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Red Angus Youth Expo 2024 Premium Book

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2024 RED ANGUS YOUTH EXPO SHOW SCHEDULE

Subject to change

Friday, March 15	Carcass/Ultrasound Contest Nomination Deadline
Monday, April 1	Entries Open
Wednesday, May 1	Entry Deadline, No Pending Registrations Accepted
Wednesday, May 15	Late Entry Deadline (Double Fees). No Entries are accepted after May 15, no substitutions will be allowed.
Saturday, June 8	Noon Tie-outs Open/Stall set-up in barns
Sunday, June 9	
6:00 am	Arrival Continues
4:00 – 7:00 pm	Registration – Cattle Check-In, Contest Check-In
6:00 pm	ALL CATTLE IN PLACE BY 6:00 PM
Monday, June 10	
8:00 am	Carcass/Ultrasound Contest Check-in
9:00 am	Junior Membership Breakfast Meeting
10:00 am	Educational Workshop
11:30 am	Sales Talk Contest
1:00 pm	Little Buck-A-Roo Activity
2:00 pm	Clinic
3:00 pm	Hospitality Social
4:00 pm	Educational Workshop
5:00 pm	State/Group Pictures
6:00 pm	Lineup for Opening Ceremonies
6:30 pm	Opening Ceremonies Followed by Exhibitor & Family Dinner
Tuesday, June 11	
9:00 am	Fitting Contest
12:00 pm	Educational Workshop
1:30 pm	Livestock Judging Contest
2:00 pm	Little Buck-A-Roo Activity
3:00 pm	Hospitality Social
3:00 pm	Educational Workshop
4:30 pm	Professional Development Contest Interviews
5:30 pm	Family Fun Night with Exhibitor & Family Dinner
Wednesday, June 12, 2024	
8:00 am	Showmanship Ring 1 – Seniors, Juniors Ring 2 – Intermediates, Rookies
1:00 pm	Skill-a-thon
2:00 pm	Little Buck-A-Roo Activity
3:00 pm	Hospitality Social
6:30 pm	JRA Annual Meeting followed by Exhibitor & Family Dinner

Thursday, June 13

8:30 am

Phenotype/Genotype Show, Bred & Owned Females, Bred & Owned Bulls, Red Angus Steers, Percentage Red Angus Steers

3:00 pm

Hospitality Social

6:00 pm

Awards Ceremony & Dinner

Friday, June 14

8:30 am

Percentage Female Shows followed by the Owned Female show

Premium Red Baldy Female Show

American Red Female Show

Percentage Red Angus Female Show

Red Angus Female Show

GENERAL INFORMATION

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CAMPING/HOTELS:

Camping spaces may be reserved online through the online entry link on your [REDSPro account](#). Hotel block information can be found online redangusyouthexpo.com.

BADGES AND PARKING PERMITS:

No badges and general parking permits will be required. Parking permits will be required for VIP parking.

MOTORIZED VEHICLES:

No motorized utility vehicles, like 4-wheelers, golf carts, etc., will be allowed on the grounds. Handicap scooters are the only type of motorized vehicle allowed on the grounds. Any type of motorized vehicle must also be accompanied by liability insurance.

OFFICIAL VETERINARIANS:

Oklahoma Beef Consultants - Dalton Newell - (405) 545-0071
Exhibitors and/or owners who employ the services of any on-site veterinarians will be responsible for payment to the veterinarian for any services rendered.

HEALTH REQUIREMENTS:

An official CVI issued within thirty (30) days prior to the Red Angus Youth Expo must accompany **all animals** and shall be available at all times to the representatives of the Animal Industry Services of the Oklahoma Department of Agriculture. All animals must be free of any infectious, communicable, or contagious disease. If such a disease is found, it will be cause for removal of the animal(s) from the exhibition. For questions regarding CVIs, official identification, or import requirements, please call Animal Industry Services at 405-522-6141.

Official Identification: All cattle moving interstate for exhibition or show events are required to have official individual identification ear tags present in the ear. To avoid potential problems, all U.S. cattle entering the showgrounds will be expected to have a USDA Official ID ear tag present in the ear. This includes Oklahoma originating cattle. Official Identification must be listed on the CVI.

The following forms of identification are considered official:

RFID 840 or visual 840

Orange Metal Official, Calfhood Vaccinate (OCV/Bang's) tag (for CVI's only)

Silver Metal USDA tag

LESIONS, FUNGUS AND DISEASE:

Any animal that exhibits visible signs of dermatitis, lesions, and/or fungus (ringworm) will, at the discretion of show management, be immediately removed from the grounds.

BEDDING:

A base bedding (cedar mulch) will be provided for all cattle entered. Bedding provided will be in the barn and for tie-outs. Straw will be allowed in tie-outs and in, but not inside the barns.

Wood chips, wood shavings or cedar fiber may ONLY be used for bedding in the barns. Hay and feed may be brought in by participants.

DOGS:

Due to the requirements of our liability insurance carrier and policy, NO DOGS will be allowed in the barns. Dogs must remain in the designated camping areas. These areas include parking lots or buildings other than service animals. All service animals must be on a leash. NO dogs will be permitted in the animal barns, in tie-outs or the showring/makeup ring area.

OFFICIAL PHOTOGRAPHER:

The official livestock photographer will be [Next Level Images](#). *Press or Media personnel must contact the Red Youth Expo staff for press and media information.*

GENERAL RULES AND REGULATIONS

INTERPRETATION AND/OR ADMINISTRATION OF RULES AND REGULATIONS:

Specific or special rules and regulations or conditions are published in each division where necessary; if there is a conflict between the specific or special rules and regulations of any division and the General Rules and Regulations, Junior Livestock Show Rules and Regulations; or The National Show Ring Code of Ethics, the specific or special rules and regulations will govern.

VIOLATION OF RULES:

All entries of any kind or character and Participants in this annual exhibition are subject to these rules and regulations. Any violations will subject participants to penalties as may order and/or penalties prescribed by law.

