

DEPARTMENT N

HORSE PULLING CONTEST

Superintendent: Shea Slade

Total Premiums: \$4,620.00 NEW!!!

WEDNESDAY, Fair week

Lightweight Class

Heavyweight Class to follow

See Schedule for times

° Entry Fee: \$20.00 Lightweight and Heavyweight classes° The horses will be tested under the Revised Regulations of the New York State Drug Law (1987)

Weigh on grounds 1:00pm – 4:00pm

1. 27.5 feet will be a qualified pull on Dynamometer. If boat is used, distance of qualified to be determined.
2. All lightweight teams to be weighed at designated place with an official present.
3. No changing of drivers or bridles during contest.
4. Driver may change sides with his horses – TIME PERMITTING.
5. In case of a breakdown (actual separation of equipment – not unhooking of chains or straps) team will go to the end of the line-up.
6. Competition is open to all.
7. Ropes or lines to pull between to be determined by judges. Standard distance 18 ft.
8. Measured distance to determine positions at the end of contest. In case of a tie, the next longest distance will determine finishing position.
9. Any contestant finishing in the top 4 places must take 1 hook to receive prize money, trophies or ribbons.
10. Any contest receiving prize money must draw off all positions (at least one hitch) or forfeit prize money, trophies, and ribbons unless he notifies the Judge and the Announcer so an announcement can be made in advance of the contest.
11. Two hookers plus a man to drive team will be allowed (limit 4). All helpers to stay behind eveners and remain silent once team is hooked. Helpers cannot ride or touch machine. All others to remain out of the immediate pulling area (or behind boundary lines if this applies).
12. If a helper goes to the team's head, the team must unhook and circle before re-hooking.
13. If a horse steps on or over ropes or lines, pull will be disqualified.
14. The driver is compelled to ride and stay seated during the pull.
15. Each team has 3 chances to qualify each load.
16. Any team arriving late can hook to existing load providing there are no team eliminated.
17. A contestant has 3 passes, not to exceed 3 minutes to get hooked on from the time he is called to hook.
18. From the time distance is measured and stake is moved up, one minute will be allowed between 1st and 2nd pull, otherwise the contestant forfeits the 2nd pull. (Teams may unhook within the time limit.)

19. Teams pulling in heavy contest must have at least one horse that has not pulled in the previous contest, in the event that there are not enough to take up the prize money. Any NON-WINNERS can return.
20. There will be no line slapping or helpers touching horses during contest. THIS RULE WILL BE ENFORCED. CONTESTANTS WILL BE ELIMINATED FROM THE CONTEST WITHOUT WARNING.
21. If during a contest a team runs away FREE FROM THE DRIVER AND HELPERS, HE IS EXCLUDED FROM THAT HITCH AND ANY FURTHER HITCHES. HE WILL RECEIVE ANY PRIZE MONEY WON UP UNTIL THAT POINT.
22. Contest is over when the finishing positions have been announced.
23. Behavior of all horsemen (drivers and helpers alike) is to be above reproach at all times OR DISCIPLINARY ACTION BY THE JUDGES WILL BE TAKEN. ANYONE DISPUTING THE DECISION OF THE JUDGES WILL BE IMMEDIATELY DISQUALIFIED.
24. FURTHER DISCIPLINARY ACTION MAY BE TAKEN BY THE NEW YORK STATE HORSE PULLERS BOARD OF DIRECTORS. THIS MAY BE BY SUSPENSION FROM FURTHER CONTESTS FOR A GIVEN PERIOD OF TIME OR BY ENFORCING A FINE OR BOTH.
25. All participants will abide by the regulations of the New York State Drug Law. (Refusal to be tested is admitting guilt and subjects entry to all penalties of the law as described in Part 352, sections 1-5.)
26. Improvement in DRESS CODE for both the teams and participants is suggested for a more appealing spectator image.

| LIGHT | HEAVY |
|-------------------------|-------------------------|
| 1 - \$300.00 | 1 - \$300.00 |
| 2 - \$280.00 | 2 - \$280.00 |
| 3 - \$260.00 | 3 - \$260.00 |
| 4 - \$240.00 | 4 - \$240.00 |
| 5 - \$230.00 | 5 - \$230.00 |
| 6 - \$220.00 | 6 - \$220.00 |
| 7 - \$210.00 | 7 - \$210.00 |
| 8 - \$200.00 | 8 - \$200.00 |
| 9 - \$190.00 | 9 - \$190.00 |
| 10 - \$180.00 | 10 - \$180.00 |
| TOTAL: \$2310.00 | TOTAL: \$2310.00 |

All Non-Winning Teams that cross 1st load will receive \$20.00