The Minnesota 4-H Livestock Auction of the prize winning animals owned by Minnesota’s outstanding young livestock producers will be held at the Minnesota State Fair on Saturday, Aug. 24.

The fast moving tempo of this exciting event, featuring these youthful exhibitors with their purple ribbon lambs, goats, hogs and steers; the chant of the auctioneers, enthusiastic buyers, and their rewarding bids and purchases will be featured by the news media of the entire state.

It’s the 4-H highlight of the entire year!

You are cordially invited to attend, participate, and become a part of it. Every young person, and his or her animal, are champions. They earned the right to exhibit at the State Fair by winning at their respective County Fairs. Because they have done a superior job of selecting, feeding and showing, they will be leading their animals into the auction ring of this “Cream of the Crop” sale, sponsored by the Minnesota Livestock Breeders’ Association and the Minnesota 4-H.

With an increase of over 300% in the past 10 years, the 4-H Purple Ribbon Livestock Auction had another record breaking year for its 39th year celebration.

Over $700,000 was raised with 106 animals on the auction block—many going for record amounts.
Grand Champion Market Beef – $34,600*
Exhibited by: Maxwell Ehrich, Faribault County
Purchased by: Ames Construction

Reserve Grand Champion Market Beef – $16,225*
Exhibited by: Ben Freking, Jackson County
Purchased by: MN Farmers Union Foundation, Farmers Union Agency and Farmers Union Industries, MN State Fair Concessionaires

Grand Champion Dairy Steer – $18,600*
Exhibited by: Makenna Jacobs, Freeborn County
Purchased by: American Foods Group, Central Livestock Association, O & S Cattle Company

Reserve Grand Champion Dairy Steer – $11,000*
Exhibited by: Tyler Jax, Mower County
Purchased by: American Foods Group
Excluding the Champions and Reserve Champions, average net cost to buyers in 2018 was:

- **Market Beef** ................. $6,373
- **Market Gilt** ........................ $6,266
- **Dairy Steer** ................. $6,002
- **Market Lamb** ........................ $4,109*
- **Market Barrow** ................. $6,709*
- **Market Goat** ........................ $4,550

* denotes a new record price

**BIDDING PROCEDURE:**

Sales catalogs are distributed at ringside. Listed is the name and home county of each exhibitor. Bids will be taken on each individual animal at any amount a ringside buyer wishes to offer as a premium or an award to an exhibitor. The Auctioneer will take it from there in an attempt to get the highest possible price for each youthful owner in this competitive auction.

A check will be mailed to each 4-H exhibitor for the total market value, plus the premium, on his or her animal, listing you as the buyer. A portion of the amount will be retained by the Minnesota Livestock Breeders Association for operating expenses and for 4-H animal science programs. You will be billed for the amount due.

---

**Grand Champion Market Swine – $13,050**
Exhibited by: Gretta Anderson, Goodhue County
Purchased by: Cargill Animal Nutrition

**Reserve Grand Champion Market Swine – $13,000**
Exhibited by: Thomas Freking, Jackson County
Purchased by: Hormel Foods, Wakefield Pork, Lockton Companies, EPS, Nutra-Blend, Wilson Trailers, Hog Slat, Triple V Concrete & Beck’s Hybrids

**Grand Champion Market Gilt – $12,700**
Exhibited by: Payten Benda, Jackson County
Purchased by: Cemstone

**Reserve Grand Champion Market Gilt – $12,425**
Exhibited by: Addie Nielsen, Freeborn County
Purchased by: MN Farmers Union Foundation, Farmers Union Agency and Farmers Union Industries

---

www.mnpurpleribbonauction.org
Grand Champion Market Lamb – $8,300
Exhibited by: Lauren Arthur, Steele County
Purchased by: Minnesota Farmers Union Foundation, Farmers Union Agency and Farmers Union Industries

Reserve Grand Champion Market Lamb – $6,550*
Exhibited by: Kelsey Hermanson, Houston County
Purchased by: Michael Wood Entertainment & Houston County Businesses