ALTERATION OF CONFORMATION AND STRUCTURE BY PROHIBITED SUBSTANCE:

Prohibited Substance and/or Unethical Fitting defined as: The injection, use, or administration of any drug that is prohibited by Federal, State, or Local Law, or any drug that is used in a manner prohibited by Federal, State or Local Law; the injection or internal or external administration of any product or material, whether gas, solid, or liquid, to an animal for the purpose of deception, including concealing, enhancing, or transforming the true conformation, configuration, color, breed, condition or age or by making the animal appear more sound than otherwise would appear; the administration, use or application of any drug or feed additive affecting the central nervous system; the administration of diuretics for cosmetic purposes, tissue manipulation, removal, surgical attachment or otherwise to change, conceal, enhance, or transform the true conformation or configuration of the animal; attaching to the hide foreign objects including hair or hair substitutes, cloth or fiber for the purpose of deception; any physical or physiological attempt to alter the natural musculature or weight by use of injections or ingested material not conducive to the continued health or marketability of beef. Drenching will be allowed with drench guns, but using stomach pumps is prohibited. In accordance with the National RAAA show rules painting and or coloring agents are prohibited. Violating this rule will result in disqualification with no recourse and be subject to other sanctions. See General Rules and Regulations on redangus.org for the official RAAA rules as outlined by the RAAA Board.

SCHEDULE OF EVENTS: Red Angus Youth Expo reserves the right to cancel events or change scheduling if deemed necessary.

APPLICATION FOR ENTRY: All applications for entry must be made online at the official website through the [REDSPro database](#). Entry forms must be completely filled out in accordance with instructions. **NO pending registration numbers will be accepted.**

Entries are accepted with the understanding that each exhibitor agrees to conform to the Rules and Regulations of the RAAA. Enforcement will be at the discretion of the RAAA authorized representatives and may include barring an animal or exhibitor. By submitting an application for entry, Participant acknowledges they have read the Red Angus Youth Expo Agreement of

Responsibility and Liability; General Rules and Regulations; Junior Livestock Show Rules and Regulations; specific and/or special division rules and regulations; The National Show Ring Code of Ethics and the Quality Assurance.

All entries, unless otherwise specified, must be made online on or before May 1, 2024. All Canadian and International Participants must pay all fees in U.S. funds. No Foreign checks will be accepted. Late entries will be accepted online till May 15, 2024.

ENTRY FEE SCHEDULE - \$50 per entry/per show

Owned Females, Bred & Owned Females, Bred & Owned Bulls, PGS Females, Purebred Steer Show, Percentage Steer Show, Percentage Female Shows

ENTRY FEE SCHEDULE - \$40 per entry/per show

Carcass Steer Contest

Bedding Fee - \$35.00 per head entered
Late Entry Fee - Additional \$50.00 per entry
Contest Only - \$40

All entries must be made online through the members [RedsPro account](#). All barns and tie outs will be pre-bedded.

After processing, should the number of entries in any class exceed practicality, authorized representatives of the RAAA have the authority to “split” classes and divisions according to age and at the date of birth that best encourages fair competition.

ACCEPTED ENTRIES: In all cases, Red Angus Youth Expo reserves the right to reject, accept, or conditionally accept any entry from any Participant in violation of any rules and regulations from any Livestock Exhibition, Show or Sale that is sponsored by or under the authority of the State or any unit of Local Government or Agricultural, Horticultural or Livestock Society, Association or Corporation. Red Angus Youth Expo does not guarantee space in the show barns to any entry, as it is intended that only such animals shall be entered and shown that have merit and will be a credit to both the Participant and this exposition. The Red Angus Youth Expo may appoint a special committee on the opening day of the show to look over the animals entered for exhibition and upon the recommendation of said committee that any animal or animals which do not have such merit as would entitle them to exhibit, Red Angus Youth Expo may require them removed from the grounds. Red Angus Youth Expo reserves to itself the right to withdraw classification and prizes in any department, upon the closing of entries, where it is found the animals entered would be discreditable to the exhibition.

EXHIBITOR ELIGIBILITY: To be eligible to show in the RAYE, each exhibitor must be a Member of the National Junior Red Angus Association at the time of check-in.

Age requirement: Exhibitors must be 7 years old and not yet 22 years old by January 1, (of that show year), and a current JRA/RAAA or CAA member.

****Exhibitors must be ages 7-21 as of January 1 of the current year. Exhibitors must be a Junior or Adult Regular Member of the Red Angus Association of America. Junior membership shall be issued only to an individual and shall expire upon attainment of age 21. Participation is acceptable through the calendar year of the individual's 21st birthday as long as the member has obtained a regular membership.**

Exhibitors shall exhibit sportsmanship and professional behavior in and around the show ring. Abusive, discourteous, or threatening behavior towards judges, show officials, fellow exhibitors or RAAA authorized representatives will not be tolerated.

EXHIBITOR SUBSTITUTION: Exhibitor substitutions will be allowed, per approval from the RAAA Show Coordinator or CEO on the following basis:

- a. Medical note no later than 60 minutes prior to the cattle show.
- b. No exceptions will be made for non-medical reasons other than family emergencies.
- c. Exhibitors who show for the substituted junior exhibitor must be an active Junior Red Angus Association member.

OWNERSHIP OF ANIMALS: Breeding animals and or steers in the junior show must be the property of the owner and transferred on or before May 1, 2024. Animals cannot change ownership or be transferred from one exhibitor to another after this date.

- a. Exhibitors must be the only recorded owner on record in the RAAA database of each animal(s) they exhibit excluding bred and owned bulls.
- b. If the exhibitor is not the first owner on record in the RAAA database of the animal entered in the Red Angus Youth Expo Show they must have had a transfer of ownership completed so that the owner on record is identified in the RAAA database as the junior member at time the show's published entry date.
- c. Bulls exhibited in the Red Angus Bred and Owned bull show must be under 18 months of age as of the publicized show date and be bred and owned by the exhibitor. The exhibitor must be the recorded owner on record with a minimum of 50% ownership
- d. Following processing, the number of entries of Bred and Owned females and bulls will be evaluated by an authorized representative of the RAAA, and classes will be set according to the age that best encourages fair competition.

