

# 2025 PROGRAM

## BOONE COUNTY FAIR

Owned and operated by the Granges of Boone County  
Boone County Fairgrounds Park, Belvidere, Illinois

### August 5th, 6th, 7th, 8th, 9th, and 10th, 2025

Since the program is printed weeks in advance of the fair, the times stated are approximate and may be changed to fit the schedule.

Check our website for any updates: [www.boonecountyfair.com](http://www.boonecountyfair.com)

#### TUESDAY, AUGUST 5TH

Merchant's Day:

Free admission with Merchant's coupon until 4 pm.

Without coupon admission is \$10.00

Non-Livestock Bldg. Closed for Judging

8:00 am.....4-H Poultry Show .....Poultry Barn  
8:30 am.....4-H Horse & Pony Show ... Outdoor Horse Arena  
12:00 pm.....Flag Raising-VFW .....Grandstand  
12:00 pm.....Harness & Colt Racing .....Grandstand (Free)  
12:00-1:00 pm ..\*\*Music By Hallie\*\* .....Ent. Bldg.  
(Milestone Singers)  
2:30-5:30 pm ..\*\*Galaxy\*\* .....Ent. Bldg.  
(Classic Country)  
3:00 pm.....Weigh-in Swine Jr & Open Show ... Swine Barn  
6:00-9:30 pm ...Ranch Sorting ..... Pony Arena  
Contestants enter at Gate 4  
(Sponsored by Stillman Bank)  
7:00-10:00 pm ..\*\*Dale Rhode & the Crossroads\*\* .....Ent. Bldg.  
7:30 pm.....\*\*QUEEN PAGEANT\*\* .....Grandstand (Free)  
(Sponsored by Byron Bank)

#### WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 6TH

Non-Livestock Bldg. opened from 10:00 am-8:30 pm

Skinner's Amusements-Reduced Rides Noon to 5:00 pm

7:30 am.....Open and Jr. Poultry Show .....Poultry Barn  
8:00 am.....Open Rabbit Show ..... Rabbit Show Room  
9:00 am.....4-H Purebred Swine Show ..... Swine Barn  
9:00 am.....4-H Sheep Show ..... Sheep Arena  
9:00 am.....4-H Horse Speed Events ..... Pony Arena  
9:00 am.....4-H Dairy Steer Show .....Livestock Show Arena  
Youth Beef Judging Contest to Follow the Dairy Steer Show  
10:00 am . Kids Day (Games & Contests) . Gazebo/Memorial Park  
(Sponsored by Midland States Bank/Belvidere)  
11:00 am.....4-H Beef Carcass Show .....Livestock Arena  
(will start following the completion of the Youth Beef Judging)  
12:00 noon.....VIP Classes .....Dairy Arena  
12:00-5:00 pm .REDUCED CARNIVAL RIDES ..... Midway  
1:00 pm.....Gambler's Choice Team Driving  
Obstacle Course .....Outside Horse Arena  
12:00-3:30 pm ..\*\*Acoustic Millenium Band\*\* .....Ent. Bldg.  
Contests held during band breaks - for ages 15 and older  
Watermelon Eating/Seed Spitting/Bubblegum Blowing/  
Twinkie Eating/Soda Drinking  
Prizes for each contest: 1st \$15.00, 2nd \$10.00, 3rd \$5.00  
Conducted by Arnie Pearse  
Contestants must pay fair admission at the gate.  
3:30 pm.....4-H Rabbit Show .....Livestock Show Arena  
3:30 pm.....Boone County 4-H Driving  
Drill Team ..... Outdoor Horse Arena  
4:00 pm.....Team Feed Race ..... Outside Horse Arena  
4:00-5:00 pm ...Jung's "Tae Kwon Do" .....Ent. Bldg.

5:00 pm.....Antique Tractor Parade . . . .Grandstand (Free)  
6:00 pm.....Horse Pull .....Outside Horse Arena  
7:00 pm.....\*\*Monster Truck Show\*\* .....Grandstand  
(Sponsored by Alta Equipment Co.,  
Helena Agri-Enterprises LLC, Stillman Bank, Xfinity)  
7:00-10:00 pm ..\*\*Detour Band\*\* (Old Country 50's-60's).Ent. Bldg.

#### THURSDAY, AUGUST 7TH

Senior Citizens Day (65 and older)

