



**2012 FLORIDA STRAWBERRY FESTIVAL®  
YOUTH BEEF BREED AND  
COMMERCIAL HEIFER SHOW**

Sponsored by



Located in the *CF Industries Ag Tent*

**Chairperson:** Tom Lay (813) 737-4247

**Contest open to:** Hillsborough and Polk County Youth

**Applications available:** Monday, November 14, 2011

**\*\*\*Limit 120 animals\*\*\***

**Applications requests to:** [www.beefbreedshow@tampabay.rr.com](mailto:www.beefbreedshow@tampabay.rr.com)

**Applications due:** Friday, January 6, 2012

**Arrival of animals:** Friday, March 9, 2012

**Letter will be sent of pre-assigned arrival time**

**Showmanship Judging:** Friday, March 9, 2012, 6:00 p.m.

**Show:** Sunday, March 11, 2012, 11:00 a.m.

**Release of animals:** Sunday, March 11, 2012, 8:30 p.m.

**For Application and Safety Form contact Tom Lay:**

**[BeefBreedShow@yahoo.com](mailto:BeefBreedShow@yahoo.com)**

Thank you

**120 ANIMALS LIMIT - APPLICATIONS APPROVED ON A FIRST COME FIRST  
SERVED BASIS.**

**ABSOLUTELY NO COOLERS, FOOD OR DRINKS IN LIVESTOCK TENT**

**NO GROOMING CHUTES**

Youth from Hillsborough and Polk Counties have been invited to participate in this show. In the event that more entry numbers are received than show management can accommodate, necessary eliminations will be made. Eligible breeds are: Angus, Brahman, Hereford, Limousin, Santa Gertrudis, Commercial Heifer (Brahman Influence/English Continental), Beefmaster, Simmental, Brangus, Charolais, Belgian Blue, & other breeds. Any breed represented by less than 5 animals will be required to exhibit in other breed classes. Classes will be determined after all entries are received. Oldest animal may not be over 3 years by January 1, 2012. Breed classes may be changed for the betterment of the Show at the discretion of the Show Management.

## RULES AND REGULATIONS

1. **ELIGIBILITY:** Any youth actively enrolled as a member of a nationally affiliated agricultural youth organization or a Breed Association in a Hillsborough or Polk County school, and not having graduated from the 12th grade. **Exhibitors will be allowed to enter two (2) animals however, management reserves the right to limit the participants to one (1) animal.**
2. **OWNERSHIP:** Exhibitors must have ownership of animals by January 1, 2012.
  - A. All youth beef breed animals must be registered in the name of the youth exhibitor and registration papers must reflect the date of ownership by January 1, 2012.
  - B. Commercial heifer entries **must** have a copy of the bill of sale attached to the application or parental statement of ownership since the animal's birth.
  - C. Verification of age on ALL commercial cattle will be required.
  - D. It is the Strawberry Festival's intent to allow chapter/clubs to show in the Youth Beef Breed Show to provide an opportunity for participation and learning to students who might not otherwise have the opportunity. Chapter animals must be registered in the name of the chapter. However, separate individuals may be designated to show separate animals by specifying the student's name in addition to the chapter name. It is required that the student assigned to show the animal, must be responsible for the care and feeding of that animal. That same exhibitor may enter showmanship. Chapter animals must be shown by a member of that chapter.
  - E. A copy of registration papers is required on ALL purebred animals. It is **mandatory** that copies of the registration papers be mailed in with the entry forms.

3. **ENTRY DEADLINE:** Entries must be postmarked no later than Friday, January 6, 2012. **Entries may be HAND DELIVERED or sent by MAIL to:**  
**Tom Lay**  
**4915 Wallace Rd**  
**Plant City, FL 33567**

**Absolutely no certified return receipt mail will be accepted.** Entry Forms must be filled out electronically, printed, signed by exhibitor, parent or guardian, and club advisor. Completed forms may be mailed to Tom Lay at the address indicated above or sent electronically to [beefbreedshow@tampabay.rr.com](mailto:beefbreedshow@tampabay.rr.com)

#### 4. HEALTH RULES ARE IN ACCORDANCE WITH STATE REQUIREMENTS.

A. In the event of government or the Florida Strawberry Festival® imposed quarantine of animal(s) entered for exhibit or sale at the Florida Strawberry Festival®, the Florida Strawberry Festival® accepts no responsibility for financial, or other, loss by the exhibitor incurred as a result of the inability to exhibit and/or market the animal(s). Government refers to any City, County, State, or Federal Agency with the legal power to impose such quarantine. The preceding statement pertains to the entire time period (prior to, during, or after the exhibit days) of the show and/or sale. Financial, or other, loss refers to financial loss due to the inability to market the animal at the Festival and to loss of premiums and awards due to the inability to exhibit the animal.

5. **ARRIVAL:** Animals will be accepted Friday, March 9, 2012. Pre-assigned arrival time will be sent to the exhibitor by email.

6. **RELEASE:** Animals will be released Sunday, March 11, 2012, at 8:30 p.m. Each exhibitor shall understand that any animal and/or show equipment removed before release date and time will forfeit all premium monies and the right to show in future Breed Shows at the Florida Strawberry Festival®.

7. **SHOWMANSHIP JUDGING:** Will begin at 6:00 p.m. on Friday, March 9, 2012.

**Age Division for competition:**

3-7 years old - Pee-wee

11 years old and under - Junior

12-14 years old ó Intermediate

15 years old and up ó Senior

**DRESS FOR SHOW COMPETITION:** Official dress is required for exhibitors. No caps or other paraphernalia will be allowed on exhibitors or animals. All exhibitors will be required to dress in proper show attire. (The proper show attire is long sleeve white shirt, dark jeans or dark slacks).

