

# Contests

To enter in any **OR** all 4 contests, there is a one-time fee of \$10  
For questions or any other information please contact Gwen at (402)616-5556  
She will be able to further assist you on anything pertaining to the contests.

## Team Fitting:

1. Team age divisions
  - a) Juniors (7 to 15 years) (at least one member must be 12 years or under)
  - b) Senior (16 years and up)A team shall consist of three persons in the same age division
2. A team member must wear a show harness with an exhibitor number issued by the show officials.
3. Contestants **must** bring any and all materials needed to the fitting area
4. Contestants may not use inappropriate fitting methods. Unethical fitting situations include, but are not limited to:
  - a) Any altering of the natural color of the animal by the use of dyes, paints, hair coloring conditions, colored show foam, graphite, colored powders or other substances; the use of paint is allowed as long as it does **NOT** change the original color of the animal
  - b) The addition of any hair or hair-like substances (including twine), false tailheads, and false polls (false tail switches are allowed)
5. Time limit: 20 minutes
6. Clippers may be used at the discretion of team members
7. After fitting time, each entry will be held in line by one of the fitters to be viewed by the judges
8. Judges will base placing on both fitting techniques and final results
9. Animals may enter the ring with a show halter already on in the Junior Division only
10. **For Seniors only**- In the event of sub final or final heat:
  - a) Teams will be allowed 5 minutes back in the chute
  - b) Clippers may be used at the discretion of team members

## Photography:

1. Photography Entries may be made by any age division
2. The contest will select the best 'Agriculture picture'. Candid shots, scenic pasture views, or any picture featuring Ag will be accepted.
3. Photography should concentrate on all aspects of good composition and quality photography.
4. Judging criteria will consist of:
  - a) Quality of image (focus, light, balance, etc.)
  - b) Well-positioned center of interest
  - c) Good angle/viewpoint

- d) Captures moment well
  - e) Originality/ creativity
  - f) Emphasis on Agriculture
  - g) Overall appeal
5. All entries should be 8 x 10 color photos and **MUST** include mattes. (No glass or framing permitted)
  6. Digital entries are allowed, but all entries must be on photo quality paper
  7. All entries must be able to email picture in high resolution if requested
  8. **NO** digital enhancements to the photo allowed, cropping is **ok**
  9. Captions are not allowed on the pictures, however they may be summarized on the Statement of Originality Form
  10. Exhibitors are allowed to enter as many as two photos in this contest; however, only one entry per exhibitor will be able to place in the top five.
  11. A Statement of Originality must accompany the entry upon check-in
  12. All entries become the property of the North Star Classic
  13. Camera timer settings may not be used; therefore, the Junior submitting the entry may not appear in the photo

### **Digitally Enhanced Photo Contest** (16 years and older only)

1. This category refers to photos that have been enhanced or altered in some way using a computer program such as Photoshop
2. The contest will select the best '**Agriculture Picture**', candid shots, scenic pasture views, or any picture featuring any aspect of agriculture will be accepted
3. Photography should concentrate on all aspects of good composition and quality photography
4. Any form of digital enhanced is allowed (i.e. photoshop techniques, color alteration, captioning, etc)
5. Judging criteria will consist of:
  - a) Quality of image (focus, light, balance, etc.) ~15 points
  - b) Use of enhancement effects ~ 5 points
  - c) Good angle/viewpoint ~ 5 points
  - d) Captures moment well ~ 5 points
  - e) Originality/ creativity ~ 5 points
  - f) Emphasis on Agriculture ~ 5 points
  - g) Overall appeal ~ 10 points
6. All entries should be 8 x 10 photos and **MUST** include mattes (no glass or framing permitted)
7. All entries must be on photo quality paper
8. Exhibitors are allowed to enter as many as two photos in this contest; however, only one entry per exhibitor will be able to place in the top five
9. A statement of Originality must accompany the entry upon check-in
10. All entries become the property of the North Star Classic
11. Duplication of entries in subsequent years **IS NOT** permitted
12. All entries must have a copy of the original photo attached to the back (before it was enhanced)

13. Camera timer settings may not be used; therefore, the exhibitor submitting the entry may not appear in the photo.

## **Cattleman's Quiz**

Rules will be announced soon!!

We will also have the forms available to print soon!!

There will be great prizes awarded to the winners!