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REGISTRATION IS OPEN FOR THE DUTCHESS COUNTY FAIR COMPETITIONS

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Rhinebeck, NY - Who doesn't want to have bragging rights of some kind? Well, you need to enter one of the Dutchess County Fair's many contests.

On line registration is now open for the fair's competitive exhibits. Everything from baked goods, to livestock will be judged prior to and throughout the fair, which will run August 21 through 26.

The handbook is a guide to all the competition categories, providing information on deadlines, guidelines and changes to categories.

Competition in the various departments creates the true essence of the Dutchess County Fair "The Exhibitor Handbook is not only available online but also at various Town Clerk Offices and libraries throughout the county, although we encourage people to enter online" stated Liz Tegtmeier, Entry Superintendent and Agricultural Coordinator for the fairgrounds. "We are very excited to introduce the new online format which will make navigating the book and doing entries online, much easier."



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The handbook can be picked up at these town hall locations: Clinton, Millbrook, Rhinebeck, Dover, Pine Plains, Stanford, Fishkill, Pleasant Valley, Tivoli, Hyde Park, Poughkeepsie, Union Vale, LaGrange Red Hook, Hackett Farm Supply, Clinton Corners, Millerton Agway Company, Agway Claverack Co Op, Chatham Agway Co Op. Interested participants are invited to visit<u>www.dutchessfair.com</u> for a printable version of the Exhibitor Handbook.

The Dutchess County Fair begins its six day run August 21 through the 26. For more information, visit www.dutchessfair.com.

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