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BRANCH COUNTY FAIR

AUGUST 3-9, 2025

“95th Annual Branch County Fair....A Totally 90's Celebration”

ALL ENTRIES DUE BY JUNE 30, 2025

Visit the Fair Website @ www.branchfair.com to stay updated on schedules, the fair book and any other fair events. Also, like us on Facebook to get all current events as they happen.

FAIR OFFICE HOURS: Closed daily from Noon-1:00 pm

Friday Entry Day for Branch Buds & Small Animals & Barnyard Small Animals: 4:00-9:00 pm

Entry day: 8:00 am - 6:00 pm and closed from Noon-1:00 pm for lunch

Sunday through Friday: 8:30 am - 5:00 pm

Last Saturday of Fair: 9:00 am - Noon & 5:00 pm - 9:00 pm

CAMPING UPDATES: Camper DrawDown will take place on Wednesday July 16, 2025 (Large Animal & Horses ONLY) THE CAMPER DRAWDOWN WILL TAKE PLACE IN SCHLUBATIS HALL. Doors open at 6:30pm, Drawing begins at 7:00pm. NO SIGN UP AFTER 7pm. Cost of camping spots will include two camper parking passes and two weekly admission passes. . **Camping fee must be submitted with reservation.**

-Full hookup Campground D \$260

-Campground E water/electric \$240

-Full hookup Campground A (lots 1-56) \$280

Superintendents and Fair Board Members may come in on Thursday, July 31st after 4:00 pm. All other campers may come in on Friday, August 1st after 8:00 am.

PARKING PASSES & ADMISSION PASSES:

Parking passes and admission passes can be picked at the fair office starting July 21st during regular office hours or August 2nd & 3rd until 7:00 pm and on entry day.

ADMISSION PRICES

Adult (Ages 11 and over)	\$5.00 Daily
Children (10 & Under)	FREE
Weekly	\$15.00
Youth Exhibitor	FREE
Parent of Youth Exhibitor	\$10.00 Weekly

PARKING PASS PRICES

Daily	\$3.00
Weekly	\$10.00
Youth/Parent Exhibitor Parking Pass	\$5.00 Weekly

LIVESTOCK EXHIBITORS: (this includes small animals) will have a special parking pass and only these passes will be allowed to use the entrance by the river on Sprague Street. You can pick up your passes starting July 21st at the Fair Office. You can pick up project entry tags for craft and Home Ec. projects at the Fair Office at that time.

ALL MARKET EXHIBITORS exhibitors must attach their YOCA/Jr Livestock/ Education/ Equine only course certification to their fair entry. They must complete a Livestock Owners Certificate for each market species found on fairentury.com welcome page by June 30th @ midnight. This step must be completed in order to show and sell. **No Fair Entry, Owner's Certificates or Animal welfare course certificates will be accepted after June 30th.**

ALL NON-MARKET LIVESTOCK EXHIBITORS MUST COMPLETE a Non-Market Livestock Lease Contract. if the exhibitor does not own the animal he/she is bringing to Fair. This form can be found on fairentury.com welcome page.

NON-LIVESTOCK YOUTH EXHIBITORS OR PARENT: Will be able to purchase a general parking pass for \$5.00. This will get you in any gate **except** the livestock gate. You can begin purchasing your passes July 21st at the Fair Office.

ADMISSION TO AMPHITHEATER: Youth Exhibitors who have projects entered in 2025 Fair will be admitted for \$2.00 every night. *Exhibitors will use their weekly admission pass; which can be picked up at the fair office free to all youth exhibitors. The exhibitors admission pass is the responsibility of the exhibitor and will NOT be replaced if lost. A weekly pass will be available in advance for adult's for \$70.*

AMPHITHEATER:

Tickets are available to purchase at the gate. Here is a list of the attractions that you can see in the amphitheater at this year's fair. For more information on times and pricing visit: www.branchfair.com

Monday, August 4th	PONY PULLERS & STREET LEGAL PICKUPS & SEMI PULLS
Tuesday, August 5th	ANTIQUE TRACTORS & FARM STOCK PULLS & HOT FARM
Wednesday August 6th	MOD, 4WD, SUPER FARM, MINI MOD NTPA TRACTOR PULLS
Thursday August 7th	UNIQUE MOTOR SPORTS OFF ROAD DERBY/POWERWHEEL
Friday August 8th	INTERNATIONAL DEMO DERBY
Saturday August 9th	TK PRO RODEO

ENTRIES OF EXHIBITS: (THIS INCLUDES THE OPEN CLASS ENTRIES)

Please note that entry day is Saturday, August 3rd and everything must be entered that day.

