



Ohio Cattlemen's Association **STOCKMANSHIP** *Competition*

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FITTING CONTEST

February 11, 2022 | 6:00 p.m.

\$20 per participant

Held in conjunction with the DTS Cupid Classic
Pickaway County Fairgrounds | 415 Lancaster Pike Circleville, Ohio

Contest open to all OCA BEST participants competing in the Stockmanship division.

The OCA BEST program's Stockmanship Division provides a pathway for youth to participate in the BEST program without showing an animal. It expands BEST participants' knowledge of cattle and provides youth with an opportunity to showcase their abilities and talents outside of the show ring. The Stockmanship division is comprised of beef industry-focused events and competitions that are in conjunction with BEST shows. This division of the BEST program is open to all Ohio youth. If an existing BEST participant would like to sign up for the Stockmanship division, they will do so under their BEST user profile at best.ohiocattle.org for no additional cost outside of existing cattle nominations. If age-eligible individuals would like to participate in the Stockmanship division, but don't have cattle enrolled in the 2021-2022 BEST program, they should create their username and profile at best.ohiocattle.org and select to participate in the Stockmanship division. Non-cattle exhibiting BEST Stockmanship participants must have a current \$75 family OCA membership and will pay a one-time participation fee of \$60. Individuals may sign up for the Stockmanship program at any point throughout the season.

2021-2022 Stockmanship Contests:

- Prepared Speaking - held at the Scarlet & Gray Midwest Showdown - Saturday, January 8, 2022
- Salesmanship - held at the Weekend Spectacular - Saturday, January 22, 2022
- Cattlemen's Challenge Competition (OCA's version of a skill-a-thon) - held at the Clark County Cattle Battle - Saturday, January 29, 2022
- Fitting Contest - held at the DTS Cupid Classic - Friday, February 11, 2022
- Judging Contest - held at the Ohio Beef Expo - Friday, March 18, 2022

**Fitting Contest Registration Deadline:
Monday, January 24, 2022 | www.ohiocattle.org**

Fitting Contest Rules

1. All contestants must be BEST participants competing in the Stockmanship Division
2. Teams will consist of four members three of the four members must be from different age divisions. The fourth member can be from any age division. Example: a.1 Beginner, b.1 Junior OR Novice, c.1 Intermediate OR Novice d.1 Senior
3. Team members may be substituted accordingly within the appropriate age division.
4. This contest will be judged by the officials chosen by the OCA BEST Stockmanship Officials.
5. Each team must provide its own animal and equipment for the contest. The animal is not to be groomed; but, should be washed and dried at the start of the contest. Animals will be checked before entering the competition area.
6. Once the contest begins, no team member may leave the area and no additional equipment may be brought into the fitting area.
7. Each team member must fit a leg, use the clippers and blower.
8. All fitting and grooming techniques must be within the accepted practices for OCA BEST Sanctioned Shows.
9. Each team will be allowed 30 minutes to fit their animal.
10. Once the fitting area is designated for each team by the contest officials, the team may set up their grooming chute and supplies in their designated area. These items should be in place at least 5 minutes prior to the announced starting time of the contest.
11. Judges will circulate and question participants during the 30 minutes, and while the animal is in the chute. Once the animal has been groomed and time is called participants must stand at the front of the chute until released.
12. When time is up, one team member will parade their animal before the judges. The judges will make comments and announce the winners.
13. Judging will be by a three-member panel of judges based on 50 points maximum from each judge. Each judge shall total their score and rank the contestants in numerical order on the basis of their score. (Highest score first, lowest score last.)
14. The rankings (not the score) of the three judges shall be added for each team, and the final placings determined by the lowest composite rankings. Actual scores will be used only to break ties. In the event the participants are still tied, they shall be named co-winners and two awards will be given for that placing and none given for the following placing.
15. Animals may be watered, but no feed or hay will be allowed during the contest.
16. Participants should register online at www.ohiocattle.org by Monday, January 24, 2022.

For More Information

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