

## **DEPARTMENT K - BEEF CATTLE**

Colter Whitmore, Superintendent

Judging: 10:00 A.M. on Wednesday, August 5th, 2026

JUDGE: Phillip Paradis, Groton, NY

ENTRY FEE - \$7.00

Beef animals must be housed in the same building. ANY RECOGNIZED BEEF BREED MAY BE ENTERED. Entries are open to registered cattle, purebred commercial cattle and in market classes crossbred animals, unless otherwise stated.

To be eligible for the receipt of premiums, registered animals must have been owned by the combined Farm Family, The Firm, or the Individual Exhibitor ON OR BEFORE JULY 1, this year. Age to be determined as of January 1st, this year. (Age of all animals to be shown on their stall cards.)

Each family is limited to no more than 14 entries, no more than 2 per class. In case of limited space, each family will be limited to one per class. You will be notified by the Superintendent (before the Fair) if you will have to cancel any entries.

Exhibitors are responsible to keep all cattle under control especially bulls. Failure to do so may result in the fair requesting the removal of the animals or animals from the grounds.

Each entry will compete for class monetary prizes. All 100% beef cattle will compete in the breeding stock classes. NO dairy/beef crosses. Dairy/beef crosses must show in the dairy beef market classes.

### **Breeding Stock Beef Show Classes**

#### **BULLS**

##### **Class:**

1. **Spring Bull Calf-** \$30, 26, 22,  
(3-1-26 to 6-30-26)
  
2. **Fall Bull Calf-** \$30, 26, 22,  
(9/1/25 to 12-31-25)
  
3. **Yearling Bull-** \$40, 36, 32  
(1/1/25-8/31/25)
  
4. **Grand Champion Bull- Classes 1-3 Rosette**  
**Reserve Grand Champion Bull Classes 1-3 Rosette**

#### **FEMALES**

##### **Class:**

5. **Spring Heifer Calf-** \$30, 26, 22, 18, 15  
(1-1-26 to 5-30-26)
  
6. **Summer/ Fall Heifer –** \$35, 30, 26,  
(7-1-25 to 12-31-25)
  
7. **Early Yearling Heifer –**\$40, 36, 32  
(1-1-25 to 6-30-25)

8. **Fall Yearling Heifer (not calved in)** – \$40, 36, 32  
(8-1-24 to 12-30-24)
9. **Heifer Champion** (Selected from Winners of Class 8, 9 & 10) – Ribbon Only
10. **Reserve Heifer Champion – Ribbon Only**
11. **Cow with Calf** – \$45, 42, 37  
(Cow born before 9-1-24 and Calf no more than 250 days old and nursing)
12. **Cow with Calf Champion – Ribbon Only**
13. **Reserve Cow with Calf Champion Ribbon Only**
14. **Supreme and Grand Champion Female** - (to be selected from Winners of classes (5,6,8,9, and 10, and 13) **Rosette and Award from NY Beef Producers, and halter.**
15. **Reserve Grand Champion Female - Ribbon Only**

It does not have to be the class winner to be eligible.

**Group Classes:**

16. **Pair of Calves:** Bulls or Heifers-\$40, 36, 32  
From Classes (1,2,5, and 6)
17. **Pair of Females Heifers or Calves**-\$40, 36, 32  
From Classes (5,6,8,9,10 )
18. **Get of Sire:** \$40, 30, 20  
Two offspring either sex – Sired by same bull (Bull to be named)  
**THIS CLASS IS FOR PUREBREDS ONLY**
19. **Herd of Three:** \$40, 36, 32, 28  
Three beef animals owned by the exhibitor. (Must be shown in their respective conformation or steer classes.) \*NOTE that steers compete in breeding show only as part of a cow/calf or herd of best 3. (cow/calf would count as one entry unless the calf shown in its own individual class.)

**Beef Market Classes**

**-All market animals will be weighed and verified as to which class they belong in whether it is Beef OR Dairy/Beef**

**Beef Market Animal Show:**

MUST BE 100% BEEF BREED. PLEASE SPECIFY BREED ON ENTRY FORM.

20. **Prospect feeder calf less than 500 lbs.** - 1st \$30, 2nd \$25, 3rd \$22 4th \$20
21. **Stocker calf 501 to 800 lbs.**- 1st -\$35, 2nd - \$30, 3rd - \$25
22. **Lightweight Market Beef 801- 1100 lbs.** -1st - \$40, 2nd - \$35, 3rd - \$30
23. **Finished Market Beef 1101 lbs and up** – 1st - \$40, 2nd - \$35, 3rd - \$30
24. **Grand Champion Market Beef Animal** - Ribbon Only
25. **Reserve Champion Market Beef Animal** – Ribbon Only
26. **Best Pair of Market animals owned by exhibitor**- \$40, 35, 30

### **DAIRY/BEEF SHOW CLASSES**

MUST BE AT LEAST 50% DAIRY INFLUENCED

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| 27. <b>Prospect Feeder calf less than 500 lbs.</b>      | 1st- \$30, 2nd \$25, 3rd \$22, 4th \$20, 5th \$18       |
| 28. <b>Stocker Calf 501lbs. - 800 lbs.</b>              | 1st -\$35, 2nd - \$30, 3rd - \$25, 4th \$20             |
| 29. <b>Lightweight Market Beef – 801 lbs – 1100 lbs</b> | 1st- \$35, 2nd \$30, 3rd \$25, 4th \$20, 5th \$18       |
| 30. <b>Finished Market Animal 1001 Lbs and up.</b>      | 1st - \$40, 2nd - \$35, 3rd - \$30, 4th - \$25 5th \$20 |
31. **CHAMPION DAIRY BEEF**- Ribbon and Award  
32. **RESERVE CHAMPION DAIRY BEEF**- Ribbon and Award
33. **Best Pair of Dairy/Beef Market animals owned by Exhibitor**      1<sup>st</sup> - \$40, 2<sup>nd</sup> – \$35, 3<sup>rd</sup> - \$30

**34. Beef Herdsman Awards:** 1st - \$50, 2nd - \$40, 3rd - \$30, 4th - \$20, 5th - \$10

Voting Based on:

1. Appearance of exhibit and cattle
2. General cooperation of people handling exhibits (Fair Office, barn, show ring, public)
3. Voting for herdsman will be done by three people chosen by the cattle superintendent who will judge the exhibits at random times. Winners will be announced at the exhibitors meeting.

**35. John Hunter Beef Cook-Off** – Top Prize: \$50, 2<sup>nd</sup> \$30, 3<sup>rd</sup> \$20

1. Must enter Beef Department class(es) to qualify for the cook-off.
2. Pre-Registration required. No Entry Fee. Please indicate on Beef Department Entry Form.
3. Must provide own steak from home farm. Please indicate during registration where meat was processed.
4. Steak must be cooked brought to the Judges Table at Cattle Show Ring at 12 noon on Saturday, August 8<sup>th</sup>, for judging

NO LATE ENTRIES.

Results will be announced at the Exhibitors' Meeting on Sunday, August 9th.