



Notices to Participants & Attendees

1. SPORTSMANSHIP RULE – The AJCA Round-Up is intended to foster a positive family-friendly atmosphere. All participants and attendees are expected to behave in a respectable manner during all events held during the 2017 AJCA Round-Up. Any disruptive behavior or language during an event by a participant or other attendee will void eligibility for participation in the 2018 AJCA Round-Up for the violator and his/her family or the family he/she is associated with. Also, all-Terrain Vehicles, Utility Vehicles and other motorized vehicles like golf carts and motorcycles or scooters are **prohibited in the exhibitor areas.**

2. According to the Alabama Animal Disease Traceability Rule (80-3-6-40), “Official ID is required for cattle, 18 months of age or older at change of ownership; all female dairy cattle; cattle and bison used in rodeo, show, exhibition or recreational events.”

Alabama State Veterinarian Dr. Tony Frazier is contributing free “840 EID tags” for the cattle at the 2017 AJCA Round-Up. **To obtain your 840 tag, contact the State Veterinarian’s office at 334-240-7255 ext. 1.** A representative from the State Veterinarian’s office will be at this year’s Round-Up to verify tags have been applied. **DO NOT WAIT TO TAG CATTLE AT THE SHOW.**

3. CAMPER/RV PARKING – Those wanting to park an RV on Coliseum Grounds for the weekend are welcome. Water and sewage hook-ups are available. Please call the Garrett Coliseum office in advance (334-356-6866). **CATTLE ARE NOT PERMITTED IN CAMPER/RV PARKING AREA UNDER ANY CIRCUMSTANCE.**

4. FUNDING SOURCES – The AJCA Round-Up is made possible largely through funding from the Alabama Cattlemen’s Foundation and the Alabama State Beef Checkoff. All sponsors will be listed and visible during the 2017 AJCA Round-Up; please thank these donors for their commitment to the youth of Alabama’s beef industry.

5. SHOWMEN MUST REGISTER FOR SHOWMANSHIP – Please be aware that you must preregister for all contests, including showmanship. You will not be able to sign up for showmanship on-site if you did not preregister. Registration deadline is July 1, 2017.

6. – Steers will show by breed categories. See pages 16 & 17 for breed definitions

7. SHAVINGS – There are limited shavings available to be used throughout the Round-Up. **ONLY WHEELBARROWS ARE ALLOWED TO HAUL SHAVINGS.** If you wish to stall at the horse barns, you may take your allotted shavings from your designated county’s tie-out spot in the cattle barns. You must provide your own bedding at tie-outs.

8. – One county will be awarded the Annual AJCA Round-Up Golden Pitchfork Award for maintaining a neat, clean, and attractive environment in and around their county’s stall area during the course of the entire AJCA Round-Up. The ceremonial **Golden Pitchfork Trophy** will be accompanied by a

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\$220 cash prize for that county's junior cattleman chapter as well as the opportunity to pick where in the barns the winning county will be stalled at next year's AJCA Round-Up. To be eligible to compete for the Golden Pitchfork Award, the entire county must stall together in either the livestock barns or the horse barns for the entirety of Round Up.

Below are age guidelines that will be followed for all contests at the 2017 AJCA Round-Up.

- ▶ Novice – Born 2009 and later (see page 18) (< 9)
- ▶ Junior – Born 2005-2008 (9-12)
- ▶ Intermediate – Born 2001-2004 (13-16)
- ▶ Senior – Born 1996-2000 (17-21)

2017 AJCA Round-Up Photography Contest

Objective:

Contestants in the AJCA Round-Up Photography Contest will submit pictures to be evaluated by a panel of judges. This contest will display the artistic abilities of its participants and serve to display a positive image of Alabama's beef cattle industry. Contestants must be AJCA members.

