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HEAVY HORSE SHOW

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The 2025 Fair Theme Is Barnyard Mardi Gras

Welcome to the Vermilion Agricultural Society Fair!

As we embark on the 119th annual Vermilion Fair, we are thrilled to celebrate this year's theme: "Barnyard Mardi Gras."

This lively and colourful theme captures the spirit of rural life combined with our fair's joy, energy, and festivity.

For over a century, the Vermilion Fair has stood as a cornerstone of our community, showcasing the very best in agriculture, livestock, trade, and creativity. From the impressive displays in our bench show to the dedication of our sheep, horse, and beef exhibitors and the diverse offerings of the trade show, there is something here for everyone to enjoy.

This fair is a testament to the passion and dedication of so many. Our volunteers, sponsors, exhibitors, and attendees each play a vital role in creating this incredible event. Your contributions bring life to our vision, and your participation is what makes the Vermilion Fair a tradition we can all take pride in.

As you explore the fairgrounds, take a moment to appreciate the hard work and collaboration that bring this community event to life. Whether you're here to compete, connect, or simply enjoy the festivities, we are grateful for your presence and support.

Thank you for joining us in celebrating the 119th year of the Vermilion Fair. Let's make this year's "Barnyard Mardi Gras" an unforgettable experience filled with laughter, achievement, and memories to cherish.

Enjoy the fair!

Nicole Polishuk

President, VAS Executive

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GENERAL INFORMATION

The sanctioned classes are listed in the 2025 Vermilion Fair Book and online in Showworks (vermilion.fairwire.com).

STOCK TRAILER & RV PARKING

Camping is available on-site for exhibitors ONLY, but availability is limited. 1 power site per exhibitor family as they are limited. RV site with power \$20/day. RV site with NO power \$10/day. Please request RV site on entry form. Sites are held only with payment. For RV power stall, priority is given to multiple day exhibitors or for special needs. Generators may be used in non-power stalls. For all camping inquiries, please contact the Vermilion Agricultural Society Office at 780-853-4108. Loading of unloading of livestock will be allowed in front of the buildings where stalls are located, but vehicles must be removed immediately after the last animal is taken off the trailer. **Animal Trailers will be parked off-site, in designated zones.**

VEHICLE PARKING

Limited vehicle parking in the designated parking zones. All passenger vehicles must be parked in the designated parking zone, violators will be towed at the owner's expense. All license plates must be registered with the Vermilion Agricultural Society Office and included on the exhibitor's entry form.

INTERPRETATION

- 1 Throughout the Competition Rule Book, Vermilion Fair of Vermilion Agricultural Society shall be referred
- 2 to as the "VAS" or the Vermilion Fair.
- 3 "Directors" means the Board of Directors or the Executive of the VAS.
- 4 "Judge" means the person(s) contracted by the VAS to decide placings at events, competitions, shows at
- 5 such the Vermilion Fair.
- 6 "Exhibitor" means any owner signing an Entry Form and/or the Lessee, manager, agent, nominator,
- 7 driver, rider, or employee of such owner.
- 8 The VAS Management has the final and absolute right to interpret these rules and regulations and to
- 9 determine all matters, questions or differences in regard thereto, or otherwise arising out of, or in
- 10 connection with, or incident to the VAS.
- 11 VAS Management has the right to amend or add to these Rules and Regulations from time to time.
- 12 Any exhibitor who violates any of the rules and regulations printed in the Competition Book will forfeit all
- 13 privileges and premiums upon the decision of the management.

This may include any or all the following:

- 1 prizes and awards
- 2 prize money
- 3 forfeiture of any or all passes, entry fees and stall rental fees.

ENTRY PROCEDURE

- 1 Exhibitors are encouraged to place their entries online where applicable.
- 2 An entry will be considered valid only when the VAS receives a properly completed and signed Entry Form including payment in full by no later than the entry closing date. The VAS reserves the right to refuse any entry fee without further liability. Closing dates are stated in each competition section.
- 3 Payment of entry fees will be accepted by MasterCard/Visa, cheque or debit/cash.
- 4 Exhibits that have been erroneously entered, may, at the discretion of the Committee Head, be transferred to their proper classes prior to judging.
- 5 Unless otherwise specified no entry is required for championships or specials, provided the animal or article is entered in the appropriate regular class. First and second prize winners are automatically eligible for championship.

