

STATE*FAIR
OF VIRGINIA AT THE MEADOW

**DRAFT HORSE
& MULE SHOW**

Thursday, September 23: Mules & Donkeys

Thursday, September 23: Mule & Draft Horse Pulling Contests

Friday, September 24: Draft Horses & Ponies

◇◇ The Meadow Event Park ◇◇
Doswell, Virginia in Caroline County

*ENTRY DEADLINE
POSTMARK BY SEPTEMBER 10*

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2010 STATE FAIR OF VIRGINIA
MULE & DONKEY SHOW – Sept 23
MULE & DRAFT HORSE PULLING CONTESTS – Sept 23
DRAFT HORSE & PONY SHOW – Sept 24

Superintendent: Amy Davis, Mechanicsville, VA
Assistant and Secretary: Sarah Altman, Unionville, VA
Judges: Halter & Performance – Ron Mack, Seville, OH

Obstacle - TBA

Pull Referee: Joe Barnes, Dayton, OH
Announcers: Roy Skinnell, Midlothian, VA

Classes with () qualify for Versatility Awards*

BELGIAN DRAFT HORSE CORPORATION STATE MERIT SHOW

Special awards for High Point Animal & High Point Multiple Entry owned by VDHMA member

MULE & DONKEY SHOW - THURSDAY

HALTER: 8:30 a.m. – Ring 4

<u>Class #</u>	<u>Description</u>	<u>Entry Fee</u>
1	ADULT SHOWMANSHIP AT HALTER, MULES/DONKEYS - Fitting and showmanship class open to all adult exhibitors. (Plaque)	\$5
2	BEST "VIRGINIA SHOWMAN," MULES/DONKEYS - Fitting and showmanship class open to all adult exhibitors. Animal must be bred in Virginia and owner/handler must be a Virginia resident. Presentation, grooming, tack, attire all to count. (Plaque).	\$5
* 3	BEST DRAFT TYPE MOLLY MULE	\$5
* 4	BEST DRAFT TYPE GELDING MULE	\$5
* 5	BEST PLEASURE TYPE MOLLY MULE	\$5
* 6	BEST PLEASURE TYPE GELDING MULE	\$5
7	GRAND CHAMPION & RESERVE MOLLY MULE	-
8	GRAND CHAMPION & RESERVE GELDING MULE	-
9	COLOR CLASS – MULES (does not count towards Grand or Reserve)	\$5
*10	MINIATURE DONKEY JENNY (36" & Under)	\$5
*11	MINIATURE DONKEY GELDING (36" & Under)	\$5
*12	MINIATURE DONKEY JACK (36" & Under)	\$5
*13	STANDARD DONKEY JENNY (Over 36" & to 56")	\$5
*14	STANDARD DONKEY GELDING (Over 36" & to 56")	\$5
*15	STANDARD DONKEY JACK (Over 36" & to 56")	\$5
*16	MAMMOTH DONKEY JENNY (Over 56")	\$5
*17	MAMMOTH DONKEY GELDING (Over 56")	\$5
*18	MAMMOTH DONKEY JACK (Over 56")	\$5
19	GRAND CHAMPION AND RESERVE JENNY	-
20	GRAND CHAMPION AND RESERVE GELDING	-
21	GRAND CHAMPION & RESERVE JACK	-
22	YOUTH SHOWMANSHIP AT HALTER, MULES/DONKEYS –18 & Under (Plaque)	\$5
23	COLOR CLASS - DONKEYS (does not count toward Grand or Reserve)	\$5
24	BEST THREE OR FOUR MULES - Any 3 or 4 mules owned by the same exhibitor	\$5

******OBSTACLE CLASSES: 10:00 a.m. – 11:30a.m. – Ring 3******

Entries may show at will during listed times. Gates will close promptly at 11:30 a.m. Courses will be marked for each class.

