



# OFFICIAL RULE BOOK

JUNE 25 - JULY 1, 2023

NORTH AMERICAN JR. RED ANGUS EVENT

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## Tentative NAJRAE Schedule

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|---------------------------|--|
| <b>Saturday, June 24</b>  | 5:00 p.m.– Barn and Tie-outs Open for Host State ONLY<br>Cattle Tattoo Verification – Outside Washington Show Ring   |
| <b>Sunday, June 25</b>    | 8:00 a.m.– Barn and Tie-outs Open for ALL exhibitors<br>Cattle Tattoo Verification – Outside Washington Show Ring  |
| <b>Monday, June 26</b>    | 7:00 a.m. – Junior Board Meeting - Crazy Horse Lounge<br>8:00 a.m. – Senior Interview Contest Interviews – Red Room<br>8-11 a.m. – Cattle Tattoo Verification – Outside Washington Show Ring<br>9:00 a.m. – State Leader Meeting – White Room<br><b>10:00 a.m. – ALL CATTLE MUST BE IN PLACE</b><br>10:00 a.m. – Junior Exhibitor Meeting – Washington Show Ring<br>10:30 a.m. – Pee Wee Meeting - Washington Show Ring<br>11:00 a.m. – Big Little Meeting - Washington Show Ring<br><b>12:00 p.m. – Cattle/Registration Paper Check-in – Rushmore Corridor</b><br>Satellite Contest Check-in<br>12:00 p.m. – Arts & Crafts Check-in & Interviews – Red Room<br>2-3:00 p.m. – Steer Weigh In - TBA<br>4:00 p.m. – Herdsman Quiz & ID<br>Junior Assisted & Novice – Peewee Pride Room<br>Junior Unassisted – Red Room<br>Intermediate/Seniors – White Room<br>6:00 p.m. – Line up for Opening Ceremonies - Makeup Area<br>6:30 p.m. – Opening Ceremonies - Washington Show Ring |
| <b>Tuesday, June 27</b>   | 7:00 a.m. – Junior Board Meeting - Crazy Horse Lounge<br>7:30 a.m. – Queen/Princess Breakfast – Patriotic Pit<br>Interviews - Crazy Horse Lounge<br>8:00 a.m. – Public Speaking<br>Junior & Novice – Red Room<br>Intermediate – White Room<br>Seniors – Blue Room<br>11:30 a.m. – Livestock Judging Contest - Washington Show Ring<br>4:00 p.m. – Quiz Bowl – Junior-Red Room, Senior-White Room<br>7:00 p.m. – Family Social / Tailgating Night – The Badlands  |
| <b>Wednesday, June 28</b> | 7:00 a.m. – Junior Board Meeting - Crazy Horse Lounge<br>8:00 a.m. – Team Fitting Heats - Washington Show Ring<br>12:00 p.m. – Sales Talk Contest - Washington Show Ring<br>2:00 p.m. – Scholarship Interviews – Crazy Horse Lounge<br>3:00 p.m. – Education Station - TBA<br>4:30 p.m. – Pee Wee Cookie Decorating – Rushmore Corridor<br>5:00 p.m. – Team Fitting Finals - Washington Show Ring  |
| <b>Thursday, June 29</b>  | 7:00 a.m. – Junior Board Meeting - Crazy Horse Lounge<br>8:00 a.m. – Exhibitor Picture (ALL Exhibitors in their show shirts)<br>Show Ring<br>9:00 a.m. – Showmanship - Washington Show Ring<br>Ring 1 - Seniors followed by Juniors<br>Ring 2 - Intermediates followed by Novice<br>Peeweews After completion of all divisions<br>0:00 p.m. – Incoming Junior Board Interviews – Red Room<br>1 Hour after the completion of the Showmanship Show<br>Junior Board Meeting Immediately Following<br>4:00 p.m. – Adult Membership Meeting – White Room<br>Senior Board Meeting 30 Minutes Following   |
| <b>Friday, June 30</b>    | 7:00 a.m. – Junior Board Meeting - Crazy Horse Lounge<br>8:00 a.m. – Shows (Bred & Owned Females, Bred & Owned Bulls,<br>1A Steers, % Steers, % Heifers)   |
| <b>Saturday, July 1</b>   | 6:00 p.m. – Awards Banquet and Silent Auction – Roosevelt Banquet Hall<br>7:00 am – Junior Board Meeting - Crazy Horse Lounge<br>8:00 a.m. – Show (Owned Female)   |

**All Animals Released at the conclusion of the show**

## 2023 Junior Board and Royalty

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|---|--|
| Gabbi Walters – President<br>Mississippi<br><i>(Term expires 2023)</i>        | Calley Stubbs – Vice President<br>Kansas<br><i>(Term expires 2023)</i>         |
| Morley Griffith – Communications<br>Oklahoma<br><i>(Term expires 2024)</i>    | Mason Krey – Leadership<br>Oklahoma<br><i>(Term expires 2024)</i>              |
| Tiffany Hediger – At Large Director<br>Illinois<br><i>(Term expires 2024)</i> | Greta Rosenhagen – At Large Director<br>Kentucky<br><i>(Term expires 2024)</i> |
|   | Dalia Weber – Membership<br>Illinois<br><i>(Term expires 2024)</i>             |
|   | Raygan Krey – Queen<br>Oklahoma<br><i>(Term expires 2023)</i>                  |
| Grace Ahrendsen – Princess<br>Iowa<br><i>(Term expires 2023)</i>              | Carlee McCracken – Princess<br>Oklahoma<br><i>(Term expires 2024)</i>          |
|   | Ashbee Norman<br>Alabama<br><i>(Term expires 2024)</i>                         |

### Junior Advisor

Kris Nagel  
Illinois

## 2023 Senior Board

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|--|---|
| Kaye Gilbert – President<br>Iowa<br><i>(Term expires 2024)</i>             | Ryan Sweeney – Vice President<br>Oklahoma<br><i>(Term expires 2025)</i> |
| Cheryl Johnson – Secretary/Treasurer<br>Iowa<br><i>(Term expires 2024)</i> | Jason Bragg – Board Member<br>Texas<br><i>(Term expires 2023)</i>       |
| John Fischer – Board Member<br>Texas<br><i>(Term expires 2023)</i>         | Brian Shuter – Board Member<br>Indiana<br><i>(Term expires 2025)</i>    |
|  | Vacant – Board Member<br><i>(Term expires 2025)</i>                     |

## **2023 Committees**

(Go to [www.najrae.com](http://www.najrae.com) for a complete listing of committee members)

### **Advertising & Marketing**

**Chair: Cheryl Johnson**

**Vice Chair: Kaye Gilbert**

**Junior Board Representative Advertising & Printing – Tiffany Hediger**

**Junior Board Representative Social Media – Morley Griffith**

**Junior Board Representative Newsletter – Gabbi Walters**

### **Show & Events**

**Chair Kaye Gilbert**

**Vice Chair Jason Bragg**

Wyatt Banks, Mandy Fischer, Dene Sweeney, Ethan Dickerson

**Events Chair – Dene' Sweeney**

**Awards Chair – Mandy Fischer**

**Junior Board Representative Mason Krey**

**Junior Board Representative Gabbi Walters**

**Animal Show Chair – Kaye Gilbert**

**Junior Board Representative Gabbi Walters**

### **Finance**

**Chair John Fischer**

**Vice Chair Jason Bragg**

**Junior Board Representative Fundraising – Morley Griffith**

Cheramie Viator, Ashley Baker

### **Host**

**Chair: Pam Hanson-Singrey**

**Vice Chair: Michelle Weber**

**Senior Board Liaison Cheryl Johnson**

**Junior Board Representative**

**Banquet**

**Show Ring**

**Junior Board Representative – Calley Stubbs**

**Junior Board Representative – Gabbi Walters**

**Opening Ceremony Junior Board Representative – Greta Rosenhagen**

**Welcoming Committee**

**Hospitality**

**Junior Board Representative – Raygan Krey**

**Junior Board Representative – Dalia Weber**

### **Scholarship Program**

**Chair Ryan Sweeney**

**Vice Chair Brian Shuter**

### **Rules & Bylaws**

**Chair Kaye Gilbert**

**Vice Chair Ryan Sweeney**

**Junior Board Representative Gabbi Walters**

Tom Bell, Ryan Sweeney

### **Red Angus**

**Chair John Fischer**

Kaye Gilbert, Ryan Sweeney, Cheryl Johnson

### **Junior Board Liaison**

**John Fischer**

## **2023 Hotels with Room Blocks**

**ROOM BLOCK NAME: Junior Red Angus**

**Block Dates: June 24-July 1, 2023**

### **Brookings Inn**

Splash Zone Water Park  
2500 6<sup>th</sup> Street  
Brookings, SD 57006  
(605) 692-9471