Non-Livestock Bldg. open 10:00 am - 8:30 pm

Skinner's Amusements - Reduced Rides 11:00 am - 5:00 pm

8:00 am.....4-H Goat Show ..... Goat Show Arena  
Junior Dairy Goat Show promptly follows 4-H Goat Show  
8:00 am.....Junior Sheep Show ..... Sheep Arena  
9:00 am.....4-H Crossbreed Swine Show ..... Swine Barn  
9:00 am.....4-H Dairy Show ..... Dairy Arena  
9:00 am.....4-H Beef Show ..... Livestock Arena  
9:00 am.....Pee Wee Poultry Show ..... Poultry Barn  
9:00 am.....Pony Classes ..... Pony Arena  
10:00-11:00 am Peace and New Life Worship Service  
10:00 am . . . . Kids Day (Games & Contests) Gazebo/Memorial Park  
(Sponsored by Midland States Bank/Belvidere)  
10:00 am.....Farm Tractor Pull ..... Grandstand  
11:30-2:00 pm..\*\*Gene Shepherd & Mike Schneider Band\*\*  
On The Grounds  
12:00-3:00 pm ..\*\*Matthew Wundrow Band\*\* .....Ent. Bldg.  
(Polka - Old Country Music)  
2:00 pm..Illini Local & Tractor & Truck Pulls ..... Grandstand  
6800# Gas Street Stock Truck  
(Sponsored by Burger King)  
8,000 lbs. Stock Diesel ISP Shoot Out along with  
1050 Super Stock Garden Tractors  
6500 Altered Trucks  
8,000 lbs. Hot Street Diesel Trucks  
(Sponsored by Alta Equipment Company)  
3:30-5:30 pm ...\*\*Audrey Fontana Band\*\* .....Ent. Bldg.  
(Nashville Country)  
4:00 pm.....Draft Horses Cart Classes..Outside Horse Arena  
Beginning with an Open 6-Horse Hitch--Classic Series  
(Sponsored by Byron Bank)  
5:00 pm.....4-H Livestock Auction ..... Livestock Arena  
6:00-10:00 pm ..\*\*Kevin Burns-Good Vibrations\*\* .....Ent. Bldg.  
6:00 pm . . . \*\*Mother/Daughter Look Alike Contest\*\* .Ent. Bldg.  
Sign up at 5:30 behind Ent. Bldg.-Judging at 6:00 pm  
Casual Wear - Conducted by Arnie Pearse  
Prizes awarded immediately following contest:  
1st - \$50, 2nd - \$40, 3rd - \$30  
Contestants must pay fair admission at the gate.  
6:30 pm.....\*\*Illini State Pullers - Numerous Tractor  
and 4X4 Truck Pulls & Mod Tractors,  
"Tri-County Mini Rod Pull" (Econo Mod Mini),  
plus Semi Trucks.\*\* .....Grandstand

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7:00 pm.....\*\*Father/Son Look Alike Contest\*\*...Ent. Bldg.  
Sign up at 5:30 behind Ent. Bldg. - Judging at 7:00 pm  
Casual Wear - Conducted by Arnie Pearse  
Prizes awarded immediately following contest:  
1st - \$50, 2nd - \$40, 3rd - \$30  
Contestants must pay fair admission at the gate.  
Former first place winners not eligible!

(Mother/Daughter, Father/Son Contests Sponsored by Parnell Foods)

## FRIDAY, AUGUST 8TH

Non-Livestock Bldg. open 10:00 am - 8:30 pm

8:00 am.....Dairy Goat - Open Class . . . . .Goat Show Arena  
8:30 am.....Open & Junior Market Barrow Show .Swine Barn  
9:00 am.....Open Sheep Show . . . . .Sheep Barn  
9:00 am.....Draft Horse Halter Show - Classic and  
Junior Cart Classes . . . . .Inside Horse Arena  
9:00 am.....Open & Junior Beef Show  
Judging . . . . .Livestock Arena  
9:00 am.....Open & Junior Dairy Show . . Dairy Show Arena  
9:00 am.....Pony Halter & Performance Classes .Pony Arena  
10:00-1:00 pm .ATV Racing . . . . .Bleachers (Free)

by KICKABUDA Promotions  
(Sponsored by Hammertine Sports)

12:00-3:00 pm .\*\*Grass Attack\*\* . . . . .Ent. Bldg.  
(Blue Grass/Country)

3:30-4:30 pm ...\*\*Magic by Herb Rosene\*\* . . . . .Ent. Bldg.

4:30-7:00 pm ...\*\*Gene Shepherd & Mike Schneider Band\*\*  
. . . . .On The Grounds

5:00 pm.....4-H Master Showmanship Contest  
. . . . .Livestock Arena

5:00-6:00 pm ...\*\*Ms. Lemaster School of Dance\*\* . . .Ent. Bldg.

6:00 pm.....Open Wether Show . . . . .Sheep Barn

7:00-10:00 pm .\*\*Silver Creek Band\*\* . . . . .Ent. Bldg.

7:00 pm.....\*\*Next Level ro-Bull Riding\*\* . . . . .Grandstand  
(Sponsored by Bel Rock Asphalt, C.E.S. Inc., Cosmopolitan Club

of Belvidere, Gallano Trucking, Boone County District #2,  
Stillman Bank, Twin Towers)

## SATURDAY, AUGUST 9TH

7:00 am.....Weak End Antique Tractor Pull ..Grandstand (Free)  
followed by  
Rock County Pullers & Amateur  
Garden Tractor Pull

8:30 am.....Pee Wee Swine Show . . . . .Swine Barn

9:00 am.....Open Sheep Show . . . . .Sheep Barn

9:00 am.....Open & Junior Steer Judging . .Livestock Arena

9:00 am.....Open & Junior Dairy Cow Classes . Dairy Arena  
Beginning with Holstein and including all breeds

9:00 am.....Boer Goat Open Show. .Large tent near Gate #3

9:00 am.....Pony Performance & Hitch Classes. Pony Arena

9:30 am.....\*\*Talent Contest Sign-up\*\* . . . . .Ent. Bldg.  
Open to all Amateur Talent

10:00 am.....Draft Horse Hitch Classes..Outside Horse Arena  
Starting with 6 Horse Hitch and work down  
(Sponsored by Byron Bank)

10:30-3:00 pm .\*\*Talent Contest\*\* . . . . .Ent. Bldg.