REGISTRATION: Cattle entered in the Red Angus Youth Expo show must be officially registered in one of the following: Red Angus Association herd- book or in the Herd-book of the Canadian Angus Association. Cattle must be in the R or I status only at the time of check-in.

IDENTIFICATION:

- a. All Animals must have an 840 EID button present in the ear, which must match the animal record in the RAAA database prior to check-in.
 - i. 840 EID verification may be via printed registration certificate or real time electronic representation of the RAAA database. If the EID is not present, the Animal ID and Herd Prefix will be verified and must match the animal record.
- b. If the Animal ID and/or Herd Prefix are not legible and cannot be read during processing, it will be allowed to participate in the show. A fee of \$100 will be charged to the exhibitor for a DNA parentage test of said animal.
- c. If the Animal ID and/or Herd Prefix are legible but are incorrect and/or no visible indications of a tattoo in either ear, the animal will not be allowed to show.
- d. Tattoos/ EIDs will be re-verified on all registered champion and reserve champion females, bulls and steers at all Regionals and National shows.
- e. DNA: Parent verification must be completed on the individual animal and verified to the greatest extent possible before shown. (Implementation date RAYE 2024 and all upcoming Regional and National shows. Ruling passed at January Board meeting)
All Grand and Reserve Champions and overall animals in all shows will have DNA collected to be parentage verified to the greatest extent.

ANIMAL ELIGIBILITY:

- a. **FEMALES:** At the time of processing, all females 20 months of age or older on publicized date of show must have the one of the following: Certificate of pregnancy from a licensed veterinarian, written statement by a licensed veterinarian or embryologist of having produced fertile eggs. A female's own natural born calf at side, which need not be registered, but must be eligible for category 1A or 1B registration in the RAAA or CAA.
- b. **BULLS:** All bulls 9 months of age or older on the published date of show must be shown with a nose lead.
- c. **CALVES AT SIDE:** Any calf exhibited at the side of their dam in a cow/calf class may be exhibited in an individual class subject to all pertinent RAAA Show Rules and Classifications.

USE OF ANIMALS FOR JUDGING CONTESTS: All animals entered are subject to use for the Judging Contest.

CARE OF ANIMALS: Participants will be required to tend to their animals while on exhibition and to have them presented to the Judges when called for.

CANCELLATIONS AND REFUNDS: **NO entry fees will be refunded.** Cancellations received after the deadline date will not be refunded, no exceptions.

LATE ENTRIES AND SUBSTITUTIONS: Late entries for all shows will be accepted until May 15, with an added late fee of \$50.00 per entry entered. Substitutions will be allowed and must meet the ownership rules of being transferred into the exhibitor's name by May 1, 2024. DNA

must have been submitted on the animal being substituted and completed by check in at RAYE. If substitutions are made by May 15 no substitution fee will be applied. If a substitution is made after May 15 a fee of \$100.00 will be applied. All substitutions need to be emailed to youthexpo@redangus.org.

PERFORMANCE INFORMATION: Official RAAA data will be provided to all judges for their utilization in making decisions. Only that data which is deemed by RAAA to provide the most meaningful prediction of animals' genetic merit will be provided to judges and/or spectators.

FACILITY SPACE/NUMBER OF ENTRIES: If the number of entries exceeds the facility, Red Angus Youth Expo reserves the right to reduce entries as necessary.

ENTRY NUMBERS: Each entry will be assigned a number. Each entry will then be assigned a backtag number by Red Angus Youth Expo, the exhibitor will be required to display back tag number in the showing.

TIE-OUTS: A tie-out will be provided with each entry. Tie-outs will have a base layer of bedding.

ASSIGNMENT OF TIE OUTS AND STALLS: The assignment of stalls will be made at the time entry fees are completely paid. Stalls and tie outs will be assigned by state groups. Exhibitors are required to stall with the state that is listed on their REDPros account. Entry fees will not be refunded. A cow-calf pair is considered as one (1) entry. There is no guarantee the requests can or will be honored. **States must use the stall cards provided. No farm or ranch signs will be allowed.**

STALLING WITH ANOTHER STATE - If a scenario presents itself where you have to stall with another state a fee of \$100 (per exhibitor) is required. All requests **MUST BE** emailed to youthexpo@redangus.org.

APPEARANCE OF EXHIBITS: Participants should be neatly dressed when they take their animals into the show ring. Official show shirts are required while exhibiting animals and will be available at check in. Show shirts are provided complimentary to exhibitors entered in the show.

ANIMAL CONTROL: Any exhibitor who loses control of his/her animal twice in the show ring will be required to remove the animal from the ring.

JUDGES: Judges are earnestly requested to familiarize themselves with all the rules and regulations of this show, and to especially mark those rules bearing on the classes to be judged by them.

TIME OF JUDGING: The time of judging for all divisions is tentatively listed in this book and on the Red Angus Youth Expo website. Any changes will be announced by the public address announcer in a timely manner.

DECISION OF THE JUDGE FINAL: The decision of the Judges shall be final in all cases. In cases where fraud, misrepresentation, error or collusion is discovered after awards have been given, Red Angus Youth Expo or such referee as may be appointed by Red Angus Youth Expo, may make a decision regarding final placement, from whose decision there will be no appeal.

AWARDING CHAMPION PRIZES: Judges are directed in all champion classes to provide for a reserve animal. Only first prize winners will be permitted to compete for championships. Second prize winner in class from which champion is chosen is eligible to compete for reserve champion.