GENERAL INFORMATION

EXHIBITS

- 1 All Exhibits shall be under the control and direction of the VAS but solely at the risk of the exhibitor. The VAS will not be responsible for damage, injury, loss of theft of any exhibit, irrespective of the cause of such damage, injury, loss, or theft occasioned by or arising from any article exhibited by him/her and shall indemnify the VAS against all legal or other proceedings in regard thereto.

EXHIBITOR CONDUCT

- 1 Any false representation interference or unacceptable conduct on the part of an Exhibitor will be dealt with by the VAS according to the circumstances of the case.
- 2 Upon discovery of any fraud, deception or dishonest practice, either in the preparation or ownership or of any misrepresentation concerning any article exhibited, which may have affected or have been intended to affect the decision of the judges, the Executive Committee has the power to withhold the payment of any prize awarded.
- 3 Smoking is PROHIBITED in the barns and indoor areas.
- 4 It is the responsibility of each exhibitor to keep stalls, pens and/or exhibit area clean and neat and professional displays are encouraged. Space visible to the public and/or your neighboring exhibitors must be finished attractively.

EXHIBIT JUDGING

- 1 Judges are expected to familiarize themselves with all the rules and regulations of the Vermilion Fair and to particularly note those bearing on the classes to be judged by them.
- 2 In the absence of competition in any class, the judge will award such premium as he/she determines the exhibit deserves. He/she will exercise his/her discretion as to whether first, second or any premium will be awarded. Judges may not award prizes to unworthy exhibits.
- 3 If there is any question regarding the legitimacy of an entry, or the right of an article to compete in any Section or Class, the judge shall report this to the Committee head in charge.
- 4 All judging documentation (each page initialed) must be signed with the judge's regular signature and returned to the VAS Show Office as soon as the awards are completed. Judges should not leave the Vermilion Fair until they have ascertained that there are no protests any of the areas in the classes they have judged.
- 5 The decision of the judges shall be final in all cases. However, should an exhibitor have a protest, the procedures for a protest of that competition section are applied.
- 6 Any exhibitor who by himself/herself interferes or shows disrespect to any judge during the performance of his/her duties on the premises occupied by the VAS or is guilty of conduct calculated to bring the VAS into disrepute shall be subject to any or all the forfeitures and/or penalties provided for in INTERPRETATION Rule #7.

AWARDS

- 1 Prize money will be dispersed as per the competition section an award is given. All prize money is payable in Canadian Funds.
- 2 Each exhibitor shall agree that photographs taken of the exhibitor and/or exhibits by any photographer approved by the VAS or its official sponsors have commercial usage rights.



GENERAL INFORMATION

Rules and Regulations

- 1 All entries must be RECEIVED by July 16, 2025. All entries must be paid in full before judging starts.
- 2 All registered Heavy Horses competing for prizes must be owned and registered in the name of the exhibitor at the date of competition and certifications of registration of ownership must be produced to the Show Committee or the Director in charge of the class if called for.
- 3 No exhibitor shall show the same animal in more than one class or more than one section of a class, except in
- 4 team or special classes
- 5 Animal entered in Youth classes are eligible to compete in the regular classes at the same exhibition, subject to the
- 6 usual entry fee being charged
- 7 No purebred animal can be shown in any section or class other than its own, except where specifically stated in the show book
Entry fees will not be refunded under any circumstances unless a Veterinary Certificate is presented to the Secretary or Manager no later than 48 hours after the show.
Judges decisions are final. When there is only one exhibitor in a class, first place prize if merited, will be awarded. When entries are not worthy of first prize, judges may, at their discretion, award a prize or prizes such grade as the entry merit.
- 8 All prize money will be mailed out to the winning entries after the Fair. Junior Showmanship exhibitors will receive
- 9 their prize money in the form of cash after their respective classes.
No vehicles are allowed on the grounds – violators will be towed at the owner's expense
- 10 SCHEDULING: In the case of unforeseen circumstances (i.e) number of entries, scheduling could be altered by the Heavy Horse Committee.

