

Poultry* & Poultry Education (Junior)

COMPETITIVE EXHIBITS | BARNYARD



FAIR CONTACT INFORMATION

MARIN COUNTY FAIR FAIR OFFICE	10 Avenue of the Flags, San Rafael, CA 94903
WEBSITE	www.fair.marincounty.org
EMAIL	FairExhibits@MarinCounty.Gov
REGULAR OFFICE HOURS	Monday to Friday: 9:00am to 5:00pm
FAIR OFFICE HOURS	July 2 (Wednesday) to July 6 (Sunday): 8:00am to 8:00pm
MARIN COUNTY FAIR HOURS	July 2 (Wednesday) to July 6 (Sunday): 11:00am to 11:00pm

COMPETITIVE EXHIBITS STAFF

POULTRY (JUNIOR)

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COMPETITION CALENDAR

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ONLINE ENTRY FORMS DUE	JUNE 29, 2025 – 11:59 PM
*POULTRY ARRIVAL & INSPECTION	JULY 2, 7:00 AM – 9:00 AM
*COOP-IN (ARRIVAL & CHECK-IN) The Fur & Feathers Tent in the Barnyard	JULY 2 8:00 AM – 9:00 AM
*MANDATORY MEETING (EXHIBITORS & GUARDIANS) The Fur & Feathers Tent in the Barnyard	10:00 AM – 10:30 AM

***POULTRY COMPETITION**

Showmanship in Novice, Primary, Junior, & Senior.

12:30 PM

AWARDS CEREMONY – Fur and Feather Tent

JULY 6 – 4:00 PM

ENTRY PICK UP / CAGE CLEANING

Immediately following the Award Ceremony.

ANIMAL COOP-OUT

Coop-out begins at 5:00 pm. ALL animals MUST BE OUT by 7:00 pm.

JULY 6, 5:00 PM – 7:00 PM

The full Competitive Exhibits Calendar is available on www.marinfair.org.

REGISTRATION

To register for the 2025 Competitive Exhibits, please visit <https://marin.fairwire.com/>

DEPARTMENT RULES & REGULATIONS

Local and State Rules govern this competition.

1. **ELIGIBILITY** - Open to Marin, Sonoma, and Napa County youth competitors (both 4-H and non-4-H) ages 5 - 18. Youth from outside counties may compete if coop space is available.

ENTRY INFORMATION

2. **ENTRY FEES** - \$5.00 per Bird | \$5.00 per Dozen Eggs | Free for Showmanship & Poultry Judging
 - a. Fees are NON-refundable.
 - b. Fees INCLUDE: Food, water, & care of animal(s).
3. **ENTRY LIMIT** - 2 Entries PER Exhibitor, PER Class
4. **ENTRY IDENTIFICATION** - All Birds must be identified by Leg Bands (and listed on Entry Form).
 - a. Leg band numbers must match the exhibitor's entry form.
 - i. Leg Bands will be provided during Coop-in if needed.
5. **POULTRY ARRIVAL AND INSPECTION:** All birds must be inspected before being allowed on the fairgrounds. An Inspection station will be set up outside the entry gate on the Avenue of Flags. Exhibitors must stop and have all their birds inspected between 7:00 am - 9:00 am. Confirmation of passing inspection will be given to the exhibitor to present at Coop-In.
6. **REQUIRED MEETING** - A mandatory meeting for Exhibitors and their parents will be held on Monday, July 2, at 10:00am in the Fur & Feathers Tent. All purchased wristbands will be distributed at this meeting.

CREDENTIALING FEES & RULES

7. **CREDENTIALING FEES** - \$15.00 per Exhibitor (Wristbands are for Exhibitors ONLY)
 - a. \$20.00 fee for Wristband replacement if lost.

- b. Wristband fees are NON-refundable.
- c. Each Exhibitor should purchase a Barnyard Wristband which covers admission for the 5 days of the Fair.
- d. Please note that Exhibitors participating in one-day shows ONLY, will not be eligible for wristbands.

8. CREDENTIALING RULES

- a. Failure to load in an animal will result in a forfeit of wristband.
- b. All Parents, Guardians, and/or Volunteers will receive one fair admission credential and one combined fair admission/parking credential based on the number of days on-site.
- c. Exhibitors, Parents, Guardians, or Volunteers who have been found giving away their Wristbands or Credentials will be sanctioned with revoked privileges and cash prizes withheld.

ANIMAL ROOM & BOARD

- 9. Display Cages will be provided by the Fair.
 - a. All Exhibitors are expected to perform Cage Cleaning before Birds are released on Sunday, July 6, beginning at 5:00pm.
- 10. Food AND Water dishes should be provided by the exhibitor.
- 11. Birds will be fed by Fair Staff.
 - a. For Exhibitor wishing to feed their own birds, feeding must be done BEFORE the fair opens.
- 12. During coop-out, Animals must be claimed and picked-up by the Competitor. Any other individual must have a signed letter of authorization from the Competitor.
- 13. The Poultry area has fans and air coolers.