### **Comfort Suites University**

929 25<sup>th</sup> Avenue  
Brookings, SD 57006  
(605) 692-2882

### **Holiday Inn Express**

3020 Lefevre Drive  
Brookings, SD 57006  
(605) 692-9060

### **Econolodge**

2515 6<sup>th</sup> Street  
Brookings, SD 57006  
(605) 692-3111

### **Quality Inn**

514 Sunrise Ridge Road  
Brookings, SD 57006  
(605) 692-9566

## NAJRAE Rule Changes for 2023

- **2023 AGE REQUIREMENTS:** Participants must be members in good standing of the NAJRAE by paying their NAJRAE Exhibition Fee and cannot have reached their 22<sup>nd</sup> birthday prior to January 1 the year of the show. Age divisions during the event are determined by the age as of January 1<sup>st</sup> of the current show year (2023). These will apply for all contests, unless otherwise noted.
- **PARTICIPATION REQUIREMENTS:** Exhibitors showing in ANY NAJRAE cattle show must compete in three (3) satellite events. Two (2) events must be from the six (6) individual contests. Seniors may also use the Senior Interview contest as one of their events. One (1) event may be from a team event. Eligible individual contests include: arts & crafts, photography, sales talk, public speaking, livestock judging, herdsman's quiz or senior interview contest for senior level exhibitors. Eligible team events are Quiz Bowl or Team Fitting.
- **ANIMAL IDENTIFICATION:** All animals must have legible tattoos in both ears, which match the Animal ID and Herd Prefix as recorded in the RAAA database prior to processing and the registration papers presented at check in.
  - i. Animal ID and Herd Prefix verification may be via printed registration certificate or real time electronic representation of the RAAA database.
  - ii. All tattoos must be in the ears according to the RAAA Rules and Regulations for Permanent Identification Procedures:
    - Each tattoo, Herd Prefix and Animal ID, must be legible in at least one ear.
    - Animal ID and Herd Prefix may be present in either one ear or both ears.
    - When both are present in the same ear, they must be one above the other for distinction between the Animal ID and the Herd Prefix.
  - iii. All tattoos of Prefix and ID ***MUST*** be in the animal's ear ***PRIOR*** to check in.
  - iv. If the Animal ID and/or Herd Prefix are not legible and cannot be read during processing by a Show Official or are legible but are incorrect and/or no visible indications of a tattoo in either ear, the animal will not be allowed to show
- **ANIMAL VERIFICATION:** Champions and Reserve Champions from all shows, as well as, the 3rd-5th place animals in the top 5 from the Bred & Owned Bulls, Bred & Owned Females, and Owned Females will have a tissue sample taken immediately following their respective shows and sent to the Red Angus Association of America to be parental verified.
  - i. If the animal does not verify to the parentage submitted on the registration paper, the exhibitor will be allowed to submit other parentage for comparison.
  - ii. If the animal is verified to be a Red Angus 1A or 1B in conjunction with the show requirements, the title awarded will stand.
  - iii. If the animal does not verify to be a Red Angus 1A or 1B in conjunction with the show requirements, the title will be removed.
- **PERCENTAGE STEER:** Steers must not have horns. Horns may be surgically removed but must be healed by check in. Scurred animals are considered polled if the exhibitor chooses not to remove the scurs.
- **ARTS & CRAFTS:** A portion of the exhibitor's points will be determined by the exhibitor's project's promotion of the Red Angus breed.
- **LIVESTOCK JUDGING:** Intermediate and Senior divisions will give at least one set of oral reasons on a designated class or classes. The number of reason classes will be determined at the time of the event
- **PUBLIC SPEAKING:** Novice and Junior speeches are not to exceed 5 minutes.
- **SALES TALK:** Sales Talk presentations may sell Red Angus cattle, frozen genetics, or meat.
- **SENIOR INTERVIEW:** Seniors may use Senior Interview contest as one of their 3 contests to participate.
- **FITTING CONTEST:** Additional rules have been implemented including an animal may not be used more than once. Be sure to review the complete rules in the Fitting Contest section of Team Events.
- **QUIZ BOWL:** Additional rules have been implemented. Be sure to review the rules set forth in the Quiz Bowl section of the Team Events.

## NAJRAE Frequently Asked Questions

### **Do I have to stall with my state?**

Yes. Exhibitors will be stalled with their respective state, with respective state being defined as the state of residency on their registration papers at the time of early entry, May 15. Stalls will be assigned by NAJRAE Show Officials.

### **Do I need to bring bedding?**

Each entry will be assessed a bedding fee for indoor bedding. Tie-out bedding will also be provided.

### **Can I tie out to my trailer or build pens in tie-outs?**

Tie outs will be available upon arrival. All cattle in tie-outs MUST wear a neck-tie. Pens will be allowed **ONLY** for cow-calf pairs and there will be no tying to trailers for tie-outs. **Tie Outs are assigned by state.**

### **Do I have to participate in satellite events?**

Exhibitors showing in ANY NAJRAE cattle show must compete in three (3) satellite events. Two (2) events must be from the six (6) individual contests. Seniors may also use the Senior Interview contest as one of their events. One (1) event may be from a team event. Eligible individual contests include: arts & crafts, photography, sales talk, public speaking, livestock judging, herdsman's quiz or senior interview contest for senior level exhibitors. Eligible team events are Quiz Bowl or Team Fitting.

### **Why is it important to provide the exhibitor shirt size at the time of entry?**

Each exhibitor will be given a complimentary show shirt and event t-shirt. Exhibitors are required to wear their show shirt during ALL NAJRAE shows and showmanship. You may purchase extra show shirts or show t-shirts online during the entry process.

### **What are the age divisions for exhibitors?**

Age divisions are determined by the age as of January 1st of the current show year (2023). These will apply for all contests, unless noted.

- a) Peewee: 7 and under
- b) Novice: 6-7 years of age
- c) Junior: 8-12 years of age
- d) Intermediate: 13-16 years of age
- e) Senior: 17-21 years of age

### **What is the difference between Peewee and Novice?**

Novice exhibitors are Peewee age exhibitors that have their own animals and would like to participate in the shows. Peewee Only will not have their own animals and may use someone else's animals to compete in the Showmanship event.

### **Will Novice be required to do Satellite Events?**

Novice will be required to do 3 Satellite Events in the Novice division. Peeweeps will not participate in the Satellite Events. All Peewee aged exhibitors may participate in the Peewee events such as cookie decorating and stick horse.

### **Am I allowed to have my own stall cards or farm signs in my stalls?**

No. All exhibitors must use the stall signs provided by the event. No other stall signs are allowed and no farm signs are allowed anywhere in the stall, tack space, or community area of the exhibitor's space.

### **Does the exhibitor need to purchase a banquet ticket?**

Yes, anyone including the exhibitor attending the banquet must purchase a ticket. You can purchase banquet tickets during the online entry process.

### **Will the show have an on-call veterinarian?**

Yes, there will be an on-call veterinarian. If used, the exhibitor will assume all expenses or bill.



## **GENERAL INFORMATION AND RULES**

### **WELCOME**

The North American Junior Red Angus Event (“NAJRAE”) encourages your participation in this year’s event. The Senior Board of Directors as well as the Junior Board of Directors looks forward to hosting you and your exhibits at the Swiftel Center, and we welcome you to Brookings, South Dakota.

### **INTERPRETATION OF RULES**

NAJRAE reserves to its Senior Board of Directors the final and absolute right to interpret these General Rules and Regulations, the Livestock Show Special Rules, and/or any applicable special requirements as published in this premium list (collectively, the “Rules”) and to reasonably settle and determine all matters, questions and differences in regard thereto, or otherwise arising out of or connected with or incident to the NAJRAE, and the right to amend or add to these rules as its judgment may determine. An exhibitor who violates any of the following rules may forfeit all privileges, fees paid and premiums awarded and may be subject to such penalties as the Senior Board of Directors may determine. The failure of NAJRAE to enforce any of the provisions, rules, rights or remedies of this premium list or to exercise any options or sanctions herein provided will in no way be construed to be a waiver of such provisions, rules, rights, remedies, sanctions or options. Special rules or conditions are published in each department where necessary. If there is a conflict between the special rules or requirements of any department or division and the general rules and regulations, the special rules or requirements shall apply.

### **LIABILITY STATEMENT**

All exhibitors and exhibits shall comply with these rules of NAJRAE. NAJRAE shall not be liable to exhibitor for lost profit or other financial loss of any type or description including any special, indirect, reliance, incidental or consequential damages which may be caused directly or indirectly by the enforcement of these Rules, or for any time delays, inadequacies of services of NAJRAE or any use of the premises or by any deficiency or defect therein. Additionally, NAJRAE is not responsible for any loss, injury or damage caused by exhibitor or exhibitor’s property that may arise directly or indirectly from exhibitor’s participation at the NAJRAE. Each exhibitor will be solely responsible for any such loss, injury or damage, whether to person or property, and shall indemnify NAJRAE, and their directors against all losses, damages and legal proceedings arising there from.