Rules:

1. Contestants in the AJCA Round-Up Photography Contest will compete in one of 3 age divisions: Junior, Intermediate or Senior.
2. Contestants may submit up to three photos.
3. **Subject matter for entries must include cattle, landscapes, people on the farm, farm scenes, etc. Any submissions otherwise will not be judged.**
4. All photos must be shot in Alabama within the last year by the individual submitting them to the contest.
5. Entries should be submitted to the AJCA Round-Up office in the Teague Arena on Friday July 21st between 7:30 am and 9 am. Also, the entries can be turned in during the first round of heifer and showmanship check-in in the Lewis Barn.
6. Entries must be submitted in hard-copy format; either 4x6 or 8x10. Electronic entries will not be accepted.
7. Top five placing winners from each of the 3 age divisions will be recognized.
8. Minor digital enhancement is permitted. Extreme digital enhancements will merit disqualification. Enhancements will be monitored by an experienced photographer/Photoshop professional.
9. No borders or frames may be added to images.
10. No watermarks, signatures or copyright notices may be added to images.
11. Color photos as well as black and white photos will be accepted though they will not be judged in separate categories.
12. Photos may not be returned. Please do not submit your only copy of a photo.
13. Photos may be used in future publications by the Alabama Cattlemen's Association.

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2017 AJCA Round-Up Poster Contest

Objective:

Contestants in the AJCA Round-Up Poster Contest will submit posters to be evaluated by a panel of judges. This contest will display the artistic abilities of its participants and serve to display a positive image of Alabama's beef cattle industry. Contestants must be AJCA members.

Rules:

1. Contestants in the AJCA Round-Up Poster Contest will compete in one of 3 age divisions: Junior, Intermediate or Senior.
2. Contestants may submit one poster which must have been created in the last year.
3. Subject matter for entries may include one of the three following topics: modern beef production, sound land stewardship or the nutritional benefits of beef
4. Entries should be submitted to the AJCA Round-Up office in the Teague Arena on Friday July 21st between 7:30 am and 9:00 am. Also, the entries can be turned in during the first round of heifer and showmanship check-in on Thursday, July 20th from 4:00 pm to 6:00 pm in the Lewis Barn.
5. Entries must be submitted on paper sized no bigger than 22" x 28". Modest size variations will be accepted.
6. Top five placing winners from each of the 3 age divisions will be recognized.
7. **Posters may not be returned.**

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2017 AJCA Round-Up Ad-Design Contest

Objective:

Contestants in the AJCA Round-Up Ad Design Contest will submit an advertisement for a farm to be evaluated by a panel of judges. This contest will display the marketing abilities of its participants and serve to display a positive image of Alabama's beef cattle industry. Contestants must be AJCA members.

Rules:

1. Contestants in the AJCA Round-Up Ad-Design Contest will compete in one of 3 age divisions: Junior, Intermediate or Senior.
2. Contestants may submit one advertisement which must have been created in the last year.
3. Subject matter for entries may include one of the three following topics: general farm ad, ad promoting a sale, or an ad promoting a cow, bull or steer
5. Ads can be designed using graphic design programs or using programs such as Microsoft Word®, but the use of such programs are not required.
6. Entries should be submitted to the AJCA Round-Up office in the Teague Arena on Friday July 21st between 7:30 am and 9 am. Also, the entries can be turned in during the first round of heifer and showmanship check-in in the Lewis Barn.
7. Entries must be submitted on paper sized approximately 8.5" x 11". Modest size variations will be accepted.
8. Top five placing winners from each of the 3 age divisions will be recognized.
9. Ad may not be returned.

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2017 AJCA Round-Up Record Book Contest

Objective:

Contestants in the AJCA Round-Up Record Book Contest will present an organized record book of information documenting their involvement in Alabama's beef industry. These entries will work to show the dedication of a new generation of producers to the continuation of cattle production in the state. Contestants must be AJCA members.

Rules:

1. The AJCA Round-Up Record Book Contest will be an individual competition.
2. Contestants in the AJCA Round-Up Record Book Contest will compete in one of 3 age divisions: Junior, Intermediate or Senior.
3. Entries should be submitted to the AJCA Round-Up office in the Teague Arena on Friday July 21st between 7:30 am and 9 am. Also, the entries can be turned in during the first round of heifer and showmanship check-in in the Lewis Barn.
4. Contestants will present a folder/binder of information to be judged by a panel of judges. All information must fit inside the folder/binder. Maximum size for a folder/binder is 11 x 17 inches.
5. Documentation of involvement in 4-H and/or FFA such as judging team experience, steer/heifer projects, local or national events, etc. should be submitted.
6. Documentation of involvement in a family farming/ranching operation with activities such as herd health, genetic selection, environmental stewardship, pasture management, hay production, etc. should be submitted.
7. Documentation of involvement in a local, state, or national cattlemen's association or breed association such as attendance to meetings, seminars, promotion events, etc. should be submitted.
8. Pictures should be included to illustrate the contestant's involvement in the beef industry and activities that relate to the beef industry.
9. Top five placing winners from each of the 3 age divisions will be recognized.

