

2023



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**Mercer County Fair  
& Horse Show**  
Wednesday-Saturday  
July 26-29, 2023  
Harrodsburg, Kentucky

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# The Mercer Co. Fair & Horse Show

Mercer County Fairgrounds

P.O. Box 444 • Harrodsburg, KY 40330

Sandy Backer, Horse Show Secretary • sandybc09@gmail.com

www.mercerfair.com

## HORSE SHOW MANAGER

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Mrs. Kelly Hulse..... Columbia, MO

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# Horse Show Rules And Regulations

All owners and exhibitors will be held responsible for any damage or injury caused or contributed to by them, their agents or their animals, barns and other properties and to persons on the show grounds and will be billed accordingly.

In no incident will the Mercer County Fair and Horse Show, Inc., be held responsible for any loss or damage in accidents or damages to persons or animals or liable for any injury sustained in any way to exhibitors, spectators, employees or any other interested parties.

The Mercer County Fair and Horse Show, Inc., will not be responsible for any articles lost or stolen. It will be the condition of any entry at the Mercer County Fair and Horse Show to hold blameless any parties connected with the show for any type of loss.

The Mercer County Fair and Horse Show is a member of the Kentucky Association of Fairs and Horse Shows, the South Central Hackney Association, the Central Kentucky Horse Show Association, and a participant in Chapter IX of the United Professional Horseman's Association.

Every class offered herein which is covered by the rules and specifications of the current USEF rule book will be conducted and judged in accordance therewith.

## Entries and Nominations

1. The Horse Show will have a voluntary pre-entry system that will close at midnight, July 24, 2023. Exhibitors are encouraged to mail or email their entries in order to assist the office staff. Entries close at 4 p.m. the day of the show.
2. All entries should be made on the enclosed entry form. Please type or print. The word entry will not be accepted. Horses must be entered by registered name. All entry fees must be paid at time of entering or an open check left at the secretary's office.

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3. All entries are required to have a certificate of equine infectious anemia test within the past twelve (12) months as required by the Kentucky State Veterinarian. No exceptions. All horses must have a current certificate of veterinary inspection.
4. Harness ponies must be registered Hackneys.

### **Control of Horses**

Horses must be kept under control at all times. At the discretion of the judges, horses may not be allowed to compete. Owner will forfeit any entry fees.

### **Courtesy to Officials**

Any act or discourtesy to the judges on the part of any exhibitor, owner, trainer or groom, shall disqualify the horse and rider. The owner shall forfeit his entry fees and any prize money which he or she may have won at this show.

During the time of the judging, no person will be allowed in the ring except ring attendants, judges of the class and when necessary, the handler in charge of the horse being judged. Attendants or grooms entering the ring must wear suitable attire only. Headers may enter the ring by the end gate only and must take no action that will affect the performance of any animal in the ring.

### **Veterinarians**

Dr. LeMayne Ellis is the official veterinarian who will be in attendance and will inspect such horses designated by the judges to be considered unsound and will pass on any question pertaining to the soundness of any horse before being excused from the class. His decision will be final. A veterinarian will be available at all times. He may be reached at the show grounds when the show is in progress.

### **Exhibitor/Groom Passes**

Each participating exhibitor or groom must have either an exhibitor's pass or a gate ticket to be admitted.

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Passes, which are good all week, may be obtained at a cost of \$20 each at the secretary's office. They also may be requested and reserved at the time entries are made and are payable at the time entry fees are paid.

All exhibitors and grooms must present a pass to be admitted. This rule will be strictly adhered to.

**EVERY EFFORT WILL BE MADE TO MAIL EXHIBITOR PASSES IN ADVANCE OF THE FAIR TO THE PERSON PLACING THE ORDER. IT IS THAT PERSON'S RESPONSIBILITY TO DISTRIBUTE PASSES. NO REFUNDS WILL BE GIVEN IN THE OFFICE FOR ADMISSION FEES.**

#### **Payment of Premiums**

All prize money will be paid by check drawn to the order of the payee as listed on the entry blank. Checks will be forwarded by mail as soon after the show as possible. Social Security numbers of the payee must be included on the entry form before payment is made.