### **NON COMPLIANCE TO RULES**

Exhibitors are subject to all rules and regulations of the (NAJRAE). Entries are accepted with the understanding that each exhibitor agrees to conform to the Rules and Regulations of the North American Junior Red Angus Event. Any person found guilty of misrepresentation or not abiding by the Rules in this premium list will be disqualified and denied the privilege of competing at NAJRAE.

Enforcement will be at the discretion of the authorized NAJRAE representatives. Disciplinary action for a violation may include but not be limited to the removal of all awards (animal show as well as satellite events), removal of premium money, and permanent disqualification from the current and future NAJRAE events.

## ENTRY REQUIREMENTS FOR EXHIBITORS

1. **NON-COMPLIANCE TO THE RULES:** Exhibitors are subject to all rules and regulations of the (NAJRAE). Please see the statement for Non-Compliance of Rules on Page 8.
2. **LIABILITY STATEMENT:** Each exhibitor/contestant (and exhibitor's parent or legal guardian, if exhibitor is a minor) acknowledges with entry that he/she understands and agrees to the release and/or limitation of liability statement and agrees to abide by all Rules of NAJRAE.
3. **EXHIBITOR ELIGIBILITY:** The NAJRAE does not discriminate against any applicant, exhibitor, volunteer, customer or patron on the basis of race, sex, color, age, disability, religion, citizenship, veteran status, nationality or ethnic origin.
4.
  - a. **AGE REQUIREMENTS:** Participants must be members in good standing of the NAJRAE by paying their NAJRAE Exhibition Fee and cannot have reached their 22<sup>nd</sup> birthday prior to January 1 the year of the show. Age divisions during the event are determined by the age as of January 1<sup>st</sup> of the current show year (2023). These will apply for all contests, unless otherwise noted.

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  - c. **RULE REQUIREMENTS:** Exhibitors and their exhibits must meet and adhere to the requirements of these Rules and any and all Special Rules listed under the appropriate department(s) and division(s) as printed in this rule book to be eligible for entry.
  - d. **RED ANGUS MEMBERSHIP REQUIREMENT:** Exhibitor must be a Member of the National Junior Red Angus Association at the time of check-in.

5. **ANIMAL ELIGIBILITY:**

- a. **OWNERSHIP:** To be eligible for competition, animals must be the bona fide property of the exhibitor. All entries must be solely in the NAJRAE exhibitors name by **May 25, 2023**.
- b. **HEALTH REQUIREMENTS:** Please refer to the Animal Health Requirements listed in this premium list.
- c. **REGISTRATION:** Cattle entered in this show must be officially registered in the Red Angus Association of America herd- book. The original registration certificate or pdf as printed out from RedsPro is required at check-in. Cattle must be in the R or I status at the time of NAJRAE check-in.
- d. **ANIMAL IDENTIFICATION:** All animals must have legible tattoos in both ears, which match the Animal ID and Herd Prefix as recorded in the RAAA database prior to processing and the registration papers presented at check in.
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  - iii. If the animal does not verify to be a Red Angus 1A or 1B in conjunction with the show requirements, the title will be removed.

6. **ENTRY PROCEDURE:**

- a. **ENTRY APPLICATION:** All applications for entry must be made online at [www.najrae.com](http://www.najrae.com)
- b. **ENTRY SUBSTITUTIONS:** Substitutions will be allowed within the same sex. Substitutions must be declared at check in.

7. **ENTRY DEADLINES:** Entries must be submitted **online by 11:59 P.M., May 15, 2023**. Late Entries will be accepted from May 16, 2023-May 25, 2023 for additional fees.

8. **ENTRY FEES:** All applications for entry must be accompanied by related fees. If the entry does not have fees enclosed, the application for entry will not be accepted or accepted conditionally. All international exhibitors must pay fees in certified U.S. currency. Entry fees are not stall fees and do not dictate stall space. **ALL FEES ARE FINAL AND NON-REFUNDABLE.**
- a. **NAJRAE Junior Dues - \$20:** Junior Dues must be paid in full through online entries to be processed. ***(This is separate from a JRA Membership.)*** This fee applies to Novice, Junior, Intermediate, and Senior Age Divisions. This fee must be paid to participate in animal shows and/or satellite contests.
  - b. **NAJRAE Peewee Fee - \$5:** Peewee Dues must be paid in full through online entries to be processed. ***(This is separate from a JRA Membership.)*** This fee must be paid to participate in animal shows and/or satellite contests.
  - c. **Entry Fee - \$40 per entry/per show:** Bred and owned entry fees are separate from owned entry fees. We do not assume if an animal is bred & owned that you also want to show it in the owned show. **YOU MUST ENTER IN BOTH SHOWS.**
  - d. **Owned Female, Bred & Owned Bull, Steers, and Percentage Heifer Bedding Fees –** Bedding Fees will be no less than \$30, but subject to change at the time of entry.
  - e. **Bred & Owned Female Bedding Fee –** Bedding Fees will be no less than \$30, but subject to change at the time of entry. Bred & Owned Female bedding fees must be paid separately **IF** the animal is **NOT** going to be entered in the Owned Female Show. If the animal is entered in the Owned Female show, no additional bedding fees are needed.
  - f. **Late Entry Fee - \$80 per entry/per show:** will be assessed from May 16-25, 2023.
  - g. **Contest only fee - \$40 fee:** If you're not showing an animal but wish to participate in the contests, including team events, you will pay this fee. This fee will allow the participant to be eligible for all Satellite Events and Team Events during the contest.

## **RULES OF COMPETITION**

### **1. JUDGES/OFFICIALS:**

- a. **SELECTION OF JUDGES/OFFICIALS:** Judges will be selected through a selection process of the Show Team and voted on by the NAJRAE Senior Board of Directors. Judges will be familiar with all rules and department requirements.
- b. **JUDGES' DECISIONS/OFFICIALS:** The judges' decisions are final. See below for protest details.
- c. **INTERFERENCE WITH JUDGES/OFFICIALS:** If any exhibitor, in any way, whether in person or by their representative, interferes with the judge(s), or shows any disrespect to the judges or show officials, the senior board may excuse him/her from the ring, disqualify them from further competition, and exhibitor premiums that may have been awarded may also be forfeited.

### **2. PROTESTS:**

- a. **FILING:** All protests must be in writing and accompanied by a deposit of \$500.00, cash or certified check, which will be forfeited if protest is not sustained. Such protest must state plainly the cause of the complaint or appeal and must be delivered to the senior board immediately after the occasion for such protest. Protests will be accepted prior to, during and within 2 hours immediately following the conclusion of judging. Any protest as to the eligibility on account of age or breeding of animals must be filed with the senior board prior to the day on which they are to be judged.
- b. **INVESTIGATION:** Judging procedures will not be interrupted for protest investigation; and depending on the basis of the protest, a decision may be withheld until a thorough investigation is completed. The NAJRAE Senior Board of Directors reserves the right to hold all protests and investigation findings confidential.

### **3. SHOW RING COMPETITION:**

- a. **EXHIBITOR SUBSTITUTIONS:** Exhibitors must accompany and exhibit their show entries. If a substitute exhibitor is needed, it will require the approval of the show team. Exceptions include:
  - i. An exhibitor has more than one animal in the same class, in which another NAJRAE exhibitor may help by showing one of the animals.
  - ii. Injury or illness.
- b. **HUMANE TREATMENT:** Exhibitors are to treat animals in a humane manner at all times. Show officials will provide a warning to any exhibitor deemed to be in violation of this basic principle of animal husbandry. Any exhibitor who fails to heed the warning will be disqualified and removed from show grounds.
- c. **ENTRY NUMBER:** Each entry will be assigned an entry number. This number will identify animals in the show and will correspond with the numbers in the Official Judge's Book and must be displayed by exhibitors when the entries are being judged.
- d. **JUDGING SCHEDULE:** The Livestock Show Schedule, as published in this rule book, will be followed as closely as possible. Exhibitors should ascertain at what time the exhibits entered will be judged. Judging will not be delayed for exhibitors entering the show ring late. Any exhibit not presented promptly at the scheduled time will be ruled out and excluded from competition when the class is called.
- e. **CLASS SIZE:** The NAJRAE Show Officials will split classes as near to equal as possible.
- f. **SHOW SHIRT:** Official show shirts are required while exhibiting animals and will be available at check-in. These will be provided by the NAJRAE.
- g. **DISQUALIFICATION:** If an exhibit is disqualified there will be no refund of any fees due to disqualification.
- h. **PHOTOGRAPHS/VIDEOS:** Photographs of Champion and Reserve Champion exhibits will be taken by the official photographer of the NAJRAE. Exhibitors of Champion and Reserve Champion winners must make themselves and their exhibits available for the taking of official photographs with the possibility of videos. Exhibitor hereby grants NAJRAE permission to utilize photographs/videos, image or likeness in whole or in part for use in official NAJRAE publications, social media and other promotions.

