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## Reopening plan for the Fonda Fairgrounds

Due to Covid-19, the fairgrounds has been closed to the public for events since April 1<sup>st</sup>. Our plan is reopen the fairgrounds beginning June 1<sup>st</sup> while continuing to follow the social distancing guidelines put forth by the NYS Department of Health. At this time we do not plan on holding any large social gatherings, only small events such as horse and livestock shows.

Being a private facility, we have been issued a permit by the NYS Department of Health to open our campgrounds as they are deemed essential as lodging. We also have horse and livestock barns that are considered essential as boarding facilities.

Our plan for horse/livestock shows will be as follows;

- Encourage people to enter classes for their events on line prior to coming to the grounds to prevent groups of people gathering.
- Enforce social distancing guidelines and maintaining a 6 foot distance while on the grounds.

- Encourage people to wear facemasks when they can't stay 6 feet apart.
- No spectators will be allowed to the events. Only those participating in the event will be allowed access.
- Limiting the number of people in the arena to staff and participants only and keeping the number to 10 or less.
- No public showers will be open.
- Anyone camping must have a self-contained unit. No tents.
- Restrooms will be cleaned and sanitized regularly throughout the day by fair staff

By following these guidelines, we feel we will be able to host events that will allow participants to be safe and healthy.

Respectfully,

Richard F. Kennedy

Montgomery County Agricultural Society President