

**The American Goat Society PRESENTS:
The 2008 AGS National Show, AGS National Youth Show, and Golden State Classic All-Breed Doe Show**

June 17-22, 2008

Thursday, June 19, 2008 AGS National Youth Show 8 am

Friday, June 20, 2008 All Breed Junior and Senior Doe Show 8 am

Saturday, June 21, 2008 AGS National All Breed Junior Doe Show 8 am

AGS National All Breed Buck Show to follow

Sunday, June 22, 2008 AGS National All Breed Senior Doe Show 8 am

LOCATION: Sonoma County Fairgrounds, Santa Rosa, CA. **Directions:** Take Highway 101 to Santa Rosa. Exit 101 onto Highway 12, Eastbound, toward Sonoma. Exit Highway 12 at the Downtown exit. Upon reaching the surface street, Bennett Valley Road, you will come to a stoplight, and just in front of you on your right will be the Sonoma County Fairgrounds.

If you are coming by Highway 12, Westbound, take the Downtown exit, and turn left at the stop light. This will lead you to the entrance to the Sonoma County Fairgrounds. For more information about the facility, please visit <http://www.sonomacountyfair.com/>.

JUDGES: **Thursday-Keith Harrell**
Friday -Aaron Carter
Saturday and Sunday- Jane Robinett

SHOW BOOK:	Sierra Shores P.O. Box 46 Kelseyville, CA 95451 littledipperfarms@yahoo.com	SHOW CHAIR:	Sarah Hawkins 7547 English Hills Road Vacaville, CA 95688 707-448-4655 castlerocknigerians@yahoo.com	SHOW SECRETARY: Antoinette Pestana
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RULES AND REGULATIONS:

SHOWS: All shows are sanctioned by the American Goat Society, and its rules shall govern.. The sponsoring organization is the American Goat Society. All goat must be registered with the American Goat Society, American Dairy Goat Association, or the Canadian Goat Society. The base dates for computing animals' ages are **June 19 (AGS National Youth Show) June 20 (All Breed doe show) June 21 (AGS Junior Does and Bucks) and June 22 (AGS Senior Does), 2008.**

ENTRY FEES: **All entries must be on official entry forms.** To be eligible for regular entry fees, entries must be postmarked on or **before June 1, 2008**, and must be accompanied by all entry and other fees. *No entry fees are required for Showmanship in the National Youth Show, but you must have a regular entry in the Youth Show. No fees are required for Group Classes.* Entries postmarked after **June 1 and received by June 10** will be accepted, but must be accompanied by an additional late fee of \$2.00 *per animal per show.* **No entries past this date, post entries, or telephone entries will be accepted.** Make check payable to **AGS (American Goat Society)**. All entry fees are to be sent to the **AGS Office**; please see How To Enter, below. Bounced checks will incur a \$30 fee. No entries will be considered official until entry fees have been received.

HOW TO ENTER: **Please follow these directions carefully.** The official entry form is at the end of this file, and can be filled in online or printed and filled out by hand. Download and fill out the entry form. Send a printed copy of the official entry form, with your check for all fees or your credit card number, to the AGS Office, 735 Oak Ridge Lane, Pipe Creek, TX 78063. Send a **digital copy** of your entry as an email attachment to littledipperfarms@yahoo.com, or mail hard copy to Sierra Shores, P.O. Box 46, Kelseyville, CA 95451; this ensures that your entry will be included in the show book. **It is essential that you send both copies of your entry.**

SUBSTITUTIONS: Substitutions may be made *within the show only (ie. only a junior doe for a junior doe, etc.)*. Exhibitors wishing to substitute animals must do so before 7:00 am on show day. Substitutions made before **June 10** are free of charge. There will be a \$5.00 charge for each substitution made after that date, either by e-mail, phone, letter, or on show day. Substitutions may be made up until check-in.