#### **Charge for Stalls**

Stalls will be \$110 each by the week and \$40 for a single night. All stalls have doors. Exhibitors may show from trailers. Stalls are not required. **STALL CANCELLATIONS MUST BE MADE BY SATURDAY, JULY 22, 2023 OR YOU WILL BE CHARGED FOR THE ENTIRE WEEK.**

The board of the Mercer County Fair and Horse Show, Inc., will welcome suggestions for the 2024 Show. Added classes will require \$500 sponsorship and minimum 5 exhibitors. In addition, there will be no changes in the class schedule as published in this premium list.

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## PRIZE MONEY

Purse	Entry Fee	1st	2nd	3rd	4th	5th	6th	Trainer's Purse
\$250	\$25	\$50	\$40	\$30	\$20	\$10		\$100
\$325	\$35	\$75	\$60	\$40	\$30	\$25		\$100
\$700	\$70	\$200	\$150	\$100	\$75	\$50	\$25	\$100
\$1000	\$50	\$350	\$250	\$150	\$125	\$75	\$50	
\$1,500	\$200	\$500	\$300	\$250	\$200	\$150	\$100	\$100

**Entry fee for the Saturday morning Academy Classes is \$25.**  
**The entry fee for all Equitation Classes is \$25**  
**Six ribbons will be presented in all Equitation Classes.**

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**195th Whitaker Bank Mercer County  
Fair and Horse Show  
2023 Class List**

**Wednesday July 26, 2023, 6:30 p.m.**

- 01 Jr. Exhib. Country Pleasure
- 1.1 UPHA Hackney Park Pleasure Driving Classic
- 02 Jr. Exhib. Three Gaited 14-17
- 03 Amateur Road Pony
- 04 Open Park Pleasure
- 05 UPHA Pleasure Equitation
- 06 Amateur Roadster to Bike
- 07 Jr. Exhib. Three Gaited Show Pleasure 14-17
- 08 Pleasure Pony Driving
- 08.1 Amateur/Jr. Exhib. 3 Gaited Park
- 09 Ladies Three Gaited
- 10 Jr. Exhib. Five Gaited Show Pleasure
- 11 Road Pony Under Saddle
- 11.1 Jr. Exhib. Three Gaited Show Pleasure 13 - under
- 12 ASB Western Pleasure
- 13 Amateur Five Gaited
- 14 Junior Exhib. Three Gaited 13 - under
- 15 Jr/Novice Three Gaited
- 16 Open Pleasure (Any Breed)
- 17 Jr. Exhib. Road Pony
- 18 Open Park Pleasure Driving
- 19 Amateur Fine Harness
- 20 Open Roadster to Bike
- 21 Novice Five Gaited

**Thursday July 27, 2023, 6:30 p.m.**

- 22 ASB Yearling
- 23 UPHA Challenge Cup 17 and Under
- 24 ASB Open Three Gaited Park
- 25 WT Pleasure 12 and Under
- 26 Five Gaited Show Pleasure (ASHBA National Select Series)
- 27 Ladies Five Gaited
- 27.1 Road Pony (ASHBA National Select Series)
- 28 Two Year Old Fine Harness
- 29 ASB Three Gaited Pony
- 30 Adult Country Pleasure
- 31 Junior Park Pleasure
- 32 Adult Five Gaited Pleasure



- 33 Amateur Hackney Pony
- 34 Ladies Roadster to Bike
- 35 Junior Road Pony
- 35.1 Amateur Three Gaited
- 36 UPHA Walk Trot 10 and Under
- 37 ASB Show Pleasure Driving
- 38 Adult Three Gaited Show Pleasure
- 39 Jr/Limit Fine Harness
- 40 Roadster Under Saddle
- 41 Road Pony (AOT)
- 42 Five Gaited Pony
- 43 Three Gaited Show Pleasure (ASHBA National Select Series)
- 44 Roadster to Wagon
- 45 ASB Country Pleasure Driving
- 46 Three Year Old Five Gaited

