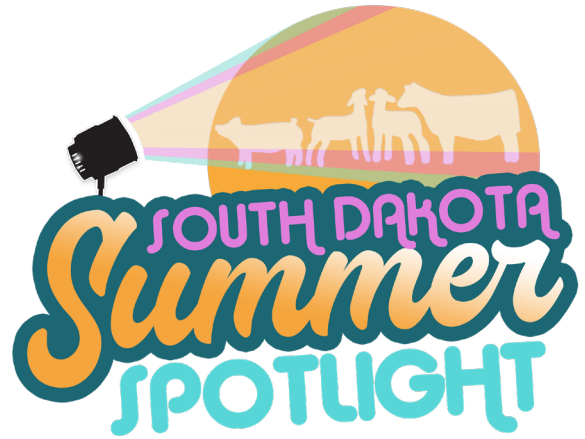


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**2023 SOUTH DAKOTA SUMMER SPOTLIGHT WELCOMES MORE THAN
600 JUNIOR LIVESTOCK ENTHUSIASTS TO STATE FAIRGROUNDS**

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HURON, S.D. (August 2, 2023) – The 2023 South Dakota Summer Spotlight, hosted by the South Dakota Beef Breeds Council was held July 26 - 30, 2023 in Huron, S.D. at the South Dakota State Fairgrounds. More than 2,000 entries were shown by more than 600 exhibitors. These junior exhibitors are all South Dakota residents or members of South Dakota 4-H and/or South Dakota FFA programs.

Additionally, more than 80 corporate and individual sponsors from across the country help fund the Spotlight Show including Platinum Sponsors – AgTegra Cooperative, Groton Ag Partners, Huron Business Improvement District, Sullivan Supply, Inc. and Trans Ova Genetics. With these generous financial contributions, the show provides a family-friendly event centered on animal husbandry, fellowship and educational opportunities.

Judge Josh Taylor - Oklahoma kicked off the week's events on Thursday, July 27, 2023 with the Wether Doe and Market Goat shows in the 4-H Complex. Results are as follows.

Grand Champion Wether Doe exhibited by Ashlyn Tangen of Bruce, SD
Reserve Grand Champion Wether Doe exhibited by Paislee Mette of Madison, SD
3rd Overall Wether Doe exhibited by Paislee Mette of Madison, SD
4th Overall Wether Doe exhibited by Brayden Goehring of Herreid, SD
5th Overall Wether Doe exhibited by Alana Olsen of Irene, SD

Grand Champion Market Goat, Champion Market Doe exhibited by Matea Gordon of Whitewood, SD
Reserve Grand Champion Market Goat, Champion Market Wether exhibited by Kylie Beare of Estelline, SD
3rd Overall Market Goat, Reserve Market Wether exhibited by Swayzee Dunsmore of Wessington, SD
4th Overall Market Goat, 3rd Overall Market Wether exhibited by Matea Gordon of Whitewood, SD
5th Overall Market Goat, Reserve Market Doe exhibited by Delaney Zoss of Forestburg, SD

Again the next morning on Friday, July 28, 2023, Josh Taylor of Oklahoma evaluated the Commercial and Registered Breeding Goats in the Morton Building. Results are as follows.

Grand Champion Commercial Breeding Doe exhibited by Hayden Grace of Salem, SD
Reserve Grand Champion Commercial Breeding Doe exhibited by Easton Ebbers of Lake Norden, SD
3rd Overall Commercial Breeding Doe exhibited by Ashlyn Roudabush of Mitchell, SD
4th Overall Commercial Breeding Doe exhibited by Colt Johnson of Colton, SD
5th Overall Commercial Breeding Doe exhibited by Delaney Zoss of Forestburg, SD

Grand Champion Registered Breeding Doe exhibited by Delaney Zoss of Forestburg, SD
Reserve Grand Champion Registered Breeding Doe exhibited by Maisy Petersen of Pukwana, SD
3rd Overall Registered Breeding Doe exhibited by Lincoln Dikoff of Wecota, SD
4th Overall Registered Breeding Doe exhibited by Lincoln Dikoff of Wecota, SD
5th Overall Registered Breeding Doe exhibited by Zachary Shultz of Bruce, SD

Tom Buckham of Kalamzaoo, Michigan judged the Market Lambs on Friday, July 28th in the 4-H Complex. Results are as follows.

Grand Champion Market Lamb, Champion Natural exhibited by Madison Fairley of Gayville, SD
Reserve Champion Market Lamb, Champion Crossbred exhibited by Raina Johnson of Harrisburg, SD
3rd Overall Market Lamb, Champion Hampshire exhibited by Madison Fairley of Gayville, SD
4th Overall Market Lamb, Reserve Natural exhibited by Raina Johnson of Harrisburg, SD
5th Overall Market Lamb, Reserve Crossbred exhibited by Havana Mikkelson of Watertown, SD

Bright and early Saturday morning, July 29, 2023 the Beef Cattle entered two show rings in the 4-H Complex. Two judges – Jeff Paulsen of Preston, Iowa and Callahan Grund of Wamego, Kansas selected the breeding heifer and market animal champions. Results are as follows.

