

## Department 6 MULES & DONKEYS

Sunday	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
<b>AUGUST</b>		<b>1</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>4 Entry Deadline</b>	<b>5</b>
<b>6</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>8 Online entry deadline</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>11</b>	<b>12</b>
<b>13</b>	<b>14</b>	<b>15</b>	<b>16</b>	<b>17 Evening: Arrival</b>	<b>18 FAIR OPENS</b> 11:00 Judge & Exhibitor Meeting 1:00 Classes 1-30	<b>19</b> 9:00 Classes 31-47 6:30 Classes 48-51
<b>20 10:00 Classes 52-62 10:30 pm RELEASE</b>	<b>21</b>	<b>22</b>	<b>23</b>	<b>24</b>	<b>25</b>	<b>26</b>
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**SUPERINTENDENT:** Scott Nichols – Meridian, Idaho  
**JUDGE:** Grant Gibbs – Acampo, California

**ENTRY: Entries close Aug. 4.** Entries must be postmarked by this date. **Any late entries are subject to double entry fees and prior approval of the Superintendent.** You may submit your entries online. **Online deadline is Aug. 8.** Payment must be made with entry. Only Visa and MasterCard accepted online. [www.idahofair.com](http://www.idahofair.com). A \$2 per exhibitor convenience fee applies.

- The Management reserves the right to close entries whenever available space is filled. Entries must be made on forms supplied by the Western Idaho Fair. Entry forms must be completely filled out and include the name and breed of all animals entered along with age and registration number of Jacks where applicable. To delete or add classes for **animals already entered**, exhibitor must notify the Premium Office by 9:00 a.m., Aug. 18. **Ringside entries are prohibited.** Exhibitors may make as many entries in each class as desired, but **no Exhibitor will be allowed more than two premiums in any one class.**
- FEES:** An entry fee of \$12.00 per head will be charged. (\$24.00 per head if late.) **No refunds on entry fees.**
- PASSES:** Exhibitors entering one or more animals may purchase two exhibitors passes, per day of the show, at a cost of \$5.00 each. Additional passes may be purchased for \$5.00 each per day for riders, handlers, etc. **Remittance for entry fees and exhibitors passes must accompany entries.**
- PARKING:** Livestock exhibitors will be issued two vehicle parking permits. For more information see General Rules and information on page 4 or Website under General Rules.  
**Storage Pods** will be available in the designated area south of the Onion Ring (Trackside arena) to store tack, feed, equipment, etc. Because of limited space, livestock and horse trailers cannot be parked inside the Fairgrounds.
- CAMPING:** See General Rules and information on page 4 or Website under General Rules.
- ARRIVAL:** Mules and Donkeys may **arrive Thursday evening Aug. 17, but must be on the grounds by 10:00 a.m. Friday, Aug. 18.** Animals arriving after 10:00 a.m. will have to be led in from the Livestock Vehicle Parking Area. Vehicular movement is prohibited inside the admission gates while the Fair is open to the public.
- Exhibitors are requested to carefully read the **Rules and Regulations** in front of this Premium Book and/or Website.
- JUDGING SCHEDULE:** All classes will be held in the Onion Ring (Trackside Arena).  
**Friday, Aug. 18 – 1:00 p.m.** Classes 1 – 30  
**Saturday, Aug. 19 – 9:00 a.m.** Classes 31 – 47  
**Saturday, Aug. 19 – 6:30 p.m.** Classes 48 – 51  
**Sunday, Aug. 20 – 10:00 a.m.** Classes 52 – 62
- RELEASE:** Mules and Donkeys **will be released Sunday, Aug. 20 at 10:30 p.m.** or Monday, Aug. 21 before 8:00 a.m. All exhibitors must obtain a **'Release Slip'** from the Department Superintendent for transportation of livestock off the grounds. Vehicular movement is allowed for Mule & Donkey Exhibitors after 11:00 p.m. on Sunday.
- All animals shall be entered in the owner's name. **The date of computing age will be January 1.** No animals will be accepted for entry unless they are in show condition.
- Date of computing age for youth exhibitors will be Jan. 1 of show year.
- Prior to judging, the Superintendent will inspect all exhibits in the department to determine if they are entered in the class in which they should compete. In cases where it is obvious that entries are not correctly posted, the Superintendent must contact the Premium Office for a change to be made.  
**Anyone abusing their animal will be excused from all competition by Fair Management and/or the Judge.**
- All stalls are to be cleaned by 10:00 a.m. daily. Exhibitors must be prepared to care for animals all day. Exhibitors are responsible for care and security of their tack and equipment.
- The Management reserves the right to reject, accept conditionally, and to cancel any entries and award prizes without claim for damages.
- An exhibitor who violates any of the rules set forth in the Exhibitor Handbook will forfeit all privileges and premiums.

