4-H, FFA, breed associations and other recognized youth organization in Washington County are automatic members of the Dairy Committee, except for youth under third grade.

How is the leadership established?

- The board will consist of three adults and two youth members. The dairy project representatives from the Animal Science Association will serve as ex officio members to provide input and assist in communications, but will not have voting rights.
- Adult committee members will be elected to two-year rotating terms with two people elected in one year and one in alternate years. Youth are elected to one-year terms each year. (Youth are defined as 19 and under on January 1, 2017.)
- Persons may be re-elected to additional terms. There are no limitations on the number of terms a person may serve.
- The election will take place at the September meeting.
- The five-committee members will select their chair, vice chair and secretary or other officers as soon as possible after the annual election.

When and where are meetings held?

- The Washington County Dairy Committee will schedule a meeting for all dairy project members, parent(s)/ guardian(s), and leaders annually to evaluate past activities, update policies, elect adult and youth board members and make suggestions for judges. It is suggested that this meeting be held in September.
- The Dairy Committee will meet to organize and conduct their activities on the 1st Wednesday of January, March, and May of 2017. And will be held at the PAC unless otherwise indicated.
- The Dairy Project members will be notified of meetings through mailings or emails.

2017 WASHINGTON COUNTY DAIRY CALENDAR

- Jan 4** ✓ **Dairy Meeting.** 7:00 p.m., PAC, Room 3224
Dairy Handbooks to be handed out.
- March 1** ✓ **Dairy Meeting.** – 7:00 pm, PAC, Room 3005
- March 11** **Judging Workshop – 3:30 pm – 5:00 pm**
Ronald Melius Farm
3105 Slinger Rd
Slinger, WI 53086
- April 30** **Agriculture Scholarship Applications Due**
This application form can be found on the UW Extension web site.
- May 3** ✓ **Dairy Meeting.** – 7:00 pm, PAC, Room 3005
- Preparing for show**
If any individual feels the need for extra help to get their projects ready for the fair, please contact Dairy Committee Chairperson Karen Reinders (262-305-1826) who will connect you with someone that can coach you – start working with your project early (end of April/Early May)!
- May 13** **Fitting & Showmanship, NASCO, Ft. Atkinson**
For information and registration, please call 1-800-558-9595 ext 5600, ask for Mike. In addition, there will be a Junior Hoards Museum Tour and Dairy Tour.
- May TBA** ✓ **Dairy Scholarship Interviews** (if needed) 9:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m., PAC, Room 1023
This application form can be found on the UW Extension web site
- June 10** **Clipping and Fitting, Showmanship Workshop – 9:30 am to 4:00 pm**
Washington County Park at the Dairy Barn. Call Mary Schwendimann for any questions at (262) 496-4377
- June TBA** **State Fair sign up for Dairy and Livestock –** State fair sign up is now on-line.
<http://wistatefair.com/competitions/junior-livestock/>
- June TBA** **Badger Dairy Camp**
For information and registration, please contact Beth Heinze at 608-263-9409 or online at: <http://www.uwex.edu/ces/dairyouth/>
- June 22** **District Holstein Show** - Jefferson County

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2017 WASHINGTON COUNTY DAIRY CALENDAR

- June 30** **County Fair Youth Dairy Managerial Project Agreement & Release of Liability Form**
Send to: UW-Extension Office, Dairy Managerial Project Agreement,
P.O. Box 2003, West Bend, WI 53095-2003
- June 30** **Washington County Fair Entries**
Submit all FAIR ENTRIES ON-LINE at www.wcfairpark.com on or before June 30.
Your club may collect and organize their own entries with earlier deadlines, or you may need to submit entries yourself on-line. Find out if you need to work with your group or if you are personally responsible.
- June 30** **Overnight Pass applications due June 30**
Send to: UW-Extension Office, Overnight Pass, P. O. Box 2003,
West Bend, WI 53095-2003
- July 25-30** **Washington County Fair - www.wcfairpark.com**
- Aug 3-13** **Wisconsin State Fair - www.wistatefair.com**
- September 7** ✓ **Dairy Program Planning Meeting** – 7:30 p.m., PAC, Room 3005
- October 3-7** **World Dairy Expo – worlddairyexpo.com**
Alliant Energy Center
1919 Alliant Energy Way
Madison, WI 53713