Pee Wee Showmanship Judging - Ages 3 - 7 years old. Child must be accompanied by an adult in the ring, no bulls over 6 months. To enter contact Tom Lay (813) 737-4247.

8. The animal must be fed and cared for by the exhibitor. Exhibitors will be required to have all stalls and animals presentable by 9:00 a.m. each day. No animals allowed out after 9:30 a.m. Each animal must be secured with a neck tie at all times. The show superintendent or an assistant will monitor this area. **THIS WILL BE STRICTLY ENFORCED.** Initial bedding for the animals will be supplied.

A. **Show Management reserves the right to reject any animal that cannot be properly managed by the exhibitor and resolve any other issues that may occur. Each exhibitor must assume all liability for his/her animal in case of injury or death.**

9. **CONDUCT:** Unbecoming conduct on the part of an exhibitor or anyone associated with the exhibitor will, at the discretion of the management, result in the disqualification of the exhibitor, removal of animal(s), and loss of premium(s), awards, and show privileges. Presence of exhibitors without permission in exhibit area or on the fairgrounds during the hours when exhibit is closed will be considered unbecoming conduct.

10. Physical condition of entrants, which management considers to be a problem for the entrant to participate in the show, may result in management not accepting an entry or not allowing an entrant to participate.

11. Entrants shall conform to the following standards in academics and conduct, which are presently a **2.0 grade average** and the passing of five (5) classes for participation. Conduct and academics shall be figured for the second nine weeks grading period of the school year during which the Show occurs, or shall conform to grade standards as set by the Florida High School Activities Association. No one under school suspension will be allowed to show. Exhibitor must present evidence at check-in. A report card showing second nine weeks grades will be acceptable.

12. There shall be separate classes for each of the Major Beef Breeds and Commercial Heifers. Only Registered Bulls may be shown. **NO Commercial Bulls will be allowed.**

13. Animals must conform to established show standards. Long-haired cattle, both commercial and purebred, must be clipped and groomed. **Major clipping of animals should be done prior to arrival at the fair. All exhibitors are strongly encouraged to fit and groom their own cattle.** Parents are allowed to provide minimal help in show preparation. No outside fitters are permitted to groom animals.

14. **NO VEHICLES WILL BE ALLOWED ON THE GROUNDS.  
NO GENERATORS WILL BE ALLOWED.**

**15. ABSOLUTELY NO COOLERS, FOOD OR DRINK WILL BE ALLOWED INSIDE THE LIVESTOCK TENT.**

**16. Anyone (to include exhibitors or their families) will not be allowed to use any cooking devices to include crockpots, etc. for cooking or warming food in the Livestock Tents. Using crockpots, etc. for cooking or warming food is a fire hazard and will, at the discretion of show management or General Manager of the Florida Strawberry Festival®, result in the disqualification of the exhibitor, removal of animal(s) and loss of premiums, awards and show privileges.**

17. Any question or protest concerning compliance with the Rules and Regulations or the eligibility of an exhibitor or his/her animal must be submitted in writing with a \$25.00 (non-refundable) fee within 24 hours of show check-in to Show Superintendent.

**18. TAMPERING:** Tampering with any animal entered, such as filling with water and/or a foreign substance, etc., is prohibited. The use of tranquilizers on show animals, or possession of same after arrival at the Fair, will be construed as a form of tampering.

19. Each exhibitor shall understand that compliance with these rules and regulations is a condition agreed upon for participation in the show.

The Florida Strawberry Festival® and the Beef Breed Committee will not be responsible in any way for sickness or accident of any nature which may occur to exhibitor or animal during activities associated with the Florida Strawberry Festival® nor will the Florida Strawberry Festival® Management and/or Beef Breed Committee be held responsible for loss, or theft of animals or implements involved in the Beef Breed Show.

Where any conflict occurs between the general rules and the special rules governing the different departments, the special rules will take precedence. The Fair Association reserves the right to construe its own rules and regulations and will determine all matters and differences in regards thereto including amendments.

**20. Anyone participating in this contest by way of entry, hereby agrees and consents to the use of any picture of contestant in any or all publications, TV, publicity brochure, internet, etc., that the Florida Strawberry Festival® may desire.**

**PREMIUMS AWARDED ON MODIFIED DANISH SHOW**

Blue - \$40.00

Red - \$30.00

White - \$20.00

ALL EXHIBITORS WILL RECEIVE \$15.00 PER ANIMAL FOR TRAVEL EXPENSES.

**PARKING IS NOT PROVIDED BY THE FLORIDA STRAWBERRY FESTIVAL®**

**ENTRIES CLOSE FRIDAY, JANUARY 6, 2012**

**ENTRY FORMS ARE NECESSARY:** They are available by contacting Tom Lay online at beefbreedshow@yahoo.com. In the event that more entries are received than Show Management can accommodate, necessary eliminations will be made.

**SEND ENTRIES TO:        Tom Lay  
                                  4915 Wallace Rd  
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**YOUTH BEEF BREED & COMMERCIAL HEIFER CLASSES**

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|---------------------------|--------------|
| 1. JUNIOR CALF:           | 6/11 ó 9/11  |
| 2. INTERMEDIATE CALF:     | 2/11 ó 5/11  |
| 3. SENIOR CALF:           | 10/10 ó 1/11 |
| 4. LATE SUMMER YEARLING:  | 6/10 ó 9/10  |
| 5. EARLY SUMMER YEARLING: | 2/10 ó 5/10  |
| 6. JUNIOR YEARLING:       | 10/09 ó 1/10 |
| 7. SENIOR YEARLING:       | 6/09 ó 9/09  |
| 8. TWO & THREE YEAR OLD:  | 1/09 ó 5/09  |