- i. **PREMIUM PAYOUT:** Total premiums will be paid by NAJRAE unless otherwise stated. Premiums will be forwarded to designated person(s) as directed, as soon after the close of the show as they can properly be processed. Cash premiums are payable by bank check. Checks will be made payable to the exhibitor listed on the entry form. All premiums whatsoever, not claimed within 90 days upon receipt, shall be deemed forfeited to the show. NAJRAE reserves the right to withhold premiums awarded in every case in which it appears to NAJRAE management that the Rules have been violated, or that fraud or deception has been attempted or practiced.
4. **BARN STALLS:** Stall assignments will be done by NAJRAE Facilities Team through collaboration with the Show Team, and Show Entry person.
  - a. Exhibitors will be stalled with their respective state, with respective state being defined as the state of residency on their registration papers at the time of early entry, May 15.
  - b. States will be stalled together in assigned locations.
  - c. Exhibitors may request stalling needs during entry, ie to be stalled with another family within their state. There is no guarantee that any stall request can be honored but NAJRAE will do their best to accommodate all requests.
  - d. Stalling assignments will be posted prior to move in day.
  - e. **FANS:** Overhead fans are allowed in the front half of stalls. Signs will be hung on the aisles as to what direction your fans should be pointed.
  - f. **FAN CAGES AND BUTT FANS ARE NOT ALLOWED.**
  - g. **SWAMP/PORTR COOLERS ARE NOT ALLOWED.**
5. **TIE OUTS:** Tie outs will be available upon arrival.
  - a. All cattle in tie-outs MUST wear a neck-tie.
  - b. Cattle are limited to the assigned tie-out areas.
  - c. Tie-out bedding will be provided.
  - d. Pens will be allowed ONLY for cow-calf pairs.
  - e. There will be no tying to trailers for tie-outs.
  - f. Exhibitors are responsible for cleaning before/after use, as necessary.
  - g. Tie-out assignments will be handled the same as stalling assignments in the barn.
  - h. Tie-outs are assigned by states.

## **ANIMAL / EXHIBITOR DISQUALIFICATION**

1. **EXHIBITOR & CREWS:** Each member exhibitor or member owner is prohibited from altering the conformation or the structure of an animal by injection or internal or external administration of any Prohibited Substance or by involvement in an Unethical Fitting. The member exhibitor and/or member owner is responsible for the acts of any nonmember fitter found to have altered an animal in violation of these Rules.
2. **UNETHICAL FITTING:** Unethical fitting means any attempt to alter the natural appearance, conformation, musculature or weight of an animal by any unnatural means. **The attempted surgical or non-surgical alteration or conformation of an animal is strictly prohibited.** Animals showing any signs of being unethically fitted will be disqualified. Examples of unethical fitting include, but are not limited to, the following:
  - a. The use of false tail heads, added hair or other materials to any part of the animal's body is prohibited.
  - b. The use of coloring agents and/or paints to change the existing color, color pattern, or any other usage is prohibited.
  - c. The use of artificial filling, including but not limited to, pumping, drenching, use of a hose in the throat, and injections is strictly prohibited. If an animal must be treated for any reason medically, an authorized NAJRAE Show official must be notified immediately.
3. **TESTING FOR UNETHICAL FITTING:** NAJRAE may adopt and implement various tests designed to monitor this prohibition, including but not limited to a "white towel" test, "white glove" test, or the immediate washing of an animal. Tests may be conducted by any authorized NAJRAE Show official.
4. **SUBMISSION OF ANIMALS FOR TESTING:** Each member exhibitor or owner shall: (1) submit any cattle to such tests and examinations by authorized NAJRAE Show officials as may be requested thereby; (2) release NAJRAE, its officers, directors, employees and agents from any and all claims for damages arising in connection with the administration of any such test or examination and any and all decisions based upon or otherwise using or incorporating the results thereof; and (3) in the event such member exhibitor or member owner desires to dispute or challenge the results of any such test or examination applied to his animals, do so only in accordance with the procedures established by the Rules of NAJRAE.
5. **ENFORCEMENT OF RULES:** Authorized NAJRAE Show officials have the authority to enforce the rules set forth herein, including barring an animal from a livestock show at which it is to be shown, if there are reasonable grounds to believe a violation has occurred.
6. **TRAILERING ANIMALS:** Once an animal is unloaded from a trailer at the show grounds, said animal may not enter the trailer again until departing the show facility not to return. Any animal found entering a trailer during the show will be immediately disqualified. If for any reason an animal does need to re-enter a trailer it will be at the discretion of the authorized NAJRAE Show Officials.
7. **ANIMAL HANDLING:** Any exhibitor who loses control of his/her animal twice in the show ring will be required to remove the animal from the ring.
8. **REQUIREMENTS TO SHOW ANIMALS:** Exhibitors showing in ANY NAJRAE cattle show must compete in three (3) satellite events. Two (2) events must be from the six (6) individual contests. Seniors may also use the Senior Interview contest as one of their events. One (1) event may be from a team event. Eligible individual contests include: arts & crafts, photography, sales talk, public speaking, livestock judging, herdsman's quiz or senior interview contest for senior level exhibitors. Eligible team events are Quiz Bowl or Team Fitting. If an exhibitor has not completed three (3) of the events, the exhibitor will not be eligible to show an animal.

## **ANIMAL HEALTH RULES**

1. **ALL** animals (in state and out of state) exhibiting at NAJRAE must be accompanied by an official, valid Certificate of Veterinary Inspection (CVI, health certificate).
2. All species imported for breeding purposes or requiring testing shall be individually identified by a method approved by the animal health commissioner (official USDA ear tag, breed registration tattoo, Microchip, registered ear notch, etc).
3. All health certificates must have physical addresses (NOT post-office boxes) for both the consignor and consignee.
  - a. **Show Name: North American Junior Red Angus Event**
  - b. **Show Address: Swiftel Center, 824 32<sup>nd</sup> Avenue, Brookings, SD 57006**
  - c. **Show Phone Number: 605-692-7539**
4. Refer here for up to date information: An up to date South Dakota Department of Agriculture Health Requirements for Exhibition is posted at [www.najrae.com](http://www.najrae.com).



## SHOW RULES

1. **OWNERSHIP:** All animals must be registered in the exhibitor's name only by May 25, 2023
2. **REGISTRATION:** Only registered Red Angus females and bulls in Category 1A (100%) and Category 1B (87% through 99%) will be eligible to show. Category 1A and 1B cattle will show together in the same class. Cattle entered in this show must be officially registered in the Red Angus Association of America herd- book. The original registration certificate or pdf as printed out from RedsPro is required at check-in. Cattle must be in the R or I status at the time of NAJRAE check-in. This applies to the owned, bred and owned, and percentage shows.
3. **SUBSTITUTIONS:** Substitutions will be allowed within the same sex and must be declared at check in.
4. **ANIMAL HANDLING:** Any exhibitor who loses control of his/her animal twice in the show ring will be required to remove the animal from the ring.
5. **OWNED SHOW RULES:**
  - a. Heifers and Cow/Calf will have their own division but will compete for Overall Grand and Reserve Champion show honors. Top five animals will be selected. Please refer to class breakdown listed after this section.
  - b. **Cow/Calf Pairs.** The cow determines where the pair will show.
    - i. The cow must be owned by the exhibitor at the time the calf is born.
    - ii. The cow must be registered solely in the junior exhibitor's name.
    - iii. Cows exhibited with calves at side must be lactating.
    - iv. Calves must not be more than 250 days of age at the time of the show.
    - v. Bulls and heifers must meet RAAA registration requirements.
    - vi. Calves are not required to be registered if showing alongside the cow only. Any calf exhibited at the side of their dam in a cow/calf class may be exhibited in an individual class subject to all pertinent NAJRAE Show Rules and Classifications and must be registered.
    - vii. Only natural pairs are eligible.
  - c. At the time of processing, all females 20 months of age or older on publicized date of show must have the one of the following:
    - i. Certificate of pregnancy from a licensed veterinarian.
    - ii. Written statement by a licensed veterinarian or embryologist of having produced fertile eggs.
    - iii. A female's own natural born calf at side, that is registered as a 1A or 1B
  - d. Peeweeps are not eligible for this show unless they are in the Novice Division.
6. **BRED AND OWNED SHOW RULES:**
  - a. Exhibitor must be listed as breeder and the **only** owner on the original registration certificate. ***The animal must never have been transferred out of the original breeder/owner's name to qualify for bred and owned.***
  - b. Heifers and Cow/Calf will have their own division but will compete for overall grand and reserve champion show honors. Top five animals will be selected. Please refer to class breakdown listed after this section.
  - c. **Cow/Calf Pairs.** The cow determines where the pair will show.
    - i. The cow must be owned by the exhibitor at the time the calf is born.
    - ii. The cow must be registered solely in the junior exhibitor's name.
    - iii. The cow and calf must **BOTH** be bred and owned to show in this division.
    - iv. Cows exhibited with calves at side must be lactating.
    - v. Calves must not be more than 250 days of age at the time of the show.