Grand Champion Meat Goat – $5,250
Exhibited by: Elizabeth Krause, Olmsted County
Purchased by: Minnesota Farmers Union Foundation, Farmers Union Agency and Farmers Union Industries

Reserve Champion Meat Goat – $5,100
Exhibited by: Anna Ridenour, Dodge County
Purchased by: Dodge County 4-H

Grand Champion Dairy Meat Goat – $6,000*
Exhibited by: Marshall Johnson, Fillmore County
Purchased by: LongCheng Hmong Meats & Rushford Businesses

Champion Meat Goat Doe – $5,400
Exhibited by: Johanna Welter, Olmsted County
Purchased by: Olmsted County Purple Ribbon Club

* denotes a new record price
Forty 4-H members that were High School graduates received a 4-H Auction Scholarship at the 2018 MN State Fair. 347 young people have received 4-H Auction Scholarships at the State Fair since the start of this program in 1995 to attend the college of their choice. Deserving youth are selected for 4-H Auction Scholarships based on their leadership and achievement in youth livestock programs, as well as their involvement in the local community. The 4-H Auction Scholarship Program is funded through proceeds from the annual MN State Fair 4-H Auction, and through a new “4-H Scholarship Matching Sponsorship” opportunity. Following are the details of the “4-H Scholarship Matching Sponsorship” program:

- There are three levels of scholarships; $1,000, $2,000 and $4,000. Sponsorships are one half the amount of the scholarship ($500, $1,000 and $2,000). Each of the sponsorships will be matched by 4-H Auction funds to create the scholarship.
- 4-H Auction Sponsorships may be a business, organization, individual, or a group of individuals, and they may choose to sponsor multiple 4-H Scholarships.
- 4-H Auction Sponsors will be listed in 4-H Auction publicity and will be recognized at the 2019 MN State Fair 4-H Auction and Buyers Supper.

40 scholarships were provided from the proceeds of the auction and the “4-H Scholarship Matching Sponsorship.”

Sponsors in 2018 included:

- $4,000 scholarships:
  Cargill Animal Nutrition (2); Sky Ride Inc., Don McClure

- $2,000 scholarships:
  Midwest Machinery; Minnesota Pork Board; Minnesota Farmers Union; Cargill Animal Nutrition; Albert Lea Seed House; Pipestone Grain Company; LA-CO Industries; Boehringer-Ingelheim (2); Michael Dove & Gary Koch, Independent Community Bankers of Minnesota; Riverview-Wulf Cattle; Compeer Financial

- $1,000 scholarships:
  Interstate Power Systems (2); Minnesota Corn Growers; Hormel Foods; Isabel Burke’s Salt Water Taffy; Corn Roast Concessions, Brad & Lori Ribar; Duke’s Poutine; Hubbard Feeds/ShowRite; Minnesota State Cattlewomen; Steve Pooch & Kent Thiesse; Jake & Lindsay Grazz; Minnesota Simmental Assn.; Anderson Seeds; Schroder Concessions; RDO Equipment Co.; Shanghaied Henri’s; Commodity & Ingredient Hedging; DLCC Ranch, Dar & Lynn Giess; Pronto Pups, The Karnis Family; In memory of Helen Anderson; Strategic Pork Solutions; Steve Resler; MouthTrap Cheese Curds; Holden Farms; Topigs Norsvin US
AWARD OF EXCELLENCE — $2500 & Up:

Dakota County 4-H Purple Ribbon Club — Farmington
Dakota/Rice Corn and Soybean — Faribault
Featherlite Trailers — Cresco, IA
Fillmore County Market Livestock Auction Committee — Preston
Goodhue County Purple Ribbon Club — Red Wing
Hormel Foods — Austin
Hubbard Feeds / Show Rite — Mankato
Interstate Power Systems — Minneapolis
Jackson County Purple Ribbon Club — Lakefield
Lockton Companies — Minneapolis
M Molding — St. Peter
Merck Animal Health — Comfrey
Minnesota Farm Bureau — St. Paul
Minnesota Farmers Union, Farmers Union Insurance and Farmers Union Industries — St. Paul
Mower County 4-H — Austin
New Fashion Pork — Jackson
Northern Country Coop — Adams
Nutro-Blend LLC — Neosho, MO
O & S Cattle Company — Inver Grove Heights