!!New this year!!

Entry day will be Friday, August 1st for Small Animals exhibitors, inc. Branch Buds and Barnyard Children at the Small Animal Barn from 4-9pm.

ALL BRANCH BUD CRAFTS will check in on Friday, August 1st from 6:00-8:00 pm.

LIVESTOCK is to be brought in from Saturday, August 2nd from 8:00am to 2:00pm and 5:00pm - 6:00pm thru livestock gate only. Horses will enter the main gate and exit via the Jefferson St. gate.

SHOW RING IDENTIFICATION: All members showing livestock in a ring will need an exhibitor number. This card is to be worn on the member's back. The 5x8 card will be provided; you can pick up your number at the show shelter the day of show. **YOU NEED TO FURNISH YOUR OWN SAFETY PINS.**

MARKET EXHIBITORS: To help you figure Rate of Gain, the chart is online at www.branchfair.com, on the Fair Entry page.

ENTRY DAY: HOME EC. & SANFORD HALL: (Branch Buds will be on the West end of the Home Economics Building) The following schedule is for all Home Ec & Sanford Hall entry day. **Barns are open at 9:00am and will be closed from 11:30 am - 12:30 pm for lunch and will reopen from 12:30pm - 2:00pm. OPEN CLASS is in the East end of the Home Ec Building and drop off is from 5:00pm - 7:00pm. FOODS WILL BE JUDGED AT THAT TIME.** The 5th Annual Still Exhibit Silent Auction will take place on Saturday, August 9th from 3:00 - 6:00 pm.

LIVESTOCK CLUB EXHIBITS: Exhibits must be finished by noon on the first Sunday of Fair.

LEADERSHIP, ACHIEVEMENT & CLUB BOOTHS: Check your fair book for times as to when you can set up your booth. Please read your fair book on our website www.branchfair.com Club booths **FRIDAY, AUGUST 1ST ONLY 5:30pm - 7:30pm AND Teen Booths 6:00 pm - 8:00 pm.**

CREATIVE WRITING: Please make sure to turn in your creative writing **TO THE FAIR OFFICE BY 4:00 PM ON FRIDAY, JULY 25TH.** You will meet with the judge on entry day, Saturday August 2nd.

MORE EXHIBITOR INFORMATION:

RULES AND REGULATIONS: these rules are in the Fair Book. **FAIR BOOK IS AVAILABLE AT www.branchfair.com AND EACH CLUB WILL RECEIVE 2 BOOKS. THEY WILL BE ON SALE IN THE FAIR OFFICE FOR \$10 EACH.**

PARADE: Saturday August 2nd. The parade route will be the same as in the past. Please check your Fair Book for all other information. Lineup will be at **3:30pm** at the west end of the Fairgrounds. Parade will start at **3:45pm.** Please remember to invite friends and family to attend the parade.

RELEASE OF EXHIBITS: (Saturday, August 9, 2025 / Sunday, August 10, 2025)

Saturday August 9th 1:00-3:00 pm	Tack Removal (No trailers)
Saturday August 9th @ 7:30 pm - 8:00 pm	All Dairy Barn Exhibits, Beef Breeding Stock and Take Home Beef
Saturday August 9th @ 8:15 pm - 9:30 pm	TAKE HOME & BREEDING Barnyard Children large & small, Starter Calves, Goats, Sheep & Swine
Sunday August 10th @ 7:00 am	Rabbits, Poultry Fowl and Branch Buds Take Home and Breeding
Sunday August 10th @ 7:00 am	Horses & Mini Ponies
Sunday August 10th @ 7:00 am - 9:00 am	Home Ec & Sanford Hall Exhibits

CLEAN UP: Clean up will be on Sunday August 10th starting at 7:00am. This is for **ALL YOUTH EXHIBITORS.** We would like each club to be there to help with cleaning up. A light breakfast will be served to all that help clean up. **There is a need for adults to help put away showcases and fences also.**

SPECIAL EVENTS IN THE 4-H CABIN

INSPIRATIONAL SERVICE: More information to come!