- vi. Bulls and heifers must meet RAAA registration requirements.
- vii. Calves are not required to be registered if showing alongside the cow only. Any calf exhibited at the side of their dam in a cow/calf class may be exhibited in an individual class subject to all pertinent NAJRAE Show Rules and Classifications and must be registered.
- viii. Only natural pairs are eligible.
- d. At the time of processing, all females 20 months of age or older on publicized date of show must have the one of the following:
  - i. Certificate of pregnancy from a licensed veterinarian.
  - ii. Written statement by a licensed veterinarian or embryologist of having produced fertile eggs.
  - iii. A female's own natural born calf at side, that is registered as a 1A or 1B
- e. All bulls 9 months of age or older on date of show must be shown with a nose lead.
- f. Peewees are not eligible for this show unless they are in the Novice Division.

**7. PERCENTAGE FEMALE SHOW RULES:**

- a. Females must be registered with RAAA as a Category 2 or 3.
- b. Females must be no less than 50 percent Red Angus.
- c. The sire or the dam must be a registered Red Angus with the RAAA.
- d. The Animal must be red hided and polled. For example, Charolaise/Red Angus Cross (range fires). No black hided or black animals allowed. Refer to the RAAA Breeder's Guide for disqualifying characteristics from a 1A or 1B classification. When in doubt, please contact NAJRAE Show officials at [info@najrae.com](mailto:info@najrae.com) or [Cheryl@najrae.com](mailto:Cheryl@najrae.com).
- e. All females must be under 2 years of age and will be shown as individuals.
- f. A scurred animal is considered polled if you choose not to remove the scurs, if you surgically or mechanically remove the scur you will be disqualified.
- g. Pairs will not be allowed in the show.
- h. Classes will be broken by the NAJRAE Show Officials by animal date of birth.
- i. Please refer to class breakdown listed after this section.
- j. Peewees are not eligible for this show unless they are in the Novice Division.

**8. PURE BRED STEER SHOW RULES:**

- a. Steers must be registered with the RAAA.
- b. Steers must be 100% 1A Red Angus from two registered parents.
- c. Cattle must be in the R or I status at the time of NAJRAE check-in.
- d. Steers must adhere to the RAAA Breeder's Guide for 1A registration.
- e. Steers will be shown by weight and broke by weight.
- f. Steers will be weighted and weights displayed on the back number.
- g. Peewees are not eligible for this show unless they are in the Novice Division.

**9. PERCENTAGE STEER SHOW RULES:**

- a. Steers must be registered with the RAAA.
- b. Steers must be 50 percent or greater Red Angus from one registered parent.
- k. Steers must be red hided and polled. For example, Charolaise/Red Angus Cross (range fires). No black hided or black animals allowed. Refer to the RAAA Breeder's Guide for disqualifying characteristics from a 1A or 1B classification. When in doubt, please contact NAJRAE Show officials at [info@najrae.com](mailto:info@najrae.com) or [Cheryl@najrae.com](mailto:Cheryl@najrae.com).
- c. Steers must display enough breed characteristics which match the percentage or registration.
- d. Steers must not have horns. Horns may be surgically removed but must be healed by check in. Scurred animals are considered polled if the exhibitor chooses not to remove the scurs.
- e. Classes will be determined after weigh-in and broke by weight.
- f. Peewees are not eligible for this show unless they are in the Novice Division.

10. **SHOWMANSHIP RULES:**

- a. This show is a blow and go show.
- b. Novice - Senior divisions, the exhibitor must own the animal exhibited in the showmanship contest and the animal must be entered in one of NAJRAE shows. Peewee divisions are exempt. If a Peewee has moved to the Novice division, the rule applies.
- c. The showmanship contest specific exhibitor number must be worn by the participant in the showmanship contest.
- d. Any exhibitor who loses control of his/her animal twice in the show ring will be required to remove the animal from the ring.
- e. Each age division will be awarded Champion and Reserve awards.
- f. Divisions will be:
  - i. Peewee
    1. With Helper (7 and under)
    2. Peewee without Helper (7 and under)
  - ii. Novice (6-7 years of age)
  - iii. Juniors (8-12 years of age)
  - iv. Intermediates (13-16 years of age)
  - v. Seniors (17-21 years of age)

**OWNED AND BRED AND OWNED FEMALE CLASS BREAKS:** The following class breaks will be followed in the Bred and Owned, Owned and Female shows. Please note these classes will be broken into sub classes based on the class sizes. The show year for the NAJRAE begins in January 2023

| <b>CLASS NAME</b>                                  | <b>CLASS DESCRIPTION</b>  |
|--|---|
| <i>May Calves</i>                                  | May 1 and after, same year as beginning of show year.                           |
| <i>April Calves</i>                                | April 1 to April 30, same year as beginning of show year.                       |
| <i>March Calves</i>                                | March 1 to March 31, same year as beginning of show year.                       |
| <b><i>Spring Calf Champion</i></b>                 | Class Winners from March, April, & May Classes                                  |
| <b><i>Reserve Spring Calf Champion</i></b>         | Remaining class winners and the 2 <sup>nd</sup> place winner from the Champion  |
| <i>February Calves</i>                             | February 1 to February 28, same year as beginning of show year.                 |
| <i>January Calves</i>                              | January 1 to January 31, same year as beginning of show year.                   |
| <b><i>Junior Calf Champion</i></b>                 | Class Winners from January and February Classes                                 |
| <b><i>Reserve Junior Calf Champion</i></b>         | Remaining Class winners and the 2 <sup>nd</sup> place winner from the Champion  |
| <i>Winter Calves</i>                               | November 1 to December 31, year prior to beginning of show year.                |
| <i>Senior Calves</i>                               | September 1 to October 31, year prior to beginning of show year.                |
| <b><i>Fall Calf Champion</i></b>                   | Class Winners from the Winter and Senior Classes.                               |
| <b><i>Reserve Fall Calf Champion</i></b>           | Remaining Class winners and the 2 <sup>nd</sup> place winner from the Champion. |
| <i>Late Summer Yearlings</i>                       | July 1 to August 31, year prior to beginning of show year.                      |
| <i>Summer Yearlings</i>                            | May 1 to June 30, year prior to beginning of show year.                         |
| <b><i>Intermediate Champion</i></b>                | Class Winners from the Late Summer & Summer Yearlings.                          |
| <b><i>Reserve Intermediate Champion</i></b>        | Remaining Class winners and the 2 <sup>nd</sup> place winner from the Champion. |
| <i>April Spring Yearlings</i>                      | April 1 to April 30, year prior to beginning of show year.                      |
| <i>March Spring Yearlings</i>                      | March 1 to March 31, year prior to the beginning of the show year.              |
| <b><i>Senior Intermediate Champion</i></b>         | Class Winners from the March & April Spring Yearlings.                          |
| <b><i>Reserve Senior Intermediate Champion</i></b> | Remaining Class winners and the 2 <sup>nd</sup> place winner from the Champion  |
| <i>February Junior Yearlings</i>                   | February 1 to February 28, year prior to the beginning of the show year.        |
| <i>January Junior Yearlings</i>                    | January 1 to January 31, year prior to the beginning of the show year.          |
| <b><i>Junior Champion</i></b>                      | Winners from the January & February Junior Yearlings                            |
| <b><i>Reserve Junior Champion</i></b>              | Remaining Class winners and the 2 <sup>nd</sup> place winner from the Champion. |

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| <i>Winter Senior Yearlings</i>       | November 1 to December 31, two years prior to beginning of show year.  |
| <i>Fall Senior Yearlings</i>         | September 1 to October 31, two years prior to beginning of show year.  |
| <i>Summer Senior Yearlings</i>       | June 1 to August 31, two years prior to beginning of show year.  |
| <b>Senior Champion</b>               | Class Winners from the Winter & Senior Yearlings   |
| <b>Reserve Senior Champion</b>       | Remaining Class winners and the 2 <sup>nd</sup> place winner from the Champion.  |
| <i>Two-Year-Old Cow with Calf</i>    | Cow must be born after January, two years prior to beginning of show year. Calf may not be an ET calf, must be under 250 days of age and still nursing.  |
| <i>Mature Cow &amp; Calf</i>         | Cow must be born before January, two years prior to beginning of show year. Calf may not be an ET calf, must be under 250 days of age and still nursing. |
| <b>Cow Calf Champion</b>             | Class Winners from Both Cow Calf Classes   |
| <b>Reserve Cow Calf Champion</b>     | Remaining Class winners and the 2 <sup>nd</sup> place winner from the Champion.  |
| <b>Grand Champion</b>                | Division Winners   |
| <b>Reserve Grand Champion</b>        | Remaining Class winners and the 2 <sup>nd</sup> place winner.  |
| <b>3<sup>rd</sup> Overall Heifer</b> | Remaining Class winners and the 2 <sup>nd</sup> place winner.  |
| <b>4<sup>th</sup> Overall Heifer</b> | Remaining Class winners and the 2 <sup>nd</sup> place winner.  |
| <b>5<sup>th</sup> Overall Heifer</b> | Remaining Class winners and the 2 <sup>nd</sup> place winner.  |