25	DONKEY OBSTACLE CLASS - In Hand	\$5
26	DONKEY OBSTACLE CLASS - Vehicle	\$5
27	MULE OBSTACLE CLASS - Cart	\$5
28	MULE OBSTACLE CLASS – Wagon	\$5
29	DONKEY & MULE TRAIL CLASS –Ridden	\$5

PERFORMANCE: - to follow halter classes – not before 11:a.m. – Ring 4

<u>Class #</u>	<u>Description</u>	<u>Entry Fee</u>
30	DONKEY/MULE COSTUME	\$5
*31	DONKEY CART CLASS	\$5
*32	\$50 PLEASURE MULE UNDER SADDLE - Hunter/English	\$8
33	MULE HUNTER HACK (2 jumps)	\$5
*34	MULE GO-AS-YOU-PLEASE (Pleasure gait) – Hunter/English	\$5
*35	DONKEY GO-AS-YOU PLEASE	\$5
*36	\$50 PLEASURE MULE UNDER SADDLE – Western	\$8
*37	DONKEY WALK/TROT	\$5
*38	MULE SIDESADDLE (Pick your gait)	\$5
*39	MULE GO-AS-YOU-PLEASE (Pleasure gait) - Western	\$5
40	MULE BARREL RACE	\$5
41	MULE POLE BENDING	\$5
*42	SINGLE MULE CART CLASS, JR. EXHIBITOR	\$5
*43	\$50 SINGLE MULE CART CLASS, OPEN	\$8
44	FOUR-WHEELED VEHICLE CLASS (Antique or Reproduction) (Donkeys & Mules) Period costume or proper driving attire required	\$5
45	\$100 MULTIPLE HITCH TO A WAGON (3 or more)	\$10
46	\$50 TEAM TO A WAGON	\$8
47	\$50 BEST MATCHED TEAM IN HARNESS	\$8
48	\$50 SLED MULE – Team	\$8
49	\$50 MULE LOG SKIDDING – Team	\$8
50	\$50 SLED MULE – Single	\$8
51	\$50 MULE LOG SKIDDING - Single	\$8
52	\$100 PARADE OF MULES HITCHED TO FARM IMPLEMENTS (No sleds or wagons; manners and way of going 50%, implement 50%; please provide description of implement on entry blank, 1st through 8th place Ribbons, \$100 plus \$10/entry divided equally among all participants.)	\$10

EVENING PERFORMANCE not before 6:00 p.m. – Ring 4

Presentation of Donkey & Mule Versatility Awards

COON MULE JUMPING:

53	\$100 COON MULE JUMPING - 52" & Under	\$10
54	\$100 COON MULE JUMPING - Over 52"	\$10

PULLING CONTESTS:

55	\$1,000 LIGHT WEIGHT MULE PULL - 2,200 Lbs. & Under	\$15
56	\$1,000 HEAVY WEIGHT MULE PULL - Over 2,200 Lbs.	\$15
57	\$4,000 DRAFT HORSE PULLING CONTEST – All weights	\$20

DRAFT HORSE & PONY SHOW - FRIDAY

HALTER: 8:30 a.m. – Ring 4

Halter classes with at least 3 entries of one breed will be split. Breed and registration numbers must on entry form to qualify for split. Ponies allowed in classes 101, 102, 103, 111, 120, 129, 130 & 131. Ribbons in all classes. Exhibitors of stallions must be 18 or older.

<u>Class #</u>	<u>Description</u>	<u>Entry Fee</u>
101	ADULT SHOWMANSHIP AT HALTER, DRAFT HORSES & PONIES - Fitting and showmanship class open to all adult exhibitors. (Plaque)	\$5
102	BEST "VIRGINIA SHOWMAN," DRAFT HORSES & PONIES - Fitting and showmanship, open to adult exhibitors. Animal must be bred in Virginia and owner/handler must be a Virginia resident. Presentation, grooming, tack, attire all to count. (Plaque)	\$5
103	REGISTERED STALLIONS, Weanlings	\$5
104	REGISTERED STALLIONS, Yearlings	\$5
*105	REGISTERED STALLIONS, Two-Yr.-Olds	\$5
106	JR. CHAMPION & RESERVE STALLIONS	-
*107	REGISTERED STALLIONS, Three & Older	\$5
108	SR. CHAMPION & RESERVE STALLIONS	-
109	GRAND CHAMPION AND RESERVE STALLIONS	-