Exhibitors are requested to carefully read the General Rules and Regulations in the front of the Exhibitor Handbook or website. **Entry is deemed acceptance of the Rules.**

16. **HEALTH REQUIREMENTS:** Animals must be sound, in good health, and free of communicable diseases. Out-of-state animals must meet Idaho Department of Agriculture import requirements and be accompanied by a Certificate of Veterinary inspection dated no earlier than 30 days prior to arrival at the Western Idaho Fair.

For out-of-state Jacks, 12 months and older: the issuing veterinarian must write one of the four statements relative to Equine Viral Arteritis (EVA) "status" on the Certificate of Veterinary Inspection. These EVA status statements are found and defined in the Idaho State Department of Agriculture's Animal Import Rules IDAPA 02.04.21 and on the Idaho State Department of Agriculture's website – <http://www.agri.idaho.gov/Categories/Animals/importExport/indeximportexport.php>. Out-of-state animals **will be** required to have a valid (within the previous 12 months) Coggins (AGID or ELISA) test. All horses and mules should be vaccinated for infectious respiratory diseases transmitted animal-to-animal such as Equine Influenza and Equine Herpes Virus at least 30 days prior to exhibition. A West Nile Virus Vaccination is not required, but recommended. WNV is transmitted only from bird to mosquito to animal (NOT animal to animal and NOT from animal to mosquito to animal). All animals are subject to inspection at the Fairgrounds. Please contact your veterinarian to discuss appropriate vaccinations well in advance of the Fair.

#### **ADDITIONAL RULES:**

1. The Ring Steward controls all activity within the Ring.
2. Judges decisions are final. The Judge may only be approached with permission of the Ring Steward.
3. **No premiums** will be paid to entries that did not have a complete and qualified run.
4. **Green Mule:** Green mules are to be shown in a snaffle bit, bosal or regulation hackamore with both hands on the reins. Green mules or donkeys are those that have only been shown since August 15, 2015. Animals shown prior to August 15, 2015 may not enter Green classes. There is no age limit. Green mules may not cross enter in Open Classes and may be shown in a regulation hackamore.
5. **Open Mule:** Open mules to be shown in the bridle with a leverage bit. Competitors may use only one hand on the reins.
6. **Donkeys:** Donkeys can be shown in all "Open Mule" classes unless there is a Donkey equivalent class offered. The points will count for the donkey.
7. **Mechanical Aids** are prohibited in all classes except Gymkhana.
8. **Disqualification:** Failure to follow maneuvers or pattern as required in a class is grounds for disqualification.
9. **Gate holds** must be requested prior to the class. Gate holds will be a maximum of 5 minutes.
10. **Tie Breaker** – In the event of a Tie for a hi-point award the exhibitor with the most blue ribbons in the qualifying classes for that award will be awarded the hi-point award.
11. **Animal & Rider Numbers** – A number will be assigned to each animal entered. An exhibitor may enter one or more animals in a class but each animal may have only one rider per class.
12. **Hi-Point Awards:** Competitors must declare their intent to compete for high point awards in order to qualify for that award. A Hi-Point declaration must be included in the registration packet. The same animal and rider must be ridden

in each qualifying class. Only one Hi-Point will be awarded to an animal/rider team.

**PREMIUMS** (unless otherwise mentioned):  
1<sup>st</sup> - \$35 2<sup>nd</sup> - \$25 3<sup>rd</sup> - \$20 4<sup>th</sup> - \$15

**Friday, Aug. 18 – 11:00 a.m.** – Judge and Exhibitor Meeting

### **HALTER AND SHOWMANSHIP**

**Friday, Aug. 18 – 1:00 p.m.**

#### **Inside the Mule & Donkey Barn**

##### **DIVISION 1 – Halter Classes**

These are open classes. Animals are judged on conformation, quality, substance, way-of-going, refinement and condition. Your animals may be shown in action at a walk and trot and any other maneuvers at the request of the Judge. May be shown by Junior or Senior exhibitor. Judged 50% conformation, 20% way of going and soundness, 20% fitting and conditioning, and 10% appointments.

