



MEMO

DATE: September 19, 2017

TO: TD Canadian 4-H Dairy Classic Contact Person / Chaperone

RE: **ENTRY FORM AND PERTINENT INFORMATION**

November will be here before we know it. The Classic committee has been working diligently with the Royal over major changes from last year and a few new ones this year, to make your experience at the Classic most rewarding it can be.

We are pleased that TD is on board again as a main sponsor along with the Semex partners, Holstein Canada, DeLaval, Norwell Dairy Systems and Gay Lea. We appreciate the dedication that these organizations have towards the show and the opportunity that is given to hundreds of dairy 4-H members from across the country to show at the Royal Agricultural Winter Fair. We strongly suggest that you extend your hand when you see a representative from these organizations and thank them for their sponsorship.

NEW

- An entry fee of \$20 plus HST per participant was initiated by the R.A.W.F. for all youth events this year. Payment is required at the time of entry.
- Three (3) Jersey classes will be offered this year – Junior, Intermediate and Senior Calves; Summer Yearling; and Junior Yearling. The scoring system will be adjusted to reflect this change.
- Ring of Excellence – the footing will be changed to rubber mats and shavings. This along with a few other enhancements should make the ring more secure and enjoyable.
- Celebrate Canada 150 – The Classic committee is taking a soft approach by making this part of the stall cards, golf shirts and catalogue. If groups wish to incorporate something into their display, we encourage you to do so.

Entry Form

Deadline for entries is Tuesday, October 10th. The assistexpo online entry system will be used again this year, however through the R.A.W.F. You can click on the following:

<https://www.assistexpo.ca/td-canadian-classic>

Soft Deadline

To help with stabling, it would be helpful if you could let me know how many from your county/district/province will be participating. If you could drop me a line by September 29th it would be very much appreciated.

Release of Indemnification

All participants must sign and return the attached form. This form signifies that the Classic committee, the Royal or any sponsor is not responsible for competitors while they are participating in the TD Canadian 4-H Dairy Classic. This signed waiver must be sent prior to the show by fax, email or mail to the Ontario Holstein Branch office.

Move in times

The main move in time for livestock for calves will be from 12 noon until 6pm on Sunday, November 5th as well as from 6 am until 9am on Monday, November 6th. This will allow time to do all the vet checks necessary when arriving on Royal premises. Groups that are coming in with their displays only can come in at 10 am on Sunday morning to setup, however no calves will be allowed prior to 12 noon as that is when vet checks will start. As well, if you could indicate whether your group would be coming in on the Sunday and Monday that would be appreciated. Please email, text or phone me this information. (see my contact details at end of memo)

Health Inspection

We have attached the health protocol for 4-H calf shows that will be used by the veterinarian inspecting the calves. Please ensure your calves are in a healthy state so as to not put the vet in the position to have to send calves home. All calves will be inspected for ringworm, warts and other health concerns prior to going to their county display or the wash rack at the time of move in. Once the calf has come off the trailer, they will be asked to go to the inspection station. Once the vet has inspected the calf then instructions will be given to enter or not enter the barn. See rule #9 in the Rules and Regulations for further information. If there is an issue with calf eligibility, please contact Dr. Tim Henshaw – ph # (705) 733-5513. Take a picture of the situation of concern and forward to Dr. Henshaw via text as he is the one that will make the call. It is better to be proactive before the calves are loaded.

Herdsmen Contest Score Sheet

The contact person would have received this earlier but it is attached as well. Attention should be brought to the length of the pack being nine (9) feet and they are allowed to use back boards to contain the shavings. The Royal will supply 2 yards of bark per panel (3 calves) and the shavings will be the responsibility of the county. It is estimated that you would need 4 bags of shavings per calf to make the initial pack. Each participant is given one free bag of shavings at the show. Remember – there is no overhead storage in the stalling area. There will be no bars available and no bars will be allowed into the barn for overhead use.

Chaperone Meeting / Agreement

The chaperones and one 4-H'er from each group are expected to attend a meeting on Monday afternoon at 3:00 p.m. in Salon 103 in the Trade Centre. Rules and Regulations for the show will be discussed and suggestions and comments are encouraged. This signed agreement must be sent prior to the show by fax or mail to the Ontario Holstein Branch office.

Stall Cards

Attached to this email. For the sake of the agreement with sponsors, we ask that the logos not be altered or removed.

Show Shirts

Show shirts will be handed out at the Registration table on Monday afternoon. These golf style shirts are men's sizes.

Measurement of Hair

Toplines will be measured on Tuesday morning prior to the showmanship preliminaries. If a calf is above the 1½ inch criteria, it is able to show in the showmanship classes, but it will be rechecked prior to the conformation classes the next day. However, the warned competitor will have one point taken off their team's total. If the calf's topline remains above the 1 ½ inch criteria on Wednesday morning, then the competitor will be able to have an opportunity to trim the calf and still show in the conformation classes (must remain in the same heat), however another point will be deducted from their team's total. The Classic Committee decision is final.

Professionalism:

Only 4-H members registered with the show will be allowed to prepare or clip calves for the TD Canadian 4-H Classic Show (Counties, districts, or provinces that include a herdsman must register that 4-H member at the time of registration on Monday.) All clipping, conditioning, or grooming, must be done by a 4-H member (showing in the Classic or registered as a county herdsman) in the designated TD Canadian 4-H Dairy Classic stall area.

If a third party person is involved in fitting a calf at the TD Canadian 4-H Dairy Classic that is not involved in the show, the county will lose 10 points and the calf that is currently being worked on by that person is ineligible and will be eliminated from the show. Any further action against the third party person and member will be under the responsibility of the associated team.

Friendly reminders, those groups coming in for the Group of 3 class, all 4-H'ers must be dressed in white, no exceptions. Full exhibits must stay up until the completion of the show, which is until the National Anthem is sung.

Registration

Is scheduled to take place on Monday, November 6th from 11 to 12 noon. Once registration is over, we encourage all 4-H members to stay at their exhibit to expedient the taking of team photographs, which is to commence at 1 pm.

The committee looks forward to your participation in the 2017 TD Canadian 4-H Dairy Classic and if you have any questions please do not hesitate to contact us.

Sincerely,



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