**Friday, July 28, 2023, 6:30 p.m.**

- 47 Good Hands
- 48 Three Year Old Fine Harness
- 49 Two Year Old Three Gaited
- 50 Jr. Exhib. Three Gaited Championship
- 51 Road Pony (Limit)
- 52 Junior Three Gaited Park
- 53 Three Year Old Three Gaited
- 54 Three Year Old Park
- 55 Roadster to Bike (Limit)
- 56 ASB Hunter Country Pleasure
- 57 Antique Carriage Driving
- 58 ASB Country Pleasure (ASHBA National Select Series)
- 59 Jr. Exhib Five Gaited
- 60 Pleasure Pony Driving Championship
- 61 Jr. Exhib. Country Pleasure Championship
- 62 Amateur Harness Pony
- 63 ASB Park (ASHBA National Select Series)
- 64 ASB Show Pleasure Driving Championship
- 65 Road Pony to Road Wagon
- 66 Jr. Exhib. Five Gaited Show Pleasure Championship
- 67 ASB Western Pleasure Championship
- 68 Amateur Roadster to Bike Championship
- 69 UPHA Three Year Old Park Pleasure Classic
- 69.1 Junior Exhib. Three Gaited Show Pleasure 13 - under Championship
- 70 Junior Five Gaited

**Saturday July 29, 2023, 6:30 p.m.**

- 71 Stick Horse

*2023 Preliminary*

- 72 Lead Line
- 73 Equitation Championship
- 74 Amateur/ Jr. Exhib. Three Gaited Park Championship
- 75 Open Park Championship
- 76 Open Park Pleasure Championship
- 77 Harness Pony Championship
- 78 Five Gaited Show Pleasure Championship
- 79 Amateur Three Gaited Championship
- 80 Fine Harness Championship
- 81 Amateur Five Gaited Championship
- 82 Three Gaited Show Pleasure Championship
- 83 Ladies Five Gaited Championship
- 84 ASB Country Pleasure Driving Championship
- 85 Jr. Exhib. Three Gaited Show Pleasure 14-17 Championship
- 86 Three Gaited Championship
- 87 ASB Country Pleasure Championship
- 88 Road Pony Championship
- 89 \$1000 Racking and Pacing Championship
- 90 Roadster to Bike Championship
- 91 Hackney Pony Championship
- 92 Five Gaited Championship

**Academy Saturday July 29, 2023 9:00AM**

- 93 Equitation WTC Adult
- 94 Pleasure WTC Adult
- 95 Equitation WTC 14-17
- 96 Pleasure WTC 14-17
- 97 Equitation WTC 13 and Under
- 98 Pleasure WTC 13 and Under
- 99 Equitation WT Adult
- 100 Pleasure WT Adult
- 101 Equitation WT 14-17
- 102 Pleasure WT 14-17
- 103 Equitation WT 11-13
- 104 Pleasure WT 11-13
- 105 Equitation WT 9-10
- 106 Pleasure WT 9-10
- 107 Equitation WT 8 and Under
- 108 Pleasure WT 8 and Under
- 109 Lead Line WT 7 and Under
- 110 Equitation WT 6 and Under
- 111 Pleasure WT 6 and Under
- 112 Equitation Exceptional
- 113 Pleasure Exceptional

# Horse Show Schedule By Type of Classes

## Five Gaited Saddle Horses

No.	Class	Entry Fee	Night
13	Amateur Five Gaited	\$25	Wednesday
21	Novice Five Gaited	\$25	Wednesday
27	Ladies Five Gaited	\$25	Thursday
46	Three Year Old Five Gaited	\$25	Thursday
59	Jr. Exhib. Five Gaited	\$25	Friday
70	Junior Five Gaited	\$25	Friday
81	Amateur Five Gaited Championship	\$35	Saturday
83	Ladies Five Gaited Championship	\$35	Saturday
92	Five Gaited Championship	\$200	Saturday

