



Carcass Merit Contest

Entry Fee - \$10.00 per entry

Entry Form/fees due at Weigh-In on Saturday, October 8, 2011

Entry forms will be available on-line or at the scale

Make Checks Payable to [Southern California Fair](#)

Ultrasound technology uses high frequency sound waves directed straight down from a probe to penetrate through tissues in the body. Because muscle tissue, fat, and bone have different densities, the ultrasound waves pass through the respective tissue at different speeds, and are completely blocked by some high density tissue (i.e. bone). Real-time ultrasound is a non-invasive method of estimating economically important carcass traits of the live animal. This technology is being utilized to make seed stock selection and mating decisions. All major livestock breed associations are developing carcass EPD's with this valuable data. In addition, the feed lot industry is using ultrasound to group animals into uniform lots to enhance value-based marketing at harvest time. This contest will be used to provide carcass data to both the exhibitor and the original breeder. This contest will also award exhibitors who have animals that excel in producing a carcass that is the goal of the industry.



Divisions:

Beef Cattle Market Hogs Market Goats Market Lambs

Classes:

One class per specie – Minimum standards must be met to be eligible for Awards and Ribbons.

Awards:

Champion Beef Cattle: Banner and \$500.00

Reserve Champion Beef Cattle: Banner and \$300.00

Champion Market Hog/Market Goat/Market Lamb: Banner and \$300.00

Reserve Champion Market Hog/Market Goat/Market Lamb: Banner and \$200.00

Premiums:

3rd to 10th will receive ribbons and results of the Carcass Merit Contest. If donations do come in for premiums, money will be Jack Potted back to the exhibitors.

Awards and Results:

After the Southern California Fair has ended, the evaluator will come back to the fairgrounds to give a power point presentation and results of the contest. This will be done at a Lunch on Sunday, October 23rd at the Southern California Fair at Harrison Hall at 2:00 PM. This lunch will be open to everyone for a nominal fee, but each exhibitor will receive a free Lunch and two free tickets for parents, family, leaders, sponsors, livestock breeders, or feed dealers. Sponsors of the contest will also receive complimentary tickets for the lunch and awards presentation.

Sponsors are needed for the Carcass Contest in the areas of awards, evaluator fees, and the lunch. Please write Carcass Merit in memo of check.

Contact the Committee if interested in Sponsoring:

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Levels of Sponsorship for
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Prime Sponsor - \$500.00 +

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Select Plus Sponsor - \$1.00 - \$99.00