2024 Bucket Calf Show Meeting and Show Dates

Meeting #1 Monday, March 18, 2024, 6:30 – 7:30 pm @ Austin County

Fairgrounds

Informational Meeting

Calf Information, diagrams, breeds

Meeting #2 Monday, April 15, 2024, 6:30 – 7:30 pm @ Austin County Fairgrounds

What to look for when buying a calf

Checklist once you get home

Meeting #3 Monday, May 20, 2024, 6:30 – 7:30 pm @ Austin County Fairgrounds

Managing and handling your calf Dealing with sickness and vaccinations

Special Guest: Main Street Animal Hospital

Meeting #4 Monday, June 17, 2024, 6:30 – 7:30 pm @ Austin County

Fairgrounds

FFA and 4H Mentors project presentations

Meeting #5 Monday, July 15, 2024, 6:30 – 7:30 pm @ Austin County Fairgrounds

Showmanship

Progress Show Sunday, August 11, 2024, 10 am - @ Austin County Fairgrounds

Date subject to change

MANDATORY PROGRESS SHOW - BRING YOUR CALF

Complete final registration paperwork and pay \$40 registration fee.

Meeting #6 Monday, September 16, 2024, 6:30 – 7:30 pm @ Austin County

Fairgrounds

What to expect at the show

ACF Show Sunday, October 6, 2024 - HELD AT FAIRGROUNDS, 9 am

Date subject to change

Austin County Fair Bucket Calf Show

Rules and Information Sheet

We are excited that you have chosen to participate in the 2024 Austin County Fair and Livestock Show Bucket Calf Show. The project was started to expose youth to the basic care and responsibility of caring for a calf.

Guidelines

Eligibility

- Open to Austin County youth ages 4 8 years old, Pre-Kindergarten to 2nd grade. Participants turning 9 as of August 31, 2024 are ineligible.
- Participant must attend 3 Bucket Calf Project meetings between February and September.
- •Meetings are held the 3rd Monday of every month.
- · Participant must be able to halter break and lead a calf.
 - Participant and their calf <u>must attend</u> the mandatory Progress Show in August 2023 (actual date TBD) in order to show at the Austin County Fair. (*The Progress Show attendance does not count towards the 3 meetings*.)

Calf Requirements

Project calf must be born between May 1, 2024 and July 8, 2024 (must be born 6 weeks prior to Progress Show).

- All bucket calves are required to be vaccinated by **August 1, 2024** of current year.
- Calf must be bottle fed. No nurse calves.
- Project calves can be any gender/breed.
- If a calf becomes ill and/or dies, a replacement calf can be purchased as long as it is born before July 8, 2024.

Project Requirements

- Entry Form completed and fee of \$40 due at Progress Show.
 - Participant will complete vaccination records as part of their entry form at Progress Show.
 - •Read and be familiar with the general rules stated in the Rules and Regulations of the Austin County Fair & Livestock Association, including the NO PASS- NO PLAY policies and the Substance Avoidance Program.

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