<u>Class #</u>	<u>Description</u>	<u>Entry Fee</u>
110	BEST VIRGINIA BRED & OWNED STALLION (no entry fee) - Open to all draft breeds (Banner)	-
111	REGISTERED MARES, Weanlings	\$5
112	REGISTERED MARES, Yearlings	\$5
*113	REGISTERED MARES, Two Year Olds	\$5
114	JR. CHAMPION & RES. MARES	-
*115	REGISTERED MARES, Three & Older	\$5
116	SR. CHAMPION & RES. MARES	-
117	GRAND CHAMPION AND RES. MARES	-
118	DRAFT HORSE REGISTERED MARE & FOAL - Each to count 50%	\$5
119	BEST VIRGINIA BRED & OWNED MARE (no entry fee) - Open to all draft breeds; (Banner)	-
*120	REGISTERED DRAFT GELDINGS	\$5
*121	GRADE MARES - Work Type	\$5
*122	GRADE MARES - Hitch Type	\$5
*123	GRADE GELDINGS - Work Type	\$5
*124	GRADE GELDINGS - Hitch Type	\$5
125	DRAFT HORSE REGISTERED GET OF SIRE - Minimum of 2 animals sired by same stallion, multiple owners permitted	\$5
126	DRAFT HORSE REGISTERED PRODUCE OF DAM - Minimum of 2 animals out of same mare, multiple owners permitted	\$5
*127	HALF DRAFT MARES & GELDINGS - 2 & under	\$5
*128	HALF DRAFT MARES & GELDINGS - 3 & Over	\$5
129	DRAFT PONY STALLIONS	\$5
*130	DRAFT PONY MARES	\$5
*131	DRAFT PONY GELDINGS	\$5
132	YOUTH SHOWMANSHIP AT HALTER, DRAFT HORSES & PONIES 18 & under (Plaque)	\$5

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133	\$50 DRAFT HORSE OBSTACLE CLASS - Single to Cart	\$8
134	\$50 DRAFT HORSE OBSTACLE CLASS - Team to 4 Wheel Vehicle	\$8
135	\$50 HALF DRAFT HORSE OBSTACLE CLASS - Single to Cart	\$8
136	\$50 HALF DRAFT HORSE OBSTACLE CLASS - Team to 4 Wheel Vehicle	\$8
137	DRAFT PONY OBSTACLE CLASS - Single to Cart	\$5
138	DRAFT PONY OBSTACLE CLASS - Team to 4 Wheel Vehicle	\$5
139	DRAFT HORSES, HALF DRAFTS AND PONIES TRAIL CLASS -Ridden	\$5

PERFORMANCE: - to follow halter classes - not before 11:a.m. - Ring 4

(FOR DRAFT HORSES UNLESS SPECIFIED OTHERWISE)