PURPLE RIBBON LEVEL — $1000 – $2499:

AB Vista — Plantation, FL
ADM Animal Nutrition — Quincy, IL
Ag Country Farm Credit Services — Madison
Ag Country Farm Credit Services — Morris
Ag Property Solutions — Emmetsburg, IA
Ag Quest Financial — Morgan
Agri Trading — Hutchinson
Albert Lea Elevator — Albert Lea
Altenburg Construction, Inc. — Lewistown
Alum-Line — Cresco, IA
Anderson Seeds — St. Peter
Australian Battered Potatoes — Balboa, CA
Automated Production — Schuyler, NE
Bauerly, Jerry & Elaine — Sauk Rapids
Becker County Purple Ribbon Club — Detroit Lakes
Beck's Hybrids — Courtland
Big Gain — Mankato
Big Stone 4-H Federation — Ortonville
Caledonia Haulers — Caledonia
Cambridge Technologies — Worthington
Canby Farmers Grain Co. — Canby
Centracare Health — St. Cloud
CHR Hansen — Spirit Lake, IA

SCHOLARSHIPS:

Albert Lea Seed House — Albert Lea
Anderson Seeds — St. Peter
Anderson, Byron — Hugo
Boehringer Ingelheim Vetmedica — Eagle Lake
Cargill Animal Nutrition — Minnetonka
Commodity & Ingredient Hedging — Chicago, IL
Compeer Financial — Mankato
Corn Roast — White Bear Twp
DLCC Ranch — Pierz

LA-CO Industries — Elk Grove Village, IL
Midwest Machinery — Little Falls
Minnesota Corn Growers Assn. — Shakopee
Minnesota Farmers Union, Farmers Union Insurance and Farmers Union Industries — St. Paul
Minnesota Pork Board — Mankato
Minnesota State Cattlewomen — Cedar MN Simmental Association — Emmens
Mouth Trap Cheese Curds — Mendota Heights
Pipestone Grain Co. — Pipestone

Rice County 4H Federation — Faribault
Rich Prairie Livestock Exchange — Pierz
River Country Co-op — Inver Grove Heights
Roesler Seeds — Minnesota Lake
Rushford Business Association — Rushford
Rushford State Bank — Rushford
Sachs Fencing — Farmington
Schwartz Farms, Inc. — Sleepy Eye
Schwecke Genetics — Gibbon
Shell Rock Ag Inc. — Hayward
Sibley Co 4-H Federation — Gaylord
Skyglider — Skyfair Inc. — Contoocook, NH
Smith Cattle Company — Estherville, IA
Stade Cattle Company — Prior Lake
Staples Oil Co. — Windom
Sulidae Health & Production — Algona, IA
Swanson Meats — Minneapolis
Tri-County Vet Clinic — Taunton
United Farmers Cooperative — Winthrop
Washington County Purple Ribbon Club — Stillwater
Waterford Oil — Northfield
Weckworth, Curtis & Lori — Arlington
Wilson Trailer Company — Mankato
Wulf Cattle — Morris
BLUE RIBBON LEVEL — $100 — $999:

