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Judges:
Ring A – Faris Simon, CA
Ring B – Brent Murphy, TX

Showmanship:
Ring A: Kevin and Mandy Rooker, PA
Ring B: Sara London, PA and Lacey Murray, PA

Schedule:
Friday, November 22, 2024
8:00 a.m. - Cattle may arrive
2:00 - 8:00 p.m. - Check-In

Saturday, November 23, 2024
8:00 a.m. - Steer Show Ring A Begins. Ring B will begin after the conclusion of the Chianina steers in Ring A.
Both rings of showmanship will begin approximately 30 minutes after the completion of the Ring B Market Animal
Show and photos are complete (One ring will be BEST exhibitors only participants and the other ring will be open
to all exhibitors). More details to come on this)
4:00- 6:00 p.m. - Heifer Check-In

Sunday, November 24,2024
8:00 a.m. - Heifer Show Ring A Begins
Ring B will begin immediately following the Angus division in Ring A

Other Activities:

Double point showmanship: Ring A will be BEST participants only. Ring B will be open to all participants.

Raffles, silent auction, vendors, and show supply trailers will all be on sight.

NEW AND UPDATED FOR THE 2024-2025 SEASON

- To participate in showmanship all exhibitors must enter showmanship online by the end of the check-in on Friday evening.
- 2024-2025 Stockmanship Contests –
  - Prepared Speaking - held at the Saddle & Sirloin Spectacular - Saturday, December 28, 2024 9:00am
  - OCA BEST Skill-a-thon – held at Scarlet & Gray Midwest Showdown – Saturday January 4, 2025 9:00am
  - Salesmanship - held at Clark County Cattle Battle- Saturday, January 25, 2025 9:00am
  - Meats Contest - held at the DTS Cupid Classic - Saturday, February 8, 2025 9:00am
  - Judging Contest - held at the Ohio Beef Expo - Friday, March 14, 2025 (time TBD)

Buckeye Breeders Series Points Division

The Buckeye Breeders Series (BBS) BEST points division, formerly known as the Best of the Buckeye program, features cattle bred in Ohio and runs throughout the BEST show season. Only registered cattle that were bred, born, and raised by an Ohio   breeder are eligible. Crossbreds are not eligible to participate in the BBS. Beginning with the AGR Holiday Classic and continuing at every BEST show throughout the season, cattle entered in the BBS program will have their own separate set of points that will run parallel to the BEST program, like the Novice and Bred & Owned Divisions whose points are a subset of their regular class points. The program will end at the Ohio Beef Expo and will recognize both breeders and exhibitors of the top placing BBS cattle at the OCA BEST Awards Banquet on May 3, 2025. The BBS program will not be a part of the Ohio State Fair.

New for 2024-2025 there is an additional $25.00 one-time per head nomination fee for BBS animals to be eligible to participate in BEST and accumulate BEST points. The BBS $25.00 nomination must be paid at the participant's first show. The Ohio breeder of the BBS animal has the first responsibility to pay the $25.00 BBS nomination fee for any animals they have sold to juniors at the online form available by clicking here or the BEST exhibitor may pay the $25.00 BBS nomination, if it has not already been paid by the breeder, in addition to the $60.00 per head one-time BEST nomination fee, when they complete their online BEST nomination. Note – to exhibit BBS cattle in the Ohio Beef Expo junior show, all nominations for BBS animals must be paid by March 1, 2025.

New for 2024-2025 out-of-state juniors who purchase Ohio BBS cattle will be eligible to participate in BEST and exhibit them at all BEST sanctioned shows, compete for points and over-all year-end awards, providing they meet all other program eligibility requirements. This change will provide Ohio breeders of BBS cattle increased marketing and recognition opportunities for their Ohio bred and born registered cattle.

Eligibility requirements for out-of-state BEST BBS participants include meeting BEST age qualifications. Their immediate family must be current OCA members. They must make a one-time $60.00 per head BEST nomination and have a current Beef Quality Assurance (BQA) certification. To be eligible to exhibit at the 2025 Ohio Beef Expo, out-of-state juniors must have exhibited in at least one previous BEST sanctioned show for the 2024-2025 show season. Out-of-state BEST BBS participants may only show BBS eligible cattle at the Ohio Beef Expo.

Out-of-state juniors will be eligible to compete in BEST showmanship competitions, prior to the Ohio Beef Expo, but are not eligible to accumulate BEST points for showmanship placings. They are not eligible to participate in the Novice division of BEST. Showmanship at the 2025 Ohio Beef Expo will be open to Ohio exhibitors only.

For cattle to be eligible for BBS points, they must be registered and bred by an Ohio cattleman. ET calves and calves out of purchased bred cows are eligible if they list an Ohio cattleman as the breeder. Note that if BBS eligible cattle are registered in multiple owners' names, as-long-as one of the owners listed on the registration paper is from Ohio, the animal is eligible for nomination.

For the Ohio Beef Expo BEST Show following each breed division champion drive there will be a BBS champion drive. The top 2 animals from each class will come back immediately following the breed's final drive to show for the BBS final drive. The judge will pick the top 2 heifers and steers in each breed division with additional premiums paid to the Champion and Reserve Champion BBS cattle in each division. Breed associations may make additional premium donations to their breed's BBS cattle. All breed association premium donations will be recognized. BBS placings and points will coincide with the show's original class placings.

Premiums
The show reserves the right to prorate any / all premiums based on the number of head in the show.
Ring A & B Market Animal & Heifer Premiums
$500 Grand Champion
$400 Reserve Grand Champion
$300 Third Overall
$200 Fourth Overall
$100 Fifth Overall
Class payouts will be prorated.

Other Information

- Entry fee $120 for both rings, $60 single ring for non-BEST participants. $110 for both rings, $55 single ring for BEST participants
  - No Refunds!
- Health papers must comply with state requirements.
- Steers and market heifers born after 1/1/24
- Breed heifers born on or after 9/1/23
- Steers & Market Heifers and Crossbred Heifers shown by weight
- Breed heifers shown by age
- BRING YOUR OWN BEDDING
- Show is not responsible for accident injury or loss
- Show committee decisions are final
- Wheel barrows or muck carts are encouraged due to the location of the manure pits and the size of the indoor facility
- Please do not place manure up against any of the buildings
- Follow the Mardi Gras Masquerade Facebook and Instagram pages to stay up to date on the show
- Tent info and stalling info will be posted on the Facebook page

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🟣Hampton Inn Circleville🟣
1520 S Court St, Circleville, OH 43113
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300 North Plaza Boulevard Chillicothe, Ohio 45601
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https://www.marriott.com/events/start.mi?id=1718301872231...
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