✓ Indicates sessions held at Public Agency Center (PAC), West Bend

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Washington County Fair Policies & Procedures

1. In order to exhibit at the Washington County Fair, the following requirements **MUST** be met:
 - Junior exhibitors are youth 3rd grade - 19 years of age on January 1, 2017.
 - **ALL** Youth Exhibitors **must attend a minimum** of one educational workshop coordinated by the Washington County Dairy Committee to be eligible to exhibit at County Fair.
 - Educationals are offered through the dairy committee.
 - Any activity after Wisconsin State Fair to June 30 will be accepted.
 - Exhibitors with Managerial animals **must** turn in **ONE Wisconsin Youth Dairy Project Agreement & Release of Liability** form for each farm from which an exhibitor is leasing animals. The definition of a managerial animal is an animal not owned by the youth or an animal not from the exhibitors family farm. The Wisconsin Youth Dairy Project Agreement & Release of Liability form must be submitted to UW-Extension, P.O. Box 2003, West Bend, WI 53095 no later than **June 30th**.
 - **ALL fair entries and fees must be submitted no later than June 30th –**
Send to:
Washington County Fair Park
3000 Cty. Rd. PV
West Bend, WI 53095 no later than June 30th.
2. While at County Fair the following policies will be observed:
 - **All** animals must be body clipped prior to arrival at County Fair so: Upon arrival, all animals can be inspected by a superintendent to determine adherence to state health requirements and to positively identify each entry prior to being unloaded.
 - **All** animals including spring calves need visible identification or have a tattoo.
 - **All animals** must be checked in by the Superintendent **Tuesday between 2:00 pm and 6:00 pm.**
 - Animals entered in a club as junior entries must be tied or stalled in the dairy barn with their club display.
 - All junior organizations with dairy exhibits at the County Fair will automatically be judged in the Herdsmanship competition. However, to earn premiums your club must enter the contest through Fair Park.

Washington County Fair Policies & Procedures (cont.)

3. Overnight Policies

- If you are planning to stay overnight a pass will be required. Applications for Overnight Wrist bands must be submitted to UW-Extension by **June 30**. You must have a necessary or compelling reason to obtain a pass.
- Those that applied in advance will be able to pick up their wristband in the livestock office Tuesday through Saturday 3-5 p.m.
- Livestock exhibitors **ONLY** will be allowed overnight on the fairgrounds. Not brothers, sisters or friends.

4. Show day and Premiums Policies

- Not more than five dairy entries may be shown by any one exhibitor.
- Any animals entered by a junior exhibitor must be shown by that exhibitor, unless they become unable to show due to health, injury, or other concern. The animal may be shown by another junior exhibitor after consultation and approval of the superintendent. The animal must be kept in the display area of the person entering the animal.
- Dairy exhibitors must be able to bring animals into the show ring to be handled and judged by the judge in order to receive premiums in any class.
- No sedatives may be used on any livestock in the show ring.
- Only exhibitors, clerks and helpers are to be permitted in the judging ring during the time judging is being done.

Dairy Workshop Guide

The Dairy Committee will sponsor various opportunities for Washington County Youth. This may include attending Badger Dairy Camp or contact the committee for other worthy dairy experiences. The sponsorship can be requested by a group or by an individual. In order to receive sponsorship, a Washington County Dairy Committee Request Form should be filled out and sent to UW-Extension, P.O. Box 2003, West Bend, WI 53095. This form can also be found on-line. Please allow enough time for processing.

The Dairy Committee also coordinates many dairy workshops available for all Washington County Youth. Youth are strongly encouraged to attend these various events throughout the year.

