



Heavy Horse Pull Competition

Schedule		
Time	Details	Location
Saturday, November 12th, 2016		
10:00 a.m.	Weigh-In	Behind Hall B
12:30 p.m.	Teamster Meeting	International Ag Business Centre (Room 202)
5:30 p.m.	Heavy Horse Pull Auction	Hall B
Sunday, November 13th, 2016		
10: 00 a.m.	Heavy Horse Pull Competition	Hall D

Schedule is subject to change

Judge
TBD

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Entry Fee (GST Included in all prices)

Entry Fee	\$140/ team (includes two (2) box stalls, two (2) two-day parking pass, two (2) exhibitor passes.
Late Fee	\$50 on top of entry fee
Additional Stalls	\$40 per stall
Additional Parking	\$20 per day

Awards

Class ribbons will be rewarded to first place through sixth place in each division.

Prize Money

Payout per division is as follows:

1 st	\$1,075
2 nd	\$800
3 rd	\$525

A prize pool of \$1,800 will be split between all remaining teamsters from all three weight divisions finishing in fourth place and down , up to a maximum of \$300 each.

Bonus Payout: Northlands returns 60% of auction proceeds to the teamster.

SPONSOR AUCTION

10% of the auction proceeds will be donated to 4-H Foundation of Alberta.

WEIGHT DIVISIONS/ CLASSES

Lightweight	2,400 – 3,200 lbs
Middleweight	3,201 – 3,500 lbs
Heavyweight	3,501 lbs and over

HEALTH REQUIREMENTS

Owners, agents and exhibitors are responsible for the health and well-being of their animals. Farmfair abides by and supports the regulations outlined in the Canada Health of Animals Act, the Province of Alberta Protection Act and the Canadian Association of Exhibitors Livestock Security and Safety Manual.

HORSES

Refer to Health Requirements in the General Farmfair Rules and Regulations.

IMPORT/ EXPORT REGULATIONS

For more information, please contact your local Agriculture Canada Veterinarian.

RULES AND REGULATIONS

1. All entries are subject to the General Rules and Regulations of Farmfair. Please refer to these rules and regulations and read them carefully.
2. Dress code (will apply to all teamsters and hookers): western headwear, footwear and long sleeved western style shirts (matching shirts are preferred)
3. Harness must be well maintained with no inappropriate additions such as wire or binder twine.
4. Exhibitors are requested to decorate their stall and keep the stalls and stabling area clean.
5. Teams must be on site for weigh-in, according to schedule as presented. Any equipment present on the horse at the time of weigh-in, (or not present) must be present (or not present) when the horse competes (ex. Horseshoes or cleats).
6. All teams must comply with 0 sponsorship branding. **** New
7. Minimum team weight is 2,400 pounds.
8. No cross-weight entries will be allowed. No horse may compete in two divisions.
9. An initial start weight of 4000lbs will start the competition for lightweights and middleweights. 5000lbs for heavyweights. . A 1000lb weight increase will occur for all weight classes until 50 % of the field are left in competition. From that point, 500lbs will be added until the last puller in each weight class is determined.
10. Teams will have 1:30 minutes to hook to the boat, a team's time will begin as soon as your name is called to start. Should you not comply with this you will be disqualified from the competition.
11. Boundary lines are 16 feet apart. Length of a full pull is 14 feet. Competitors are allowed two tries to complete the pull.

12. Teams must stay between the boundary lines while hooked to the boat. If a horse steps over or under the lines, the team will be asked to unhook and will be credited with the previous completed pull. If a horse steps on the line, during the first pull of starting weight, the team will return at the end of the round to pull again.
13. If the boat is too close to a line, the teamster may ask the judge to waive the line; this will be at the judge's discretion.
14. The driver or hooker has the option of riding on the boat or walking.
15. Only the teamster and hooker are allowed in the pulling lane during the competition. Headers are optional but only by the hooker.
16. Teamsters are not to start in a manner considered abusive to the horses. If an aggressive start (jerk, slam, etc.), first time will be a warning, second time will be a disqualification. This will all be at the judge's discretion. Any warnings or disqualifications will be announced by the announcer.
17. A try is 6" or an accumulation to get 6". When horses are commanded to go and do not move the boat that is considered a try.
18. If equipment breaks during a pull, or horses step over a line during the break, they are allowed another try at the end of the round.
19. Slapping or rippling of the lines while hooked to the boat will not be permitted. Drivers will be asked to unhook and will be credited with the previous completed pull.
20. Teams must be under control at all times.
21. Horses must not be left unattended at any time during the show.
22. Abuse of, or tampering with, horses by teamster or assistants before, during or after the show will result in immediate disqualification, forfeit of prizes, and charges applied where appropriate.
23. Drug testing- The show management reserves the right to conduct blood and/or urine analysis tests to determine the presence or absence of performance enhancing substances on each horse in the pulling team. As well, any competitor wishing to challenge the performance of a team of individual horse can do so by completing the Performance Appeal form. Upon submission of a completed Performance Appeal form to Farmfair show management, the horse(s) in question will undergo blood and/or urine analysis tests to determine the presence or absence of performance enhancing substances. Positive test results will result in the Teamster forfeiting all winnings. The team, teamster and owners will be suspended from future draft horse pull competitions at Farmfair for a period of time as determined by show management, and the information will be forwarded to the North American Livestock Show & Rodeo Managers' Associations Rule Infraction Database. The Teamster in question will also be required to cover the full expense of the veterinarian services involved in performing the test. A negative test will result in the Teamster who submitted the Performance Appeal being required to cover the full expense of the veterinarian services involved in performing the test.
24. The winning teams will be drug tested. Positive test results will result in the Teamster forfeiting all winnings and will be required to cover the full expense of the veterinarian services involved in performing the test. The team, teamster, and owners will be suspended from future draft horse pull competitions at Farmfair for a period of time as determined by show management, and the information will be forwarded to the North American Livestock Show & Rodeo Managers Associations Rule Infraction Database.
25. If the team is disqualified for any infraction, they will be credited with their last completed pull.

26. The winner will be determined by the most inches (distance) pulled with “pounds over inches” being calculated before each team pulls in each class.
27. The Farmfair Heavy Horse Committee reserves the right to decide any point not covered by the rules and to make corrections as necessary.
28. The judges’ decision is final. Any competitor that argues with the judge will be immediately disqualified, asked to leave the ring and all monies will be forfeited. A protest may be filed in writing to show management within 24 hours of the holding of the event and must be accompanied by a deposit of \$50.
29. Farmfair Bio-Security Rule 7.7- Livestock Release Form. If an animal becomes ill during its stay at Farmfair, they MUST be examined by a veterinarian before leaving the premises and be deemed fit to do so. All exhibitors will be required to fill out and sign a Livestock Release Form when removing livestock from premises, healthy or otherwise, which must be signed by an official vet or chosen representative of Farmfair.

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