Lebanon Area Fair Set For July 25-August 1

NORTH CORNWALL (Lebanon Co.) — The organizers of the Lebanon Area Fair, one of the state's largest county fairs, have announced highlights of its 42nd event, set to be held July 25 through August 1 at the Lebanon Expo Center in Lebanon.

The Lebanon Area Fair is a volunteer effort to benefit the county 4-H and FFA youth programs.

Parking is free during the fair, though a \$2 admission fee is charged per person aged 12 years and older, except on July 26 and August 1.

Youth division and open division (open to all producers, regardless of age) livestock shows are held throughout the week, and animals exhibited in shows are on display, as well as are other animals in associated educational displays the North Mountain Petting Zoo is to be open all week and offer pony rides in the evenings.

Starting at 9 a.m., July 25 is the 4-H horse show, followed by an open division rabbit and cavy show at 10 a.m., and the poultry show at 1 p.m.

Scheduled to start at 7:30 p.m. is a sale of meat pens of rabbits.

But the day has a full schedule of non-agricultural activities the lebanon Area Fair 5-kilometer run, a volksmarch, the fair queen contest (at 5 p.m. followed by a cake sale), a four-wheel drive truck pulling contest, a modified tractor pulling contest, and an antique and classic tractor pulling contest.

Every day there is musical and magical entertainment, a Bengal tiger show, ZooAmerica presentations, and on some days there are such activities as country line dancing, karaoke, and special theme events and foods.

Livestock shows scheduled for Sunday, July 26, in a 4-H horse production show, a youth rabbit and cavy show at noon, and a 4-H dog and pet show at 4 p.m.

A swine show is scheduled for 8:30 a.m., Monday, July 27. At 9 a.m. is a dairy youth showmanship and clip-out contest, and a youth breeding sheep show at 6 p.m.

Tuesday is youth dairy day. The open and youth division dairy shows start at 8:30 a.m. for those showing Ayrshires, Brown Swiss, Guernseys and Jerseys. The youth Holstein show begins at 9 a.m.

Later, at 7:30 p.m., is the selection of the supreme champion of all the youth dairy shows, as well as the selection of the best bred and owned dairy animal of the youth. Both selections are high honors

and carry additional awards. But Tuesday is also beef cattle

day with the beef show set to be held at 2:30 p.m.

Also set for Tuesday is a sheep to shawl demonstration and a lawn and garden tractor pull.

On Wednesday, at 9 a.m. a youth tractor driving contest is scheduled, followed by a beef blocking contest at 1 p.m. In addition to the other events and displays, a super stock tractor pulling contest is set to be held at 7:30 p.m..

On Thursday a youth dairy judging contest is scheduled to be held at 10 a.m.

Later, at 6 p.m., the youth market lamb show is scheduled, while at the same time a 4-H benefit auction is set.

On Friday, the county Holstein show is scheduled to be held starting at 9 a.m. One of the larger Holstein shows, especially for a county show, many of the area's well-known breeders exhibit some of their premier show cattle at the county show as part of their annual showing schedule.

At 9:30 a.m. is a youth livestock

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judging contest, and at 6 p.m. is a youth livestock auction, including the sale of champions and the presentation of special awards.

While the entertainment events and educational displays continue through to Saturday evening, the judging shows are finished with the end of the Holstein show, which usually lasts into midafternoon.

Of course the quality and specialness of the food is one of the aspects of the Lebanon Area Fair that continues to attract and keep attendance strong, though not crowded.

In addition to several mid-way food booths, the fair holds two special dinner sales during the week --- a ham barbeque dinner is to be offered from 11:30 a.m. to 2 p.m. Sunday, July 26, for \$6.50 each; a chicken barbeque dinner is to be sold from 2 p.m. until 7 p.m.

> Thursday, July 30. The funds raised from those food sales go directly to supporting the 4-H fair. There is also a sausage pattie sale sche-

duled for 5 p.m. Friday. The \$2 admission fee covers the cost of the events and activities offered by the fair. For some of the additional events held in association with the fair, but not by the fair, there are

additional charges. The truck and tractor pulling contests set to be held July 25, July 29 and July 31 cost \$6 to attend. They are held at a track area at the rear of the fairgrounds that has a separate gate.

Also held there is a demolition derby held after the fair on August 1 at \$8 each admission.

A track event pass is available for \$30 that permits attendance at all of the track events. They can be purchased in advance at the fair managers station.

The Lebanon Area Fair is held on the Lebanon Expo grounds at Evergreen and Cornwall roads in North Cornwall Township. Directional signs are usually posted along Rt. 72, south of the city of Lebanon.





