

# 2017 American Red Brangus National Junior Show

## Exhibitor Information

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### Show Overview and Regulations

#### Entry Deadline

Please make sure that all requested information is given and the rules for exhibiting are understood. Send completed form along with your entry fee to:

ARBA, 3995 East Hwy. 290, Dripping Springs, TX. 78620.

**All entries must be postmarked by June 27, 2017.**

**LATE ENTRIES WILL BE ACCEPTED at time of check-in with a \$35 entry fee per head plus an additional \$35 per head LATE FEE. (late entries must follow all ownership dates and rules.)** Refunds will not be made after the entry deadline.

**Make checks payable to the AJRBA.**

#### Ownership Requirements

Heifers and bulls must be in the ownership of the junior exhibitor name by **June 27, 2017.**

#### Eligibility

Exhibitor must be a paid member of the American Red Brangus Association and be nine (9) or eight (8) years of age and completed the second grade to 21 years of age as of June 27, 2017 to be eligible to exhibit. Exhibitor must be a member of 4-H or FFA.

#### Location

The show will be held at the Brazos County Expo Center located at 5827 Leonard Rd, Bryan, TX 77807

The awards banquet and will take on Saturday, July 29, 2017. Location is the Brazos County Expo Center.

#### Hotels

The hotel headquarters for this year's junior show are Hawthorn Suites and Hyatt Place College Station, 1100 University Drive East College Station, TX 77840 Room rate for Hawthorn Suites is \$105 plus tax Reservations must be made by **Friday, May 26.** Call 979-695-9500. Room rate for Hyatt Place is \$109 plus tax. Reservations must be made by **Friday, June 23** Call 888-591-1234. Please mention the American Red Brangus Association to receive the special rates.

The Bryan/College Station area has many hotels and motels available in prices in many different ranges that are available in addition to the hotel headquarters. The list was too long to list for this document, but an internet search on hotels in that area can provide a variety of options.

There are RV rentals available at the Brazos County Expo Center with electricity and water. Please contact them at (979) 823-3976 if you have any questions or want to make a reservation.

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#### Arrival

Cattle will be allowed in the barn beginning at noon on Wednesday, July 26, 2017. All cattle must be in place by 1:00 p.m. on Thursday July 27, 2017.

#### Liability

All entries will be under the control and direction of the Junior Committee. The American Red Brangus Association will not be responsible for the loss, injury or damage done to, or occasioned by, or arising from any animal or article exhibited by the junior. The exhibitor shall indemnify the above association against all legal or other proceeding in regard thereto, as well as damage or injury to any other person or property, caused by the exhibitor or any of the animals exhibited.

#### Health and Registration Papers

Health papers and registration papers will be required on **ALL** cattle. A health certificate issued within 30 days of July 26, 2017 is required.

Bulls 18 months or over must have a valid, satisfactory semen test within 120 days of show date.

Females 24 months or over must be safe in calf determined by a licensed veterinarian and stated on health certificate available for inspection or have a calf at side and be lactating with the exception of those in a embryo donor program which may be open within 90 days of show date, after 90 days they must be bred. A Veterinarian's certificate of embryo work must be presented.

You must have original registration papers to the show. Health papers will be checked by the Junior Committee. Cattle will be inspected and registration papers checked at Thursday, July 27th between 7:00 AM. and 9:00 AM

#### Release of Animals

Entries will be released at the conclusion of the AJRBA Banquet on July 29, 2017. All cattle must be out of the barn by Sunday July 30th by 12 noon.

#### Showmanship Contest

- Competition includes five divisions:
  - Peewee (8 and under)
  - Junior (9-11) Intermediate (12-14)
  - Seniors (15-21)
  - Adults (19 and over non AJRBA member).
- Age is determined as of June 27, 2017.
- Each competitor must be a member of the AJRBA and have a heifer entered in the AJRBA National Show (Except Pewee and Adult Division).
- The showmanship entry fee is \$15.00
- Winners of each division will be announced at the completion of the contest.

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#### Herdsman Award

A herdsman competition will be held through the show and is based on an individual participation of members. Scores will be accumulated and an overall winner will be announced at the Awards Banquet. Scores are based on:

- (1) General appearance of cattle – neatness and cleanliness;
- (2) Attractiveness of display – Signs, Props, Etc;
- (3) General appearance of stalling area – neatness and cleanliness.