OPENING CEREMONY & KING AND QUEEN CROWNING: Come see the beautiful ceremony for the King & Queen at the 4-H Cabin on **Sunday, August 3rd** at 7:00pm.

COMMUNICATION ART: On Tuesday, August 5th, see 4-Hers perform in the categories of Public Speaking, Demonstration, Oral Interpretation beginning at 8:30 am. Branch Buds will show off their public speaking skills in the Show and Tell event at Noon in the 4-H Cabin. A great event for the whole family!

SPECIAL EVENTS IN THE DEARTH CENTER

TALENT SHOW: Come and see ages 4 to adult perform acts ranging from singing and instrumental to dance and gymnastics! Show will take place at the Dearth Community Center on **Wednesday, August 6th** with ages 4-12 starting at 10:00 am and ages 13-adult starting at 1:30 pm. Come and see Branch County's talent!!

VETERANS DAY: Wednesday, August 6th at the Dearth Center. Doors will open at 5:00 pm for a Veteran's Day Program. Veterans will receive **FREE ADMISSION and PARKING** to the Fair all day.

SENIOR CITIZENS PROGRAM: Come and see the local talents perform at the Dearth Community Center on **Thursday**, August 7th at 1:00pm. Join us for fun and refreshments! All senior citizens (ages 60 years and over) will be eligible to win door prizes and get **free admissions** to the fair all day along with \$3 per vehicle parking.

ANNUAL DINNER: 4-H Leaders Council Annual Dinner will be having pork loin, cheesy potatoes, baked beans etc. on Thursday, August 7th. It will be held from 4:00pm-7:00pm at the Dearth Community Center. It is a 4-H benefit and all proceeds go to local Branch County 4-H programs. **Dine in or Carry Out Meals are Available.**

ELLIOTT'S AMUSEMENTS: Elliott's Amusements will be at the Branch County Fairground from: **Tuesday, August 5th - Saturday, August 9th. Online PRESALES** Buy Tickets - Elliott's Amusements (elliottsamusements.com) On Sale NOW thru Monday August 4, 2025. Single day \$18 Armband 5 Day Armband \$75 (MEGA PASS)

Tuesday Kid's Day
Open @ 1:00pm
\$20 RIDE ALL DAY Armband

Wednesday-Friday
Open @ 3:00 pm
\$25 RIDE ALL DAY Armband

Saturday
Open @ Noon
\$27 RIDE ALL DAY Armband

ALL DOCUMENTS ARE AVAILABLE AT branchfair.com/important-documents Forms available: Fair Book, forms for Teen Booth, Parade, Still Exhibit Sale, Project Guidelines.

LIVESTOCK AUCTION DETAILS:

NEW TIME Thursday, August 7th 3:00 pm-** Small Animal Sale Order -rabbits, chickens, ducks, geese, turkeys and starter calves

Friday, August 8th 9:30 am- Large Animal Sale Order - beef, sheep, goats, dairy and swine

Auction day sale order by species: grand champion, reserve grand champion, third, fourth, fifth overall and rate of gain champion, showmanship winners, and then by weight.

Other new procedure clarifications will be found on BCJLA Facebook page, The Buyer's Letters and on the Sale Bill.

STILL EXHIBIT SILENT AUCTION:

Saturday, August 9th 3:00 pm - 6:00 pm To enter, see the Fairbook, page 57 for complete details. Entry Form due to the Branch County Fair Office by Monday, August 4th at 5:00 pm

FAIR ENTRY: www.fairentry.com Same login you use to sign up 4-H Online
All entries are due BEFORE JULY 1, 2025 AT 12:00AM

Upload the following Livestock health Certificates: Owners Certificate, Non-market Lease contract.

**A Help session for Fair Entry enrollment will be on June 19, 2025 from 4:00 pm - 7:00 pm at the Fair Office

**There will be a Buyer Letter Workshop on June 16, 2025 in the 4-H Cabin.

NEW THIS YEAR!!! LASER TAG EVENTS, FOAM PARTY, AGRIGOLF, GLASS BLOWING BOOTH and more!!

Let us see your support for our Fair ... **A Totally 90's Celebration!**