Supreme Champion Breeding Heifer, Champion Chianina exhibited by Creighten Werning of Emery, SD
Reserve Supreme Champion Breeding Heifer, Champion Commercial exhibited by Oaklyn Plamp of Mitchell, SD
3rd Overall Breeding Heifer, Champion MaineTainer exhibited by Ivy Fawcett of Ree Heights, SD
4th Overall Breeding Heifer, Champion Purebred Simmental exhibited by Kenidey Effling of Highmore, SD
5th Overall Breeding Heifer, Champion Limousin exhibited by Memphis Peterson of Pukwana, SD

Supreme Champion Market Animal, Champion Crossbred exhibited by Croix Reimann of Ree Heights, SD
Reserve Supreme Champion Market Animal, Champion Maine-Anjou exhibited by Thatcher Werning of Emery, SD
3rd Overall Market Animal, Reserve Champion Crossbred exhibited by Brady Beitelspacher of Bowdle, SD
4th Overall Market Animal, Champion Red Angus exhibited by Tucker Micheel of Cavour, SD
5th Overall Market Animal, Champion Simmental exhibited by Cailey Sime of Milbank, SD

The Breeding Sheep Show began later in the day on Saturday, July 29, 2023 in the Morton Building. Randy Dombek of Pipestone, Minnesota sorted through the Breeding Ram and Breeding Ewe entries. Results are as follows.

Supreme Champion Breeding Ram, Champion Southdown exhibited by Carissa Scheel of Alpena, SD
Reserve Supreme Champion Breeding Ram, Champion AOB exhibited by Bailey Weegar of Viborg, SD
Supreme Champion Breeding Ewe, Champion Southdown exhibited by Emily Nold of Brookings, SD
Reserve Supreme Champion Breeding Ewe, Champion Targhee exhibited by Carissa Scheel of Alpena, SD

The 2023 South Dakota Summer Spotlight Show wrapped with the Swine Shows held in the Swine Complex. Breeding Gilt, Market Barrow and Market Gilt exhibitors all showed under judge Eric Polich of Iowa. Results are as follows.

Supreme Champion Breeding Gilt, Champion Crossbred exhibited by Ryker Johnke of Madison, SD
Reserve Supreme Champion Breeding Gilt, Reserve Crossbred exhibited by Jocelyn Wagner of Redfield, SD
3rd Overall Breeding Gilt, Champion Duroc exhibited by Camden Miller of Estelline, SD
4th Overall Breeding Gilt, Champion Berkshire exhibited by Gracelyn Straight of Parkston, SD
5th Overall Breeding Gilt, Champion Spot exhibited by Andrew Moe of Bruce, SD

Supreme Champion Market Hog, Grand Champion Barrow exhibited by Cayson Bratland of Willow Lake, SD
Reserve Supreme Champion Market Hog, Reserve Champion Crossbred Barrow exhibited by Brooklyn Jeratowski of Madison, SD
3rd Overall Market Hog, Third Overall Barrow exhibited by Lane Krueger of Groton, SD
4th Overall Market Hog, Grand Champion Market Gilt exhibited by Jonathan Moe of Bruce, SD
5th Overall Market Hog, Fourth Overall Barrow exhibited by Garrett Zeigler of Gettysburg, SD

Several educational and fellowship opportunities were available throughout the weekend for the youth exhibitors and their families, including Coffee and Donuts sponsored by Rock Creek Embryonics, Ice Cream Social hosted by the South Dakota Farmers Union and additional Sales Talk, Public Speaking and Cattlemen's Quiz contests for the South Dakota Junior Simmental Association members.

A scholarship program was created in 2019, and scholarships have been given every year since. These awards are based on leadership, career goals and community involvement. Four scholarships, sponsored by Martin-Trudeau Insurance and Dakota Vision Ag, were announced at the 2023 South Dakota Summer Spotlight Show.

Matea Gordon of Whitewood, SD
Preston Mattheis of Parkston, SD
Aliceson Stranberg of Newell, SD
Mitchell VanderWal of Howard, SD

Sullivan Supply, Inc. conducted Stock Show U Showmanship and Fitting Clinics for all species (beef, goats, sheep and swine) throughout the weekend. Sullivan Supply also provided prizes for the Top 5 Senior (ages 14-21), Junior (ages 11-14), Beginner (ages 8-10), and PeeWee (ages 7 and under) showmen for each species.