COMPETITION RULES

- 14. Definition and judging procedures as prescribed in the *American Standard of Perfections* (copyrighted by the American Poultry Association Inc.). Procedures shall apply to all District and County Fair poultry shows, provided that they do not conflict with any rules and regulations prescribed by the Department of Food & Agriculture's Fairs & Expositions Division.
- 15. Competitors must have owned their Birds at least 30 days PRIOR to the Competitive Exhibits Entry DEADLINE.
 - a. All Birds must be AT LEAST four months old.
- 16. A Judge or Fair Management may remove any Bird from competition if it appears to be fatigued or out of condition.
- 17. All Egg entries become property of the Fair.

PUBLICITY

- 18. The Marin County Fair reserves the right to photograph any exhibitor/animal/entry in the exhibition for educational, catalog, website, or publicity purposes.

LIABILITY

- 19. The County of Marin, Marin County Fair, and/or its contractors will not be responsible for loss or damage OR illness or death of a pet which may occur from any cause.

DIVISIONS 600 - 606 | LARGE FOWL

Entry Fee - \$5.00

DIVISION 600 | AMERICAN (*Jersey Giants, New Hampshires, Plymouth Rocks, Rhode Islands, Wyandottes, Etc.*)

DIVISION 601 | ASIATIC (*Brahmas, Cochins, Langshans*)

DIVISION 602 | CONTINENTAL (*Hamburgs, Belgians, Polish, French, etc.*)

DIVISION 603 | ENGLISH (*Australorps, Orpingtons, Red Caps, etc.*)

CLASSES (Submission Categories)

1. **Cock** | Over one year
2. **Cockerel** | 4 to 12 months
3. **Hen** | Over one year
4. **Pullet** | 4 to 12 months

DIVISION 604 | MEDITERRANEAN (*Anconas, Buttercups, Leghorns, Minorcas, Spanish, Blue Andalusians, etc.*)

DIVISION 605 | ALL OTHER LARGE FOWL BREEDS (*Games - Modern & Old English, Orientals, etc.*)

DIVISION 606 | MIXED BREEDS OR NON-STANDARD LARGE FOWL BREEDS

DIVISIONS 607 - 613 | BANTAMS

Entry Fee - \$5.00

DIVISION 607 | MODERN GAME

DIVISION 608 | OLD ENGLISH GAME

DIVISION 609 | SINGLE COMB, CLEAN LEGGED (*Other than Game*)

CLASSES (Submission Categories)

1. **Cock** | Over one year
2. **Cockerel** | 4 to 12 months
3. **Hen** | Over one year
4. **Pullet** | 4 to 12 months

DIVISION 610 | ROSE COMB, CLEAN LEGGED

DIVISION 611 | ALL OTHER COMBS, CLEAN LEGGED

DIVISION 612 | FEATHER LEGGED

DIVISION 613 | MIXED BANTAM BREEDS

DIVISIONS 614 - 617 | PIGEONS*, DOVES, GAMEBIRDS, QUAILS

Entry Fee - \$5.00

*Pigeons - All recognized breeds.

DIVISION 614 | PIGEONS CLASSES (Submission Categories)

5. Young Pair | Male and Female
6. Old Pair | Male and Female
7. Young Hen | Current year's hatch
8. Old Hen | Prior year's hatch
9. Young Cock | Current year's hatch
10. Old Cock | Prior year's hatch

DIVISION 615 | DOVES DIVISION 616 | GAMEBIRDS DIVISION 617 | QUAIL CLASSES (Submission Categories)

11. Breeding Pairs | 2 Birds ONLY
12. Singles, Male | 1 Bird
13. Singles, Female | 1 Bird

DIVISIONS 618 - 620 | TURKEYS

Entry Fee - \$5.00

DIVISION 618 | BRONZE DIVISION 619 | WHITE DIVISION 620 | ANY OTHER RECOGNIZED BREED CLASSES (Submission Categories)

14. Old Tom | 1 year & up
15. Old Hen | 1 year & up
16. Young Tom | Under 1 year
17. Young Hen | Under 1 year

DIVISIONS 621 - 625 | WATERFOWL: DUCKS

Entry Fee - \$5.00

DIVISION 621 | BANTAM DUCK BREEDS (*Black East Indies, Call, Mallard*) DIVISION 622 | LIGHTWEIGHT DUCK BREEDS (*Campbell, Magpie, Runner*) DIVISION 623 | MEDIUM WEIGHT DUCK BREEDS (*Buff, Cayuga, Crested, Swedish*) DIVISION 624 | HEAVYWEIGHT DUCK BREEDS (*Alysbury, Muscovy, Pekin, Rouen*) DIVISION 625 | NON-STANDARD DUCK BREEDS CLASSES (Submission Categories)

