



Official Evaluation Report – County / Area Fairs

Name of Fair: Lincoln County Fair

Date of Evaluation: 08/25/2023

Commissioner: Laurie Davies

Points (Grand Total): 2,105

Overview

1. General	Available	Awarded	Comments
Organization and Management Extent Fair effectively utilizes financial resources, physical facilities, board of directors, staff, and volunteers to accomplish its aims and purposes. Staff/volunteers have knowledge of emergency and security procedures.	75	75	Play ground for kids was a nice feature. Clean and welcoming fair.
Balance of Fair (Exhibits, Displays, and Attractions) Agriculture, Forestry, Aquaculture, Entertainment, Home Economics, Commercial, Youth. Includes cultural diversity of community it serves.	50	50	
Educational Impact to Public and Participants Extent Fair provides an educational learning experience	75	75	
Agriculture Feature Exhibit focused on local area's agriculture product(s) or related activity – must be signed "Agriculture Feature Exhibit" Product(s) displayed (can use photos)	50	50	
Economic importance of product(s) to local area	50	50	
Quality of presentation	50	50	
Educational value of display to public	50	50	
2. Aims and Purposes			
Printed in the exhibitor's guide and program and displayed at the entrance gates, and in barns and buildings	50	50	
3. Grounds			
General attractiveness, landscaping, lighting, decorated entrances, good traffic patterns, organized parking	70	70	Did not see information for lost tots or first aid. It was mentioned that sheriff department was on site but they were a vendor and not sure public would know to go and find them.
Overall condition of buildings	40	40	
Waste disposal methods, recycling, manure disposal, and wash racks are adequate and kept clean	20	20	
Signage is adequate and clearly visible for information and services, such as lost tots and first aid	20	0	
Show rings include signs listing show schedule	15	10	
Paved/grass walk areas are attractive and maintained	10	10	
Sufficient directional signs leading to and from fairgrounds	10	10	
Adequate hand sanitizing stations	10	10	
Buildings and barns are signed and shown on maps	20	20	

4. Eating Facilities	Available	Awarded	Comments
Clean and attractive, front and back, clean tables	20	20	
Adequate number and variety of food served	20	20	
5. Restrooms			
Clean and supplied with soap and paper towels or air dryers	20	20	
Adequate size, number, and distribution	20	20	
Include facilities for changing babies, hooks for clothes	10	10	
6. Commercial Displays /Exhibits			
General attractiveness, signs, showmanship, lighting, identification and variety	30	30	
Machinery of the present	30	30	
7. Special Exhibits, Displays And Activities			
Such as: Seniors, Special people, Science exhibits, Animal farm, Market livestock sale, Forestry, Lapidary, Aquaculture, Master Gardener, Rodeo, Parades, Banquets, Museum, Vintage Machinery	75	75	
8. Agriculture Displays (Grange, Farm Bureau, Commodity or Community Organizations)			
General attractiveness and educational value	25	25	
Displays and exhibits have educational value and attendant(s) are available for information	25	25	
Youth Organization Table or Booth Displays (Camp Fire, Scouts, Junior Grange)			
General attractiveness	20	0	Did not see any?
Showmanship, signs, identification	20	0	
Educational value, attendant available to give information	20	0	
10. Contracted Displays and Exhibits (Petting Zoos, Reptiles, Exotic Animals, Livestock etc.)			
General attractiveness, signs, showmanship, lighting, identification, and variety	30	0	Did not see any?
11. Presentations and/or Demonstrations – 4-H, FFA			
Billboards or Announcements of Presentations/Demos	25	25	4H building had good greeters. Demos were scheduled and items clearly labeled. Enjoyed all the legos.
Area provided in buildings and times posted	25	25	
In still life and livestock buildings	25	25	
Quality of presentation	25	25	
12. Presentations and/or Demonstrations – Open Class Adult and Youth			
Billboards or Announcements of Presentations/Demos	25	0	Did not see any?
Area provided in buildings and times posted	25	0	
In still life and livestock buildings	25	0	
Quality of presentation	25	0	
Overview Total: 1230 1,015			