**BRED & OWNED BULL CLASSES:** Please note these classes will be broken into sub classes based on the class sizes. The show year for NAJRAE begins January 1, 2023.

| <b>CLASS NAME</b>                           | <b>CLASS DESCRIPTION</b>  |
|---|---|
| <i>May Calves</i>                           | May 1 and after, same year as beginning of show year.   |
| <i>April Calves</i>                         | April 1 to April 30, same year as beginning of show year.   |
| <i>March Calves</i>                         | March 1 to March 31, same year as beginning of show year.   |
| <b>Spring Calf Champion</b>                 | Class winners from March, April, and May  |
| <b>Reserve Spring Calf Champion</b>         | Remaining Class winners and the 2 <sup>nd</sup> place winner from the Class Champion.                 |
| <i>February Calves</i>                      | February 1 to February 28, same year as beginning of show year.                                       |
| <i>January Calves</i>                       | January 1 to January 31, same year as beginning of show year.   |
| <b>Junior Calf Champion</b>                 | Class winners from January and February.  |
| <b>Reserve Junior Calf Champion</b>         | Remaining Class winners and the 2 <sup>nd</sup> place winner from the Class of the Champion.          |
| <i>Winter Calves</i>                        | November 1 to December 31, year prior to beginning of show year.                                      |
| <i>Senior Calves</i>                        | September 1 to October 31, year prior to beginning of show year.                                      |
| <b>Fall Calf Champion</b>                   | Class winners from Winter and Senior Calves   |
| <b>Reserve Fall Calf Champion</b>           | Remaining Class winners and the 2 <sup>nd</sup> place winner from the Class of the Champion.          |
| <i>Late Summer Yearlings</i>                | July 1 to August 31, year prior to beginning of show year.  |
| <i>Summer Yearlings</i>                     | May 1 to June 30, year prior to beginning of show year.   |
| <b>Intermediate Champion</b>                | Class winners from Late Summer and Summer Yearlings.  |
| <b>Reserve Intermediate Champion</b>        | Remaining Class winners and 2 <sup>nd</sup> place winner from the Class of the Intermediate Champion. |
| <i>April Spring Yearlings</i>               | April 1 to April 30, year prior to beginning of show year.  |
| <i>March Spring Yearlings</i>               | March 1 to March 31, year prior to the beginning of the show year.                                    |
| <b>Senior Intermediate Champion</b>         | Class winners from March and April Yearlings  |
| <b>Reserve Senior Intermediate Champion</b> | Remaining Class winners and the 2 <sup>nd</sup> place winner from the Class of the Champion           |
| <i>February Junior Yearlings</i>            | February 1 to February 28, year prior to the beginning of the show year.                              |
| <i>January Junior Yearlings</i>             | January 1 to January 31, year prior to the beginning of the show year.                                |
| <b>Junior Champion</b>                      | Winners from January and February Yearlings   |
| <b>Reserve Junior Champion</b>              | Remaining Class winners and the 2 <sup>nd</sup> place winner from the Class of the Champion.          |
| <i>Senior Yearlings</i>                     | September 1 to December 31, two years prior to beginning of show year.                                |
| <b>Senior Champion</b>                      | Senior Yearlings Winners  |
| <b>Reserve Senior Champion</b>              | Remaining Class winners and 2 <sup>nd</sup> place winner from the Class of the Senior Champion.       |
| <b>Grand Champion</b>                       | All Division Winners  |
| <b>Reserve Grand Champion</b>               | Remaining Class winners and the 2 <sup>nd</sup> place winners   |

**PERCENTAGE FEMALE CLASSES:** Please note these classes will be broken into sub classes based on the class sizes. The show year for NAJRAE begins January 1, 2023.

| <b>CLASS NAME</b>                | <b>CLASS DESCRIPTION</b>   |
|----------------------------------|--|
| <i>May Calves</i>                | May 1 and after, same year as beginning of show year.                    |
| <i>April Calves</i>              | April 1 to April 30, same year as beginning of show year.                |
| <i>March Calves</i>              | March 1 to March 31, same year as beginning of show year.                |
| <i>February Calves</i>           | February 1 to February 28, same year as beginning of show year.          |
| <i>January Calves</i>            | January 1 to January 31, same year as beginning of show year.            |
| <i>Winter Calves</i>             | November 1 to December 31, year prior to beginning of show year.         |
| <i>Senior Calves</i>             | September 1 to October 31, year prior to beginning of show year.         |
| <i>Late Summer Yearlings</i>     | July 1 to August 31, year prior to beginning of show year.               |
| <i>Summer Yearlings</i>          | May 1 to June 30, year prior to beginning of show year.                  |
| <i>April Spring Yearlings</i>    | April 1 to April 30, year prior to beginning of show year.               |
| <i>March Spring Yearlings</i>    | March 1 to March 31, year prior to the beginning of the show year.       |
| <i>February Junior Yearlings</i> | February 1 to February 28, year prior to the beginning of the show year. |
| <i>January Junior Yearlings</i>  | January 1 to January 31, year prior to the beginning of the show year.   |
| <i>Senior Yearlings</i>          | September 1 to December 31, two years prior to beginning of show year.   |
| <b>Grand Champion</b>            | Class Winners from Classes 1-16  |
| <b>Reserve Grand Champion</b>    | Remaining Class winners and the 2nd place winner.                        |

## SATELLITE CONTEST RULES

NAJRAE provides the opportunity to learn and sharpen skills both in and out of the show ring with satellite contests. **Please note to be eligible to show in ANY of NAJRAE cattle shows, exhibitors must compete in three (3) satellite events. Two (2) events must be from the six (6) individual contests. Seniors may also use the Senior Interview contest as one of their events. One (1) event may be from a team event. Eligible individual contests include: arts & crafts, photography, sales talk, public speaking, livestock judging, herdsman's quiz or senior interview contest for senior level exhibitors. Eligible team events are Quiz Bowl or Team Fitting**

### GENERAL RULES

1. **AGE REQUIREMENTS:** Participants must be members in good standing of the NAJRAE by paying their NAJRAE Junior Dues and cannot have reached their 22<sup>nd</sup> birthday prior to January 1 the year of the show. Age divisions during the event are determined by the age as of January 1<sup>st</sup> of the current show year (2023). These will apply for all contests, unless otherwise noted.
  - i. Novice: 6-7 years of age
  - ii. Junior: 8-12 years of age
  - iii. Intermediate: 13-16 years of age
  - iv. Senior: 17-21 years of age
2. There are no fees to participate in satellite events if the exhibitor has entered an animal entry.
  - a. **If no animal is entered, a member may pay a \$40 contest only fee and pay their 2023 NAJRAE Junior Dues to be eligible to enter any satellite contests or team event.**
3. Each satellite event has its own set of rules and is listed below within each contest.
4. Entries in the arts and crafts and photo contests that are deemed inappropriate by a sifting committee will be disqualified.
5. The order of presentation for all contests will be randomly assigned within division and will be posted at least 24 hours prior to the contest.



## **ARTS & CRAFTS CONTEST RULES**

1. All entries must be original work, created within the last year and not previously entered at an NAJRAE.
2. Any exhibiting artist consents to the use of his/her name and the artist's image(s) for purposes of promotion and advertisement by NAJRAE. The artist waives any claim including claim for the invasion of the right of privacy of copyright, against NAJRAE, its directors, officers, etc.
3. ALL entries must be farm/ranch related and promote the Red Angus breed or beef industry in some way. A portion of the exhibitor's points will be determined by the exhibitor's project's promotion of the Red Angus breed.
4. Any medium may be used: pencil, crayon, pastel, paint, fabric, metal, wood, clay, etc. It cannot contain photographs.
5. All flat art (i.e. drawings, paintings) must be matted with black mat board/paper or may be framed. Canvas pieces do not need to be matted.
6. Exhibitors will be responsible for providing tables/stands for any 3-dimensional entries to be displayed. NAJRAE must be notified in advance if any unconventional method of presentation or hanging is required.
7. Originality is key!
8. One entry per person.
9. Contestants should attach 8.5"x11" portfolio of the production of the entry. Portfolio should include: plans, materials used, any photos of the exhibitor makings brief description describing how artwork was made, contestant name, and age as of May 15, 2023. The link to the portfolio sheet is <https://www.najrae.com/contests/individual-contests/arts-and-crafts/>
10. Enter arts and crafts in the following classes for each age division.
  - Class 1 - Sketch, Drawing, Painting
  - Class 2 - Woodworking
  - Class 3 - Welding & Metalworks
  - Class 4 - Sewing, Fabrics, Cloth
  - Class 5 - Pottery, Ceramics, Glass
  - Class 6 - Other Crafts
11. A brief interview with a judge will be conducted with each Arts & Crafts exhibitor.
12. The top 5 of each class will be selected from each age division and recognized on the displays.
13. The top 5 Arts & Crafts overall of each age division will not be announced until awards banquet.
14. Contest participation counts towards the sweepstakes contest. Participants must be present during the week of NAJRAE.