MARKET GOAT SHOWMANSHIP – Judge: Josh Taylor of Perkins, Oklahoma

Grand Champion Senior Showman, Matea Gordon of Whitewood, SD
Reserve Champion Senior Showman, Carley Crist of Wakonda, SD
3rd Overall Senior Showman, Delaney Zoss of Forestburg, SD
4th Overall Senior Showman, Ashlyn Tangen of Bruce, SD
5th Overall Senior Showman, Carissa Scheel of Alpena, SD

Grand Champion Junior Showman, Alana Olsen of Irene, SD
Reserve Champion Junior Showman, Taylor Mcgraw of Raymond, SD
3rd Overall Junior Showman, Reagan Bischoff of Huron, SD
4th Overall Junior Showman, Maria Steffensen of Arlington, SD
5th Overall Junior Showman, Lincoln Scheel of Erwin, SD

Grand Champion Beginner Showman, Coy Peterson of Pukwana, SD
Reserve Champion Beginner Showman, McQuade Beare of Estelline, SD
3rd Overall Beginner Showman, Gavin Rausch of Gettysburg, SD
4th Overall Beginner Showman, Sawyer Grace of Salem, SD
5th Overall Beginner Showman, Kennedy Stern of Garden City, SD

Grand Champion PeeWee Showman, Ellie Olsen of Irene, SD
Reserve Champion PeeWee Showman, Harper Johnson of Garretson, SD
3rd Overall PeeWee Showman, Regan Rausch of Gettysburg, SD
4th Overall PeeWee Showman, Holden Tostenson of Highmore, SD
5th Overall PeeWee Showman, Gentry Stern of Garden City, SD

BREEDING DOE SHOWMANSHIP – Judge: Josh Taylor of Perkins, Oklahoma

Grand Champion Senior Showman, Teagan Scheel of Alpena, SD
Reserve Champion Senior Showman, Drew Pederson of Garretson, SD
3rd Overall Senior Showman, Delaney Zoss of Forestburg, SD
4th Overall Senior Showman, Ashlyn Roudabush of Mitchell, SD
5th Overall Senior Showman, Kacy Goehring of Parkston, SD

Grand Champion Junior Showman, Jade Twedt of Beresford, SD
Reserve Champion Junior Showman, Colt Johnson of Colton, SD
3rd Overall Junior Showman, Abby Goehring of Parkston, SD
4th Overall Junior Showman, Tenley Olinger of Woonsocket, SD
5th Overall Junior Showman, Evan Littau of Winner, SD

Grand Champion Beginner Showman, Paislee Mette of Madison, SD
Reserve Champion Beginner Showman, Hayden Grace of Salem, SD
3rd Overall Beginner Showman, Kennedy Stern of Garden City, SD
4th Overall Beginner Showman, Hayes Van Der Vliet of Colton, SD
5th Overall Beginner Showman, Magda Martinez of Ethan, SD

Grand Champion PeeWee Showman, Kinzlee Mette of Madison, SD
Reserve Champion PeeWee Showman, Huxley McCloud of Lake Preston, SD
3rd Overall PeeWee Showman, Gentry Stern of Garden City, SD
4th Overall PeeWee Showman, Korbyn Schnabel of Eureka, SD
5th Overall PeeWee Showman, Landry Eschenbaum of Lake Preston, SD

BEEF SHOWMANSHIP – Judges: Zane Barragree and Sam Trehal of Columbus, Montana

Grand Champion Senior Beef Showman, Jady LeDoux of Harrold, SD
Reserve Champion Senior Beef Showman, Wyatt James of Bruce, SD
3rd Overall Senior Beef Showman, Kenidey Effling of Highmore, SD
4th Overall Senior Beef Showman, Memphis Peterson of Pukwana, SD
5th Overall Senior Beef Showman, Sawyer Styles of Brentford, SD

Grand Champion Junior Beef Showman, Kinsly Altena of George, IA
Reserve Champion Junior Beef Showman, Oaklyn Plamp of Mitchell, SD
3rd Overall Junior Beef Showman, Hollis Fawcett of Ree Heights, SD
4th Overall Junior Beef Showman, Kianna Hazel of Beresford, SD
5th Overall Junior Beef Showman, Emma Caulfield of Bradley, SD

Grand Champion Beginner Beef Showman, Bevin Bertsche of Onida, SD
Reserve Champion Beginner Beef Showman, Bayler Hurlbut of Raymond, SD
3rd Overall Beginner Beef Showman, Brrigston Bertsche of Onida, SD
4th Overall Beginner Beef Showman, Ivy Fawcett of Ree Heights, SD
5th Overall Beginner Beef Showman, Thatcher Werning of Emery, SD

All PeeWee Showmen were given banners sponsored by 605 Sires + Donors.