18. Old Drake | Over 1 year
19. Old Duck | Over 1 year
20. Young Drake | Under 1 year
21. Young Duck | Under 1 year

DIVISIONS 626 - 629 | WATERFOWL: GEESE

Entry Fee - \$5.00

DIVISION 626 | LIGHTWEIGHT GEESE
BREEDS (*Chinese, Canadian, Egyptian, etc.*)

DIVISION 627 | MEDIUM WEIGHT
GEESE BREEDS (*Buff, Pilgrim, Saddleback,
Pomeranian, Sebastopol*)

DIVISION 628 | HEAVYWEIGHT GEESE
BREEDS (*African, Emden, Toulouse*)

DIVISION 629 | NON-STANDARD GEESE
BREEDS

CLASSES (Submission Categories)

22. Old Gander | Over 1 year

23. Old Goose | Over 1 year

24. Young Gander | Under 1 year

25. Young Goose | Under 1 year

AWARDS | AMERICAN SYSTEM | POULTRY | DIVISIONS 600-629

Offered per Class at the discretion of the Judges

FIRST PLACE	\$10 & RIBBON	FOURTH PLACE	RIBBON
SECOND PLACE	\$5 & RIBBON	FIFTH PLACE	RIBBON
THIRD PLACE	RIBBON		

SPECIAL AWARDS | POULTRY | DIVISIONS 600-629

Offered at the discretion of the Judges

BEST OF EACH DIVISION	\$5 & ROSETTE	RESERVE BEST OF SHOW	ROSETTE
BEST LARGE FOWL	ROSETTE	BEST OVERALL WATERFOWL	ROSETTE
BEST BANTAM FOWL	ROSETTE	OUTSTANDING POULTRY EXHIBITOR (Based on Points)	\$50 & ROSETTE
BEST OF SHOW	\$50 & ROSETTE		

POINTS | OUTSTANDING POULTRY EXHIBITOR (SPECIFICALLY)

Points are based on Placings in Breed Classes, Poultry Judging, and Showmanship.

AWARDS

POINTS

FIRST PLACE	5
SECOND PLACE	4
THIRD PLACE	3
BEST VARIETY	3
BEST OF BREED (PER DIVISION)	4
BEST OF SHOW	10
RESERVE BEST OF SHOW	8

DIVISION 630 | EGGS

Entry Fee - \$5.00

Entries must follow these guidelines:

- Entry shall consist of one dozen (12) eggs in a carton.
- Entry Limit – 2 entries per Exhibitor per class.
- Eggs will be judged on interior and exterior quality.
 - The judge reserves the right to break more than one egg in order to properly judge the exhibit.

CLASSES (Submission Categories)

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| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 26. White, Medium 27. White, Large 28. White, Extra Large 29. Brown, Medium 30. Brown, Large | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 31. Brown, Extra Large 32. Tinted, Medium 33. Tinted, Large 34. Tinted, Extra Large 35. Bantam Eggs | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 36. Duck Eggs 37. Goose Eggs 38. Quail Egg |
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SCORECARD | EGGS (SPECIFICALLY)

SIZE	Size of Eggs.	25%
INTERIOR QUALITY	Size of the Air Cell quality.	25%
INTERIOR QUALITY	Opaqueness quality.	25%
CONDITION	Condition of the shell(s).	8%
UNIFORMITY	Uniformity of size and shape of Eggs.	5%
TEXTURE	Shell textures.	5%
UNIFORMITY	Uniformity of color.	4%
SHAPE	Egg shapes.	3%
TOTAL:		100%

AWARDS | AMERICAN SYSTEM | EGGS

Offered per Class at the discretion of the Judges

FIRST PLACE	\$10 & ROSETTE	FOURTH PLACE	RIBBON
SECOND PLACE	\$5 & RIBBON	FIFTH PLACE	RIBBON
THIRD PLACE	\$3 & RIBBON		

SPECIAL AWARDS

BEST OF SHOW - EGGS	ROSETTE
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COMPETITION CALENDAR

POULTRY EDUCATION (JUNIOR)