1st National Bank Henning,
Ottertail Battle Lake — Henning
2H Cattle Co. — Grove City
343 Farms — Sanborn
3B Concessions — Burlington, WI
5 Star Solutions — Marlow, OK
ABC Companies — Fairbault
Absolute Ag — Austin
Adams Builders Supply — Adams
Advance Auto Parts — Caledonia
Advanced Drainage Systems — Mankato
Ag Country Farm
Credit Services — Graceville
Ag Country Farm
Credit Services — Marshall
Ag Country Farm Credit Services — Olivia
Ag Country Farm
Credit Services — Willmar
Ag Partners — Lewiston
Ag Quest Minnesota River Ins. — LeSueur
Ag Systems — Hutchinson
Aggen, Matt & Jessica — Harmony
Agralite Electric Cooperative — Benson
Agri Business Insurance — Schallar, IA
AGRI Tech — Brookings, SD
Albert Lea Trailer — Albert Lea
All America Pressure Washers — St. Peter
All American Co-op — Stewartville
Allison, Jack & Arlene — Glenville
Allison, Mike & Rhonda — Glenville
Alltech Inc. — Juneau, WI
Alpine Electric of Anoka — Zimmerman
American Family Insurance — Albert Lea
Americanica Insurance Group — Albert Lea
Amiret Ag Center — Amiret
Ammann, David & Michele — Truman
Amthauer Farm Cattle — Beamam, IA
Amusement Management Intl. — The Colony, TX
Anderson Farms — Waltham
Anderson Show Stock — Waltham
Anderson, Byron — Hugo
Anderson, Craig & Kris — Hugo
Anderson, Jana — St. James
Anderson, Mike — West Concord
Andrezek Cherp Excavating — Ivanhoe
Andy's Grille — Apple Valley
Anez Consulting Inc. — Willmar
Ani-tek LLC — Social Circle, GA
Apex Painting — Owatonna
Appleton Vet Clinic — Appleton
Arnold Power Washing
and Repair — Janesville
Arnold's of Alden — Alden
Arnold’s of St. Cloud Inc. — Sauk Rapids
Arzen Construction — Freeport
Aurora Pharmaceutical — Northfield
Austin Veterinary Clinic — Austin
Azteca Ranch — Lakeville
B & D Metal Works Inc. — Wells
B Vuclek Farms — Crete, ND
Bailey Nurseries Foundation — Newport
Ball Park Cafe — Shoreview
Bally's Gun Dogs — Clearfield
Bank Midwest — Windom
Bank Plus — Estherville, IA
Barberg, Erick — Kokomo
Bastian, Joe & Natalie — Fairfax
Baudoin Oil Co. — Grand Meadow
Bauer Built Inc. — Durand, WI
Bauer Built Tire — LeRoy
Bauerly, Brian & Marge — Milaca
Bauerly, Jake — Sauk Rapids
Bauerly, Mike & Sharon — Rice
Bauerly, Rick & Helga — St. Cloud
Baumgardt Farms — Sleepy Eye
Bayou Bob’s Alligator — Las Vegas, NV
BC Enterprises — Ringsted, IA
Becker Concessions — Waterloo, IA
Becker, Lynn & Julie — Fairmont
Bellingham
Farmers Elevator — Bellingham
Benco Electric Cooperative — Mankato
Benfield, Shelly & Rod — San Diego, CA
Benton County Leaders — Foley
Bentley County Leaders Council — Foley
Bentrei — Tulsa, OK
Berg Family Red Angus — Pipestone
Bergstrom, Abby — Lyle
Bergstrom, DeDee — Austin
Beyond Contracting — Jordan
Bianco’s Foods
BBQ Potatoes — Anderson, SC
Biesada, Jim & Brenda — Dayton
Big Gain — Hector
Big Stone A.I. — Clinton
Bigelow Family Farm — Rosemount
Biominn — Galesburg, IL
Bit of Tack — Verndale
BK Trucking — Waseca
Black Label Livestock — Mankato
Blackstad Seeds — St. James
Blake & Chicly Otte Farm — Randolph
Blank, Dan — St. Cloud
Blue Moon Dine In Theater — St. Paul
Bobick Concessions — Delano
Boe Bros Tiling — Taopi
Boehringler Ingelheim — Northfield
Boerboom Ag Resources — Marshall
Boettger, Nicole — Owatonna
Boniface, Dick & Juanita Reed-Boniface — Cedar
Borka Excavating LLC — Winsted
Bosma Poultry — Sibley, IA
Bottom Farms Inc. — St. James
Bowman Family — Woodbury
Bremer Bank — Austin
Bremer Bank — Stewartville
Bremer, Cal & Nikki — Fairmont
Bricelyn Insurance — Wells
Bridgeport — Andover
BRN Lawn and Landscape — Ellendale
Brockmann Brothers — Granada
Brockway-Brown Vet Clinic — Tracy