PROTESTS: All protests must be in writing and be accompanied by five hundred (\$500.00) dollars cash or certified check which will be forfeited if protest is not sustained. Any protest must be set forth in writing, signed by the person initiating the complaint, and delivered to the Chief Executive Officer of the RAAA within 10 days following the completed judging of the show. Such protest must state plainly the cause of the complaint or appeal. For the complete protest or appeal process, RAYE will follow the outlined protest rules and regulation as outlined in the RAAA show rules.

REMOVAL OF EXHIBITS: With the accepted entry in this show, participants are expected to keep their animals on grounds until the designated time for release, unless otherwise provided for in these regulations (refer to Arrival and Release Dates and Times).

FORCE MAJEURE AND GOVERNMENTAL REGULATION: In view of the fact that the Red Angus Youth Expo is a non-profit corporation depending to a great degree upon the contributions and services of a substantial number of donors and volunteers, as well as the benefits provided by Red Angus Youth Expo to the general public through education and related services as set forth in the Preamble to these General Rules and Regulations, Red Angus Youth Expo deems it appropriate and prudent to be excused from liability, as set forth below this paragraph, in the event of early cancellation of its events, operations and activities by reason of force majeure and/or governmental regulation. Accordingly, the following shall apply to the operations and activities conducted by the Red Angus Youth Expo.

FORCE MAJEURE: Red Angus Youth Expo shall not be liable for any delay or failure to perform its operations, activities, shows and events to the extent such delay or failure results from a force majeure occurrence. A force majeure occurrence is defined as any occurrence arising from causes beyond the reasonable control of RAYE and which delays or prevents performance by RAYE otherwise required by this Agreement, including but not limited to any (i) breakage or accident to equipment, machinery or facilities; (ii) any strikes, lock-outs or other labor difficulties; (iii) statutes, ordinances, regulations, orders, or rules issued by governmental authorities relate to COVID 19 or other pandemic matters; (iv) judicial decrees or orders; (v) acts of God; (vi) animal diseases and/or quarantines; (vii) wars, riots or insurrections; (viii) civil disobediences, public demonstrations or sabotage; (ix) fires, floods, explosions or inclement weather; (x) inability to obtain necessary labor, materials, supplies, utilities or transportation; (xi)

depressions, recessions or other economic downturns; (xii) embargoes or energy shortages; or (xiii) other causes beyond Red Angus Youth Expo reasonable control.

RED ANGUS YOUTH EXPO SHOWS

All shows will follow the guidelines in accordance with the RAAA National Show guidelines as listed in the official rules and regulations. Females who meet the criteria for each show are eligible to show in each respective show with a proper entry fee.

Owned and Bred & Owned Female Shows

Animal Eligibility for Owned and Bred & Owned Female Shows:

- a. All animals must be on R or I status to show in these shows.
- b. Heifers must be born on or after September 1, 2022. (please see class listings below)
 - i. At the time of processing, all females 20 months of age or older on publicized date of show must have the one of the following: Certificate of pregnancy from a licensed veterinarian, written statement by a licensed veterinarian or embryologist of having produced fertile eggs. A female's own natural born calf at side, which need not be registered, but must be eligible for category 1A or 1B registration in the RAAA or CAA.
- c. Two Year Old Cow with Calf (Cow must be born after January, two years prior to beginning of show year. Calf may not be an ET calf, must be under 250 days of age and still nursing)
- d. Mature Cow Calf Pair (Cow must be born before January, two years prior to beginning of show year. Calf may not be an ET calf, must be under 250 days of age and still nursing)

Ownership of Animals:

Breeding animals in the owned show must be the property of the owner and transferred on or before May 1, 2024. Animals cannot change ownership or be transferred from one exhibitor to another after this date.

- a. Exhibitors must be the only recorded owner on record in the RAAA database of each animal(s) they exhibit excluding bred and owned bulls.
- b. If the exhibitor is not the first owner on record in the RAAA database of the animal entered in the Red Angus Youth Expo Show they must have had a transfer of ownership completed so that the owner on record is identified in the RAAA database as the junior member at time the show's published entry date.
- c. Following processing, the number of entries of Bred and Owned females and bulls will be evaluated by an authorized representative of the RAAA, and classes will be set according to the age that best encourages fair competition.

Overall Awards:

- a. Owned: Heifers and Cow/Calf will have their own division, but will compete for Top 5 overall animals.
- b. Bred & Owned: Heifers and Cow/Calf will have their own division, but will compete for Top 3 overall animals.

Bred & Owned Bull Show

Animal Eligibility:

- a. All animals must be on R or I status to show in these shows.
- b. Bulls exhibited in the Red Angus Bred and Owned bull show must be under 18 months of age as of the publicized show date and be bred and owned by the exhibitor. The exhibitor must be the recorded owner on record with a minimum of 50% ownership.

Overall Awards:

Bred & Owned bulls will compete for Top 3 overall animals.

Phenotype - Genotype Female Show

The Phenotype-Genotype Show, or PGS for short, asks judges to evaluate cattle based on looks and expected performance through EPDs. The Phenotype-Genotype Show will provide juniors an educational opportunity to learn about EPDs and \$Values as part of the process in selecting seedstock. The PGS will bring the selection of an animal for the show ring full circle.

Ownership of Animals:

Breeding animals in the owned show must be the property of the owner and transferred on or before May 1, 2024. Animals cannot change ownership or be transferred from one exhibitor to another after this date.

Animal Eligibility:

- a. All animals must be on R or I status to show in these shows and be Category 1A or 1B.
- b. Heifers must be born on or after September 1, 2022.
- c. Classes will be broken by the show committee by animal date of birth.

Overall Awards:

PGS animals will compete for Top 3 overall animals.

Red Angus Percentage Shows

The following shows will be shown within the Category 3 show as their own division/class:

Ownership of Animals:

Breeding animals in the owned show must be the property of the owner and transferred on or before May 1, 2024. Animals cannot change ownership or be transferred from one exhibitor to another after this date.