## Three Gaited Saddle Horses

02	Jr. Exhib. Three Gaited 14-17	\$25	Wednesday
09	Ladies Three Gaited	\$25	Wednesday
14	Jr. Exhib. Three Gaited 13-Under	\$25	Wednesday
15	Junior/Novice Three Gaited	\$25	Wednesday
16	Novice Three Gaited	\$25	Wednesday
35.1	Amateur Three Gaited	\$25	Thursday
49	Two Year Old Three Gaited	\$25	Friday
50	Jr. Exhib. Three Gaited Championship	\$25	Friday
53	Three Year Old Three Gaited	\$25	Friday
79	Amateur Three Gaited Championship	\$35	Saturday
86	Three Gaited Championship	\$70	Saturday

## Fine Harness Horses

19	Amateur Fine Harness	\$25	Wednesday
28	Two Year Old Fine Harness	\$25	Thursday
39	Junior/Limit Fine Harness	\$25	Thursday
48	Three Year Old Fine Harness	\$25	Friday
80	Fine Harness Championship	\$70	Saturday

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**Saddlebred Ponies**

29	Three Gaited Pony	\$25	Thursday
42	Five Gaited Pony	\$25	Thursday

**Hackney and Harness Pony**

1.1	UPHA Hackney Park Pleasure Driving Classic	\$25	Wednesday
08	Pleasure Pony Driving	\$25	Wednesday
33	Amateur Hackney Pony	\$25	Thursday
60	Pleasure Pony Driving Championship	\$35	Friday
62	Amateur Harness Pony	\$25	Friday
77	Harness Pony Championship	\$35	Saturday
91	Hackney Pony Championship	\$35	Saturday

**Roadster Horse Division**

06	Amateur Roadster to Bike	\$25	Wednesday
20	Open Roadster to Bike	\$25	Wednesday
34	Ladies Roadster to Bike	\$25	Thursday
40	Roadster Under Saddle	\$25	Thursday
44	Roadster to Wagon	\$25	Thursday
55	Roadster to Bike (Limit)	\$25	Friday
68	Amateur Roadster to Bike Championship	\$35	Friday
90	Roadster to Bike Championship	\$70	Saturday

**Roadster Pony Division**

03	Amateur Road Pony	\$25	Wednesday
11	Road Pony Under Saddle	\$25	Wednesday
17	Jr. Exhib. Road Pony	\$25	Wednesday
27.1	Road Pony (ASHBA National Select Series)	\$25	Thursday
35	Junior Road Pony	\$25	Thursday
41	Road Pony Amateur Owned and Trained	\$25	Thursday
51	Road Pony Limit	\$25	Friday
65	Road Pony to Road Wagon	\$25	Friday
88	Road Pony Championship	\$35	Saturday

**American Saddlebred in Hand**

22	ASB Yearling in Hand	\$25	Thursday
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**American Saddlebred Pleasure Division**  
**Three Gaited Show Pleasure and Western section**

07	Jr. Exhib. Three Gaited Show Pleasure 14-17	\$25	Wednesday
11.1	Jr. Exhib. Three Gaited Show Pleasure 13 - under	\$25	Wednesday
12	ASB Western Pleasure	\$25	Wednesday
25	Walk/Trot Pleasure 12 and under	\$25	Thursday
38	Adult Three Gaited Show Pleasure	\$25	Thursday
43	ASB Three Gaited Show Pleasure (ASHBA)	\$25	Thursday
67	ASB Western Pleasure Championship	\$35	Friday
69.1	Junior Exhib. 3 Gaited SP 13 - under Champ.	\$35	Friday
82	Adult Three Gaited Show Pleasure Champ	\$35	Saturday
85	Jr. Exhib. Three Gaited SP 14-17 Champ	\$35	Saturday

**Five Gaited Show Pleasure Section**

10	Jr. Exhib. Five Gaited Show Pleasure	\$25	Wednesday
26	ASB Five Gaited Show Pleasure (ASHBA)	\$25	Thursday
32	Adult Five Gaited Pleasure	\$25	Thursday
66	Jr. Exhib. Five Gaited Show Pleasure Champ	\$35	Friday
78	Adult Five Gaited Show Pleasure Champ	\$35	Saturday