140	COSTUME CLASS - DRAFT HORSES, HALF DRAFTS, AND PONIES	\$5
*141	HEAVY HORSES UNDER SADDLE - Jr Exh (18 & Under) - walk, trot (no bareback pads or harness bridles)	\$5
*142	HEAVY HORSES UNDER SADDLE - Adult (19 & Older) - walk, trot (no bareback pads or harness bridles)	\$5
*143	HEAVY HORSES UNDER SADDLE - Half Draft - walk, trot, canter (no bareback pads or harness bridles)	\$5
*144	DRAFT PONY UNDER SADDLE (All Ages)	\$5
*145	\$50 SINGLE DRAFT HORSE CART CLASS - Open	\$8
*146	\$50 SINGLE DRAFT HORSE CART CLASS - Mares	\$8
*147	\$50 SINGLE DRAFT HORSE CART CLASS - Stallions/Geldings	\$8
148	SINGLE DRAFT HORSE CART CLASS - JR. EXHIBITOR	\$5
149	\$50 TEAM OF HORSES TO A WAGON - "Hitch" wagon (fifth wheel or "show" wagons)	\$8
*150	\$50 SINGLE HALF DRAFT CART CLASS - Open	\$8
151	\$50 TEAM OF HORSES TO A WAGON - "Farm" wagon (work harness, no fifth wheel wagons)	\$8
*152	SINGLE DRAFT PONY CART CLASS	\$5
153	\$50 BEST MATCHED TEAM OF HORSES IN HARNESS	\$8
154	\$50 HORSE SLED CLASS - Team	\$8
155	\$50 HORSE LOG SKIDDING - Team	\$8
156	\$50 HORSE SLED CLASS - Single	\$8
157	\$50 HORSE LOG SKIDDING - Single	\$8

EVENING PERFORMANCE not before 6:00 p.m. – Ring 4

Presentation of Draft Horse, Half Draft and Draft Pony Versatility Awards

<u>Class #</u>	<u>Description</u>	<u>Entry Fee</u>
158	FOUR-WHEELED VEHICLE CLASS (Antique or Reproduction) Period costume or proper driving attire required	\$5
159	\$100 MULTIPLE HITCH TO A WAGON – 3 or more ("Farm" or "Show" wagon)	\$10
160	\$100 PARADE OF DRAFT HORSES HITCHED TO FARM IMPLEMENTS - (No sleds or wagons; manners and way of going 50%, implement 50%; please provide description of implement on entry blank, 1st through 8th place Ribbons, \$100 plus \$10/entry divided equally among all participants.) IN MEMORY OF JAMES C. GILL, FATHER OF THE STATE FAIR HORSE HITCH	\$10
161	DRAFT HORSE BARREL RACING	\$5
162	DRAFT PONY BARREL RACING	\$5
163	DRAFT HORSE POLE BENDING	\$5
164	DRAFT PONY POLE BENDING	\$5

VERSATILITY AWARDS - Classes with (*) qualify for Versatility Awards

Animal must be entered and compete in one halter class, one under saddle class, and one cart class. Multiple exhibitors are permitted. Exhibitor **must indicate on entry blank** classes 200, 201, 202, 203 or 204 and classes you wish to count toward the Versatility Award. Points won in qualifying classes will be awarded as follows: 1st-6, 2nd-5, 3rd-4, 4th-3, 5th-2, 6th-1. (Points adjusted for less than 6 in a class)

200	MOST VERSATILE DONKEY	-
201	MOST VERSATILE MULE	-
202	MOST VERSATILE DRAFT HORSE	-
203	MOST VERSATILE HALF DRAFT	-
204	MOST VERSATILE DRAFT PONY	-

For additional information: Show Superintendent

Amy Davis 804-730-3668 or 804-683-7147 – email asdavis74@netzero.net

ENTRY FEES AND PRIZE MONEY

	<u>Total Prize Money</u>	<u>Prize Money by Placing</u>						<u>Entry Fee</u>								
		<u>1st</u>	<u>2nd</u>	<u>3rd</u>	<u>4th</u>	<u>5th</u>	<u>6th</u>									
No prize money -- Classes 110 and 119		No prize money						\$0								
Halter and All Other Classes not offering prize money		No prize money						\$5								
\$50		\$20	\$15	\$10	\$5	R	R	\$8								
\$100		\$40	\$30	\$20	\$10	R	R	\$10								
Note classes with less than 5 entries will not pay 1 st place money (places 1 - 3)																
		<u>1st</u>	<u>2nd</u>	<u>3rd</u>	<u>4th</u>	<u>5th</u>	<u>6th</u>	<u>7th</u>	<u>8th</u>	<u>9th</u>	<u>10th</u>	<u>11th</u>	<u>12th</u>	<u>13th</u>	<u>14th</u>	
\$4,000	Horse Pull	\$550	\$500	\$450	\$400	\$350	\$300	\$250	\$200	\$175	\$175	\$175	\$175	\$150	\$150	\$20
\$1,000	Mule Pulls	\$300	\$200	\$175	\$125	\$100	\$100									\$15
(Any pull team making one successful pull and not winning prize money may receive \$50)																