Animal Eligibility:

- a. Heifers must be born on or after September 1, 2022. All females must be under 2 years of age and will be shown as individuals.
- b. Females must be registered with RAAA as a Category 2 or 3.
- c. Females must be no less than 50 percent Red Angus.
- d. The sire or the dam must be a registered Red Angus.
- e. Must be red hided and polled (no black hided or black animals, refer to the RAAA Breeder's Guide for disqualifying characteristics).
- f. A scurred animal is considered polled if you choose not to remove the scurs, if you surgically or mechanically remove the scur you will be disqualified.

- g. Pairs will not be allowed in the show.
- h. Classes will be broken by the show committee by animal date of birth.

Overall Awards:

Animals will compete for Top 3 overall animals.

Premium Red Baldy Female Show

Ownership of Animals:

Breeding animals in the owned show must be the property of the owner and transferred on or before May 1, 2024. Animals cannot change ownership or be transferred from one exhibitor to another after this date.

Animal Eligibility:

- a. Females must be enrolled in the Premium Red Baldy program and carry the PRB program tag. Qualifications for enrollment in the program are listed below.
 - Heifer-only program
 - Must be sired by registered Red Angus bulls averaging in the top 50% of the breed for the Profitability and Sustainability Index (ProS) or registered Hereford bulls averaging in the top 50% for the Baldy Maternal Index (BMI\$).
 - Targeted breed percentages will range from 25%-75% for both breeds, with the balance being the alternate breed.
 - Females must be red-bodied with either a bald or brockle face.
 - No black-hided cattle will be admitted, regardless of genetic makeup.
 - If you have questions about the program or need to enroll please contact the Value-Added Department at 940-477-4593.
- b. Heifers must be born on or after September 1, 2022. All females must be under 2 years of age and will be shown as individuals.
- c. Pairs will not be allowed in the show.
- d. Classes will be broken by the show committee by animal date of birth.

Overall Awards:

Animals will compete for Top 3 overall animals.

American Red Female Show

Ownership of Animals:

Breeding animals in the owned show must be the property of the owner and transferred on or before May 1, 2024. Animals cannot change ownership or be transferred from one exhibitor to another after this date.

Animal Eligibility:

- a. Females must be enrolled in the American Red program and carry the program tag. Qualifications for enrollment in the program are listed below.
 - Five head minimum for enrollment
 - Must be sired by registered Red Angus bulls averaging in the top 50% of the breed for the Profitability and Sustainability index (ProS) or registered Santa Gertrudis bulls averaging in the top 50% for the SGBI Balanced Index.
 - Targeted breed percentages will range from 25% to 75% for both breeds, with the balance being the alternate breed.
 - If you have questions about the program or need to enroll please contact the Value-Added Department at 940-477-4593
- b. Must be red hided and polled (no black hided or black animals, refer to the RAAA Breeder's Guide for disqualifying characteristics).
- c. All females must be under 2 years of age and will be shown as individuals.
- d. A scurred animal is considered polled if you choose not to remove the scurs, if you surgically or mechanically remove the scur you will be disqualified.
- e. Pairs will not be allowed in the show.
- f. Classes will be broken by the show committee by animal date of birth.

Overall Awards:

Animals will compete for Top 3 overall animals.

RED ANGUS PUREBRED STEER SHOW**Ownership of Animals:**

Steers in the owned show must be the property of the owner and transferred on or before May 1, 2024. Animals cannot change ownership or be transferred from one exhibitor to another after this date.

Animal Eligibility:

- a. Steers must be registered with RAA and CAA
- b. Steers must be 100 percent Red Angus from two registered parents and have registration papers showing their R or I status.
- c. Scurred animals are considered polled if the exhibitor chooses not to remove the scurs. If the exhibitor chooses to remove the scurs surgically or mechanically you will be disqualified.
- d. Steers will be weighed at check in and shown by weight.
- e. Classes will be determined after weigh-in.

Overall Awards:

Animals will compete for Grand and Reserve Champion Honors

RED ANGUS PERCENTAGE STEER SHOW

Ownership of Animals:

Percentage steers in the owned show must be the property of the owner and transferred on or before May 1, 2024. Animals cannot change ownership or be transferred from one exhibitor to another after this date.

Animal Eligibility:

- f. Steers must be 50 percent or greater Red Angus from one registered parent and have registration papers.
- g. Steers must be 85 percent in color, polled and display enough breed characteristics which match the percentage or registration.
- h. Scurred animals are considered polled if the exhibitor chooses not to remove the scurs. If the exhibitor chooses to remove the scurs surgically or mechanically you will be disqualified.
- i. Steers will be shown by weight.
- j. Classes will be determined after weigh-in and classification

Overall Awards:

Animals will compete for Grand and Reserve Champion Honors

RAYE CARCASS/ULTRASOUND CONTEST RULES AND GUIDELINES

The Junior Red Angus Association of America carcass contest is designed to reflect fed cattle marketing grids used in the industry, while rewarding animals reaching industry ideals for carcass weight, quality grade and yield grade. These steers are also eligible to show in either the purebred steer show or the percentage steer show with proper entry fee.

Animal Eligibility (must be either A or B):

- a. All steers must be registered in the Red Angus Association and be at least 50% Red Angus. Color must be at least 85% red, buckskin and or red baldy. No black pigmented or smokies will be accepted.
- b. Animals must be enrolled in the Feeder Calf Certification Program (FCCP) and carry a program compliant tag. The main qualifications for enrollment in the program are listed below.
 - Must be sired by a Registered Red Angus sire that is either Category 1A, 1B, or 2
 - Must be born and tagged on the operation (original producer must enroll and tag the animal before it is sold or leaves their operation.)
 - Must supply the Certificate of Compliance (COC) that includes the animals program tag number to prove enrollment.
 - Color, horns, and scurs will not exclude animals from being enrolled.
 - If you have questions or need to enroll please contact the value-added department at 940-477-4593

Contest Rules:

We ask that steers be nominated by March 15, 2024. This will give us an approximate number to be ultrasounded at the show. Reminder that this is NOT a terminal steer show. **Please note that when you send in the DNA that it is for the RAYE carcass/ultrasound steer show and goes to Attn: Erin Dorsey.**

- a. All carcass steers must be halter broke to lead and may stall with other cattle in the barn until the end of the show.
- b. All carcass steers will be ultrasounded at time of check in.
- c. All carcass steer exhibitors must be present at the time of ultrasounding. Otherwise, the steer will be disqualified.
- d. All carcass steer exhibitors are required to attend a designated educational session.