**Open Pleasure**

16	Open Pleasure (Any Breed)	\$25	Friday
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**Park Pleasure Section**

04	Open Park Pleasure	\$25	Wednesday
18	Open Park Pleasure Driving	\$25	Wednesday
31	Junior Park Pleasure	\$25	Thursday
69	UPHA Three Year Old Park Pleasure Classic	\$100	Friday
76	Open Park Pleasure Championship	\$35	Saturday

**Pleasure Driving Section**

37	ASB Show Pleasure Driving	\$25	Thursday
64	ASB Show Pleasure Driving Championship	\$35	Friday

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**ASB Three Gaited Park**

24	ASB Open Three Gaited Park	\$25	Thursday
08.1	Amateur/Jr. Exhib. 3 Gaited Park	\$25	Wednesday
52	Junior Three Gaited Park	\$25	Friday
54	Three Year Old Park	\$25	Friday
63	ASB Park (ASHBA)	\$25	Friday
74	Amateur/Jr. Exhib. Three Gaited Park Champ.	\$35	Saturday
75	Open Park Championship	\$35	Saturday

**ASB Country Pleasure**

01	Jr. Exhib. Country Pleasure	\$25	Wednesday
30	Adult Country Pleasure	\$25	Thursday
45	ASB Country Pleasure Driving	\$25	Thursday
56	ASB Hunter Country Pleasure	\$25	Friday
58	ASB Country Pleasure (ASHBA)	\$25	Friday
61	Jr. Exhib. Country Pleasure Championship	\$35	Friday
84	ASB Country Pleasure Driving Championship	\$35	Saturday
87	Adult Country Pleasure Championship	\$35	Saturday

**Antique Carriage Driving**

57	Antique Carriage Driving	\$25	Friday
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**Saddle Seat Equitation**

05	UPHA Pleasure Equitation	\$25	Wednesday
23	UPHA Challenge Cup 17 and Under	\$25	Thursday
36	UPHA Walk/Trot 10 and Under	\$25	Thursday
47	Good Hands	\$25	Friday
73	Equitation Championship	\$35	Saturday

**Racking and Pacing**

89	Racking and Pacing Championship	\$50	Saturday
	Prizes — \$350    \$250    \$150    \$125    \$75    \$50		

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# MERCER COUNTY FAIR HORSE SHOW ENTRY BLANK

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A full entry form can be  
downloaded from the  
fair's website  
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Sandy Backer, Horse Show Secretary  
sandybc09@gmail.com

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Brad Noel, Horse Show Manager  
859-613-4503; bdnoel@hotmail.com

Do Not Use This Space	LIST EACH HORSE ONLY ONCE	Class No.	RIDER OR DRIVER	Entry Fee	Do Not Use This Space
	HORSE _____ OWNER _____ ADDRESS _____ CITY _____ STATE _____ ZIP _____				
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I hereby enter the above horses at my own risk and subject to the rules and regulations of the show. I further agree that if any damage is occasioned or loss occurs to the horses exhibited, to any vehicle or other articles which I may send with said horses, I will make no claim therefore against the Mercer County Fair & Horse Show or any participating organization. Please write legibly. This form is used to announce horse and rider in the ring.

Trainer's Name \_\_\_\_\_

Payee Name \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Phone \_\_\_\_\_

Signature \_\_\_\_\_

Date Horses Will Arrive \_\_\_\_\_

TOTAL ENTRY FEE	NUMBER	AMOUNT
Reserve Stalls for week at \$110.00 each		
Nightly Stalls \$40.00 each		
Office Fee \$20.00 Per Horse		
<b>TOTAL REMITTANCE</b>		

**MAKE CHECKS PAYABLE TO THE MERCER COUNTY FAIR  
POST ENTRIES ACCEPTED - CHECK PREMIUM LIST**

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