##### **Class:**

1. Donkey, either sex, under 2 year.
2. Jack at Halter (2 years & over, all sizes & colors)  
Exhibitor showing Jacks must be at least 18 years old. Jacks must be shown with a chain lead over, under and/or through the mouth, or with a bit type halter. Two handlers may be used.
3. Jennet & Donkey geldings at Halter (2 years & over, all sizes & colors)
4. **Champion & Reserve Champion Model Donkey** (1<sup>st</sup> & 2<sup>nd</sup> place awards from classes 1, 2 & 3, Non-premium Class)
5. 2017 Mule Foal at Halter (Mare may be in ring but not to be judged)
6. Broodstock: Mare with foal to be shown as one unit. Judged 50% on Dam, 50% on Foal (foal to be 2 years old or less)
7. 2016 Mule Yearling at Halter
8. John and Molly Mules – 2 to 3 years old
9. John Mules – 4 to 7 years old
10. Molly Mules – 4 to 7 years old
11. John Mules – age 8 years and over
12. Molly Mules – age 8 years and over
13. **Champion & Reserve Champion Model Mule** (1<sup>st</sup> & 2<sup>nd</sup> place awards from classes 5, 7 – 12, Non-premium Class)
14. Get-of-Sire: Three mules, any age, either sex, get-of-one-sire, need not all be owned by exhibitor. Sire must be named.
15. Produce-of-Dam: Two mules, any age, either sex, produce of one dam. Dam need not be present. Both need not be owned by exhibitor.

##### **DIVISION 2 – Showmanship**

Person and equipment to be neat and clean. Animal clean and well groomed. To be judged 10% on Exhibitor, 30% on Fitting and Conditioning, and 60% on Halter Showmanship. Ribbons: 1<sup>st</sup> – 4<sup>th</sup> place; Participant Ribbons to remaining contestants.

##### **Class:**

16. Showmanship – Youth, 18 years & under. Pattern will be posted at least 1 hour before the class, no Jacks may be shown.
17. Showmanship – Adult, may show either Donkey or Mule. Pattern will be posted at least 1 hour before the class.

**DIVISION 3**  
**PERFORMANCE CLASSES**  
Held in the Onion Ring/Trackside Arena

**Friday, August 18 following Showmanship Classes**

**30 Minute Break for Tack Changes & Arena Preparation**

**Class:**

18. English Pleasure – Youth, ages 18 and under, Proper English attire and tack required. To be shown at English gaits and perform as required by the judge.
19. English Pleasure – Green Mule – All ages, same rules as Class 18.
20. English Pleasure – Non-Pro. All ages, same rules as Class 18.
21. English Pleasure – Open. Same rules as class 18.
22. English Hunter Hack – Youth, ages 18 & under. Proper English tack required. Shown at the walk, trot and canter. Pattern will be posted at least 1 hour prior. At judge's discretion rail work in one direction may be requested.
23. English Hunter Hack – Green Mule. Same rules as Class 22.
24. English Hunter Hack – Non-Pro. Same rules as Class 22.
25. English Hunter Hack – Open. Same rules as Class 22.
26. English Jumping – Youth, ages 18 & under. Jumps not to exceed 24" in height. Course will have at least 4 jumps. Timed event, class placing by time with penalties for faults.
27. English Jumping – Green Mule. Jumps not to exceed 30" in height. Same rules as class 26.
28. English Jumping – Non-Pro. Jumps not to exceed 30" in height. Same rules as class 26.
29. English Jumping – Open. Jumps not to exceed 30" in height. Same rules as class 26.
30. Jump Off – Jumps start at 18 inches, raised in 6-inch increments for each round. Contestant is eliminated when the pole is knocked from the jump stand(s).

**Saturday, August 19 – 9:00 a.m.**

**Class:**

31. Western Pleasure Youth, ages 18 & under. Working Ranch attire and tack required. To be shown at a walk, trot and lope and any other maneuvers requested by the judge.
32. Western Pleasure – Green Mule – Same rules as class 31.
33. Western Pleasure Non-Pro. Same rules as class 31.
34. Western Pleasure, Open Mule – Same rules as class 31.
35. Western Riding, Youth, ages 18 & under. Proper Working Ranch attire and tack required. Pattern will be posted at least 1 hour before the class.
36. Western Riding, Green Mule. Same rules as class 35.
37. Western Riding Non-Pro. Same rules as class 35.
38. Western Riding, Open Mule. Same rules as class 35.
39. Ranch Riding – Youth, ages 18 and under. Working Ranch attire and tack required. Pattern will be posted at least 1 hour before the class.
40. Ranch Riding – Green Mule. Same rules as Class 39.
41. Ranch Riding – Non-Pro – All ages. Same rules as Class 39.
42. Ranch Riding – Open – All ages. Same rules as Class 39.
43. Ranch Trail – Open. Working Ranch attire and tack required. Pattern will be posted at least 1 hour before the class. This is a performance trail class.
44. Ranch Trail – Non-Pro. Same rules as Class 43.
45. Ranch Trail – Green. Same rules as Class 43.
46. Ranch Trail – Youth, ages 18 & under. Same rules as Class 43.
47. Team Water Bucket Race – All ages. This is a non-premium class.

