



Ontario Holstein Dairy Youth Trust Fund

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Inter-County Provincial 4-H Dairy Cattle Judging August 2, 2012 – Embro Fairgrounds

The Ontario Holstein Branch is organizing the 2012 Inter-County 4-H Judging Competition. **The top four senior members receive a 10-day all-expenses paid trip to Madison to compete.**

Junior and Senior
Divisions

Junior Team- for members 12-15
Senior Team-for members 16-21
♦ ages as of January 1st 2012

Teams are to be composed of two 4-H members who are currently enrolled in a 2012 dairy calf club or dairy judging club project and a coach/chaperon. There is no limit on the number of teams a county wishes to enter.

The Ontario Joint Dairy Breeds Committee will pay the entry fee for one/two team per county/district/region, if that county has had at least two/four 4-H dairy calf club members attend a dairy cattle evaluation clinic (judging conference) this year.

The competition will include judging nine classes of dairy cattle. Junior division contestants will give oral reasons on 3 classes and the senior division will be required to give oral reasons on 6 classes. All contestants will write a quiz based on the general information in the updated 2010 dairy cattle judging manual.

Competition rules, registration forms, and 4-H Health and Safety Agreement Policy Forms can be found on the website www.ontario.holstein.ca/youth. The committee greatly appreciates your assistance in distributing notice of this competition to all the 4-H dairy calf club members and leaders within your area. The committee feels it would be beneficial to include Official and Aspiring Judges as coaches for county teams. If you require a listing of these Judges, visit the Branch website or give us a call.

The objectives of this competition are to develop decision making and communication skills of 4-H members; to teach how to properly evaluate dairy cattle; to provide competition beyond the county club level; as well as the encouragement and development of future Ontario judges. The top four contestants from the Senior Division will be invited to represent Ontario at the dairy cattle judging competition held at the time of World Dairy Expo in Madison, Wisconsin, later this fall.

The premier sponsor for this event is John Deere Ltd. If you happen to see any representatives from this organization in the upcoming months, please feel free to express your thanks for their support of youth in the industry. The Ontario Dairy Youth Trust Fund also sponsors this event and everyone is encouraged to keep this as a charity of choice when making donations.



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We invite returning and new judges to the competition and look forward to great participation from all the counties in Ontario.

Yours truly,