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2017 AJCA Essay Contest

Objective:

Contestants in the AJCA Round-Up Essay will submit an essay of no more than 750 words to a panel of judges. The essays will be scored on subject matter and grammatical content. This contest will encourage the development of written communication skills that will enable juniors to more successfully tell their own beef story. Contestants must be AJCA members.

Rules:

1. The AJCA Round-Up Essay Contest will be an individual competition.
2. Contestants in the AJCA Round-Up Essay Contest will compete in one of 3 age divisions: Junior, Intermediate or Senior.
3. Entries should be submitted to the AJCA Round-Up office in the Teague Arena on Friday July 21st between 7:30 am and 9 am. Also, the entries can be turned in during the first round of heifer and showmanship check-in in the Lewis Barn.
4. Topics for the essays are as follows:
 - a. Junior: "Why I Began Participating in the AJCA"
 - b. Intermediate: "How I Share My Beef Story"
 - c. Senior: "How the AJCA has Impacted Me and My Life Aspirations"
5. Top five placing winners from each of the 3 age divisions will be recognized.

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2017 Career Development Project

Objective:

Contestants in the intermediate and senior age divisions may participate in the AJCA Round-Up Career Development Project by submitting a cover letter and resume'. Senior contestants will go through an interview. This contest will help AJCA members develop career skills and provide them with the feedback to improve their chances of securing jobs or internships. Contestants must be AJCA members.

Rules:

1. The AJCA Round-Up Career Development Contest will be an individual competition.
2. Contestants in the AJCA Round-Up Career Development Contest will compete in one of 2 age divisions: Intermediate or Senior.
3. Entries should be submitted to the AJCA Round-Up office in the Teague Arena on Friday July 22 between 7:30 am and 9 am. Also, the entries can be turned in during the first round of heifer and showmanship check-in in the Lewis Barn.
4. Interviews for the SENIORS ONLY will take place on Friday, July 22nd, 30 minutes after the market animal show.
5. Top five placing winners from each of the 2 age divisions will be recognized.
6. Intermediates should follow the following scenario.
 - a. The Applicant is applying for a scholarship from the Alabama Junior Cattlemen's Association
 - b. Applicants should submit a resume' and cover letter to qualify
7. Seniors should abide by the following scenario:
 - a. The applicant is applying for an internship with the Alabama Cattlemen's Association
 - b. The applicant should submit a cover letter and resume' detailing their qualifications and be prepared for an interview.

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2017 AJCA Round-Up Public Speaking Contest

Objective:

Contestants in the AJCA Round-Up Public Speaking Contest will present speeches to a panel of judges. This contest will require proficiency in public speaking and serve to train a new generation of beef industry advocates. Contestants must be AJCA members.

Rules:

1. The AJCA Round-Up Public Speaking Contest will be an individual competition.
2. Contestants in the AJCA Round-Up Public Speaking Contest will compete in one of 3 age divisions: Junior, Intermediate or Senior.
3. Contestants will present a prepared speech to a panel of judges.
4. Junior speeches should be 2-4 minutes in length; Intermediate speeches should be 3-5 minutes in length, and Senior speeches should be 5-8 minutes in length.
5. Speeches may be presented on one of the three following topics: modern beef production, sound land stewardship, or the nutritional benefits of beef.
6. Contestants are allowed to bring props such as a poster or backboard to aid in the presentation of their speech. No easel will be provided.
7. Handouts to the judges will be allowed.
8. Electronic media (PowerPoint, etc.) will not be allowed.
9. Speeches will be given in the _____ with all interested persons seated behind the judges while the contestants are presenting their speeches.
10. Top five placing winners from each of the three age divisions will be recognized.