Herdsman will be judged between the hours of 8:00 a.m. – 6:00 p.m.

#### Newcomer of the Year Award

This award is annually given out to a young junior member who is relatively new to the breed. This individual has made big strides throughout the year. This young exhibitor is one that has started out and finished strong.

The award is based upon the junior's overall show ring presence. The recipient is one who will be found at varied Red Brangus shows and events taking parts of all facets.

#### Stall Award

This award was created for those creative juniors who place emphasis on your stall area. The award goes to the best overall stall presentation.

It will be judged on creativity, originality, and style.

#### Bred and Owned Bull and Heifer Division

A champion will be picked in both the bull and heifer divisions.

The rules are as follows:

- A. Dam of animal entered must have been in the exhibitors' name at the time of conception.
- B. Must be exhibited in an individual class – NOT AT SIDE OF DAM.
- C. Must be submitted with regular entries, will not be accepted the day of the show.

#### AJRBA Board of Directors Elections

Elections of the AJRBA Board of Directors occur at the business meeting Friday July 28th at 1:00 pm.

Any member interested in becoming an officer is **REQUIRED TO** complete the enclosed Officer Bio Application and return with entries. Votes will be tallied and the new officers will be announced at the banquet.

The positions are as follows:

President

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Vice-President  
Secretary  
Treasurer  
Board of Directors -3 positions

#### **Costume Contest**

The costume contest is open to all AJRBA members in good standing and is limited to heifers only. The contest will be held on Thursday July 27, 2017.

The heifer must be owned by the individual showing or the immediate family of the individual. Scoring will be based on creativity and originality of the heifer's costumes.

#### **Livestock Judging**

Livestock Judging Contest: Junior, Intermediate and Senior Divisions

- A. Contestants will evaluate classes of livestock and will designate their placing on provided judging cards.
- B. A committee designated by the ARBA will provide official results that contestants will be scored against.
- C. Junior division will have one class of questions they must answer about a designated class.
- D. Intermediate and Senior divisions will give one set of oral reasons on a designated class.
- E. Contestants will be placed as individuals and those scores will count toward the exhibitor award.
- F. 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. Show officials can disqualify contestants if they are caught cheating in any way.

#### **Queen Contest**

Contestants must be present at the National AJRBA Show to compete. Interviews will be held during the National AJRBA show on Thursday, July 27, 2017.

AJRBA Queen Contest rules and entry form are enclosed in this packet. The entry form must be completed in its entirety and returned to the ARBA office by June 27, 2017.

No late Queen entries will be accepted.

#### **Quiz Bowl Contest**

##### Subject Matter:

The Quiz Bowl will stimulate your knowledge in various topics such as Red Brangus History, Red Brangus Standards of Excellence, Animal Science, Ag Mechanics, Geography, Science,

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Music, Cartoons, Daily Household Topics, Movies, Domestic Events and International Topics. This is a team competition where all juniors are encouraged to interact with other members and join forces to tackle the challenging questions presented.

A study guide will be made available by June 1st. If you would like a study guide you can e-mail Mandy Fischer at [nthepurple@sbcglobal.net](mailto:nthepurple@sbcglobal.net) Study guides will not be released prior to June 1st and they will not be allowed during the competition.

#### Rules:

The Quiz Bowl will be open to all AJRBA juniors, adults and guest.

Each team will be required to have three members and each team must be comprised of at least two AJRBA juniors and one adult.

Each team must provide a team name prior to the competition. No team can have more than two family members.

Each team can select the members of their team. If a team is short of contestants the committee will assist in finding the remaining contestants for the competition.

The contest will be a tournament style bracket that will randomly be put together by the committee. A bye system will be used if there is odd number of teams entered.

Each team will assign a captain that will draw a number which will correspond to the position each team will be placed in the bracket.

We encourage that each junior establish their team prior to the show, but late entries will be accepted until July 27, 2017.

The format and rules may be modified to at the time of the contest to fit the number of teams entered.

The Quiz Bowl will have one moderator, one time/score keeper and one judge.

The judge will be the final decision maker for all results.

