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# **CATTLEMEN'S CHOICE REPLACEMENT HEIFER PEN**

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# 2023 CATTLEMEN'S CHOICE REPLACEMENT HEIFER PEN SHOW & SALE INFORMATION

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## SHOW & SALE DATES/LOCATION:

The show will take place on **Monday, October 9, 2023, through Wednesday, October 11, 2023**, at the Arkansas State Fairgrounds in Little Rock, Arkansas, prior to the official opening of the 2023 Arkansas State Fair (ASF). **Heifers will arrive the evening of Monday, October 9. Heifers will be processed Tuesday morning, October 10. The high point contest will be held the afternoon of Tuesday, October 10. Heifers will be judged on Wednesday, October 11. The top 50% of pens will be sold in a production sale on Wednesday, October 11 after the show.**

Dismissal for those entries not making the sale will be after the show on Wednesday afternoon. Sale pens will be dismissed following the sale on Wednesday evening.

## SHOW INFO:

- Heifers will be shown loose. Both heifers will enter the ring at the same time and be evaluated by a committee of judges. The heifers will then be penned, and the next pen of heifers will enter. Exhibitors should have their entries docile enough to be able to drive them from the show ring and into a pen.
- Exhibitors must be 5 years of age and cannot have reached their 20<sup>th</sup> birthday by the opening day of the Arkansas State Fair.
- There will be an entry fee of \$25 per pen. This will be a pen of two heifers.
- Deadline for all entries is July 15, 2023, and should be submitted to the ASF.
- There is a limit of two pens per weight class for each exhibitor.
- Heifers must be dehorned or polled.
- Heifers are required to have all calfhood vaccinations.
- Heifers must have a minimum weight of 800 lbs.
- This is a no fit show. Heifers can be clipped but may not be fitted.
- There will be a clean ear rule - meaning all ear tags must be removed prior to arriving at the fairgrounds. Official ASF tags will be exempt.
- If a heifer has calved, she will not be eligible to show.
- There will be two divisions: Brahman Influenced and Non-Brahman Influenced. The pen will be classified during processing by a classification committee.
- Classes will be broken down by weights. Weights will be figured for each pen by averaging the two head.
- Exhibitors will be responsible for care of their pen while at ASF. Exhibitors must provide feed pans and water troughs.
- All heifers must have an entry cow card. **The cow card must be filed with the ACA State Office by July 15, 2023.**
- Entry must also be entered officially through the Arkansas State Fair in the fall.

### SALE INFO:

- The top 50% of pens will be required to be sold in a production sale on Wednesday, October 11. Exhibitors may purchase their pen back with \$100/pen commission charge. Commission proceeds will be put towards the continuation of the Cattlemen's Choice Replacement Heifer Pen Show for the following year.
- Heifers that make the sale MUST go through the sale ring on the afternoon of October 11.

### PROCESSING:

Heifers will be processed and data will be recorded for the following: weight, body condition score, hip height, pelvic measurements, reproductive tract score, and docility score. Bred heifers will be confirmed pregnant via ultrasound and/or palpation.

### JUDGING CRITERIA:

Data information will be provided to a committee of judges to utilize in their final determination of placings along with their visual appraisal. All exhibitors are encouraged to keep a heifer management record book. The best organized and kept record book, selected by a panel of judges, will receive a record book award. Additionally, exhibitors are highly encouraged to participate in a pre-vaccination program through the pharmaceutical company of their choice or the Go Green Program. All exhibitors that participate in one of these programs will receive an award.

### HIGH POINT EXHIBITOR RUBRIC:

	<u>1<sup>st</sup></u>	<u>2<sup>nd</sup></u>	<u>3<sup>rd</sup></u>	<u>4<sup>th</sup></u>	<u>5<sup>th</sup></u>	<u>Participation</u>
Overall heifer	10	7	5	3	2	
Division	5	4	3	2	1	
Class	3	2	1	1	1	1
Quiz	10	7	5	3	2	1
Sales Talk	10	7	5	3	2	1

### SET POINTS (Proof Required):

- Attend ACA Annual Convention (5 points)
- Parent has current ACA Membership (10 points)
- Observe all heifer processing (5 points)
- Attend a county cattlemen's meeting (3 points)
- BQA Certification (10 points)

### AWARDS:

- The Overall Champion Pen will be featured on the cover of the Arkansas Cattle Business magazine, receive an ASF Belt Buckle, a banner, and \$2,000 added premium.
- The Overall Reserve Pen will receive an ASF Belt Buckle, a banner, and \$1,500 added premium.
- The 3rd Overall Pen will receive a banner and \$1,000 added premium.
- The 4th Overall Pen will receive a banner and \$750 added premium.
- The 5th Overall Pen will receive a banner and \$500 added premium.
- Highest Scoring Data Pen will receive a banner.
- The Top 5 in each division (Brahman Influenced and Non-Brahman Influenced) will receive banners.
- Top 5 High Point Exhibitor awards will be given in Junior and Senior divisions.

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