

Horse/Pony Pulls

Saturday, August 15, 2026

Superintendents: Steven Dracup, Jeff Carlisle

Horse Pull 11:00 a.m. – OVDHA sanctioned

Horses will be weighed between 9:00 am and 11:00 am

CLASS 11 – Light Horse

CLASS 12 – Heavy Horse

Prize Money: 1st \$250

2nd \$240

3rd \$230

4th \$220

Hitch Money: \$150.00 – To qualify – must complete one draw.

\$5.00 Entry Fee per person

All exhibitors must be members of the Stirling Agricultural Society. Membership Dues of \$5.00 will be deducted from any prize monies won if not paid prior to the draw.

1. Starting Load: 4000 lbs. Second draw additional 1500 lbs. Each draw after that will be added approx. 400 lbs.

2. Teams must draw 15 feet and pass between course outline 20 feet apart. If team goes outside the line, draw is disqualified.

3. Each team is allowed 2 draws. More than 3 minutes between draws disqualifies team.

4. One driver to a team and two helpers are allowed. Any interference by the helpers, disqualifies the draw.

5. Helpers are not allowed to handle the horses' heads during the draw.

6. Teamsters are NOT permitted to slash horses with whip end or lines in the ring.

7. Abuse of team by Teamster or helpers during or after draw shall cause immediate disqualification and any winnings shall be forfeited.

8. In any case of breakage, draw must be taken over again. The judges will determine the time allowed for the drive.

9. Only Judges and helpers allowed in the ring at the time of draw.

10. ALL DECISIONS MADE BY THE JUDGES ARE FINAL.

11. Driver and helpers must remain behind the whippetrees.

12. If there are 3 or more teams to a class, there will be Light and Heavy Classes, otherwise there will be an OPEN CLASS.

Light Team – under 163 inches in girth

Heavy Team – over 163 inches in girth

13. No horse will draw in more than one class and only class they are measured for.

14. NO EQUIPMENT CHANGES OR ALTERATIONS WILL BE ALLOWED DURING THE DRAW.

Horse Boat Weight – 500 lbs. Each Block – approx. 400 lb.

TROPHIES will be presented for the following:

Heavy Horse Champion

Light Horse Champion

Best Dressed Team

Best Teamster (Heavy Draw)

Best Teamster (Light Draw)

PONY DRAW immediately following the Horse Draw

CLASS 9 – Light Pony CLASS 10 – Heavy Pony

Prize Money – 1st \$175, 2nd \$160, 3rd \$150, 4th \$140

Hitch Money – \$130.00 – To qualify must complete one draw.

\$5.00 Entry Fee per person.

1. All exhibitors must be members of the Stirling Agricultural Society. Membership Dues of \$5.00 will be deducted from any prize monies won if not paid prior to the draw.

2. Size Classes: Small Ponies up to and including 48 inches. Large – Ponies up to and including 56 inches.

3. Loading Rates: Initial Load – Small Class – 2 blocks plus boat Large Class – 3 blocks plus boat Load increase approximately 400 lbs. per round

4. Drawing Course: 20 feet wide, clearly marked. Ponies and boat must stay inside course markings or take draw again (counts as one draw).

5. Drawing Distance: 15 feet in two (2) draws.

6. Starting Point: Boat to be returned to start point for each contestant after first two rounds are completed. All contestants draw in same direction.

7. Time Allowed for Draw: 3 minutes for each draw. Timekeeper to advise judge and contestant each minute elapsed. Failure to hitch in time limit disqualifies team.

8. Breakage: Reasonable time limit allowed for repair, at discretion of judge.

9. Helpers: Teamster allowed 2 helpers, who may not interfere in any way. Teamster and helpers must stay behind the whippetrees.

10. NO EQUIPMENT CHANGES OR ALTERATIONS WILL BE ALLOWED DURING THE COMPETITION

Pony Boat Weight – 500 lbs. Each Block – approx. 400 lb.

Prizes will be awarded for the following

Light Pony – Teamster/Team

Heavy Pony – Teamster & Team