**Saturday, August 19 – 6:30 p.m.**

**Class:**

48. Ranch Mule Trail – Working ranch attire and tack. Timed event, contestant must carry a rope. You may be asked to back, ground tie, work a gate, use a rope, put your slicker on, drag something, and otherwise negotiate the course. Pattern will be posted at least 1 hour before the class. Three chances to complete each item.
49. Speed Obstacles – Timed event through trail obstacles. Class placing by time with penalties for faults.
50. Pack Trail through Obstacles: Working Ranch attire and tack. Contestant to enter arena riding the saddle mule, leading one or more pack mules. The judge will evaluate the saddle mule and pack animal(s) demonstrated traits of confidence, trust, and cooperation and completion of maneuvers or obstacles. Timed only for tie-breaking purposes. Pattern & obstacles will be posted at least 1 hour before the class.
51. Barnyard Jumping – Timed event over 4 barnyard type jumps.

**Sunday, August 20 – 10:00 a.m.**

**Class:**

52. Scurry Race – All Ages. Competitors to cross the start line, travel over three jumps, go around a barrel in either direction and proceed back over the jumps and cross the finish line.
53. Barrel Race – Youth, ages 18 & under. This is a timed, traditional barrel race.
54. Barrel Race – Open – Adult, 19 & over. Same rules as class 53.
55. Pole Bending – Youth, ages 18 and under. A timed, traditional pole pattern.
56. Pole Bending – Adult, 19 & over. Same rules as class 55
57. Stake Race – Youth, 18 & under. Figure 8, centerline start and finish, timed event.
58. Stake Race – Adult, 19 & over. Same rules as class 57.
59. Musical Hula-hoops. Contestant may only run forward to the next available tire. Foot must be in the tire to count. This is a non-premium class.
60. Ride-A-Buck – All Ages. (Jackpot – Winner takes jackpot) Entry fee is your dollar. This is a non-premium class.
61. Egg & Spoon Race – All Ages. This is a non-premium class.
62. Run, Ride & Lead: All Ages, Mule or Donkey. This is a non-premium class.

**Sunday, August 20 – After Class 62**

**Awards will be presented as follows:**

**Barn Prize:** \$25 will be awarded by the **Western Idaho Fair** for the best-kept and decorated stall and best cleaned aisle. Judging for this award will be done before morning start times. To be judged 50% on decorations and 50% on neatness.

The following Hi-Point Awards are provided by independent supporters of the Mule and Donkey Community. The Western Idaho Fair provides trophies for the Reserve High Point Awards.

**CHAMPION MODEL DONKEY** – Winner Class 4

**CHAMPION MODEL MULE** – Winner Class 13  
**Boise Family Medicine, Dr. Dale Mock**

**YOUTH HI-POINT**

Classes 8-12, 16, 18, 22, 26, 31, 39, 46, 48.

**NON PRO HI-POINT**

**Matt & Pam Fournier** – Bend, Oregon  
Classes 8–12, 20, 24, 28, 33, 37, 41, 44, 48, 49.

**RANCH MULE HI-POINT**

**Janet Pope: DeVlieg Foundation** – Clarkston, Washington  
Classes: Age applicable classes from classes 8–12, 16–17, 31–46, and classes 48, 49, 50.

**ENGLISH MULE HI-POINT**

**Southside Longears/Al and Melinda Birt** – Nampa, ID  
Classes:  
Age applicable classes from classes 8–12, 16–17, 18–29.

**GREEN MULE HI-POINT**

**Jennifer & Scott Nichols** – Meridian, ID  
Classes 8–12, 16–17, 19, 23, 27, 32, 36, 40, 45.

**YOUTH GYMKHANA HI-POINT**

**Laurie Warren, Warren's Mule Training** – Council, ID  
Classes 52, 53, 55, 57.

**ADULT GYMKHANA HI-POINT**

**Mike & Sharon Peek, Peek Ranch** – Caldwell, ID  
Classes 52, 54, 56, 58.