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<http://washington.uwex.edu/agriculture/youth-livestock/>

DAIRY PROJECT GUIDELINES

- **State Fair Entries:** State Fair Sign-up is now on-line. Youth dairy participants need to coordinate their entries and participation with the Dairy Committee.
- The final interpretation of these State Fair entry rules or of any unusual situation that may develop will be the responsibility of the Dairy Committee in cooperation with UW-Extension Educators.
- More information on entries can be found on page 15 in this handbook.

Rules on exhibiting can be found on-line at: <http://wistatefair.com/competitions/junior-livestock/>

JUNIOR DAIRY AUCTION GUIDELINES

Dairy Youth Recognition Auction Objectives

1. Established to recognize accomplishments of outstanding Washington County dairy youth.
2. To generate a fund to be used to further enhance the dairy youth project in Washington County for the benefit of all members.
3. To provide Youth Dairy Participants with additional resources for future dairy projects and education.
4. To reward each Dairy Youth Member with an additional \$5 premium per dairy animal exhibited at the County Fair.
5. Each Participant that sells will receive 50% of the winning bid they received in the Auction with the remaining 50% going to the Washington County Youth Dairy Committee.

Eligibility

All youth dairy exhibitors in good standing with the Washington County Youth Dairy Committee are eligible. Participants must show good ethics throughout the year to be eligible to sell. Each Exhibitor will be eligible to sell only one time per year.

What Sells

A symbol of the sale participant's achievements will be offered for sale. It will be worthy of display in buyer's place of business.

Auction Qualification Criteria

Seven champions, three showmanship winners and two Lottery winners sell in the Auction

The Champion and showmanship categories for sale eligibility are as follows:

1. Senior Champion Registered Holstein
2. Senior Champion Grade Holstein
3. Senior Champion Colored Breed
4. Junior Champion Registered Holstein
5. Junior Champion Grade Holstein
6. Junior Champion Registered Color Breed
7. Junior Champion Grade Color Breed
8. Senior Showmanship Winner
9. Intermediate Showmanship Winner
10. Beginners Showmanship Winner
11. Two Separate Lottery Picks

The Washington County Youth Dairy Auction Committee Members will decide who will sell under what category if one participant qualified for more than one auction-able accomplishment. A random drawing will be used to choose the two lottery winners.

If necessary alternates to fill these sale categories will be chosen by the Youth Dairy Auction Committee in the following order: the Reserve Champions, 1st Merit or the 2nd, 3rd, etc. winners in the Showmanship Classes.

A Profile for the participant must be completed and turned in to a youth auction committee member 8 p.m. on Tuesday of the County Fair. *Available on-line for at the UW Extension Office.*

Dairy Youth Auction Committee will have final authority regarding any question of participation in the auction. All checks will be distributed at the September Youth Dairy Group meeting.

Youth Dairy Bio Information

Needed for Potential Dairy Auction Participation

Due June 30th

Name _____

Age _____

School _____

Grade _____

Club _____

Years in Dairy Project _____

Parents/Guardians _____

A couple of other projects / Hobbies / Extracurricular Activities, Interesting Facts - minimal of 4 sentences.

Plans for future Education or Career

Plans for Auction Proceeds

Please send to:

**Mary Schwendimann
5950 Clover Road
Hartford, WI 53027**

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Washington County Junior Dairy

Managerial Project Expectations Document

*Managerial Release of Liability Form
Available on-line for at the UW Extension Office*

OBJECTIVES

1. To develop character, knowledge and a sense of responsibility in 4-H, FFA and breed association youth.
2. To maintain or increase the number of youth carrying a dairy animal as a project.
3. To maintain or increase the number of dairy animals carried as a project.
4. To provide the opportunity to work with dairy cattle for non-farm youth.
5. To increase the credibility of Washington County managerial dairy projects