10:30 am.....Junior Talent (Age up to 14)

12:00 Noon.....Swine Costume Show . . . . .Swine Barn

12:30 pm.....Senior Talent (Age 15-21)

Contact Rick Arwood, after Aug 1st at 815-621-9548

Prizes for Both Age Groups: 1st-\$200, 2nd-\$150, 3rd-\$100

Contestants must pay admission to the fair at the gate.

(Talent Contest Sponsored by Parnell Foods)

12:00 Noon.....Supreme Grand Champion

Dairy Selected . . . . .Dairy Arena

1:00 pm.....Pony Hitch Classes . . . . .Pony Arena

3:00 pm.....Fur, Feather Auction . . . . .Livestock Show Arena

3:30-4:30 pm ...\*\*Main Street Players of  
Boone County\*\* . . . . .Ent. Bldg.

4:30-7:00 pm ...\*\*Gene Shepherd & Mike Schneider Band\*\* . . .  
. . . . .On The Grounds

5:00-6:00 pm ...\*\*Cella's Dance & Education Center\*\* .Ent. Bldg.

7:00 pm.....\*\*Justin Moore with Noah Hicks\*\*  
. . . . .Grandstand

7:00-10:00 pm .\*\*Missing Links\*\* . . . . .Ent. Bldg.

## SUNDAY, AUGUST 10TH

Non-Livestock Bldg. open 10:00 am - 3:00 pm

8:30-9:30 am ...\*\*Church Service\*\* . . . . .Ent. Bldg.  
(Conducted by Gideon's International)

9:00 am.....Alpaca Costume Show . . . . .Tent near Gate 3

9:30 am.....\*\*Six Shooters at Dawn\*\* . . . . .Pony Arena  
Northern Illinois Outlaws - Mounted Shoot - Gate 4

10:00 am.....Pedal Pullers Pull . . . . .Livestock Arena  
(Sponsored by The Henninger & Cloyd Families)

11:00 am.....Junior Dairy Cattle-Pee Wee Show. Dairy Arena

12:00 pm.....Auction of Wood Carvings  
. . . . .Oak Glen Road Near Gate #2

12:30-1:30 pm .\*\*Lip Sync Contest\*\* . . . . .Ent. Bldg.  
Prizes: 1st-\$75, 2nd-\$50, 3rd-\$25

Conducted by Arnie Pearse

Contestants must pay fair admission at the gate.

1:00 pm.....\*\*DEMOLITION DERBY\*\* . . . . .Grandstand  
Robo's Extreme Derby Promotions

Young Guns Full Size

1st-\$1100, 2nd \$500, 3rd-\$300, 4th-\$200, 5th-\$100

80 New HO BO-Stock

1st-\$1100, 2nd-\$500, 3rd-\$300, 4th-\$200, 5th-\$100

PRO STOCK COMPACTS-"HEATS CONSI FEATURE"

1st \$1600, 2nd-\$800, 3rd-\$400, 4th-\$200, 5th-\$100

\*\*Highest Placement Boone County Resident\*\* Trophy & \$1000

1:30-3:00 pm ...\*\*Karaoke Contest\*\* . . . . .Ent. Bldg.  
Prizes: 1st-\$75, 2nd-\$50, 3rd-\$25

Conducted by Arnie Pearse

Contestants must pay fair admission at the gate.

4:00-8:00 pm ...\*\*NOVILLADA NORTENA\*\* . . . . .Ent. Bldg.  
(Regional Mexican Music)

5:00 pm.....AIR FLY BY . Poplar Grove Airport . Steve Tomas  
Over Infield

6:00 pm.....\*\*DEMOLITION DERBY\*\* . . . . .Grandstand  
Robo's Extreme Derby Promotions

OPEN WIRE FULL SIZE CARS-"HEATS CONSI FEATURE"

1st-\$1600, 2nd-\$800, 3rd-\$400, 4th-\$200, 5th-\$100

\*\*Highest Placement Boone County Resident\*\* Trophy & \$1000

Minivans/SUV = open wire rules:

1st-\$1100, 2nd-\$600,

3rd-\$300, 4th-\$200, 5th-\$100

3/4 Ton Pickup - Full Size Stock farm

1st-\$1000, 2nd-\$600,

3rd-\$300, 4th-\$200, 5th-\$100

Boone Bone Stock Compact

1st-\$500, 2nd-\$300, 3rd-\$200

Classes to Change at Promoters Discretion

25 Additional Attraction - 10 Oxen...Near Livestock Barns