ENTRY FORM DUE Competitors enter online at marinfair.org	SUNDAY, JUNE 29 BY 11:59PM
DROP OFF POULTRY EDUCATION SNAPSHOTS The Fur & Feathers Tent in the Barnyard	WEDNESDAY, JULY 2 8 AM – 10 AM
MANDATORY MEETING FOR EXHIBITORS & PARENTS/GUARDIANS The Fur & Feathers Tent in the Barnyard	WEDNESDAY, JULY 2 10 AM - 10:30 AM
SHOWMANSHIP Showmanship in Novice, Primary, Junior, & Senior.	WEDNESDAY, JULY 2 AT 11:30 AM
JUDGING POULTRY EDUCATION SNAPSHOTS The Fur & Feathers Tent in the Barnyard, after Showmanship.	FRIDAY, JULY 4 AT 1:00 PM
AWARDS CEREMONY The Fur & Feathers Tent in the Barnyard	SUNDAY, JULY 6 AT 4:00 PM
SNAPSHOTS PICK-UP ALL artwork MUST BE OUT by 7:00 pm.	SUNDAY, JULY 6 5:00 PM – 7:00 PM

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1. **ELIGIBILITY** - Open to all California youth competitors (both 4-H and non-4-H) ages 5 - 18.

ENTRY INFORMATION

2. **ENTRY FEES** - \$2.00 per Entry for Poultry Education Snapshots | Free per Entry for Showmanship
 - a. Fees are NON-refundable.
3. **ENTRY REMOVAL** - Entries shall not be removed from exhibition until the Fair closes.
4. **ENTRY RELEASE** - Entries must be picked up on release day. Entries will only be released by presenting your claim check, personal identification, or a signed letter of authorization from the exhibitor.

CREDENTIALING FEES & RULES

5. **CREDENTIALING FEES** - Each Exhibitor will be issued one admission pass and one combined admission & parking credential for a parent and/or guardian.
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7. The Marin County Fair reserves the right to photograph any exhibitor/animal/entry in the exhibition for educational, catalog, website, or publicity purposes.

LIABILITY

8. The County of Marin, Marin County Fair, and/or its contractors will not be responsible for loss or damage which may occur from any cause. Any entries received damaged will not be juried.
9. Work held more than 5 days after Release Date is Fair property and may be sold/donated to offset storage costs.

DIVISION 631 | POULTRY SHOWMANSHIP*

Entry Fee - FREE

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Entries must follow these guidelines:

- Please include Showmanship on your Entry form/registration.
- Bird used for Showmanship must be exhibited June 30 through July 4.
- *Replica stuffed poultry toys will be provided for the poultry showmanship competition if the poultry ban is still in effect.
- Exhibitors must have their Showmanship Bird entered in a Breed Class in order to compete.

CLASSES (Submission Categories)

1. **Novice*** Showmanship | Any age
2. **Primary** Showmanship | Ages 5 - 8
3. **Junior** Showmanship | Ages 9 -12
4. **Senior** Showmanship | Ages 13 - 18

*A Novice is an Exhibitor who has never competed in a Poultry Showmanship contest (regardless of age).

AWARDS | AMERICAN SYSTEM | POULTRY SHOWMANSHIP

Offered per Class at the discretion of the Judges

FIRST PLACE	ROSETTE	FOURTH PLACE	RIBBON
SECOND PLACE	RIBBON	FIFTH PLACE	RIBBON
THIRD PLACE	RIBBON		

Please Note - 1st and 2nd place winners from the Junior and Senior Showmanship Classes are invited to compete in the Round Robin Showmanship Contest on Saturday, July 5.

DIVISION 640 | POULTRY EDUCATION SNAPSHOTS

Entry Fee - \$2.00

Entries must follow these guidelines:

- **ENTRY LIMIT** - 5 Prints per exhibitor
 - The same image may NOT be entered in more than one class or division.
- Prints may be framed or unframed.
 - Unframed Prints must be mounted on mount-board or foam core which cannot be larger than the Print or the board size of 16" x 20".
 - Prints may be matted. Any color mat board is acceptable.
- Film processing and printing may be done commercially.
- Individual print only. No photo series. (Exception: a series or collage may be entered in Class 9 if framed as one item, 16" x 20" maximum).
- Photos may be taken with any device (camera, mobile phone, field glasses, GoPro, drone camera, etc.)

CLASSES (Submission Categories)

1. **Single Portrait** | Chicken, duck, goose, quail or other bird
2. **Portrait of 2 or more** | Chickens, duck, geese, or other birds
3. **A day in the life of my...** | Chicken, duck, goose, quail or other bird
4. **Selfie: Me and my...** | Chicken, duck, goose, quail or other bird

AWARDS | AMERICAN SYSTEM | POULTRY EDUCATION

Offered per Class at the discretion of the Judges

FIRST PLACE	\$10 & ROSETTE	FOURTH PLACE	RIBBON
SECOND PLACE	\$5 & RIBBON	FIFTH PLACE	RIBBON
THIRD PLACE	RIBBON		