Ultrasound data will be used to calculate the carcass results

- a. Weight, ribeye area, intermuscular fat and fat thickness
- b. No neck hump exceeding 2 inches.

Show Categories

- a. Show classifications for carcass steers: January 1, 2023 to July 1, 2023.
- b. Minimum live weight of 1,000 pounds.
- c. Entries will be listed in the catalog in order of age (youngest to oldest).

Overall Awards:

- a. Banners and trophies will be awarded to the champion and reserve champion.

SHOWMANSHIP

The purpose of this contest is to evaluate juniors on their ability to work with their animals, show them, and present themselves in a professional manner in the show ring.

1. Must sign up through the online entry system and check in during contest check-in time.
2. If an individual is not bringing animals but wants to compete, they must sign up through the entry website.
3. Contestants do not have to show their own animal, but the animal exhibited in the showmanship contest has to be entered in the Red Angus Youth Expo.
4. Contestants will compete in four divisions:
 - a. Rookie: 7-8
 - b. Junior: 9-12
 - c. Intermediate: 13-16
 - d. Senior: 17-21
5. All ages are as of Jan. 1 of the current year.
6. Exhibitors must show in an exhibitor harness with their showmanship back tag number.

7. Showmanship is a non-fit competition.
8. No outside assistance will be allowed during the competition.
9. If an animal gets loose from the showman two times they will be excused from the ring after that second time.
10. The show ring will be split for the showmanship competition with Seniors & Juniors on one side and Intermediates & Rookies on the other side.
11. Top 10 Senior Finalist Competition
 - a. At the conclusion of the Senior division, 10 finalists will be selected to compete in the top 10 senior finalist competition. This contest will begin after the conclusion of all showmanship divisions. The top 10 placings will then be awarded.

**OWNED FEMALES, BRED & OWNED FEMALES AND PGS FEMALES
CLASS & DIVISION BREAKS**

Classes will be split after check-in at the discretion of RAYE.

May or Younger Calves (May 2024 and Younger)

April Calves (April 2024)

March Calves (March 2024)

Spring Calf Champion/Reserve Spring Calf Champion

February Calves (February 2024)

January Calves (January 2024)

Junior Calf Champion/Reserve Junior Calf Champion

Winter Heifer Calves (November/December 2023)

Senior Heifer Calves (September/October 2023)

Fall Calf Champion/Reserve Fall Calf Champion

Late Summer Yearling Heifers (July/August 2023)

Early Summer Yearling Heifers (May/June 2023)

Intermediate Champion/Reserve Intermediate Champion

April Spring Yearling Heifers (April 2023)

March Spring Yearling Heifers (March 2023)

Senior Intermediate Champion/Reserve Senior Intermediate Champion

February Junior Yearling Heifers (February 2023)

January Junior Yearling Heifers (January 2023)

Junior Champion/Reserve Junior Champion

Winter Yearling Heifers (November/December 2022)

Senior Yearling Heifers (September/October 2022)

Senior Champion/Reserve Senior Champion

Two Year Old Cow with Calf (Cow must be born after January, two years prior to beginning of show year. Calf may not be an ET calf, must be under 250 days of age and still nursing)

Mature Cow Calf Pair (Cow must be born before January, two years prior to beginning of show year. Calf may not be an ET calf, must be under 250 days of age and still nursing)

Champion Cow-Calf Pair/Reserve Champion Cow-Calf Pair

Grand Champion Female

Reserve Grand Champion Female

3rd Overall Female

4th Overall Female

5th Overall Female

PERCENTAGE FEMALE SHOWS (PERCENTAGE, AMERICAN RED AND PREMIUM RED BALDY SHOW)

All classes will be split after check in.

GRAND & RESERVE GRAND CHAMPION AWARD

3rd Overall Female

STEER (OWNED AND PERCENTAGE STEERS)

All classes will be split after check in.

GRAND & RESERVE GRAND CHAMPION AWARD

BULLS (BRED & OWNED ONLY)

All classes will be split after check in.

GRAND & RESERVE GRAND CHAMPION OVERALL AWARD

3rd Overall

All Grand and Reserve Champions and Overall animals will have DNA collected to be parentage verified.

2024 RAYE CONTEST RULE BOOK

The Junior Red Angus Association (JRA) is focused on building breed and industry leaders by developing programs that offer members opportunities to strengthen their knowledge of beef cattle and improve their individual breeding programs, while developing necessary life skills such as team work, self-confidence, and communication ability.

Expo contests focus on career development by building leadership and stockman skills through a variety of contests.

EXHIBITOR ELIGIBILITY: To be eligible to participate in the RAYE contests, each exhibitor must be a Member of the National Junior Red Angus Association at the time of check-in.

Age requirement: Exhibitors must be 7 years old and not yet 22 years old by January 1, (of that show year), and a current JRA/RAAA or CAA member.

There are no fees to participate in RAYE contests if the exhibitor has an animal entry, but need to sign up online at the time of entry. If no animal is entered, JRA members may pay a \$40 contest only fee through the online entry system or at check-in. The photo and ad design (Intermediates and Seniors) contest must be entered prior to May 15.

The following contests will be awarded at the awards ceremony – photography, ad design, livestock judging, operational sales talk, and professional development.