Brown Co. 4-H Livestock
Boosters — Sleepy Eye
Brown, Don & Kelly — Waconia
Brown’s Tire & Battery — Rushford
Buni’s Bakery — Candler, FL
Bunker Hill Creek Farm — Rice
Butcher Boys — Rhinebeck, NY
C&B Industries — Slayton
Cafe Caribe — Minnetonka
Caflon Farm — Sample
Caledonia Veterinary Clinic — Caledonia
Campbell’s Corn Dog — Cumming, IA
Candy Factory — George’s Fun Food — Gibsonston, FL
Cannondale Farms — Red Wing
Captured Portraits by Kristina — Adams
Caramel Apple Sundae — Shakopee
Cargill - Fairmont — Fairmont
Cargill AgHorizons
Grain Elevator — Madison
Carousel BBQ — Corydon, IN
Caribbean Smoothies — Spring Hill, FL
Casey Fanta Family — Starbuck
CCF Bank — Albert Lea
Cedarcrest Farms — Stanwood, IA
Celander, Cynthia — Kellihof
Celander, Robin & Cathy — Fairmont
Centra Sota Co-Op — Buffalo
Central Farm Service — Owatonna
Central Livestock — Zumbrota Market — Zumbrota
Central Livestock Association — Albany
Central MN Seeds LLC — Belgrade
Central Region Co-op — Sleepy Eye
Central Region Cooperative — Gibbon
Central Crop Consulting — Dawson
Centrol Crop Consulting — Windom
CFS — Truman
Chad Hoffbeck Ag Services — Morgan
Channel Seed — Paynesville
Chan’s Concessions — Sugarland, TX
Chicago Dogs — Stillwater
Chiglo Salvage — Peterson
Chosen Valley Vet Clinic — Chatfield
Christensen Family Farms — Sleepy Eye
Christenson, Jim & Chris — Green Bay, WI
Christianson Plumbing & Heating — Hendricks
CHS - Grand Meadow — Grand Meadow
CHS - Stewartville — Rochester
Cinnamon Roasted Nuts — Maple Plain
Circle Oak Repair — New Prague
Citizens Bank & Trust — Hutchinson
Citizens State Bank — Glenville
Civil Sass Hops — Chatfield
CJ America — Lenexa, KS
CJ Club Lambs — Ellsworth, WI
Clemens, John & Shelly — Hugo
Clemens, Kathy & Mike — Forest Lake
Clementson Trucking — Pine Island
Cleveland Chevrolet Inc. — Canby
Clifton Larson Allen LLP — Austin
Coasters, Inc. — Woodbury
Coors, Shannon & Angie — Dovray
Cokato Veterinary Services — Cokato
Colonial Nut Roll — Milford, IA
Community Co-op Oil — Faribault
Compart Family Farms — Nicollet
Compart Show Pigs — Nicollet
Concord Meats — South St Paul
Conde, Brian — Little Canada
Conger Meat Market — Conger
Connors Plumbing & Heating — Waseca
Corrigan Oil — Brighton, MI
Cotton Candy — St. Paul
Coudron Charolais — Monticello
Country Butcher Shop — Easton
Country Gallery Photography — Kimball
Country Pride Co-op — Bingham Lake
Country River Farm — Boer Goats — New Richmond
Countyline Ag — Madelia
Courtland Waste Handling — Courtland
Cream Puffs — Tom’s Concessions — San Diego, CA
Cresco Union Savings Bank — Lime Springs, IA
Crete Construction — Hollandale
Crimson Fever Cattle — Austin
Crop Insurance Specialists — Slayton
Crop Revenue Consultants — Lakeville
Crossroads Trailer Sales & Service — Albert Lea
Crutchee-s Inc. — Sumner, TX
Crystal Valley Co-op — Lake Crystal
Crystal Valley Cooperative-Janesville — Janesville
Cselovszki Farms — Sleepy Eye
CSI — Hartford, SD
Custom Ag Services — Granada
D & D Farms — Foley
Dan’s Direct Livestock — Winnebago
Darrell Regnier Auction Co. LLC — Canby
Darren Ehlers Trucking — Arlington
Darwin Freezer — Darwin
Dave Syverson & Son — Albert Lea
Davis Family Dairies, LLC — Le Sueur
Decker Show Pigs — Columbus, IN
Deep Fried Candy Bars — Bismark, NC
Dejno’s Inc. — Kenosha, WI
Defong, Sherri — Blue Earth
Demetri’s Greek Foods — Mount Airy, MD
DENCO II — Morris
Diamond K Genetics — Rochester
Dickenson, Scott & Suzanne — Albert Lea
Dirty Laundry — Austin
Ditch Creek Landscape and Design — Waseca
The buyers that contributed under $100 are listed on the auction website — www.mnpurpleribbonauction.org

