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WPA Show Circuit Awards Ceremony

WPA members participating in the Youth Show Circuit and selected pigs will accumulate points from each show they enter. Awards will be presented at the Wisconsin State Fair in the following categories:

- Top Point Achiever in each breed division for gilts and barrows
- Top Point Achiever in each Showmanship Age Division
- One exhibitor exhibiting a Wisconsin-bred animal during the season will be entered into a drawing for a hanging show box, to be given away at the state fair.

Over \$2,000 in cash prizes will be awarded to the Wisconsin-bred barrow and gilt champions in each breed division!

Breed Groupings:

Berkshire	Chester Whites	Crossbreds
Duroc	Hampshire	Hereford
Landrace	Poland China	Spots
Tamworth	Yorkshire	

Points will be awarded for class placings as follows:

- 1st place = 1 pt x number of pigs in class beaten
2nd place = 1 pt x number of pigs in class beaten
3rd place = 1 pt x number of pigs in class beaten
4th place = 1 pt x number of pigs in class beaten
5th place = 1 pt x number of pigs in class beaten

Breed Champions = 10 bonus points
Res. Breed Champions = 5 bonus points

Overall Champions = 10 bonus points
Overall Res. Champions = 5 bonus points

Only one animal per breed per sex can accumulate points for the member. Example: an exhibitor cannot receive points for two Duroc barrows at the same show. To receive points for two barrows or gilts, the member must exhibit two separate breeds.

Showmanship

Awards will be given to the top point achievers in showmanship classes for the following divisions: Novice (ages 5- 8), Junior (ages 9-12), Intermediate (ages 13-16), and Senior (ages 17-21). Ages are as of January 1 of show circuit year.

Points will be awarded for Showmanship placings as follows:
1st place = 15 points
2nd place = 10 points
All other participants = 5 points

Please note: The show's rules govern the show. The WPA awards points based on how the member places in their showmanship classes, with respect given to the WPA age divisions.

2007 Junior Show Circuit



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SANCTIONED SHOWS:

May 12 - Dodge-Point Lamb & Pig Extravaganza - Doubleheader, Iowa County Fairgrounds, Mineral Point. Contact: Denny McGraw (608) 935-3307 ext. 4053 or Mike Robinson (608) 987-2321
Website: http://showpage.com/dodge_point/index.html

May 19 - UWP Block and Bridle Club- 2 shows, Grant County Fair Grounds, Lancaster. Contact: Kelsey Sams, 920-723-8772.
Website: <http://www.pioneershowdown.com>

May 27 - The Badger 500, Rock County Fairgrounds, Janesville. Contact: Curt Watson, (608)201-1859, watsonfamilyfarms@yahoo.com; or Jeff Morris, (815)262-8018, jeff_morris@kentfeeds.com

June 2 & 3 - Grand Slam Hog and Lamb Jackpot Show - Doubleheaders, Lafayette Co. Fairgrounds, Darlington. Contact: Brian or Jayci Reilly (608) 482-2697
Website: <http://wisconsinclublambassociation.com>

June 10 - WLBA Spring Preview Show, Jefferson County Fairgrounds, Jefferson. Contact: Marv Espenschied (608) 543-3778
Website: <http://www.uwex.edu/ces/animalscience/youthlivestock/wlba.cfm>

June 16 - Glen and Lee Holmen Memorial, sponsored by Complete Feeds and Delavan/Darien FFA Alumni; Walworth County Fairgrounds, Elkhorn. Contact: Marty Speth (262) 728-2642 ext. 4461.

July 7 - Clark County Fairgrounds, Neillsville Contact: Kevin Lindow, (715) 683-6897.

BACKGROUND

The Wisconsin Pork Association is once again sponsoring an opportunity to showcase Wisconsin's youth and swine through the WPA Youth Show Circuit. Wisconsin's producers have prided themselves on maintaining quality swine herds in light of the industry challenges. Many youth have rejuvenated their interest in showing swine over the last few years. Through a show circuit, WPA will connect young producers with established breeders in Wisconsin to continue Wisconsin's reputation for quality breeding stock.

WPA's main goal is to provide junior swine exhibitors the opportunity to further their development of citizenship, leadership, and sportsmanship. The idea behind the junior show circuit is to reward the junior members for the hard work and dedication they give to their swine projects. We hope to also provide exhibitors guidance in showmanship, selection and project management.

For many families around the state, livestock provides a medium for youth to connect with their families, practice sound management and make future connections.

All participants that choose to be tracked for the show circuit must be paid members of the Wisconsin Pork Association by May 1st of the show year in order to earn points for the entire show season. Membership is based on the calendar year.

Pork producers are encouraged to join as active members (\$50) of the Wisconsin Pork Association. Active members who have sold pigs to youth participating in the Youth Show Circuit will have their name listed on the Breeder Page of the website.

Youth dues are \$25 per individual. No points will be accumulated prior to paying the membership dues. However, WPA will accept members at any time without penalty. Youth not eligible for the youth showmanship awards within WPA may show gilts and barrows under the family's farm name. Both pigs and youth will be tracked for recognition purposes.

BIOSECURITY CONSIDERATIONS

Following discussion by a Swine Exhibition and Health Task Force, youth participating in the WPA Show Circuit will be required to complete the following items for points consideration. Exhibitors in all livestock exhibitions must realize that there are economic risks to the Wisconsin pork industry in non-terminal shows; WPA asks that you follow strict biosecurity protocols to prevent the spread of disease.

1. All exhibitors must present a certificate of veterinary inspection upon arrival at the show, prior to unloading animals.
2. Exhibitors will be provided with swine biosecurity and welfare materials and be willing to sign-off that they have reviewed these materials with their parents, 4-H leader, or FFA advisor.
3. Exhibitors should discuss with a veterinarian a vaccination and health care program.
4. Exhibitors will be certified in the Pork Quality Assurance/Meat Animal Quality Assurance program.
5. Animals returning home from exhibition should be put into isolation prior to co-mingling with other pigs at the home premise. Exhibitors should also pay close attention to other biosecurity recommendations.
6. Exhibitors should treat all shows as terminal unless all the above recommendations are followed.
7. Exhibitors will be asked to present their premises registration number with the state of Wisconsin. To receive a premise registration number, call the Wisconsin Livestock Identification Consortium at 1-888-808-1910, or go to their web site at www.wiid.org.



WPA Membership Form

Please fill out the following information and send along with a check for \$25 per youth to the address below. Each individual needs to complete a form to be eligible for the WPA.

Name(s): _____

Address: _____

City: _____

State: _____ Zip: _____

Phone (_____) _____

E-mail Address: _____

Age (as of Jan 1, 2007) _____ Birth Date _____

T-shirt Size _____

Parent/Guardian Signature _____

Membership Dues: _____ Youth \$25

Premises Registration Number: _____

Please complete the back side of this form - GENERAL RELEASE prior to mailing. Thank you!

**Make check payable to WPA and mail to:
WPA, PO Box 327, Lancaster, WI 53813**

The membership dues are used for prizes, administration of the WPA show circuit and other WPA youth activities. No points will be accumulated prior to paying the membership dues. However, the WPA will accept members at any time without penalty. Enrollment forms will be available at WPA sponsored events, website at www.wppa.org, e-mail at wppa@wppa.org or contact WPA at (608) 723-7551, toll free in state is 800 822 7675.

*Check out the Youth Show Circuit website at
<http://www.wppa.org> or at
<http://swinecircuit.ddffa.org/>.*