Still Life Exhibits

7. Baked Goods	Available	Adult & Youth Open Class	4-H, FFA	Comments
General attractiveness	10	10	0	According to attendant there was no 4H baking. Only had open.
Signs and identification	5	5	5	
Educational value; special displays, posters, attendant or building superintendent available	10	10	10	
14. Food Preservation /Dried Herbs				
General attractiveness	10	10	0	According to attendant there was no 4H canning or fruits or veggies.
Signs and identification	5	5	5	
Educational value; special displays, posters, attendant or building superintendent available	10	10	10	
15. Clothing /Sewn Items				
General attractiveness	10	10	10	
Signs and identification	5	5	5	
Educational value; special displays, posters, attendant or building superintendent available	10	10	10	
16. Decorative Arts – e.g., quilts, afghans, spinning, weaving, etc.				
General attractiveness	10	10	10	Gave Black and White to the Home Arts Building. Had a demonstration weaving while I was there. Quilts were hung with thought and use of space. Superintendent was very friendly and helpful. Had some commercial vendors in building but they blended. Good decorations.
Signs and identification	5	5	5	
Educational value; special displays, posters, attendant or building superintendent available	10	10	10	
17. Creative Arts, Paints, Sculpture, and Computer Graphics				
General attractiveness	10	10	10	
Signs and identification	5	5	5	
Educational value; special displays, posters, attendant or building superintendent available	10	10	10	
18. Photography				
General attractiveness	10	10	10	
Signs and identification	5	5	5	
Educational value; special displays, posters, attendant or building superintendent available	10	10	10	
19. Crafts and Hobbies – includes woodworking, wine, beer				
General attractiveness	10	10	10	
Signs and identification	5	5	5	
Educational value; special displays, posters, attendant or building superintendent available	10	10	10	
20. Horticulture – fresh herbs /fruits and vegetables, including living plants				
General attractiveness	10	10	10	
Signs and identification	5	5	5	
Educational value; special displays, posters, attendant or building superintendent available	10	10	10	
21. Crops – hay, grains, eggs, honey, grapes, hops, forestry, aquaculture				
General attractiveness	10	10	10	
Signs and identification	5	5	5	
Educational value; special displays, posters, attendant or building superintendent available	10	10	10	

22. Floral – including ornamentals, bonsai, etc.	Available	Adult & Youth Open Class	4-H, FFA	Comments
General attractiveness	10	10	10	Had a kids corner. Loved the green vases that flower displays were in. Had display sign on building. Clean and cheery. Had open photography in this building.
Signs and identification	5	5	5	
Educational value; special displays, posters, attendant or building superintendent available	10	10	10	
23. Shop Exhibits /Ag Mechanics/Technology/STEM				
General attractiveness	10	10	10	
Signs and identification	5	5	5	
Educational value; special displays, posters, attendant or building superintendent available	10	10	10	
24. Other Displays and Contests not listed above				
Club or other displays	10	0	0	Did not see any or any postings for any?
Demonstrations, contests, tractor driving	10	0	0	
Meal preparation, style shows, at the Fair	10	0	0	
Still Life Exhibits Total: 305 275 255				

Livestock – Large Animals				
25. Beef Cattle	Available	Adult & Youth Open Class	4-H, FFA	Comments
General attractiveness – barns, stalls decorated	20	20	20	
Herdsmanship – clean animals, walkways, stalls, tack area	20	20	20	
Educational value – posters, displays, handouts, attendant available	20	20	20	
Stall cards – animals and exhibitor identified	10	10	10	
26. Dairy Cattle				
General attractiveness – barns, stalls decorated	20	0	0	
Herdsmanship – clean animals, walkways, stalls, tack area	20	0	0	
Educational value – posters, displays, handouts, attendant available	20	0	0	
Stall cards – animals and exhibitor identified	10	0	0	
27. Goats				
General attractiveness – barns, stalls decorated	20	5	5	No body on barn duty and it was evident of that. Manure and shavings through out building. Could not tell when last cleaning had been? No schedule posted? Cords were all over floors and created a danger hazard. Kids were out showing but somebody needs to be in building at all times.
Herdsmanship – clean animals, walkways, stalls, tack area	20	5	5	
Educational value – posters, displays, handouts, attendant available	20	0	0	
Stall cards – animals and exhibitor identified	10	10	10	
28. Sheep				
General attractiveness – barns, stalls decorated	20	5	5	Same comments apply since sheep and goat are in same building. Please instruct your youth, parents, leaders and such to improve this building for next years fair.
Herdsmanship – clean animals, walkways, stalls, tack area	20	5	5	
Educational value – posters, displays, handouts, attendant available	20	0	0	
Stall cards – animals and exhibitor identified	10	10	10	

29. Swine				
General attractiveness – barns, stalls decorated	20	20	20	Parents were there along with a 4H member. Friendly and engaging.
Herdsmanship – clean animals, walkways, stalls, tack area	20	20	20	
Educational value – posters, displays, handouts, attendant available	20	20	20	
Stall cards – animals and exhibitor identified	10	10	10	
30. Horses/Long Ears				
General attractiveness – barns, stalls decorated	20	0	0	The horse barn only had open adult. There were no decorations, no education display and nobody in building. Building was not clean and could not tell when barn duty had been. Outside a horse was tied up on post with nobody there. Open adult need to be instructed that even though they are out for classes that somebody needs to be in barn and active barn duty needs to be present. They need to follow the rules like the other barns and buildings.
Herdsmanship – clean animals, walkways, stalls, tack area	20	0	0	
Educational value – posters, displays, handouts, attendant available	20	0	0	
Stall cards – animals and exhibitor identified	10	0	0	
31. Llamas / Alpacas				
General attractiveness – barns, stalls decorated	20	0	0	
Herdsmanship – clean animals, walkways, stalls, tack area	20	0	0	
Educational value – posters, displays, handouts, attendant available	20	0	0	
Stall cards – animals and exhibitor identified	10	0	0	
Livestock – Large Animals Total:		490	180	180

