

OPEN FIELD CROPS

Division 700

Department 705

Superintendents: Derek Gerken, Kirk Schauermaun, and Brandon Weibert

Entries: Sunday, August 2
9:00 to 10:30 a.m.
Mark Arndt Event Center

Judging: Sunday, August 2
11:00 a.m. following Jr. Crops Show

Release: Thursday, August 6
8:00 to 10:00 a.m.

EXHIBIT RULES:

Eligibility:

1. Competition is open to the world.
2. Exhibits must be grown by the exhibitor.

Entries:

1. Entry fee for all classes is 50¢ per exhibit.
2. Superintendents may establish a class for one type of exhibit that is represented by three or more entries being from three different individuals.
3. Superintendents may combine two or more classes if there are less than three exhibits in each of the classes and the type of exhibit is similar enough that judging will not be compromised.
4. All exhibits must be grown by the exhibitor and shall be the crop from the current year unless otherwise noted.
5. 4-H and FFA exhibitors must show separate entries in Junior Field Crops and Open Field Crops with the exception of Junior Class 65 Alfalfa Hay which may be entered in Open Class 50 or 51 Alfalfa Hay.
6. Exhibitors may enter only two exhibits per class. If both entries place, only the top place will be eligible to receive a premium and show points.
7. Due to lack of space, only first through third place entries will remain on tables after the show. All other entries must be picked up by the exhibitor immediately following the show or they become the property of the Morgan County Fair.

Judging:

1. Exhibits will be judged according to their merit as based against industry standards for quality, regardless of the number of entries in a class.
2. Ribbons will be awarded for 1st through 5th placing in a class and may be picked up in the fair office the day after judging.
3. Sweepstakes Winners will be posted in the Mark Arndt Event Center.
4. Champion in each category and Grand Champion and Reserve Grand Champion for the show will be determined by points earned for placing 1st through 3rd with first place earning three points, second place earning two point and third place earning one point.

Premiums:

1. First place will earn \$3.00, second place will earn \$2.00 and third place will earn \$1.00.
2. Premiums may be picked up from Tuesday, August 18th through Friday, October 30th at the Morgan County Extension Office, 914 E. Railroad, Fort Morgan.

PECKS

Full measure required (approximately 2 gallon).

Entries must show in a Morgan County Extension peck box available at time of entry.

Classes:

1. Winter Wheat, named variety
2. Spring Wheat, named variety
3. Spring Barley, named variety
4. Oats, any named variety
5. Shelled Corn, hybrid (previous year's crop)
6. Shelled Popcorn (previous year's crop)
7. Pinto Beans (previous year's crop)
8. Proso Millet (previous year's crop)
9. Sunflowers, oil type (previous year's crop)
10. Sunflowers, confectionery (previous year's crop)

Champion Peck:

One entry will not place as Champion
2-3 entries from different individuals \$5.00
4+ entries from different individuals \$10.00

CORN STALKS

Picking and silage corn entries receive 50% of their score on preparation and 50% on quality of exhibit.

Preparation includes:

- cutting the plant uniformly at the internodes below the first set of brace roots, arranging so tassels and ears come together at one height and have stalks tied in three places for easy display
- remove all soil from samples
- select the tallest corn by measure from top of brace root
- only remnants of the brace roots should remain on the stalk.

Classes:

15. 6 stalks, picking early, 99 days or less, named variety
16. 6 stalks, picking medium, 100 – 109 days, named variety
17. 6 stalks, picking late, 110 days, or more named variety
18. 6 stalks, silage, named variety
20. Tallest stalk of corn, named variety

Champion Stalk Corn:

One entry will not place as Champion
2-3 entries from different individuals \$5.00
4+ entries from different individuals \$10.00

EAR CORN

Exhibit shall consist of 10 ears, except class 41, crop from previous year only

Classes:

36. Corn, hybrid
41. Corn, best ear
42. Popcorn
43. Corn, any other unusual variety

Champion Ear Corn:

One entry will not place as Champion
2-3 entries from different individuals \$5.00
4+ entries from different individuals \$10.00

FORAGE

1. Alfalfa hay, dairy standard exhibits, class 50, must be entered at the Extension Office no later than 5:00 p.m., Wednesday, July 15th. The laboratory test results will be provided to the exhibitor after the judging.
2. An exhibit shall be one standard bale, large bale, or rounded bale of 2009 production.
3. Judging will be based on analysis (class 50 only) and sensory characters, (leafiness, leaf retention, brittleness, color, absence of objectionable orders, weeds, or other foreign material), and bale conformation.

Classes:

50. Alfalfa Hay, Dairy Standard (lab test required)
51. Alfalfa Hay (no lab test required)
52. Grass Hay

Champion Alfalfa Hay, Dairy Standard:

One entry will not place as Champion
2+ entries \$ 10.00

Champion Alfalfa Hay and Grass hay:

One entry will not place as Champion
2-3 entries from different individuals \$5.00
4+ entries from different individuals \$10.00

SHEAVES & VINES

1. Sheaves of small grain, grasses and millet shall be at least three inches in diameter at the center tie.
2. Sheaves or bundles of sorghum, sudan grass, alfalfa and clover should be at least six inches in diameter at the center tie.
3. Exhibit should be cured, arranged and appropriately mounted on hard board.
4. Small sheaves shall be judged on sheaf make-up.

Classes:

60. Any named variety small grain – 3 inches
61. Any named variety grass – 3 inches
62. Field-cured alfalfa, dry board mounted – 6 inches
63. Green alfalfa – 6 inches
64. Other forage (sudax, sorghum, millet) – 6 inches
65. Pinto beans, 6 green vines

Champion Sheaves & Vines:

One entry will not place as Champion
2-3 entries from different individuals \$5.00
4+ entries from different individuals \$10.00

SUGAR BEETS

Beet should be topped by trimming at the crown just below the leaf petiole but not too far into the root. Beet should be free from soil.

Classes:

91. 6 beets, 2 ½ lbs, and under
92. 6 beets, over 2 ½ lbs
93. Best shaped beet, not over 7 lbs
94. Largest Beet

Champion Sugar Beets:

One entry will not place as Champion
2-3 entries from different individuals \$5.00
4+ entries from different individuals \$10.00

GRAND CHAMPION FIELD CROPS

Trophy - Sponsored by Simplot Growers Solutions
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Rosette and \$25 cash award

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exhibits. Exhibits left after 10:00 a.m. Thursday, August
6th will become the property of the Morgan County Fair.*