WCLA YOUTH LIVESTOCK AUCTION BUYER'S NEWSLETTER

JULY 6, 2023

BUYER PRE-REGISTRATION

Last year, we tried a QR code for buyers to pre-register the night of the auction. It was so helpful to us, that it is returning this year and is already live. Buyers are encouraged to pre-register, those who have pre-registered by 7/28/23 will enjoy a faster check-in process the night of the sale. We will continue to offer the pre-registration the day of the sale, which will speed up the traditional registration process. Traditional in-person registration will begin at the auction ring at 4:00PM. Anyone who has preregistered may check-in and pick up their Buyer Catalog and Bidding Paddle also beginning at 4:00PM.

To pre-register to bid on animals at the auction, follow this <u>link</u> or scan the QR code to the right.

WCLA Youth Auction Registration



Purchasing Updates



We know that many of our buyers often pool money together to form buyer's groups at the sale. We are so thankful that we have people willing to work together to support our youth. For our 2023 sale, buyers are permitted to pool funds to purchase an individual sale lot as a buyer's group. However, only one payment will be accepted and processed for each sale lot. We will not accept multiple payments for in individual sale lot. It is up to the buyer's group to provide a single payment method for each sale lot.

This is a reminder that our auction is a terminal sale. Sale lots will not be allowed to be returned to the youth seller or kept live by the buyer. They must be processed by one of our designated butchers. For 2023, The Meating Place and Jacobsmuhlen's Meats will be the butchers for large animals.

Buyback, also known as resale, will also be available for buyers that do not wish to keep the meat. During the sale, if you want to keep your meat after purchasing an animal you will indicate that choice by giving the auctioneer a thumbs up. If you want to send your purchased animal to buyback, you will indicate this choice by giving the auctioneer a thumbs down.

There will be 10 slots available for swine lots to be sent to Carlton Farms for meat that buyers elect to donate to the local foodbank. Expenses associated with processing the meat for the foodbank are still being worked out. Please stay tuned for more details on this!

Online Add-On Sponsorships

Looking to support a youth participant, through a flat donation? Online add-on sponsorships have opened on our website and will be open through August 6, 2023 at 6:00 PM. Paper forms are available at this <u>link</u>, but must be received by the auction committee by the due date listed above. Cash or checks can be sent via mail with the printed form to the address listed at the bottom of the add-on form. Online transactions are received immediately by the auction committee but include a small processing fee.

Proxy Bidders

Would you like to bid on a youth livestock auction sale lot, but cannot make it to the sale in-person? The WCLA Auction committee is designating members to bid on behalf of auction buyers that cannot attend the live auction. To schedule a bidding proxy, complete all fields on the <u>Proxy form</u> and return it to the WCLA Auction Committee. If the proxy form is being submitted after July 22nd, 2023, please submit them via email directly to <u>natalie.allie@yahoo.com</u>. Proxy forms must be received no later than Friday July 28th at 5:00pm. We cannot guarantee that you will be the winning bidder of a sale lot, unless you explicitly state that you would like us to bid until you win the lot. You will receive confirmation of your proxy registration by 7:00pm Friday July 28th, 2022. Your proxy buyer will also contact you with your sale results as soon as possible once the sale is complete.

Blue Ribbon Steak Dinner

The Blue Ribbon Steak Dinner is back for 2023! On the night of the auction, July 29, 2023 from 4:00PM-6:00PM, the WCLA with the help of the Washington County Farm Bureau, is thrilled to be offering a 10oz. steak, served with potato salad, watermelon, chips, and your choice or lemonade or water for \$20.00 per meal. Tickets can be purchased now <u>online</u>. All proceeds from the Blue Ribbon Steak Dinner support scholarships for college-bound seniors! Online ticket sales close July 28, 2023 at 10:00 PM, but will be available onsite throughout the event. Cash, check, and credit card will be accepted for in-person transactions.

Small Animals- Turkeys, Chickens, and Rabbits

Marion Acres will be processing all small animal meat lots for 2023. This year, it will be the responsibility of the buyer of small animal lots to pay meat processing fees and to pick up the processed meat from Marion Acres on Monday July 31, 2023 by the end of the business day. Marion Acres will be contacting buyers when their meat is ready. However, Marion Acres will not be able to store or hold processed meat. Please ensure that you or another designated individual are available to pick up your processed meat lots the Monday after the auction, July 31st.

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