#### Method of Quiz Bowl Competition

##### ***Round One***

- Consist of eighteen questions. Each individual team member is asked three questions, for a total of nine questions per team.
- Questions presented in rotation to the teams and the contestants within the teams.
- Answers must be stated within 10 seconds of the question's reading. Answers will be true/false, multiple choice, fill in the blank or short answer.
- Teams can consult one another prior to the answer being given.
- Correct answers are worth 10 points, with no deduction for incorrect answers.
- If no answer is given or if the answer is incorrect, the moderator will read the correct answer.

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#### ***Round Two – Worksheet Three Minute Round***

- Each team will be given two copies (face down) of the same twenty question worksheet. Each team will answer the questions at the same time. Each answer is worth ten points.
- The captain will write the team name on the back of each sheet.
- When the timer says “begin” the teams will have three minutes to write down their answers to all twenty questions.
- The timer will announce when one minute remains and then when thirty seconds are left.
- When the timer calls time, the teams must stop writing immediately and the captain will turn in ONE copy of the worksheet which the moderator will score and then announce the total points of each team.
- The moderator will not read the answers aloud. In scoring, spelling does not count against a team but the moderator must be sure that the spelling is close enough to the correct answer.
- Teams cannot ask for help outside the team itself.
- After the completion of the second round the point totals will be announced.
- The teams with the three or four (actual number will be based on number of teams entered) lowest scores will be eliminated.
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#### ***Round Three – Rapid Fire Round***

- Teams with the highest number seed will face each other in ascending order.
- Each pair of teams will have a coin toss. The team that wins the coin toss will get the first ten questions.
- Each question is worth 5 points if answered correctly.
- Each team will be given sixty seconds to answer all ten questions. The time clock will begin after the moderator completes the first question.
- Consultation is permitted within the team and all answers must be given by the team captain or designate.
- The captain or designate may respond before completion of the question.
- Once the clock has started, the moderator will give a team an indefinite period of time to answer each question – that is until the sixty seconds has expired.
- If the team cannot answer the question they can say PASS and the moderator will read the next question. Passing the question will not count against the team.
- Once the team passed on a question, it can return to that question at any time by indicating to the moderator the number of the question and then giving the answer. They may also return to the question if time remains on the clock.

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- The moderator will indicate if the answer is correct or incorrect at the end of each response.
- After time has expired the opposing team will be given their ten questions with a sixty second time limit.
- The score from this round will be added to the existing rounds totals.
- Each team will be playing against the sixty second clock not the opposing team.
- After the completion of the third round the top two, three, or four teams (actual number will be determined based on number of teams) will move on to the fourth and final round.

#### ***Round Four – Termination Round***

- Each team member will be asked bonus questions starting with the captain and continued on rotation.
- Each bonus question will be worth ten points. For every question answered correctly another bonus question will be asked until all ten questions are answered or an incorrect answer is given or the question is not answered.
- If a team is given bonus question and there is an incorrect answer or no answer is provided there will be a penalty of ten points deducted from the teams total score.
- After each team has been read all ten questions or teams have missed questions there will be a points tally provided.
- The team with the highest number of points will be declared the winner.
- In the result of a tie between two teams, each team will be given a bonus question that will be worth fifteen points if answered correctly. Each team must provide an answer in the event of a tie. If the question is answered incorrectly a deduction of ten points will occur.

#### **Photography Contest**

The photography contest allows AJRBA members to become familiar with the art of photography and to experiment with different lighting, angles and subjects. The purpose of the photo contest is to allow junior members to display the best characteristics of the American Red Brangus breed.

#### **RULES:**

- Entries must be turned in at the Junior Show at paper check in Thursday, July 27, 2017. You must be an AJRBA member to enter the contest. Each contestant is limited to (2) entries.
- American Red Brangus cattle must appear in each photo. Photos may be color or black & white. Photos must be 5” by 7” prints and mounted on black or white foam board.
- Photographs must be taken by the contestant. You may not enter a photo that has been entered in a previous junior show photo contest. Photographs must have been taken within the last 12 months. Photos cannot be altered or image enhanced in any way.

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- Entrant's name, AJRBA number, age as of June 27, 2017, and category must be typed or handwritten on the back of the photograph. No captions are allowed on the photo.
- Photographs will be judged on the following basis: Composition, Clarity and Sharpness of the photo and Creativity.
- Entries will be judged in five age divisions:
  - Peewee (8 & under)
  - Junior (9-11)
  - Intermediate (12-14)
  - Senior (15-21)
  - Adult (22 & over)
- All photographs must also be submitted on a disc and will become the property of the American Red Brangus Association

### **Individual Sales Talk Competition**

This competition will give the contestants an opportunity to utilize an actual livestock sale setting complete with heifer or bull and a potential buyer.

