

BUY LOCAL

Support Our Farm Youth at the Cambria County Youth Livestock Auction



Due to COVID19 restrictions, we've made some changes to the sale this year. Youth that raised market animals as a 4-H project will take part in livestock shows on September 5th and 6th, and be given the opportunity to market their animal through the livestock auction.

Monday, September 7, 2020 (Labor Day)

10:00 am

Agricultural Building - American Legion County Fairgrounds, Ebensburg PA

Virtual Sale

(The sale order will appear on large screens, that will show the animal and exhibitor)

All other aspects of the auction will run as it has in the past.

CDC guidelines will be followed to make the sale safe for our participants.

**Order of sale: Sale of Champions,
followed by Dairy Beef, Poultry, Rabbits, Lambs, Goats, Veal, Beef, Swine**

Registration begins at: 9:00 am

See the list of Processors on the enclosed card. If you plan to purchase an animal for your freezer, we **strongly suggest** that you call to **schedule a spot** with one of these businesses, or with a butcher of your choice.

Who will be selling market animals?

Youth who have been raising market animals as a 4-H livestock project. These youth develop hands-on experience and acquire an understanding of market animal production by preparing for, purchasing, caring for, and keeping records on their animal. They gain a better understanding of the business aspects and economics of purchasing animals, feeds, facilities, and equipment. These young people learn entrepreneurial skills and become advocates of animal agriculture. The livestock sale allows these youth to recover the investment made in their market animals.

Why Should I Purchase at the Livestock Auction?

Youth involved select high quality animals for their project and maintain that quality until the animal reaches maturity. They are required to complete quality assurance training to ensure their knowledge and performance of safe and humane production practices. All animals offered must meet state health requirements, certified by a veterinarian.

By purchasing, you will show pride and support to the local community and its youth. You as a buyer have the opportunity to meet the person who raised the animal, know what farm it came from, and be assured that it was grown locally. Buyers receive publicity for yourself and/or your business. The difference between the purchase price and the market value of the animal may be tax deductible.

Knowing that the meat in your freezer comes from a locally raised animal, knowing that you are helping a young person in our county to remain involved in agriculture, and knowing that you are helping to keep farms a part of our county's landscape adds value to your purchase.

Frequently Asked Questions

What if I can't use a whole animal?

A family, group of friends, or co-workers can pool their resources to buy an entire animal and have plenty of meat in the freezer all year round.

How do I get the animal processed?

You can contact the processor directly to select how you would like your meat cut and packaged. The processor will transport the animal for you. Processing costs are generally broken down into two parts, butcher; and cut/wrap/freeze. Please contact a processor for their rates or speak to a representative at the sale.

How much freezer space do I need?

Approximate live weights (versus butchered meat weights) for common species are as follows:

Steer: 1300 pounds live weight (600 pounds of freezer meat)

Swine: 250 pounds (125 pounds)

Lambs: 120 pounds (60 pounds)

What if I'd like to participate in the excitement of the Livestock Auction, but do not want to purchase any meat?

Options are available that allow participants to place bids, but pay only the difference between their winning bid and the market value. This is known as a "buy back" option and can be explained in further detail at the sale. Bidders can also choose to donate the animal to an organization, as long as you have made arrangements for processing of that animal. Or you can donate the animal back for re-sale in order to support the American Legion County Fair going into 2021.

**All bids must be settled the day of the auction via cash or check-
please come prepared.**

If questions, please contact Cambria County Youth Livestock Sale Committee at ccylivestock@yahoo.com or the American Legion County Fairgrounds (814) 472-7491

We'd like to hear from you!

_____ I plan to attend the Livestock Sale on September 6th.

_____ I am unable to attend the sale this year.

_____ I am unable to participate at the sale, but would like information on how I can support the show/sale with a donation.

Name/Business _____

Phone Number: _____ Email Address _____

Please send this form by mail: CCYL, PO Box 147, Ebensburg, PA 15931

Fax form: (814) 472-0663

Or email your response to: ccylivestock@yahoo.com

We understand that your circumstance may change, be if we could have a response by July 30th of your intentions, it will help us in planning for the sale.