See *State Fair of Virginia 2010 Policies for Equine Area Exhibitors located at www.statefair.com/competitions for a complete listing of general policies.*

ENTRY DEADLINE - September 10 (postmarked); late entries may be accepted with a \$10/animal penalty depending on space availability. Payment is required to reserve stalls. Make checks payable to STATE FAIR OF VA. \$25 charge for bad checks. Send all entries to:

State Fair of Virginia Draft Horse and Mule Show
PO Box 3056, Mechanicsville, VA 23116-0026
804/730-3668 or 804/683-7147 FAX: 804/730-3668
email: asdavis74@netzero.net

POST-ENTRY DEADLINE – Additional classes may be added at the show without penalty and must be received in the show office no later than three scheduled classes prior to the class being added.

STALLS - \$20 each. Animals not stabled must pay \$5/animal grounds fee. Stalls will be assigned by Stable Superintendent only on a first come/first served basis and will be available for mules and donkeys after 12 noon. Wednesday, September 22. Mules must vacate stalls by 9p.m. Thursday unless still showing. Stalls will be available for horses after 6p.m. on Thursday or as vacated by the previous show. Horses must vacate stalls by 8p.m. Friday unless still showing.

SHAVINGS/BEDDING/HAY SALES -Shavings will be available on the grounds for \$8.00/bale (10 cubic feet compressed). Hay will be available at current market rates. Sales will be available September 22 – September 24, 2010 from 8:00 a.m. – 6:00 p.m. daily. ALL STALLS MUST USE BEDDING – SHAVINGS OR STRAW – YOU MAY BRING YOUR OWN.

PASSES - PRE-ENTRY IS REQUIRED TO RECEIVE EXHIBITOR CREDENTIALS. *NO EXCEPTIONS***** Any exhibitors not pre-entered will be required to purchase a regular priced ticket each day. Exhibitor Passes will be mailed in advance to pre-entered exhibitors based on the following scale per exhibitor: *Note: Entering the same animal under multiple exhibitors will not qualify as additional exhibitor.*

1-2 horses = 2 passes, 3 or more horses = 3 passes, pull teams not in other classes = 3 passes

Pre-entered exhibitors requiring additional passes for workers may purchase a maximum of 4 Exhibitor Sale tickets for \$10.00 each dated for the same days as the show. These tickets must be purchased in advance on the entry blank. The Exhibitor Passes and Exhibitor Sale tickets will be turned in at exhibitor gate and exchanged for a wristband, which is color coded for the dates of the show or competition. Exhibitor credentials will provide admission Fair only; ride tickets purchased separately.

PARKING - Appropriate decal will be affixed to animal hauling vehicle upon arrival or mailed in advance. When/if exhibitor/participant lots are full, vehicles will be directed to park in overflow General Parking. If you do not have a parking decal or pass, you will have to pay \$5.00 to park in General Parking, like the general public.

CAMPING – A limited number of RV spaces are available near the equine area. No advance reservations will be taken. RV space rentals are \$30 per night and will be taken on a first-come, first-serve basis. **NO trailers, campers, RVs, etc will be allowed to plug into barn, stable or ring hook-ups.**

HEALTH REQUIREMENTS - All animals must have a negative Coggins test dated within the last twelve months prior to show date. Copies may be mailed with entries to expedite check-in. Current interstate and intrastate health requirements shall apply. The show will adhere to all federal horse protection regulations. Winning teams in the pulling contests will be subject to drug testing as will other teams selected randomly. Positive test results will result in disqualification.