Become a Buyer
Buyers are Champions Too!

- By becoming a buyer, you reward a 4-H member’s excellent achievement in production, inspiring that person to go on to greater successes and becoming a better citizen.
- Your premium dollars not only support an individual youth, but also the entire 4-H program.
- One of the motivating incentives for youth to engage in the livestock enterprise is to exhibit their animal projects – first at the county fair, and then to hopefully win a trip to the great Minnesota State Fair. This is your opportunity to help these young people celebrate their success and to encourage them, and others, to even greater heights of achievement. Livestock can play a major role in youth development.
- You help support Minnesota’s agricultural economy, and its most important enterprise—an efficient livestock industry. Animal agriculture is an indispensable base for the economy of the state and nation.
- Grand Champion animals will be on display inside the west entrance of the Cattle barn during the final nine days of the fair. Signage will be at the site, advertising your business to over 1.8 million people who visit the fair during that time.
- A photo of the animal and its owner will be available for your promotional purposes. You or your company will be listed in the following year’s publicity materials, brochure and sales catalog. You will be recognized for your role as a builder for a better tomorrow.

ON BEHALF OF OUR YOUNG PEOPLE, A SINCERE THANK YOU TO ALL SUPPORTERS OF PAST AUCTIONS
- Minnesota Livestock Breeders’ Association

THANK YOU TO ALL SUPPORTERS OF PAST AUCTIONS

It’s easy to become a Buyer . . .

- Return the enclosed form marked “YES, you can depend on me!”
- Be our guest at an early supper beginning at 4 p.m. at the Compeer Arena. This year’s dinner will be sponsored by Compart’s Durocs, Captain Ken’s and Swanson Meats.
- Sale starts at 6 p.m. Compeer Arena on the fairgrounds.
- If you are unable to attend in person, you can watch the auction live at www.Bit.ly/YouTubeMPRLA
- Reply to the Auction committee using the enclosed postage-paid, addressed envelope. Complimentary admission tickets to the fair and convenient reserved parking will be provided for you.
- Any special advertising or promotional plans for your purchase must be cleared and approved in advance of the sale with the Auction Committee. Auction management and sponsors have made arrangements for the animals at ringside following the auction.

Follow us on Facebook
https://www.facebook.com/mnpurpleribbonlivestockauction/
What is it?
The Champion Buyers’ Club is an elite group of supporters who have committed a significant financial contribution to the Purple Ribbon Auction.

How do you become a member?
TWO WAYS:
- Purchase the premium of one or more of the 14 specie Champions or Reserve Champions at the designated commitment levels
  - Purchaser can be a consortium, individual, or company
- Pledge a total of $5,000 throughout the entire auction to any number of the 106 participants in the event

What are the benefits of becoming a member?
- Champion Buyers’ Club banner displayed the remainder of the fair over the Champion Row display visible to all 2 million fair attendees
- Receive an invitation to the Champion Buyers’ Club Recognition Gala on November 8th at the Wilds Golf Course in Prior Lake.
  - Enjoy dinner, recognition for your support, and an evening to interact with the auction participant you support

For information on becoming a Champion Buyers’ Club member, please contact either Dan Fox at 651-357-5436 or foxx347@umn.edu or Joseph O’Sullivan at 612-868-8580 or Joseph.O’Sullivan@minnstarbank.com.