RULES

1. The managerial project pertains to the following dairy breeds: Ayrshire, Brown Swiss, Guernsey, Holstein, Jersey and Milking Shorthorn.
2. The program is available to any member; hereafter referred to as the Lessee, in good standing in a Washington County 4-H club, FFA chapter or breed association.
3. The owner will jointly determine with the Lessee specific responsibilities to be carried out by the Lessee. The responsibilities will be recorded on the Managerial Project Agreement and will list items such as:
 - a. When the animal stays on the owner's premises, that Lessee shall enter into an Agreement with the owner regarding Lessee's responsibilities as to the care of the animal for the group of animals that it is a part of.
 - b. When the Lessee has possession of the animal, they shall enter into an Agreement with the owner regarding the allocation of responsibilities for feed, veterinarian care, breeding and insurance.
4. Animals brought to the Washington County Fair for exhibit must be listed on the Managerial Project Agreement Form. You may have more animals listed than you bring, but no additions will be allowed after June 30th.
5. The Managerial Project Agreement must be signed and sent to the Extension Office and postmarked by June 30th of the project year for eligibility at the Washington County Fair.
6. The title of ownership as stated on the registration certificate of a registered managerial animal will remain in the possession of the owner.
7. The owner will make the animal available to the Lessee during the period of the Managerial Project Agreement.
8. The owner of the managerial animal agrees not to hold the Lessee for any financial loss from injury or death to the managerial animal.

Managerial Project Expectations Document

*Managerial Release of Liability Form
Available on-line for at the UW Extension Office*

9. The owner is not responsible for injuries to the Lessee and participation in this project will require Lessee and Lessee's parent/guardian to and the same do hereby release from liability the owner and all other persons and entities involved with this project (see Release of Liability form).
10. The Lessee is responsible for all expenses incurred in exhibiting the animal, such as veterinary, transportation, grooming, feed and other miscellaneous expenditures. The Lessee may keep any premiums or awards while exhibiting the animal during the duration of the contract. If the owner desires to assist with any of these expenses they may, but if they do not desire to, the lessee is responsible.
11. The Managerial Project Agreement will remain in force until the end of the project year or until terminated by either party. The Managerial Project Agreement may be terminated prior to the end of the project year for reasons such as:
 - a. Failure of Lessee to carry out responsibilities as outlined in the Managerial Project Agreement.
 - b. Changes in the farming operation of the owner.
12. The owner, Lessee, a parent or legal guardian of the Lessee and a project leader (4-H County Extension Educator, Agriculture Education Instructor/FFA Advisor, Breed Association Advisor or other approved youth group leader) must sign the Managerial Project Agreement.

*****Now that you have read the Washington County Junior Fair Dairy Managerial Project Expectation Document – Please complete the Managerial Project Agreement Signatures AND Release of Liability Form.*****

Definition of Ownership verses Managerial

At the Washington County Junior Fair, ownership of an animal by a junior exhibitor is established when the animal is registered in the name of the exhibitor OR co-owned between **immediate junior family members (i.e., brother, sister) OR owned by parents/grandparents family farm.**

State Fair Policies & Procedures

◆ **Exhibitor requirements to exhibit at State Fair:**

- In order to show at State Fair, an exhibitor must be 12 and no older than 19 as of January 1 of the year they intend to exhibit at the Fair.
- The exhibitor must be a member of 4-H, FFA, Junior Holstein Association or any other youth organization approved by the State Fair. Youth are selected through the Washington County Dairy Committee based on their participation in dairy project activities and the quality of their animal.
- **All State Fair exhibitors must attend:** two educational programs; one educational must be coordinated by the Washington County Dairy Committee. All educational program requirements must be turned in by June 30 to be eligible to show at State Fair.
- **Washington County youth may utilize any dairy experience**, outside of school functions, as a dairy workshop after the educational requirements have been met. The submitted educational must have the signature and phone number of an adult supervisor for verification.
- Participants for State Fair will be selected based on the following:
 - Go to: <http://wistatefair.com/competitions/junior-livestock/>To find current and specific guidelines for the State Fair Youth Dairy Show
- **State Fair exhibitors and parent(s)/ guardian(s) must attend the State Fair Dairy Sign-Up meeting.** The meeting will be held in May TBA. The purpose of the meeting is to hand out information pertaining to your stay at the State Fair.
 - The following things will be covered:
 - Regulations, dorm and meal reservations, entry blanks, fees and committees will be assigned.
- If unable to attend the meeting, the youth must contact a member of the Dairy Committee and UW-Extension Office. The Dairy Committee will deal with each case on an individual basis. No missed meeting without prior approval will be accepted.
- **All exhibitors are required to be in showmanship class at the Washington County Fair in order to show at the State Fair.**