## **HERDSMAN QUIZ & ID RULES**

1. The quiz will consist of multiple choice, matching, and true/false questions
2. One hour will be allowed for contestants to compete in this event. Ten-minute warnings will be given after 30 minutes have passed
3. Contestants may not bring notes, books or reference materials into the testing area. All materials will be provided, including quiz questions, answer sheet, tie-breaker questions and a number two pencil.
4. Conferring with other contestants, use of notes or any form of cheating will be grounds for disqualification.
5. Ties will be broken according to tie-breaker questions. If a tie remains, five pre-selected unmarked questions from the test will be used to decide the final placing.
6. Primary resources for the questions will be the American Red Angus Journal, Red Angus Association of America Breeder's Guide and material available on the [www.redangus.org](http://www.redangus.org) web site. Study materials may also be found on: [www.najrae.com/contests/study-materials/](https://www.najrae.com/contests/study-materials/)
7. Individual contest participation counts towards the sweepstakes contest.

### **LIVESTOCK JUDGING RULES**

1. Contestants will evaluate classes of livestock and will designate their placing on provided judging cards.
2. A committee designated by the NAJRAE Senior Board will provide official results that contestants will be scored against.
3. Junior division will have one class of questions that they must answer about a designated class.
4. Intermediate and Senior divisions will give at least one set of oral reasons on a designated class or classes. The number of reason classes will be determined at the time of the event.
5. Contestants will be placed as individuals and those scores will count toward the sweepstakes total.
6. All contestants are expected to act honestly, not talk or share information and follow instructions of the show officials. Show officials can disqualify contestants if they are caught cheating in any way.
7. Individual contest participation counts towards the sweepstakes contest.

### **PHOTOGRAPHY CONTEST RULES**

1. Photos are to be submitted at check in on Monday.
2. All photos are to be a color 8" x 10", mounted on an 11" x 14" black or white foam core.
3. Exhibitors are to place a sticker on the back of the foam core with their name, state, and age division.
4. All work must be that of the entrant and must somehow include Red Angus in the photo.
5. Photo cannot be altered, or image enhanced in any way. Photos must be in COLOR with no altering, filters, or enhancements. Contestants are encouraged to use 35 - millimeter (mm) cameras.
6. Pictures are judged on the quality of the photograph taken, subject matter and image as presented. Remember "Less is More".
7. Photos must be taken by the contestant during the past year. Photos cannot have been presented at previous NAJRAE or Junior Red Angus contests.
8. One entry per person.
9. NAJRAE reserves the right to use the photos in the future in any way they see fit.
10. Those selected for the top 10 overall of each age division will be tagged during exhibition. The top 5 placing overall will not be announced until the Awards Banquet
11. Individual contest participation counts towards the sweepstakes contest. Participants must be present during the week of NAJRAE.

### **PUBLIC SPEAKING CONTEST RULES**

1. The intermediate and senior speech division will have a specified topic which will be industry related. The topic will be determined by the NAJRAE Junior Board and will be posted to the website and social media by April 15, 2023.
2. The junior speech division topic can be any subject pertaining to Red Angus cattle or the beef industry in any phase of the business.
3. The contestant will be evaluated on organization and content, language and delivery, presentation, total effectiveness, and in response to questions.
4. Visual aids are limited to physical charts etc.
5. No slides, overheads or any other electrical aids will be allowed.
6. Time limits are as follows, Deductions of half a point per ten seconds will be made from the score by each judge for speeches under or over the specified length:
  - a. Novice speeches are not to exceed 5 minutes
  - b. Junior speeches are not to exceed 5 minutes
  - c. Intermediate 5-7 minutes
  - d. Senior 5-7 minutes
7. Individual contest participation counts towards the sweepstakes contest.
8. Speech rooms will be open to the public.

### **SALES TALK CONTEST RULES**

1. The Sales Talk contest is meant to be an informal interaction between the contestant and the judge (buyer). Contestants will meet individually with the buyer, who will be the judge, and present him or her with a sales talk.
2. Time allotted to each contestant is five minutes.
3. Sales Talk presentations need to be 3-5 minutes long and must include the selling of Red Angus cattle, frozen genetics, or meat.
4. If you are going to use an animal that you are exhibiting at the show for sales talk, you may bring that animal to the sales talk. If you are going to sell something that you have at home, bring pictures to help you sell.
5. Contestants should be prepared to discuss performance information and visual appraisal traits. The contestant also needs to be prepared to answer questions the buyer may have on the item being sold.
6. Contest participation counts towards the sweepstakes contest.

## **SENIOR INTERVIEW CONTEST RULES**

This contest is for the Senior Division ONLY. The contest is designed to give Senior Division exhibitors the opportunity to gain the interview skills needed when seeking a job in the ag industry, specifically the cattle industry. Each part of this contest demonstrates “real world” situations that will be used by employees. Exhibitors must choose a real-world job in the Cattle industry specifically the Red Angus breed.

### **General Information**

- a. Must be in the Senior Age Division to participate.
- b. Must for the purpose of the contest “apply” for a real-world job within the cattle industry specifically the Red Angus breed.  
**Example:** Internship with NAJRAE, Communications Director with RAAA, Marketing Specialist with RAAA, etc. The possibilities are endless as long as they pertain to the cattle industry and the Red Angus breed.
- c. Exhibitor must dress in business casual attire.
- d. Application, cover letter, and resume must be submitted by **June 1st by 11:59 pm central!**

### **Registration & Deadline**

- a. The application, resume, and cover letter must be digitally submitted online through the NAJRAE website. The link will open May 1st, 2023.
- b. All items must be submitted through the link prior to Friday, June 1, 2023.

### **Required Material**

- a. **Application** – must be completed online through the NAJRAE website.
- b. **Resume** - Exhibitor must upload a resume as a **PDF** when completing the application.
- c. **Cover Letter** – Exhibitor must submit a cover letter as a **PDF** when completing the application. Letter is to be addressed to **Mrs. Kaye Gilbert, NAJRAE Sr. Board Vice President; 11523 Violet Ave, Stockport IA 52651.**

### **Personal Interview**

- a. The Interview will be held in-person at the event.
- b. Interview will be approximately 15 minutes long.
- c. Interviews will be scheduled with the candidates during the event.

### **Scoring & Awards**

- a. Participants will be ranked in numerical order based on the final score determined by each judge from the Application, Resume, and Cover Letter categories.
- b. Points are as follows:
  - i) Application - 100 points
  - ii) Cover Letter - 100 points
  - iii) Resume - 200 points
  - iv) Personal Interview - 500 points
  - v) Total possible points = 900

### **Tiebreakers**

- a. If two participants tie in points, the tiebreakers will be as follows
  - i) 1st Tiebreaker – total points on Personal Interview
  - ii) 2nd Tiebreaker – total points on Resume
  - iii) 3rd Tiebreaker – total points on Cover Letter

### **SWEEPSTAKES CONTEST**

1. The Sweepstakes takes the scores from the top 10 exhibitors in the in the satellite contests and crowns one overall winner out of all divisions. The contestant with the highest score overall will be named the Sweepstakes winner.
2. The Novice Division is not eligible for the Sweepstakes contest.
3. The following contests make up the sweepstakes contest.
  - a. Arts and Crafts
  - b. Herdsman's Quiz & ID
  - c. Livestock Judging Contest
  - d. Photo Contest
  - e. Public Speaking
  - f. Sales Talk
4. Exhibitors will be awarded sweepstakes points for the contests above as listed below:
  - a. Each Contestant will receive 100 points for participation in each contest.
  - b. Points will be awarded in each age division as follows:
    - i. 1<sup>st</sup> – 100
    - ii. 2<sup>nd</sup> – 80
    - iii. 3<sup>rd</sup> – 60
    - iv. 4<sup>th</sup> – 50
    - v. 5<sup>th</sup> – 40
    - vi. 6<sup>th</sup> – 30
    - vii. 7<sup>th</sup> – 25
    - viii. 8<sup>th</sup> – 20
    - ix. 9<sup>th</sup> – 15
    - x. 10<sup>th</sup> – 10
5. In the event of a tie, the tie breaker will be determined as follows.
  - a. First tiebreaker will be the Herdsman Quiz. The candidate with the highest score will be determined the winner of the tie.
  - b. Second tiebreaker will be Sales Talk scores. The candidate with the highest score will be determined the winner of the tie

## **TEAM CONTESTS**

NAJRAE provides the opportunity to learn to work as a team in team contests. **Please note the following contests do NOT qualify towards exhibitor satellite contest participation.**

### **GENERAL RULES**

1. Participants must be NAJRAE members in good standing by paying their annual NAJRAE dues.
2. **AGE REQUIREMENTS:** Participants must be members in good standing of the NAJRAE by paying their NAJRAE Exhibition Fee and cannot have reached their 22<sup>nd</sup> birthday prior to January 1 the year of the show. Age divisions during the event are determined by the age as of January 1<sup>st</sup> of the current show year (2023). These will apply for all contests, unless otherwise noted.
  - a. Junior: 8-12 years of age
  - b. Intermediate: 13-16 years of age
  - c. Senior: 17-21 years of age
3. Exhibitors must have met all eligibility requirements set forth.
4. Novice and Peewees are not eligible to participate in team events.