Small Animals				
32. Poultry – Birds – Pigeons	Available	Adult & Youth Open Class	4-H, FFA	Comments
General attractiveness – barns decorated	10	10	10	Enjoyed this barn. Had good signage and helpful greeters. They had a peoples choice. Liked the different colored cards to inform who was what. Had a demonstration table. Helpful greeter and active barn duty.
Herdsmanship – aisles, cages, tack area clean, animals groomed	15	15	15	
Educational value – posters, special displays, attendant available	15	15	15	
Animals and exhibitor identified	10	10	10	
33. Rabbits – Cavies – Pocket Pets				
General attractiveness – barns decorated	10	10	10	
Herdsmanship – aisles, cages, tack area clean, animals groomed	15	15	15	
Educational value – posters, special displays, attendant available	15	15	15	
Animals and exhibitor identified	10	10	10	
34. Cats				
General attractiveness – barns decorated	10	0	0	
Individual cages themed and decorated	5	0	0	
Herdsmanship – aisles, tack area clean, animals groomed	10	0	0	
Educational value – posters, special displays, attendant available	15	0	0	
Animals and exhibitor identified	10	0	0	

35. Dogs				
General attractiveness – barns decorated	10	0	0	
Individual bench areas themed and decorated	5	0	0	
Herdsmanship – aisles, tack area clean, animals groomed	10	0	0	
Educational value – posters, special displays, attendant available	15	0	0	
Animals and exhibitor identified	10	0	0	
36. Other Animal Exhibits (not necessarily in exhibitor's guide), such as Sugar Gliders, Hedgehogs, Rats, Reptiles				
General attractiveness – barns decorated	10	0	0	Did not see any?
Herdsmanship – aisles, cages, tack area clean, animals groomed	15	0	0	
Educational value – posters, special displays, attendant available	15	0	0	
Animals and exhibitor identified	10	0	0	
Small Animals Total:		250	100	100

Scoring Summary		
	Available Points	Actual Points
Overview	1230	1,015
Still Life Exhibits – Adult and Youth Open Class	305	275
– 4-H, FFA	305	255
Livestock – Large Animals – Adult and Youth Open Class	490	180
– 4-H, FFA	490	180
Livestock – Small Animals – Adult and Youth Open Class	250	100
– 4-H, FFA	250	100
GRAND TOTAL	3320	2,105

Instructions

To qualify for a full score, the fair shall have on display or exhibit and open to the public:

- (1) Three or more large animal categories, such as beef, sheep, swine, horses, dairy, goats, and llamas;
- (2) Three or more small animal categories, such as dogs, cats, poultry, rabbits, caviars, and pocket pets;
- (3) Three or more still life categories, such as baked goods, food preservation, clothing and sewn items, decorative arts, fine arts, photography, horticulture, crops, floriculture, crafts and hobbies, ag mechanics, and STEM.

Other Instructions

- Maximum of one half score for competitive exhibits not seen.
- Exhibits must be on grounds for at least 7 hours for evaluation.
- Contracted exhibits are to be considered as a special display.
- When fair is open to the public, and advertised as such, all exhibit buildings should be open and ready.
- Mules, draft horses, miniature ponies, etc. may be substituted for horses or be considered a special exhibit.

Three areas of this fair that did particularly well

1. Fair was easy to get to
2. Community spirit is evident.
3. Liked the kids playground

Recommendations for improving quality of fair

1. Animal barn building need to be equal in barn duty (cleaning), signage & postage.
2. Have attendants (greeted) in each animal barn.
3. Displays of present + past machinery would be a nice feature.

Commissioner's Black and White Ribbon awarded to

Home Arts

Other comments

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September 3, 2023

Lincoln County Fair
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Dear Dawn, Fair Board and Staff,

Thank you for the opportunity to visit the Lincoln County Fair. I had never been to Davenport before, and I enjoyed your town and fair.


We all do what we do because we love our county fairs, our community, and our county. Thank you for displaying Lincoln County for your fairgoers. I know you were down a commercial building and had to place vendors into different areas, but you did a good job in this placement. They had a good fit and I enjoyed seeing what I saw.

I would encourage you for next year to develop continuity in each building and barn. I would also encourage each barn and building to showcase an Agriculture feature of Lincoln County.

As you know I awarded the Black and White Ribbon to your Home Arts Building. The superintendent made great use of the space and she did an amazing job hanging so many quilts. It was cohesive and educational at the same time. She was very friendly and helpful. I enjoyed watching the weaver with her demonstration and many people were watching this.

Thank you for providing a positive experience for your fairgoers, community, and county. I wish you the best for the next year. Thank you again for a lovely visit to your fair. If you have any questions or concerns, please don't hesitate to contact me at laurieanddavies@aol.com.

Thank you.


Laurie Davies
State Fair Commissioner