Liability: All exhibitors shall be under the control and direction of the Vermilion Ag Society but solely at the risk of the said exhibitor. The Vermilion Ag Society will not be responsible for damage, injury, loss or theft of or to any exhibit, irrespective of the cause of such damage, injury, loss or theft. Each exhibitor will be solely responsible for any loss, injury or damage done to, administered by or arising from any animal or article exhibited by him/her, for its description as given in the catalogue. This shall indemnify the Vermilion Agricultural Society against all legal or other proceedings regarding it.

ENTRIES CLOSE WEDNESDAY, JULY 16th, 2025

NO EXCEPTIONS!

JULY 24, 25 & 26, 2025

For information call the Vermilion Agricultural Society Office at (780)853-4108,
email at vasentries@gmail.com or visit our website

www.vermilionag.ca

WELCOME

Welcome to the Vermilion Agricultural Society Heavy Horse Show.

IMPORTANT CHANGES FOR 2025:

We appreciate your support of the Vermilion Agricultural Society Heavy Horse Show. If you have ideas to make it better for all of us, we encourage your input. Please take some time to speak with a committee member, write us a note or email us, so that we can continue to improve the show. Also, be sure to fill out our post-show survey sent to all exhibitors.

EXHIBITORS ARE REQUESTED TO READ CAREFULLY ALL RULES GOVERNING THE SHOW. THE DECISION OF THE COMMITTEE IS FINAL.

ENTRY FEES

Please use the entry form provided at the back of this book.

Hitch and Harness Classes - \$15 per class

Team of Registered Mares - \$15 per entry

Halter Classes - \$15 per class

Junior Classes – Free

STALL SPACE IS LIMITED: Stalls are allotted as paid entries are received in the office.

Faxed entries and post-dated cheques will not reserve a stall.

Priority for box stalls is given to stallions and mares with foals. It is required that all stalls be cleaned entirely before leaving the showgrounds.

OTHER EQUINE ACTIVITIES

SEED SHOW

During the fair, there are numerous Equine activities on the grounds. If you are interested in any of these events, please contact the Vermilion Ag Society office at 780-853-4108 for more information.

- TEAM ROPING
GYMKHANA
- EQUINE SHOW
WAGON RACES

HARNESS SHOW

2:00 PM | THURSDAY, JULY 24TH, 2025 | GRANDSTAND

CLASS	DIVISION	HARNESS
300	Light Draft Team (10mins)	2:00-2:10 \$100 each
Filler	Gypsies (15mins)	2:10-2:25
301	Tandem (10mins)	2:25-2:35 \$100 each
Filler	Antique Tractors (15mins)	2:35-2:50
302	Men's Cart (10mins)	2:50-3:00 \$75 each
Filler	Antique Tractors (15mins)	3:00-3:15
303	Jr Cart (10mins)	3:15-3:25 \$250 split, max \$50 each
353	Jr Driving Competition (15mins)	3:40-3:55 \$250 split, max \$50 each

HALTER SHOW

SEED SHOW

8 AM | FRIDAY, JULY 25TH, 2025 | MAIN EQUINE SHOW RING

Prize Payouts: 1st \$70, 2nd \$65, 3rd \$55, 4th \$45, 5th \$40, 6th \$35, 7th \$25

GRADE HALTER

CLASS	DIVISION	GRADE HALTER
304	Light Draft Gelding or Mare	4 years and older
305	Heavy Gelding or Grade Mare	4 years and older
306	Jr. Gelding or Grade Mare	3 years and under

CHAMPION AND RESERVE CHAMPION GRADE HALTER
Ribbons awarded.

PUREBRED HALTER

FEATURING 2025 PROVINCIAL PERCHERON SHOW

CLASS DIVISION HALTER

- 310 Filly or Colt foaled in the calendar year
- 311 Brood Mare: mare showing evidence of being in foal or has raised a foal during the current year. Required to show the mare with foal at foot or registration certificate if the foal is not at foot.
- 312 Yeld mare three years and older
- 313 Filly, 2-year-old
- 314 Yearling Filly

CHAMPION AND RESERVE CHAMPION FEMALE

Ribbons awarded

CHAMPION AND RESERVE CHAMPION PERCHERON FEMALE

Provincial prizes awarded

- 315 Stallion, 1-year-old
- 316 Stallion, 2-year-old
- 317 Stallion, 3-year-old and over