## **QUIZ BOWL CONTEST RULES**

### **General Quiz Bowl Rules**

1. The quiz bowl contest will be made up of two age divisions.
  - A. Junior – 13 and under
  - B. Senior – 14 and over
2. Quiz bowl teams will consist of four (4) exhibitors in the same age division. Teams do not have to be from the same state but all contestants must be NAJRAE exhibitors.
3. Juniors may be permitted to move into the senior division. Seniors will not be allowed to move down an age division.
4. Teams will compete in a tournament consisting of head-to-head match-ups where they will be asked three groups of questions.
5. The team with the most points at the end of each match up will advance until a winner is named in each age division.
6. The moderator will face the back of the room during all rounds. The contestants must face the moderators through the entirety of the rounds.
7. Awards will be awarded to both champion and reserve teams.

### **Quiz Bowl Rules of Competition**

1. A player who states an answer which is accepted as correct earns ten (10) points for his or her team. If the moderator is interrupted by a team buzzing in before the question is read completely, and the player who is recognized gives an incorrect or unacceptable answer, the team will lose five (5) points. The moderator will then reread the question in its entirety for the second team. However, if that team also buzzes in before the moderator completes the question, and they give an incorrect or unacceptable answer, they will not lose five (5) points.
2. Teams will have 10 seconds to buzz in from the time the moderator finishes the question. Any exceptions to the 10-second time limit will be noted by the moderator. If the team which buzzes in without interrupting gives an incorrect or unacceptable answer, the opposing team will have the remaining time according to the stated time for that question, plus five seconds, to buzz in. When the first team buzzes in before the question has been read completely, and does not give an acceptable answer, the second team will then have 10 seconds to buzz in after the question has been reread for them. Time for the second team begins when the moderator announces the first team's answer is incorrect or unacceptable.
3. Teams may buzz in to answer a question at any time after the moderator begins reading or displaying it. A team member must wait to be recognized by team and position before answering. If a player states an answer without being recognized, if the wrong player answers, or if two or more players respond simultaneously, the moderator must say "I can't accept that answer," and turn to the other team, if it has not yet had a chance to respond to the question. Striking a teammate's buzzer requires the other player, whose buzzer signaled, to give the response.
4. If a team member, after being recognized, hesitates or stalls, the moderator will warn him or her to answer the question after three seconds. If the person does not answer the question immediately after the warning, it will be counted as an incorrect response.
5. The first answer given by a team member will be the one taken as the answer, whether correct or incorrect. If a player states the correct answer, but mispronounces it, the response will be accepted if, in the opinion of the judge, the player's attempted pronunciation represents a reasonable phonetic possibility based on the way the word is written

## **TEAM FITTING CONTEST RULES**

Each team is required to:

1. Teams must sign up during Check In.
  - a. If a team is short a member, the team will be allowed until Tuesday at Noon to fill the slot.
2. Each will consist of four (4) contestants and all must be NAJRAE exhibitors.
3. Team members must include one from each age division; junior, intermediate and a senior. The fourth member may be from any division. (Peewees and Novices are not eligible unless they have bumped to the Junior Division)

## **General Fitting Contest Rules**

1. Teams will be broken into heats of no more than 15 teams. If entries are over 15 teams, the heats will be split evenly.
2. Each heat will be 30 minutes in length to take a clean, dry animal with nothing in its hair and get it completely show ready (fitting legs, body clipping, working hair, etc.).
  - A. A 10 & 5 minute warning will be given.
  - B. At the end of the 30 minute allotted time, clippers are to be put down and work stopped.
  - C. Cattle are to be removed out of the chute and ready to enter the "show ring".
  - D. Cattle will be shown with their team and questions ask by the judges at this time.
3. Once the contest begins, no team member may leave the area and no additional equipment may be brought into the fitting area.
4. Teams must provide their own supplies needed for fitting.
5. Each team will be responsible for bringing in an animal.
  - A. Animals are not to be groomed; but, should be washed and dried.
  - B. Animals will be checked before entering the competition area.
  - C. An animal may not be used more than once.
6. Each team member must fit a leg and use the blowers.
7. All fitting and grooming techniques must be within the accepted practices for the North American Junior Red Angus Event. All grooming rules of the North American Junior Red Angus Event will be strictly enforced.
8. Animals may be watered, but no feed or hay will be allowed.
9. Judging will be by a three-member panel of judges based on 50 points maximum from each judge. Each judge shall total their score and rank the contestants in numerical order on the basis of their score. (Highest score first, lowest score last.)
10. Teams will be judged based upon the following criteria:
  - A. Quality of workmanship (Ability to fit)
  - B. Team Skills – Compatibility & Organization
  - C. Compatibility of the use of various types of equipment.
  - D. The Final Competition will include a showmanship element. Each animal will be presented to the judges (by one team member) at the completion of the allotted time.
11. Exhibits will be evaluated based upon a three-judge system. Neatness of individuals and area will be in consideration.
12. Teams in Heat 1 will be responsible for providing chutes and generators to be used in all heats.
13. The top 10 teams will be announced at the conclusion of all the heats and will be brought back to the finals.



## **Fitting Contest Finals**

1. The top 10 teams in the finals must fit a different heifer from their heat and one that was not used in a previous heat of the contest.
2. All contest rules will apply to the Finals.
3. All grooming rules of the NAJRAE will be strictly enforced.
4. Each animal must be completely clean and dry.
5. Teams are responsible for bringing their own chutes, generators, and equipment.
6. Students will be judged based upon the following criteria:
  - A. Quality of workmanship
  - B. Team Skills – Compatibility & Organization
  - C. Compatibility of the use of various types of equipment.
  - D. The Final Competition will include a showmanship element. Each animal will be presented to the judges (by one team member) at the completion of the allotted time.
7. Exhibits will be evaluated based upon a three-judge system. Neatness of individuals and area will be in consideration.
8. Prizes won in the fitting contest MAY NOT be returned to the sponsor of the product for a different product.
9. Awards will be given to the top five teams.

***NOTE: In case of power outage for one or more chutes, a horn will be sounded and all work halts on all teams.***

## STATE CONTESTS

### STATE HERDSMAN CONTEST RULES

1. The purpose of this contest is to encourage cooperation, fellowship and teamwork among state juniors in developing and maintaining a display of cattle and stall area. It also promotes pride and enthusiasm for the state junior organization and rewards those organizations that achieve this purpose.
2. The contest is held Wednesday-Friday of the North American Junior Red Angus Event. The states are divided into two divisions: small state and large states.
3. They are judged on aisle & bedding (cleanliness and general appearance); animals (clean and well-groomed); equipment, boxes, signs, etc. (well arranged, attractive and general appearance); personnel attending cattle (neat appearance, knowledgeable, friendly, teamwork, enthusiasm); and promotion of association, state, Red Angus or beef.
4. The actual booth space cannot exceed a 10x10 area. The emphasis in the scoring is placed on cleanliness and general appearance of the aisle and how the animals are maintained.
5. Stalls will be assigned to exhibitors according to state. Failure to stall in assigned stall space will result in a forfeiture of all premiums and elimination from the herdsmanship competition.
6. You may have signs for your junior state association.
  - a. **FARM SIGNS ARE NOT ALLOWED**
  - b. Only stall cards provided at the show are allowed.
  - c. Stall Cards will be provided at check-in.
  - d. If provided stall cards are not used, points will be deducted.
7. The scoring is based on the following:
  - a. Aisle & Bedding – cleanliness, general appearance – 30%
  - b. Animals – clean, groomed, general appearance – 30%
  - c. Youth Tending Cattle - neat, knowledgeable, friendly, teamwork and enthusiasm – 20%
  - d. Equipment, Boxes, Signs, etc. - attractive, well arranged, general appearance – 10%
  - e. Promotion of State, Assn, Red Angus or Beef – general appearance – 10%