The following contests will be awarded immediately following the contest - team fitting and showmanship

Photo Contest:

The purpose of this contest is to help JRA members increase their photography skills and to be able to utilize photography as a creative communication channel.

1. Must sign up through the online entry system.
2. If an individual is not bringing animals but wants to compete, they must sign up through the entry system.
3. Photos taken must be that of the entrant.
4. There will be three categories that participants can enter in:
 - a. Red Angus Cattle
 - b. Members In Action (can highlight a JRA member or RAAA member. The entrant cannot be the one in the photo.)
 - c. Black & White
5. A maximum of one entry can be submitted per category per exhibitor.
6. Photo Qualification Rules:
 - a. Do not submit screenshots from cell phones.
 - b. Photos under 1 MB in size will not be accepted.

- c. Photos cannot be altered or image-enhanced. No black and white photos are allowed outside the black and white category.
7. Photos must be submitted during the early contest submission deadline of May 15.
8. Winners will be selected in four age divisions:
 - a. Rookie: 7-8
 - b. Junior: 9-12
 - c. Intermediate: 13-16
 - d. Senior: 17-21
9. All ages are as of Jan. 1 of the current year.
10. All entries become property of RAAA and may be used in any capacity (magazine, social media, print ads etc.) without advance notice.
11. A panel of qualified judges will place the entries.

Ad Design Contest:

The purpose of this contest is to enable junior members to use creative thinking to design materials that promote the Red Angus breed, Red Angus activities, and Junior Red Angus Association.

1. Must sign up through the online entry system.
2. If an individual is not bringing animals but wants to compete, they must sign up through the entry system.
3. All work must be done by that of the entrant.
4. Intermediate and Seniors must submit their work during the early contest submission deadline of May 15. Rookies and Juniors must submit their work during contest check-in at the RAYE.
5. Each contestant is to design an advertisement that meets the topic specified for the current year's contest.
6. Rookies (7-8) and Juniors (9-12) will create a hand-drawn ad design that will be submitted at check-in. The dimensions for the ad must be 8.5 x 11 inches. Photographs, magazine clippings, stencils, and adhesive letters may be used.
7. Intermediates (13-16) and Seniors (17-21) must create an ad design using computer technology such as, but not limited to, Canva or Photoshop. The dimensions for the ad must be 8.5 x 11 inches. Ads must be submitted in PDF form.
8. All ages are as of Jan. 1 of the current year.
9. A maximum of one entry can be submitted per exhibitor.
10. The 2024 Ad Design Contest entry themes are as follows:
 - a. Rookie: Create an ad for your favorite Red Angus Animal
 - b. Junior: Create an ad for the 2025 Red Angus Youth Expo which will be in Springfield, Missouri
 - c. Intermediate: Create an ad for a Red Angus commercial producer
 - d. Senior: Create an ad that promotes a Red Angus Association of American Value-Added Program
 - i. Value Added Program Resource:
<https://redangus.org/marketing/value-added-programs/#overview>

Professional Development Contest

The purpose of this contest is to help JRA members build a résumé and improve their interviewing skills. Job preparation and interviewing skills are important life skills and through participation in this contest, junior members can learn organizational skills, communication skills, and networking skills.

1. Must sign up through the online entry system.
2. If an individual is not bringing animals but wants to compete, they must sign up through the entry website.
3. Individuals must check in during the contest check-in period.
4. This contest is only open to Intermediates (13-16) and Seniors (17-21).
5. All ages are as of Jan. 1 of the current year.
6. This contest will be judged based on an individual's cover letter, resume, and interviewing skills.
7. Each division will compete using the below descriptions:
 - a. Intermediate Division: contestants will compete as if they are interviewing for an internship, scholarship, or educational program of their choice. The contestant must submit a detailed description in 150 words or less describing the internship, scholarship, or educational program either existing or fictitious for which they intend to interview.
 - b. Senior Division: contestants will compete as if they are interviewing for a job or internship. The job/internship will be of the contestant's choice. The contestant must submit a detailed job description in 150 words or less describing the job or internship, either existing or fictitious for which they intend to interview.
8. Individuals are required to submit their cover letter, resume, and description during the early contest submission deadline of May 15.
9. The cover letters and resumes will be looked at prior to the Red Angus Youth Expo. Individuals must check in during the contest check-in period to be given a time slot for their interview.
10. After the interview is completed, judges will evaluate the applicant's cover letter, resume, and interview.

Operatorial Sales Talk

The purpose of this contest is to give a glimpse of real-life situations of selling and promoting and the importance of communication skills, marketing techniques, and an understanding of the Red Angus breed and the agriculture industry.

1. Must sign up through the online entry system and check in during contest check-in time.
2. If an individual is not bringing animals but wants to compete, they must sign up through the entry website.
3. All contestants must come and check in during the contest check-in period.
4. This contest is available to the following age divisions: Rookies (7-8), Juniors (9-12), Intermediates (13-16), Seniors (17-21).
5. All ages are as of Jan. 1 of the current year.

6. Each age division will be given a scenario. The senior division will not be provided with a scenario until contest check-in.
7. The presentation is meant to be an interactive experience with the judges, rather than a speech.
8. Rookies, Juniors, and Intermediates will have a 10 minute time limit on the presentation. Seniors will have a 15 minute time limit on their presentation.
9. No PowerPoint presentations will be allowed, but you can bring supplemental informational sheets such as registration papers, performance information, etc.
10. Animals are not allowed for the presentation.
11. The 2024 scenarios are as follows:
 - a. Rookie: Market/sell your favorite Red Angus Animal to a potential buyer
 - b. Junior: Market/sell a Red Angus Animal to a commercial producer
 - c. Intermediate: Choose a Red Angus value-added program and why it could benefit your customer
 - d. Senior: Will be given their scenario at contest check-in

Livestock Judging Contest:

The purpose of this contest is to encourage effective evaluation of cattle and teach juniors how to efficiently make decisions.