CHECK-IN: The fairgrounds will open at 8 am on Tuesday June 17, and will remain open until 6 pm Sunday, June 22. All entries for the National Shows must be in place and checked in by 6 pm on Friday, June 20, 2008. Youth participants and their animals must be in place and checked in by 6 pm on Wednesday, June 18, 2008. All entries for the Golden State Classic must be in place and checked in by 6 pm on Thursday. The original registration certificate is required for animals over 6 months of age; stamped duplicates from the AGS office are acceptable for animals under 6 months old. Proof of animal's ownership is the name on the registration certificate or on the stamped duplicate. All animals entered in the National Youth Show must be registered either in the name of the youth or in a family registration where the youth is also named.

PENS: The fee for pens will be \$10.00 per pen. Please enter on the entry form the number of pens needed. First bedding will be available on site for purchase. Please note that **ONLY STRAW** is allowed as bedding in the show barn. Wheelbarrows may be available, but please bring your own tools for pen cleaning. Dave's Hay Barn will have a booth at the fairground open all day, and orders will be delivered by truck 3 times per day. There will be an ad in the show book with directions to the store, which is open 8 am to 6 pm daily.

MILKOUT: There will be no mandatory pre-show milkouts. *Please do not over bag your does. Please dispose of milk only in designated areas.*

HEALTH RULES: All animals entered in the AGS National Show must meet California Importation Health requirements. Click this link to view the health requirements for admitting Goats into the State of California for out of state: http://www.cdfa.ca.gov/AHFSS/Animal_Health/Domestic_Goats.html. Prior to entering California, all goats require a permit from the Animal Health Branch, valid for 15 days. The owner's name, physical address and telephone number are required. **Call 916-651-6278 for permits.** An official Certificate of Veterinary Inspection, signed by an accredited veterinarian, issued within 30 days of date of show, must accompany all animals arriving from outside the state of California. The certificate must list individual identification, a description of each animal, age, breed, and sex. The owner must state on the certificate: "The animals are not scrapie-positive, scrapie-suspect, or from a non-compliant flock." All goats must be identified either by microchip or tattoos, and accompanied by registration papers with matching microchip identification or tattoos noted, in order to comply with Federal Scrapie ID requirements. Testing for tuberculosis and brucellosis is not required for animals originating in TB-accredited and Brucellosis-certified free states. All others should contact the California State Veterinarian's Permit office at #####. In addition, any goats originating in Canada must meet the USDA APHIS entry requirements. Any animals appearing in poor health or displaying open abscesses or obvious signs of soremouth or pinkeye may not be shown. The show committee shall have the authority to request the removal of such an animal.

PROGRAMS: One free show program will be included with your welcome packet. Additional programs are available at \$5.00 each. Please enter amount of extra programs needed on entry form and include amount due with check. Programs will also be available for purchase at the show.

FOOD, LODGING: There will be a concession stand on the Fairgrounds. A map of local places to eat and other necessities will be provided in the welcome packet. For more information about local restaurants and places to stay, please visit <http://www.visitsantarosa.com/>. The host hotel for the National Show and Convention is the Goodnite Inn in Rohnert Park, 5040 Redwood Drive, Rohnert Park, Ca 94928, about 12 minutes from the fairgrounds. Telephone is 707-584-8180 and email address is griohnertpark@good-nite.com. Single room \$49.95 plus tax 14%, Double (2 Queen beds) \$54.95 plus tax, King single with a couch \$54.95 plus tax. Reservations are required in advance. Ask for the American Goat Society group when you make your reservation to receive the listed rates. They serve juice, muffins and coffee from 6-9am each morning and the hotel is right off the interstate, so easy on ramp to get quickly back to the fairgrounds. **Camping:** Full RV hookups will be available for \$20/night **PAID IN ADVANCE** (please see the entry form). Tent camping is available on a very limited basis (15 spots total) for \$10/night, also **PAID IN ADVANCE**; please include these fees with your entry.

SALES: The American Goat Society and the National Show Committee accept no responsibility for any private treaty sales. All sales activities are to be private transactions between the seller and buyer. **NOTE:** All animals, whether for exhibition or for private treaty sales, must be on the official health certificates to enter the barn.