Animal Requirements to exhibit at State Fair:

- Only registered animals may be exhibited at the Wisconsin State Fair. Animals must be 87% RNA or higher.

-Calves and heifers that are owned by the exhibitor must be registered in the member's name by **June 1**. Cows must be registered in the member's name by January 1. No cows may be shown "Managerial" at the State Fair.

-An exhibitor can only show one managerial animal. An exhibitor may enter two dairy animals at State Fair, one animal may be managerial, and the other animal must be owned by the exhibitor. No more than one animal may be exhibited in any lot number. **All managerial animals must be led by the showman prior to State Fair. All animals selected for State Fair should be shown at Washington County Fair with rare exceptions for unusual circumstances.**

-All managerial animals must have the following forms please check the State Fair web site: <http://wistatefair.com/competitions/junior-livestock>

While at State Fair:

-Chaperones:

- The Dairy Committee and the UW-Extension office will screen and recommend chaperones. Selection made by Wisconsin State Fair Dept.
- Any person taking on this responsibility will be required to attend a meeting to go over the regulations and expectations of the chaperones.
- Chaperone Guidelines:
 - Must be at least 25 years of age.
 - Must meet State Fair requirements for chaperones.
 - Must have completed the youth protection program.

-Herds persons:

- The herds persons will be selected by committee. Nominations will be accepted.

-Exhibitors and parent(s) or guardian(s) must read and sign the expectation statement and behavioral agreements. Violations of the agreements will be handled by the chaperon; herds person, Washington County Dairy Committee and UW-Extension or as outlined in the agreements.

-State Fair youth exhibitors are required to stay at the Wisconsin State Fair Park during the duration of the Junior Dairy Show. However, any youth needing to leave State Fair **must** submit a letter requesting to do so prior to the event and receive approval from the Washington County Dairy Committee. Copies of the letter must be provided to the chaperone and/or herds person and the UW- Extension Office. Youth must be transported to and from State Fair by their parent(s)/guardian(s) only.

WASHINGTON COUNTY DAIRY COMMITTEE

2017 AGRICULTURE SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION

The Washington County Dairy Committee will be offering scholarships to individuals who are pursuing their interest and studies in agriculture or a Dairy Project member. We feel these scholarships will help deserving youth to start or assist in continuing their advanced education.

APPLICATION REQUIREMENTS:

- Applicant must attend a high school in Washington County or have been a Dairy Project participant.
- Individual who is enrolled, or planning to attend college, tech school, or short course is eligible.
- Completed application with two letters of recommendation must be postmarked **April 30th**.
- Individuals may have an interview at Washington County PAC, depending on number of applicants.
- A recipient may only be awarded this scholarship one time.

Scholarship recipients must provide proof of successful completion of course or semester before payment of scholarship. A 2.5 average is required for course or semester. Scholarship winners agree to use the funds within 12 months from the date received.

Any questions please feel free to contact Gene Hetebrueg at 414-416-9846 or The UW Extension Office (262-335-4477).

Send completed application and 2 letters of recommendation to:

UW Extension AG
Attn: Gene Hetebrueg or Mary Schwedimann
P.O. Box 2003
West Bend, WI 53095-2003

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