

# 2012 BRAZOS COUNTY YOUTH COMMERCIAL HEIFER SHOW AND SALE

in conjunction with the

## BRAZOS VALLEY FAIR

COMMITTEE – Bryan Brown, Chairman; Terry Boriskie, Vice-Chairman; Emanuel Glockzin, Treasurer; Debbie Eller, Secretary; Pete Bienski, Dr. Dustin Dean, Mary Ferro, Bobby Kurten, Milton Lightsey, John Lynn, Jim McCord, Stan McDonald, Mike Patranella, Preston Ruffino and Pat Shields. Eric Zimmerman & Brandon Gregson - Advisors.

JUDGING: Pen/Interviews - Friday, September 7, 2012

CONSIGNMENT FEE: \$50.00 Per Pen - Due April 14, 2012

(Total consignment used for premiums)

ENTRY FEE: \$30.00 Per Pen - Due With Entry Cards at Palpation – August 23, 2012

INTRODUCTION: THIS SHOW IS SPONSORED BY THE BRAZOS COUNTY EXTENSION BEEF AND FORAGE COMMITTEE AND WILL BE HELD IN CONJUNCTION WITH THE BRAZOS VALLEY FAIR. IT IS IN NO PART ASSOCIATED WITH THE BRAZOS COUNTY YOUTH LIVESTOCK SHOW, THEREFORE 4-H AND FFA MEMBERS CAN SELL ANIMALS IN THIS PROGRAM AS WELL AS IN THE BRAZOS COUNTY YOUTH LIVESTOCK SHOW PREMIUM AUCTION. EXHIBITORS MUST ABIDE BY THE GENERAL RULES OF THE BRAZOS COUNTY YOUTH COMMERCIAL HEIFER SHOW AND SALE.

1. Entries in this show must be bonafide 4-H and/or FFA members of Brazos County. They must be certified by a Brazos County Extension Agent or an Agricultural Science Teacher.
  - a) Exhibitors must meet all eligibility requirements at time of show set forth by the Texas Education Agency and their respective School District.
  - b) Exhibitors not meeting these requirements will forfeit the right to exhibit and sell their project in this show, and all fees will be forfeited as well.
2. All Junior Commercial Heifer entries will be tagged at the Brazos Valley Livestock Commission Company on Saturday, April 14, 2012 from 8:00 a.m. - 10:00 a.m. There will be a consignment fee of \$50.00 per pen charged at the initial tag-in. This money will be applied to premiums.
  - a) At tag-in, heifers will be vaccinated for Lepto, Vibrio, IBR complex and 8-way Blackleg, compliments of the Brazos County Youth Commercial Show and Sale.
3. Heifers will be classified at arrival at the Brazos County Exposition Center on Thursday, September 6, 2012, according to breed characteristics, and will then show in one of the three breed divisions as described below. A classifying committee will be designated by the committee. Breed divisions are as follows:
  - a) **Braford Type** - Cattle that exhibit Braford characteristics.
  - b) **Black Brahman Influence** - Cattle that are predominately black in color; exhibiting Brahman characteristics.
  - c) **All Other Breeds** - Cattle not included in the above divisions.

4. Commercial heifer entries must be less than two years of age as certified by a show official at tag-in on April 14, 2012. All heifers will be toothed at tag-in. Heifers with central incisors which have erupted will be disqualified from show. Second calf heifers will not be allowed to enter the show.
5. All heifers must be Brucellosis calfhood vaccinated **prior to arrival** at the initial tag-in on April 14, 2012. They must have a metal calfhood vaccination tag **AND/OR** a vaccination tattoo in their ear. **Heifers without vaccination tags and/or a vaccination tattoo in their ear WILL NOT BE ALLOWED TO ENTER IN THE SHOW. NO EXCEPTIONS! VACCINATION OF HEIFERS WILL NOT OCCUR AT TAG-IN!**
6. All heifers must be dehorned, or naturally polled, by the pregnancy test date. NOTE: Heifers should be dehorned early to allow time for healing.
7. A pen of three bred heifers must be exhibited for competition. A minimum of three and a maximum of five heifers may be tagged-in at the Brazos Valley Livestock Commission Company on April 14, 2012 (the official start date for this contest). If a heifer or heifers are unable to compete, the remaining heifers will be eligible to sell in the sale, but will be ineligible for competition and prize money. Only one pen of heifers may be shown per exhibitor.
8. Heifers cannot be added or switched after the Saturday, April 14, 2012 tag-in.
9. All heifers will be pregnancy tested and brucellosis tested by the show veterinarian on Thursday, August 23, 2012 from **5:00 p.m. - 6:00 p.m.** at the Brazos Valley Livestock Commission Company.

Heifers will be checked in for the show on Thursday, September 6, 2012 from **5:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m.** at the Brazos County Exposition Center. Heifers must be palpated at least 60 days pregnant, but not have calved by the show check-in date on September 6, 2012 as stated on official health papers after inspection by the show veterinarian.

