

Delaware County Fair

Department GG – Forage Crops

Superintendents: Paul Cerosaletti and Dale Dewing

ENTRY DEADLINE FOR ALL EXHIBITS 12 NOON TUESDAY OF FAIR WEEK. EXHIBITS MUST BE IN PLACE BY THAT TIME AS WELL.

Section 005: DRY HAY

- A. Each Entry will consist of a complete small square hay bale or 6” section (“flake”) of a large square bale or enough round bale dry hay to fill a 13 gallon trash bag.
- B. Hay bales will be judged on the basis of color, leafiness, fineness of stem, moisture appropriate for storage, freedom from mold, spoilage and weeds, and representativeness and appropriateness of forage species for class.
- C. Entrants are encouraged to carefully select the class that best represents the hay they are entering.
- D. Hay Champion will be named from among the hay entries.
- E. Entry Fee: None

Class No.	Class	First	Second	Third
68	1 st cutting Alfalfa hay	\$12.10	\$6.00	\$3.65
69	2 nd + cutting Alfalfa hay	\$12.10	\$6.00	\$3.65
70	1 st cutting Mixed hay	\$12.10	\$6.00	\$3.65
71	2 nd + Cutting Mixed hay	\$12.10	\$6.00	\$3.65
72	1 st cutting Grass hay	\$12.10	\$6.00	\$3.65
73	2 nd + cutting Grass hay	\$12.10	\$6.00	\$3.65

Section 006: Chopped Haycrop Silage

- A. Haycrop will be judged on moisture, color, odor, freedom from mold, spoilage and weeds, representativeness and appropriateness of forage species for class. Samples will also be taken from entries and analyzed for nutritional and fermentation profile before final placings are made.
- B. Entrants are encouraged to carefully select the class that best represents the haycrop silage they are entering.
- C. Haylage and Corn Silage entries should be placed in a 1 gallon zip lock bag, with exhibitor tag placed within the bag.
- D. Haycrop silage placings and Champion will be named from the silage entries based on visual assessment, laboratory analysis, and predicted milk yield when analyzed in a typical high producing dairy cattle diet using nutritional software.
- E. Entry Fee: None

Class No.	Class	First	Second	Third
74	Haycrop - Legume and Mixed-mostly Legume	\$12.10	\$6.00	\$3.65
75	Haycrop - Grass and Mixed-mostly Grass	\$12.10	\$6.00	\$3.65
76	Miscellaneous Forage (can include cereal grain silage and summer annual silages)	\$12.10	\$6.00	\$3.65

Section 007: Chopped Corn Silage

- A. Corn Silage will be judged on moisture, color, odor, freedom from mold, spoilage and weeds, relative amount of grain in silage and adequacy of kernel processing. Samples of entries will also be analyzed for nutritional content and fermentation profile before final placings are made.
- B. Corn Silage entries should be placed in a 1 gallon zip lock bag, with exhibitor tag placed within the bag.
- C. Corn Silage placings and Champion will be named from the corn silage entries based on visual assessment (including degree of kernel processing), laboratory analysis, and predicted milk yield when analyzed in a typical high producing dairy cattle diet using nutritional software.

Entry Fee: None

Class No.	Class	First	Second	Third
77	Conventional (non- BMR) Corn Silage	\$12.10	\$6.00	\$3.65
78	BMR (Brown Mid Rib) Corn Silage	\$12.10	\$6.00	\$3.65

Section 008: Baleage

- A. Haycrop baleage (large square and round bale) will be judged on moisture, color, odor, freedom from mold, spoilage and weeds, representativeness of forage species for class. Samples will also be taken from entries and analyzed for nutritional and fermentation profile before final placings are made.
- B. Entrants are encouraged to carefully select the class that best represents the haycrop baleage they are entering.
- C. Entries should be brought in sufficient quantity to fill a 13 gallon trash bag, with exhibitor tag securely affixed or contained within. Entries will be transferred into bags for display provided by the Superintendents upon judging.
- D. Haycrop baleage placings and Champion will be named from the baleage entries based on visual assessment, laboratory analysis and predicted milk yield when analyzed in a typical high producing dairy cattle diet using nutritional software.

Class No.	Class	First	Second	Third
79	Baleage - Legume and Mixed-mostly Legume	\$12.10	\$6.00	\$3.65
80	Baleage - Grass and Mixed-mostly Grass	\$12.10	\$6.00	\$3.65
81	Miscellaneous Forage (can include cereal grain silage and summer annual silages)	\$12.10	\$6.00	\$3.65

Section 009: Corn Stalks

- A. Stalks of corn will be judged on the basis of their potential yield and quality. Factors will include plant size, appropriate ear development for typical field conditions, and freeness from visually evident leaf disease and nutritional stress.
- B. Stalks (5) should be bundled tightly by two bands.
- C. **Entries must contain with root balls. Corn stalks that have been cut off will be disqualified and removed from the contest.** Soil may be left on roots to prevent drying of stalks. Entrants must specify the RM day on entry tag and are encouraged to include additional corn hybrid information on their exhibitor tag.
- D. Placings and Corn Champion will be named.
- E. Entry Fee: None

Class No.	Class	First	Second	Third
82	Corn, less 95 day Relative Maturity	\$12.10	\$6.00	\$3.65
83	Corn, greater than 95 day Relative Maturity	\$12.10	\$6.00	\$3.65

Forage Contest Grand Champion

- A. Once all analyses and placings are completed and a Champion is selected for each Section, a Forage Contest Grand Champion will be selected from among all of the Section Champions.
- B. The Forage Contest Grand Champion trophy will be presented at the Dairyman’s Luncheon, as will prizes for each of the Forage Contest Section Champions.