

The Western Michigan Fair

**2009
CHUCK WAGON SCRAMBLE**

Ludington, Michigan
August 1, 2009 – 3:00 pm
2:00 pm. Teamster Meeting

**OVER \$2000.00 IN PRIZE MONEY
PLACING ROSETTES & MORE!**

Description of Event: 2 teams of horses, per heat, pulling a wagon on a figure eight track. After assistant loads their camp gear and gets back on wagon, driver completes the figure eight for the best time.

1. \$50.00 entry fee payable to Western Michigan Fair Association (WMFA)
2. Entries limited to the first 16 teams received and paid by July 28th.
3. Any team of horses, ponies or mules hooked to a wagon with a minimum wheelbase length of 51/2 feet from hub to hub.
4. One team, one driver and one assistant (team may not be used by more than one driver)
5. Course must be completed at a TROT ONLY. If a horse breaks into a canter, team will be penalized.
6. Placing of final heat will be determined by best time.
7. Western Michigan Fair Association or the County of Mason will not be liable for ANY injury that may occur during this event.

ENTRY FORM

NAME: _____

ADDRESS: _____

PHONE #: _____

EMAIL ADDRESS: _____

Please mail this portion of form and check or money order to:

**Western Michigan Fair Association
c/o Roger L. Hansen
1591 S. Victory Corner Road
Ludington, Michigan 49431
231-843-2280 or 231-233-1701**

CONFIRMATION WILL BE SENT TO YOU

**2009 Western Michigan Fair Association
and
Jessie & Katie Knoll**

**CHUCK WAGON SCRAMBLE
General Information and Rules**

The Western Michigan Fair Association and Jessie & Katie Knoll “thank you” for participating in the First Annual Chuck Wagon Scramble. While we want everyone to have a great time, we also expect all participants to act in a safe and sportsmanlike manner. Please review the following general instructions and rules for the event.

- Teams may consist of two horses, ponies or mules hooked to a wagon with a minimum wheelbase length of 51/2 feet from hub to hub.
- Teams will be handled by one driver and one assistant; team may not be used by more than one driver.
- Drivers must be at least 18 years of age.
- **DRIVERS MUST STAY SEATED** and keep control of team at all times.
- The course must be completed at a TROT ONLY. If a horse breaks into a canter, the team will be penalized. There will be two judges present to assure that teams maintain an appropriate gait and the judges' decision is final.
- All equipment must remain in the wagon, once loaded, for the duration of the contest.
- Whips are permitted; however, there shall be no excessive use of whips or lines.
- The assistant or swamper must have the ability to load their own wagon as well as to assist the driver if needed.
- Equipment shall consist of standard driving or work harness and bridle only. Training aids are not allowed during competition.
- There will be a five (5) second penalty for each ball knocked off from its cone and/or each item that falls out of the wagon during the contest.
- A false start will result in a substantial penalty of ten (10) seconds.
- Two (2) teams of horses/ponies or mules will run at a time. The best time from each heat will advance to the next level. Each team will start off with the assistant or swamper loading their camp gear into the wagon. Once loaded, the swamper is to get into the wagon and the driver will complete a figure eight at a trot. For the best time. Teams must stay on the track outside of the cones. There is a five (5) second penalty for each ball knocked off from the cone.

The Western Michigan Fair Association and the County of Mason will not individually or collectively be held responsible for loss, damage, theft or injury to persons, horses or property incurred in connection with the event. Based on these terms only are entries accepted and admission granted. Entry fee consents acceptance of this rule.

GOOD LUCK & HAVE FUN!