MARKET LAMB SHOWMANSHIP – Judge: Tom Buckham of Kalamazoo, Michigan

Grand Champion Senior Showman, Madison Fairley of Gayville, SD
Reserve Champion Senior Showman, Raina Johnson of Harrisburg, SD
3rd Overall Senior Showman, Landree Callies of Howard, SD
4th Overall Senior Showman, Carissa Scheel of Alpena, SD
5th Overall Senior Showman, Andrea Miller of Gayville, SD

Grand Champion Junior Showman, Taylor McGraw of Raymond, SD
Reserve Champion Junior Showman, Sutton Stearns of Oakes, ND
3rd Overall Junior Showman, Maliya Mikkelson of Watertown, SD
4th Overall Junior Showman, Havana Mikkelson of Watertown, SD
5th Overall Junior Showman, Rayna Chelmo of Kimball, SD

Grand Champion Beginner Showman, Kamden Junck of Hinton, IA
Reserve Champion Beginner Showman, Coy Stephenson of Faulkton, SD
3rd Overall Beginner Showman, Jake Reppe of Alcester, SD
4th Overall Beginner Showman, Kade Sweeter of Worthing, SD
5th Overall Beginner Showman, Aubree Sweeter of Worthing, SD

Grand Champion PeeWee Showman, Cambri Stehenson of Faulkton, SD
Reserve Champion PeeWee Showman, Ty Bauman of Pipestone, MN
3rd Overall PeeWee Showman, Shally Muller of Agar, SD

4th Overall PeeWee Showman, Drew Ruml of Castlewood, SD
5th Overall PeeWee Showman, Cambree Holt of Lake Preston, SD

BREEDING SHEEP SHOWMANSHIP – Judge: Randy Dombek – Pipestone, MN

Grand Champion Senior Showman, Emily Nold of Brookings, SD
Reserve Champion Senior Showman, Bailey Weegar of Viborg, SD
3rd Overall Senior Showman, Colton Michalek of Chamberlain, SD
4th Overall Senior Showman, Carissa Scheel of Alpena, SD
5th Overall Senior Showman, Capri Mullenix of Beresford, SD

Grand Champion Junior Showman, Brooke Howard of Stickney, SD
Reserve Champion Junior Showman, Brittany Weegar of Viborg, SD
3rd Overall Junior Showman, Kaycee Scheel of Alpena, SD
4th Overall Junior Showman, Taygen VanDerVliet of Humboldt, SD
5th Overall Junior Showman, Bridget Benest of Viborg, SD

Grand Champion Beginner Showman, Brittyn Gottlob of Salem, SD
Reserve Champion Beginner Showman, Cashlynn VanDerVliet of Humboldt, SD
3rd Place Beginner Showman, Henry Nielson of Alexandria, SD
4th Place Beginner Showman, Toree Olinger of Woonsocket, SD
5th Place Beginner Showman, Rielle Knock of Tulare, SD

Grand Champion PeeWee Showman, Aurorah Gottlob - Salem, SD
Reserve Champion PeeWee Showman, Evangeline Wachter - Huron, SD
3rd Overall PeeWee Showman, Hasten Hiemstra - Woonsocket, SD
4th Overall PeeWee Showman, Tripp Olinger - Woonsocket, SD

SWINE SHOWMANSHIP – Judge: Christine Flaspohler-Smit of Boyden, IA

Grand Champion Senior Showman, Melanie Calmus of Canova, SD
Reserve Champion Senior Showman, Lacie Weber of Rutland, SD
3rd Overall Senior Showman, Cayson Bratland of Willow Lake, SD
4th Overall Senior Showman, Ryker Johnke of Madison, SD
5th Overall Senior Showman, Lane Krueger og Groton, SD

Grand Champion Intermediate Showman, Clayton Weber of Rutland, SD
Reserve Champion Intermediate Showman, Kase Callies of Winfred, SD
3rd Overall Intermediate Showman, Liza Krueger of Groton, SD
4th Overall Intermediate Showman, Brooklyn Jeratowski of Madison, SD
5th Overall Intermediate Showman, Jocelyn Wagner of Redfield, SD

Grand Champion Junior Showman, Claire Murphy of Arlington, SD
Reserve Champion Junior Showman, Andrew Moe of Bruce, SD
3rd Place Junior Showman, Suttyn Klinkhammer of Spencer, SD
4th Place Junior Showman, Kreyton Karstens of Howard, SD
5th Place Junior Showman, Lauren VonEschen of Wagner, SD

Grand Champion PeeWee Showman, Lennix Jeratowski of Madison, SD
Reserve Champion PeeWee Showman, Landan Wager of Gettysburg, SD
3rd Place PeeWee Showman, Brantley Jensen of Rutland, SD
4th Place PeeWee Showman, Fletcher Straight of Parkston, SD
5th Place PeeWee Showman, Clate Weber of Ethan, SD

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