REGISTRATION PAPERS - Horses shown in registered classes must show proof of registry (mail or bring registration papers or copies with you.)

GROOMING, CONDITION, ATTIRE - Animals must be in show condition; exhibitors, handlers, and teamsters must be dressed in neat, clean clothes appropriate to their class. Prizes may not be awarded to animals that are not in show condition and/or properly groomed.

PHOTOGRAPHIC CONSENT- Anyone participating in any competition, event or demonstration at the State Fair of Virginia consents to the use of the Fair's photographic image of them or their exhibit, by the State Fair of Virginia, agents, licensees, and assigns for any and all purposes, including without limitation television, theater, exhibition, website, publication and any trade or advertising purposes. Competitor/exhibitor understands there will be no remuneration for the use of such image.

LIABILITY - Upon submission of entry blank, exhibitor releases and waives all rights against the State Fair of Virginia and its officers, directors, employees, agents or representatives for death, personal injury or property damage and waives the right to sue or to bring action against the State Fair of Virginia for any loss or damage which is in any way connected with the risks involved in equine activity

PULLING CONTEST RULES

MULE TEAMS WEIGHED BETWEEN 2 AND 4 P.M. THURSDAY. SCALES WILL OPEN AT 2 P.M. NO ANIMALS WEIGHED AFTER 4 P.M.! ORIGINAL COGGINS CERTIFICATE FOR PULLING CONTEST ENTRIES MUST BE PRESENTED AT WEIGH-IN.

- Pulling distance is 27 1/2 ft. for horses and 15 ft. for mules.
- Width of pull area will be 20 ft. Stepping on or over the line constitutes a pull.
- No more than three persons allowed in the Arena with each team.
- Drivers will not be changed unless injured or ill. Changes are subject to the judge's approval.
- Drivers have the choice of riding or walking. If walking, the driver must stay behind the doubletree.
- Three pulls shall be allowed for each weight. If driver unhooks after first attempt, he shall lose his second attempt. Spotting of the sled on the third pull is at the judge's discretion.
- Drivers have 3 minutes to hook to the sled after being called.
- Three succeeding attempts to hook to the sled constitutes a pull. After six succeeding missed attempts, team is disqualified.
- A pull shall be counted when the driver signals his team to pull.
- The team with the longest distance shall have the option to return and pull if their distance is not exceeded. When the distance is exceeded they will return and pull immediately.
- If a tie occurs, the team with the second longest distance shall be placed above the others.
- Breakage of harness or equipment will constitute a pull with the distance credited to the team. Five minutes will be allowed for repair. The team must remain in the pulling area.
- Hitching with cross tugs is prohibited.
- Teams may be tied together with check lines only.
- Bridles may be open faced or have blinds. No changes may be made after the contest starts.
- Mistreatment of animals not allowed! Any team will be disqualified for infraction of this rule.
- Any team too rank or excited that the judge feels may endanger other teams or drivers will be excused by the judge.
- Any team getting free from their handlers will be disqualified.
- The judge's decision will be final.
- Horses will start pulling at 3,000 lbs., mules at 1,000 lbs. These weights may be changed if unusual conditions of the arena surface exist.
- All teams must remain in pull area in open view.
- The top four placing teams as well as other random teams may be tested for administration of drugs. Positive test results will result in disqualification. All teams must remain in ring until released by management.

COON MULE JUMPING RULES

- Exhibitor must lead mule to jump and lead mule over the jump from a standstill.
- The handler may stand on either side of the barrier. Only one handler in the ring.
- The handler shall be allowed to use only voice commands to encourage the mule.
- Body contact or any type of abuse will result in disqualification.
- A handler may elect to pass or bye at any stage of the competition.
- If after a pass or bye, the mule fails to clear the next height and a placing was involved, the height that was passed must be cleared successfully.
- Mules allowed two tries. Each try to be limited to thirty seconds.
- Mule to jump from a stand. Marker behind the mule to be changed by the judge to the size of the mule.