10. Exhibitors are required to submit a record book for competition using the Brazos County Youth Commercial Heifer Show and Sale record book guidelines and participate in the oral interview. ***A revised set of guidelines will be sent to all exhibitors following tag-in. All record books will be evaluated by the judges and exhibitors will be interviewed on August 25, 2012 at the Brazos County Exposition Center to determine the final placing. Placing will be determined by the following grading schedule: 30% record book and 70% interview.***
  - a) Record book must be turned in at the pregnancy determination (palpation) on August 23, 2012. Do not turn in record book to the Brazos County Extension Office or agriculture science teachers.
  - b) **Completed CURRENT academic eligibility forms must be turned in to show officials at arrival for the show on Thursday, September 6, 2012 at the Brazos Valley Fair (Brazos County Expo Center). DO NOT INCLUDE THEM IN YOUR RECORD BOOK!**
    - **Failure of an exhibitor to either turn in the record book by the due date of 6:00 p.m. on August 23, 2012 OR participate in the interview session on Saturday, August 25, 2012 will result in complete disqualification from the show. This disqualification results in exhibitor(s) being eliminated from any record book awards AND from showing and selling their pen of heifers in the Brazos County Youth Commercial Heifer Sale. Disqualification will result in forfeiture of all consignment and entry fees.**

11. The record book/interview portion of this contest will have a junior and senior division. Juniors will be 9 years old (or 3<sup>rd</sup> grade) to 13 years old. Seniors will be 14 to 19 years old. Ages are to be determined as of August 25, 2012. Record books are due no later than 6:00 p.m. Thursday, August 23, 2012. ***NO EXCEPTIONS!***
12. Pen heifers will be judged on Friday, September 7, 2012 beginning at 2:00 p.m. at the Brazos County Exposition Center. Placing will be determined by judging the quality of the heifers. Note: The heifer judging and record book/interview divisions of this contest are separate; therefore, this contest will have separate awards for both of these divisions. Announcement and reasons for top pens of heifers will be at 5:00 p.m. on Friday, September 7, 2012 following the completion of judging.
13. Premiums will be set according to money available and be awarded to the top 30% of the pens. Premium money will be calculated on the number of pens tagged-in on April 14, 2012.
14. Since this is a terminal show, all bred heifers must sell in the Commercial Heifer Sale at 12:00 noon on Sunday, September 9, 2012. Heifers will sell as a group with the number of heifers times the money bid being the amount received. A maximum 4% sale fee will be deducted from each sale lot.
15. All heifers will be released on Sunday, September 9, 2012. Heifers **MUST** be removed from the Brazos County Exposition Center by 1:30 p.m. on Sunday, September 9, 2012.
16. In order to comply with the national law on Beef Check-Off, one dollar (\$1.00) will be deducted from the sale price of each heifer.
17. The Commercial Heifer Committee reserves the right to amend these rules with the approval of the Executive Committee of the Brazos County Youth Commercial Heifer Show and Sale.
18. The Brazos County Youth Commercial Heifer Show and Sale Committee members act as agents only for the exhibitors. All guarantees are between buyers and sellers.
19. All heifers entered in this program and sold become property of the buyer and will remain sold.
20. There will be no harassment of the judges, show veterinarian or classifiers prior to, during or after the show. The judges will give reasons for the placing and that will be considered adequate explanation of the placing.
21. This program is designed to be educational and beneficial to the youth of Brazos County. Any parent or exhibitor who does not adhere to the rules pertaining to the commercial heifer show may be banned for a period of one (1) year from exhibition in this program, upon review by the Commercial Heifer Show and Sale Committee.
22. In the event that an exhibitor's heifer(s) loses an official Brazos County Youth Commercial Heifer Show and Sale tag, it is the responsibility of the exhibitor to notify the Commercial Heifer Show Committee so the heifer may be re-tagged.
23. Heifers must be in exhibitor's possession by the tag-in date on April 14, 2012.
24. Premium sale checks will be void after 180 days.
25. Feeding, watering and cleaning of heifer pens are the sole responsibility of each exhibitor upon arrival at the Brazos County Expo Center on September 6<sup>th</sup> through the final release time of 1:30 p.m. on September 9<sup>th</sup>.

# New for 2012

## Dates and Locations

- Tag in - 4/14/2012 *Brazos Valley Livestock Commission Company*
- Palpation - 8/23/2012 *Brazos Valley Livestock Commission Company*
- Interviews - 8/25/2012 *Brazos County Exposition Center*
- Show Arrival - 9/6/2012 *Brazos County Exposition Center*
- Judging - 9/7/2012 *Brazos County Exposition Center*
- Sale – 9/9/2012 *Brazos County Exposition Center*

## Rules:

- **THERE WILL NOT BE A COUNTY BRED AWARD FOR 2012!**
- **RULE # 10:** Exhibitors are required to submit a record book for competition using the Brazos County Youth Commercial Heifer Show and Sale record book guidelines and participate in the oral interview. *A revised set of guidelines will be sent to all exhibitors following tag-in. All record books will be evaluated by the judges and exhibitors will be interviewed on August 25, 2012 at the Brazos County Exposition Center to determine the final placing. Placing will be determined by the following grading schedule: 30% record book and 70% interview.*
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