JUDGES TRAINING

SEMINAR:

Judges Training seminar will be held June 17th, 18th, & 19st (Tuesday (Pre-Training Conference classroom day), Wednesday & Thursday)
Training Fees are: New candidates \$150 (must attend the Pre-Training Conference classroom day), Returning candidates \$100,(or \$150 if they choose to attend the Pre-Training Conference classroom day), Auditors \$75, Classroom only audits \$50. **All individuals who plan to sit in on any portion of the conference must register and pay the appropriate fees.**

Three day training seminar will encompass:

- a. Instruction in show rules, major faults, breed standards, ethical behavior of judges, dairy goat anatomy, comparative terms for reasons, importance of accurate reasons, giving accurate reasons, dairy goat structure and conformation, the Report of Awards
- b. A written exam requiring a passing grade of at least 75% on each of five sections: labeling a dairy goat picture with names of body parts identifying the seriousness of faults, true and false and fill in the blank questions concerning conformation according to AGS standards, reasons rules, etiquette, ethics, show rules, and special aspects of judging, breed standards & score card, the Report of Award
- c. An oral examination with at least 75% accuracy on each of two sections: placing at least eight classes, preferably representing all breeds, at least four of which will be in milk. A minimum of 4 breeds is required. If breed availability is limited, classes of 3 individual breeds and an AOP class containing another breed will suffice. Classes are made up of 4 animals each. 4 must be milking classes and the other 4 may be represented by junior does and/or bucks if needed. Giving accurate, appropriate reasons, and presentation on at least two of the classes.

For more information, please contact:

Keith Harrell

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OR call the AGS office

MILK TEST:

There will be a One-Day milk test on Thursday, June 19th, at 7 am and 7 pm; milkout will be at 7 pm on Wednesday, June 18th. Please note the number of does that will be participating on the entry form; fees will be paid at the show.

VET SERVICES:

Information will be posted in the barn for area vets should you need one. All vet charges must be negotiated between vet and exhibitor.

MISC:

No smoking or open flame of any sort is permitted within any building. All exits shall remain free and clear at all times.

Please dress appropriately for the ring; the standard dress code of show whites or white shirt and black pants will be enforced.

Please keep the grounds and buildings clean. Absolutely no parking on grass areas. Due to environmental concerns the use of soap or chemicals is prohibited for washing vehicles or equipment on Fairgrounds property.

[SPONSOR A CLASS! Support Your National Show!](#)

There are four levels of individual sponsorship. Each level of sponsorship will include an ad in the National Show Book as listed below:

Level I: \$15 (includes a business card ad)

Level III: \$35 (includes a ½ page ad)

Level II: \$25 (includes a ¼ page ad)

Level IV: \$45 (includes a full page ad)

Level V: \$100 (includes recognition during the show, a business card link to your farm web site on the National Show web site and a full page ad in the show program.)

Please make all ads computer ready (.GIF or .JPEG format) and email them to Sierra, littledipperfarms@yahoo.com, or send camera ready copy to P.O. Box 46, Kelseyville, CA 95451. Questions? Contact the Show Chair.

[There will be an awesome Youth Raffle with some great items.](#)

Event Schedule:

Tuesday, June 17:

8:00 a.m.

Earliest goats may arrive

Judges Training Seminar: Pre-Training Conference classroom day (Keith Harrell)

9:00 a.m.

Board of Directors Meeting (Members welcome)

Wednesday, June 18:

8:00 a.m.

Judges Training Seminar (Keith Harrell)

9:00 a.m.

Board of Directors Meeting

7:00 p.m.

First milk-out for One Day Milk Test

Thursday, June 19:

Please note: all animals must be registered either in the youth name or under the family name where the youth is named in order to compete in the National Youth Show.

Judge: Keith Harrell

7:00 a.m. & 7:00 p.m.

DHI One Day Milk Test

8:00 a.m.

Judges Training Seminar (Keith Harrell)

9:00 a.m.

National All-Breed Youth Show & Youth Showmanship

Friday, June 20:

Judge: Aaron Carter

8:00 a.m.