CHAMPION AND RESERVE CHAMPION STALLION

Ribbons awarded

CHAMPION AND RESERVE CHAMPION PERCHERON STALLION

Provincial prizes awarded

- 318 Progeny of Dam: Two breeding animals any age the progeny of one dam. Each animal must have been shown in its appropriate class section if offered. The exhibitor must own at least one animal, registered in the exhibitor's name.
- 319 Get-of-Sire: Three breeding animals any age, the get of one sire. Each animal must have been shown in its appropriate class section if offered. The exhibitor must own at least one animal, registered in the exhibitor's name.
- 320 Stallion and Three Mares. The exhibitor must own each animal, registered in the exhibitor's name. Each animal must have been shown in its appropriate class section if offered.

SUPREME CHAMPION OF SHOW

SUPREME OF SHOW HALTER DONATED BY THE JIM BRYDEN FAMILY IN THE MEMORY OF JIM BRYDEN

Champion Mare, Champion Stallion and Champion Gelding

CLASS DIVISION HALTER – GYPSY HORSE

- 337 Open Mare – all ages
- 338 Open Stallion/Gelding

CLASS DIVISION HALTER – DRUM HORSE

- 339 Open Mare – all ages
- 340 Open Stallion/Gelding – all ages

HITCH SHOW

2 PM | FRIDAY, JULY 25TH, 2025 | GRANDSTAND

SIX HORSE SPONSORED BY THE JIM BRYDEN FAMILY IN MEMORY OF JIM BRYDEN

All entries are subject to the Livestock Rules and Regulations of the Vermilion Agricultural Society. All entries must be owned by and registered in the name of the exhibitor. Please provide a farm/personal biography for the show announcer to give during the introduction to the class.

CLASS DIVISION HITCH

341	6 Horse Hitch (15mins) 2:00-2:15	\$500 each
Filler	Stock Dog (20mins) 2:15-2:35	
342	Unicorn Hitch (15mins) 2:35-2:50	\$275 each
Filler	Trick Riders (20mins) 2:20-3:10	
343	Open Team (10mins) 3:10-3:20	\$100 each
345	Ladies Team (15mins) 3:35-3:45	\$100

CHAMPION LADIES TEAM JACKET IN MEMORY OF JESSIE STROME.
DONATED BY SHAWN AND RYAN MUDRYK

JUNIOR HALTER SHOW

SEED SHOW

9 AM | SATURDAY, JULY 26TH, 2025 | DESIGNATED BARN AREA

All entries are subject to the Livestock Rules and Regulations of the Vermilion Agricultural Society. All entries must be owned by and registered in the name of the exhibitor. There is no entry fee for the Junior Showmanship Classes, Riding Class or Junior Decorating.

CLASS DIVISION JUNIOR

346	Junior Decorating Class
347	Junior Showmanship (12 years and under)
348	Junior Showmanship (13 to 18 years)
349	Riding Class (OPEN)

2 PM | SATURDAY, JULY 26TH, 2025 | GRANDSTAND

SIX HORSE SPONSORED BY THE WES SARGENT FAMILY IN MEMORY OF BILL BRYDEN

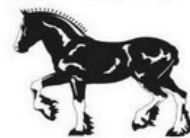
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CLASS DIVISION HITCH		Grand Entry (5mins) 2:00-2:05 Bag Pipes & Dave Stewart Carriage
350	6 Horse Hitch (15mins) 2:05-2:20	\$500 each
Filler	Gypsys (20mins) 2:20-2:40	
351	Four Horse Team (15mins) 2:40-2:55	\$350 each
Filler	Trick Riders (20mins) 2:55-3:15	
352	Team of Registered Mares (15mins) 3:15-3:30	\$100
354	Ladies Single Cart (15mins) 3:45-4:00	\$100 each

HEAVY HORSE SHOW



Thank You to our Sponsors



Supreme of Show

Championship Halter
In Memory of Jim Bryden
Donated by Jim Bryden Family

Ladies Team

In Memory of Jessie Strome
Donated by Jerri-Lynn Snelgrove,
Layne Snelgrove, and Ryan Mudryk

Six Horse Hitch Sponsors

Friday

In Memory of Jim Bryden
Jim Bryden Family

Saturday

In Memory of Bill Bryden
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