

Our Philosophy

The Bashaw Junior Shows were built on a simple idea: to create a place where young people could develop their livestock knowledge, strengthen their herds, and become part of a community that supports one another. Those values have guided this show from the very beginning and remain at the heart of everything we do today.

Our Junior Nationals program is built to be a safe, welcoming, and supportive space for children and youth. We are so grateful for the amazing families and community members who come out to watch, volunteer, and cheer on our young cattlemen.

All decisions made shall be guided by the following principles:

- Participant safety comes first.
- All individuals will be treated fairly and respectfully.
- Concerns will be considered objectively using the available information.
- Decisions will be proportionate to the circumstances.
- Confidentiality will be respected wherever reasonably possible.
- Individuals will have an opportunity to respond before disciplinary decisions are made unless immediate safety requires otherwise.
- Conflicts of interest will be avoided.

Everyone participating in activities is expected to contribute to a safe, respectful and inclusive environment.

To help us keep this a safe and supportive environment for everyone, please recognize that we have implemented a zero-tolerance policy for alcohol within the white fence of the facility. We ask all guests to respect this policy while attending program activities.

We also ask that children and youth have a parent or responsible adult present who can support them and help them make wise choices while they are participating or attending.

If you are attending, please remember that this is a youth event, not an adult event, and we appreciate everyone helping us keep the focus on creating a positive, safe, and encouraging experience for our youth.

Why No Adult Participation?

Our junior programs are designed for ages 9-21, providing a space for learning and interacting with peers. To maintain this environment, we ask adults to step back and let the youth take the lead during the event. In our years of experience, we have confidently witnessed youth thriving and doing well on their own. However, if your young participant needs support for any reason at all, we've got you covered. Just indicate on your entry form that your junior needs extra support, and we'll pair them with a mentor! This policy will be strictly enforced. Failure to comply will result in an initial warning. A second incident will move the animal to the Open Show for this event. Continued disregard for the rule will lead

to disqualification for the 2026 show. The only exception to this rule is one of safety – if an incident occurs that threatens the safety of your child or any participant, adults may step in to help. We appreciate the understanding and cooperation of all adults in adhering to this guideline, helping us create a fun and memorable event for everyone.

Attention Cow Camp Parents: The no-adult participation rule applies to all cow camp-aged children. If your child needs assistance, you have two options. You can either bring an older junior to help them, or we can match them with a mentor. Please note, mentors will be helping more than one child, so if your child needs full-time assistance, it's best to bring an older junior with you. Otherwise, let us know on the entry form that your child would like a mentor.

The Bashaw Agricultural Show Committee is committed to making decisions that are in the best interests of our youth. Although established rules and policies guide our decisions, the Committee reserves the discretion to consider exceptional circumstances on a case-by-case basis when doing so better serves the wellbeing, safety, and development of our youth while maintaining fairness for all participants.

Show Rules:

1. Show is open to Juniors (Born in the years 2004 - 2024) worldwide.
2. Animals entered in the PeeWee, Purebred and Commercial classes must be owned by juniors or their immediate family. Entries in the Bred and Owned classes must show the junior exhibitor as both breeder and owner on the registration papers. Entries in Open Classes may be owned by anyone. Entries in Open classes are not eligible for the UFA Youth Supreme Quest. PeeWee, Purebred and Commercial Champions will qualify for the UFA Youth Supreme Quest.
3. Tattoos must be legible.
4. The Show Committee and or its members are not responsible for accident or loss.
5. Adult participation is forbidden and will be enforced. You are welcome to bring another junior (born in the years 2004 - 2016) to help with you.
6. Cattle may only be shown in one class. If an animal is eligible for more than one class, please enter it in the class you prefer to show in. Calves may be shown in the calendar year calf class and with their dam.
7. All livestock must be in the barns by 8:00 a.m. Thursday, August 13, 2026.
8. No animals with ringworm will be allowed on the grounds.
9. All participants will receive a keepsake article. NO PRIZE MONEY WILL BE PAID
10. Ages for skill competitions will be Juniors - born in 2014-2016; Intermediates - born in 2011-2013; Seniors - born in 2004-2010.