All American All Breed Junior and Senior Doe Show

6:00 p.m.

Banquet and AGS Member Meeting; Awards and Youth Benefit Raffle

Saturday, June 21:

Judge: Jane Robinett

8:00 a.m.

National All-Breed Junior Doe Show

National All-Breed Buck Show to follow

Sunday, June 22:

Judge: Jane Robinett

8:00 a.m.

National All-Breed Senior Doe Show

There will be Youth activities and events TBA throughout the week.

AGS NATIONAL SHOW EVENTS

National Youth Show (Thursday, June 19):

Thursday, June 21:

Youth Showmanship: (enter name and age of competitor, not animal)

- YS1** Junior Showmanship: 8 years and under
YS2 Intermediate Showmanship: 9 to 13 years old
YS3 Senior Showmanship: 14 to 20 years old

National Youth Show

Senior Doe Show:

- Y1** Milkers under 2 years
Y2 Milkers 2 years and under 3
Y3 Milkers 3 years and under 4
Y4 Milkers 4 years and under 6
Y5 Milkers 6 years and over

Grand Champion and Reserve Grand Champion

Junior Doe Show:

- Y6** Under 3 months old
Y7 3 to under 6 months
Y8 6 to under 9 months
Y9 9 to under 12 months
Y10 12 to under 18 months
Y11 18 to under 24 months

Grand Champion and Reserve Grand Champion

All-American All-Breed Junior and Senior Doe SHOW
(Friday, June 20)

Junior Doe Show:

- A12** Under 3 months old
A13 3 to under 6 months
A14 6 to under 9 months
A15 9 to under 12 months
A16 12 to under 18 months
A17 18 to under 24 months
Grand Champion Junior Doe and Reserve Grand Champion Junior Doe
- A18** Junior Get of Sire
A19 Best 3 Junior Does

Senior Doe Show:

- A20** Milkers under 18 months
A21 Milkers 18 months to under 2
A22 Milkers 2 years and under 3
A23 Milkers 3 years and under 4
A24 Milkers 4 years and under 5
A25 Milkers 5 years and under 7
A26 Milkers 7 years and over
Grand Champion Doe and Reserve Grand Champion Doe
- A27** Champion Challenge
A28 Best Udder
A31 Breeders Trio
A33 Mrs. J.C. Lincoln Dairy Herd

Breed codes and order of show will be: Alpines(A), La Manchas (LM), Nigerian Dwarfs (ND), Nubians(N), Oberhaslis (O), Pygmies (P), Saanens (SA), Sables (SB), and Toggenburgs (T) (each separately sanctioned). There will be no Champion Challenge classes. Please enter the breed code in the left hand column on the entry form.

AGS NATIONAL SHOW EVENTS

National Junior Doe Show (Saturday, June 21):

- 16 Under 3 months old
- 17 3 to under 6 months
- 18 6 to under 9 months
- 19 9 to under 12 months
- 20 12 to under 18 months
- 21 18 to under 24 months
- Grand Champion Jr. Doe, Reserve Grand Champion Jr. Doe
- 22 Best 3 Juniors

National Buck Show (following the Junior Doe Show):

- 23 Under 3 months old
- 24 3 to under 6 months
- 25 6 to under 9 months
- 26 9 to under 12 months
- 27 12 months to under 18 months
- 28 18 months to under 24 months
- 29 2 years and under 3
- 30 3 years and under 4
- 31 4 years and under 5
- 32 5 years and over
- Grand Champion, Reserve Grand Champion

National Senior Doe Show (Sunday, June 24):

- 1 Milkers under 18 months
- 2 Milkers 18 months and under 24 months
- 3 Milkers 2 years and under 3
- 4 Milkers 3 years and under 4
- 5 Milkers 4 years and under 5
- 6 Milkers 5 years and under 7
- 7 Milkers 7 years and over
- Grand Champion Doe and Reserve Grand Champion Doe

- 8 Best Udder
- 9 Breeders Trio
- 10 Mrs. J.C. Lincoln Dairy Herd

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