#### Eligibility:

- Contestants must be a junior member of the American Red Brangus Association.

#### Contest Procedures:

- The contestant will decide whether he or she would like to sell a heifer or a bull (they can use their own animal or borrow one.)
- The contestant will speak at least two minutes about the animal with comments directed to the potential buyers. The presentation time is limited to a total of six minutes.
- The potential buyer panel will question the contestant.

#### Competition Judging:

- Knowledge of the animal the individual is selling.
- Breed facts, general knowledge of the industry.
- Command of the facts and figures.
- Ability to relate the information.
- Organization and style of presentation.
- Length of time utilized.
- Poise skill in presentation, general appearance, delivery manners, and courtesy.
- Overall effectiveness.
- How convinced were you, the buyer, to purchase the animal?

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- Ability to correctly answer questions.

#### **Skill-a-thon Contest**

Explanation of the contest:

The Skill-A-thon contest is a written contest in which everyone can participate. Questions will range from general Red Brangus to general agriculture information. Contestants will go from station to station answering the questions on their answer form. Questions may also pertain to the identification of agricultural implements/cattle tools. There will be different question sets for each of the three age divisions. These question sets will vary in knowledge level and skills proficiency depending upon the age division and all three age divisions will be run simultaneously.

Winners will be selected in the four age divisions:

Junior (7-12), Intermediate (13-16), Senior (17-21), and Adult (22+).

*Example items in skill-a-thon = Feed types, pictures of breeds of cattle, meat cuts, reproductive tract, calf puller, ear tag, etc.*

#### **Outstanding Junior, Intermediate, & Senior Exhibitor Award**

This award recognizes the individual who has excelled in the various events held throughout the junior show. It is calculated by:

- (1) Highest placing animal
- (2) Placing in all contests (except herdsman and stall award)
- (3) Participation in all activities during the National AJRBA show

The winner will be announced at the Awards Banquet on Saturday July 29, 2017. There will be a junior division (11 and under), intermediate division (12- 14) and a senior division (15 and older).

#### **Public Speaking**

The public speaking contest will consist of the following age divisions:

- Junior: 9-13 years of age
- Intermediate: 14-17 years of age
- Senior: 18-21 years of age

#### **Contest Rules**

- Any subject pertaining to Red Brangus cattle or the beef industry in any phase of the business.
- Contestants will be evaluated on content, presentation, creativity and questions.
- Visual aids are limited to physical charts etc.

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- No slides, overheads or any other electrical aids will be allowed.
- Speeches cannot be used again the next year.

#### **Time Limits:**

- Junior speeches are not to exceed 3 minutes;
- Intermediate 5-7 minutes;
- Senior 5-7 minutes.

#### **Contest Scoring/Judging**

No parent/guardian/relative of a AJRBA exhibitor shall be involved in the execution, scoring and/or judging of any event during the National Junior Show.

#### **Class Breaks**

The AJRBA Junior Show Committee members reserve the right to break classes into smaller classes. This would be accomplished by dividing the class as evenly as possible without splitting animals with the same birth date.

#### **Cooking Contest:**

Anyone who enjoys preparing beef recipes should enter this contest. It is an excellent way to educate and entertain non-participants, while promoting beef.

Each team will consist of 1 (one) participant.

Contest divisions are as follows: Senior, Intermediate, Junior and Adult.

General contest rules pertaining to all age divisions are as follows:

Participant must submit 30 typed copies of the entry's recipe to the registration desk.

Participants will furnish all necessary ingredients (including meat) as well as cooking tools (i.e. grill, utensils, plates, tables, extension cords, etc.)

Participants may use any gas grill, charcoal grill, oven, toaster oven, crock pot, etc., as long as furnished by the participants—nothing will be provided for the preparation of any entry.

All entries must use beef as the main ingredient in the recipes. The Cook-off Contest will be judged by the spectators of the show. Participant should prepare enough servings for the crowd.

All contest participants should follow proper food safety procedures during preparation for the dish.

#### **Herdsmen Quiz:**

The AJRBA Herdsmen Quiz contest is created to test AJRBA members knowledge of facts and history of the American Red Brangus breed and the beef industry.