1. Must sign up through the online entry system and check in during contest check-in time.
2. If an individual is not bringing animals but wants to compete, they must sign up through the entry website.
3. This contest is available to the following age divisions: Rookies (7-8), Juniors (9-12), Intermediates (13-16), Seniors (17-21).
4. All ages are as of Jan. 1 of the current year.
5. Judging cards will be handed out for the contest.
6. There will be four cattle classes offered: two female classes; one steer class; and one bull class.
7. There will be two question classes.
8. Seniors will be required to give one set of reasons. Reasons will be given immediately following the judging classes.
9. Ties will be broken on the questions class, then individual classes based on degree of difficulty.
10. Twelve minutes will be given for each class and a two-minute warning will be announced at ten minutes.
11. Contestants are allowed to take notes and utilize those during question classes.
12. This is an individual contest. During judging of classes, there shall be no communication among contestants or anyone else except RAAA Staff, volunteers, or JRA Board members. Any contestant believed to be receiving assistance during the competition will be disqualified. NO electronics will be allowed: smart watch, fit bit and phones.
13. Cuts and placing of classes will be at the discretion of the elected officials.

Team Fitting Contest:

The purpose of this contest is to encourage team participation and communication while preparing an animal for the showing.

1. Teams must sign up during the contest check-in.
2. If you do not have a team, you may still sign up during contest check-in and we will attempt to make a team out of single entrants. There are no guarantees.
3. The team must consist of three individuals: one Rookie/Junior, one Intermediate, and one senior. A Rookie/Junior can replace the Intermediate member, an intermediate can replace the senior member, but a senior may not replace any other age division team member.
4. Each team must provide its own animal for the contest and all supplies needed (chute, blower, clippers, adhesive, etc.). Once the contest begins, no team member may leave the area and no additional equipment may be brought into the fitting area.
5. Each animal may be fogged at the JRA Board's discretion before the contest begins. No pre-fitting is allowed.
6. Each team will be allowed 30 minutes to fit their animal.
7. When time is up, one team member will parade their animal before the judges. The judges will make comments and announce the winners.
8. All fitting and grooming techniques must be within the accepted practices for Red Angus Association-sponsored shows. No Paint.
9. Animals may be watered, but no feed or hay will be allowed.
10. Depending on the number of teams who sign up, there may be multiple heats.

Skill-A-Thon

The purpose of this contest is to educate juniors throughout the week and then test their overall knowledge of Red Angus and the beef industry.

1. Must sign up through the online entry system and check in during contest check-in time.
2. If an individual is not bringing animals, but wants to compete, they must sign up through the entry website.
3. This contest is available to the following age divisions: Rookies (7-8), Juniors (9-12), Intermediates (13-16), Seniors (17-21).
4. All ages are as of Jan. 1 of the current year.
5. Throughout the week, juniors will have the opportunity to attend educational workshops on various topics, talk with different RAAA staff departments, and further their knowledge about Red Angus and the beef industry. The skill-a-thon will test the exhibitors on what they have learned throughout the week and beyond.
6. Only contest participants will be allowed in the testing area.
7. Individuals will be given a certain amount of time at each station to utilize what is there to answer a set of questions.
8. Individuals may not move on to the next station until time is called to move stations.
9. Once Individuals have completed their last station, tests can be turned in to the contest officials.

10. During the contest, there shall be no communication among individuals or anyone else except RAAA Staff, volunteers, or JRA Board members. Any Individual believed to be receiving assistance during the competition will be disqualified.
11. Once an individual begins the skill-a-thon they are not allowed to leave and then return to finish. The individual will be disqualified if they leave the testing area without completing the skill-a-thon.
12. No points will be deducted for wrong answers.

State Herdsmanship Contest

The purpose of this contest is to encourage unity, togetherness, and teamwork among state juniors in developing and maintaining a display of cattle and stall areas. It also promotes pride and enthusiasm for the state junior organization and rewards those organizations that achieve this purpose.

1. States will be split into the following divisions:
 - a. Less than 25 Head
 - b. More than 25 Head
2. The top-placing state will be awarded from each division.
3. States will be given a 10x10 display area, no additional space will be given.
4. Stall signs will be provided to exhibitors, states cannot use their own stall signs. No farm or ranch signs will be allowed.
5. The scoring is based on the following:
 - a. Aisle & Bedding: cleanliness, general appearance
 - b. Animals: clean, general appearance
 - c. Equipment, Boxes, Signs, Etc.: attractive, well arranged, general appearance
 - d. Youth Tending Cattle: neat, knowledgeable, friendly, teamwork and enthusiasm
 - e. Promotion of State association, Red Angus, etc.: general appearance and how it matches the theme.

SWEEPSTAKES

The purpose of Sweepstakes is to award participants for their participation and efforts throughout the week and encourage junior members to get involved at the Red Angus Youth Expo.

1. Rules

- a. Contestants will compete in four divisions:
 - i. Rookie: 7-8
 - ii. Junior: 9-12
 - iii. Intermediate: 13-16
 - iv. Senior: 17-21
- b. All ages are as of Jan. 1 of the current year.
- c. Individuals do not have to have livestock entered in order to compete in sweepstakes. They must however enter online for the contests through the online entry system if specified in the contest rules.
- d. Junior members who do not check in according to their distinguished contest rules will be disqualified from the sweepstakes competition.
- e. The top 3 sweepstakes winners from each division will be announced at the awards ceremony.
- f. Ties will be broken by the following:
 - i. Who participated in more contests
 - ii. Who placed higher in their contests

2. Contests

- a. Photography, Ad Design, Operational Sales Talk, Livestock Judging, Professional Development, and Skill-A-Thon Contest will all count toward sweepstakes points.
- b. Exhibitors will be given 10 points for participation in each of the contests they participate in.
- c. Points will be awarded for the following placings:
 - i. 1st: 10 points
 - ii. 2nd: 8 points
 - iii. 3rd: 6 points
 - iv. 4th: 4 points
 - v. 5th: 2 points