Judging Criteria:

1. *Subject Knowledge*
2. *Poise*
3. *Speech Delivery*
4. *Adherence to Time Requirements*

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2017 AJCA Round-Up Cattle Judging Contest

Objective:

The objective of the AJCA Round-Up Cattle Judging Contest is to allow youth the ability to develop and exercise their skills in evaluating beef cattle. To further the educational benefits of the event, official placing will be discussed by the contest officials at the conclusion of the event. Contestants must be AJCA members.

Rules:

1. The AJCA Round-Up Cattle Judging Contest will be an individual competition. No cooperation or teamwork will be allowed. Contestants may be removed from the contest by officials if cooperation is suspected.
2. Contestants in the AJCA Round-Up Cattle Judging Contest will compete in one of 3 age divisions: Junior, Intermediate or Senior.
3. All cattle classes in the AJCA Round-Up Cattle Judging Contest will consist of haltered cattle.
4. Contestants will have 10 minutes to judge each class and turn in their placing card to contest officials. An official timekeeper will signal when cattle are to be moved and alert contestants that time has expired for evaluating a given class.
5. Contestants in the AJCA Round-Up Cattle Judging Contest will not be asked to present oral reasons.
6. The AJCA Round-Up Cattle Judging Contest will include two placing classes in which contestants will be asked to rank a class of 4 animals based on visual appraisal.
7. The AJCA Round-Up Cattle Judging Contest will include two questions classes in which contestants will be given time to evaluate a class of cattle and then answer 10 questions on that class.
8. The AJCA Round-Up Cattle Judging Contest will entail one "guess the weight" class of two animals.
9. Top five placing individuals will be recognized from each of the three age divisions.

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2017 AJCA Round-Up Team Grooming Contest

Objective:

The objective of the AJCA Round-Up Team Grooming Contest is to allow youth the opportunity to demonstrate their proficiency in grooming a beef animal for show. As a team event, participants will also be required to demonstrate excellent teamwork skills. Contestants must be AJCA members.

Rules:

1. Each team will be comprised of three contestants; one from each of the three age categories: Juniors, Intermediates, and Seniors.
2. An "open" division will be available for teams made up of 3 youth regardless of the divisions the contestants are in.
3. Each team will bring one clean and dry steer or heifer to compete in the grooming contest.
4. Each team is limited to one grooming chute and one blower.
5. All equipment must be at the team's work station at the inception of the contest. At no time during the contest will contestants be able to leave the work station to retrieve equipment and no equipment or supplies may be brought to the contestants after the contest has commenced.
6. This will be a timed contest. When instructed by contest officials to begin working, teams will have 45 minutes to prepare their animal for judging.
7. When the 45 minute preparation period is over, all teams must take their animal out of the grooming chute and cease all grooming functions. The animals will then be paraded before the judges.
8. Participants are encouraged to bring a generator and 75+ feet of extension cord. There should be extra generators in place outside the contest area for use by those youngsters who are not able to secure their own generator; however, use of those generators will be limited.
9. Safety being a priority, contest officials have the obligation to remove a team from the contest if the safety of the animal or the participants is a concern
10. Top three placing teams will be recognized from the traditional team division as well as the open team division.
11. **ONLY PARTICIPATION POINTS FROM THE TEAM GROOMING CONTEST WILL BE INCLUDED IN THE CALCULATIONS OF THE "TOP 10 AWARDS"**

Judging Criteria:

1. *Teamwork* (how well the team members work together)
2. *Participation* (how well all team members contribute to the process)
3. *Time Management* (how efficiently time is spent on each task)
4. *Cleanliness* (appearance of contestants and their work area)
5. *Subject Knowledge* (judges may ask contests questions during the contest)
6. *Final Product* (appearance of animal after the grooming process)
7. *Showmanship* (ability to present the animal after the grooming process)

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2017 AJCA Round-Up Volleyball Tournament

Objective:

The objective of the AJCA Round-Up Volleyball Tournament is to give youth and their families a chance to relax and have fun together.

Rules:

1. Each team will be comprised of four contestants; one from each of the three age categories: Juniors, Intermediates, and Seniors, as well as one adult over age 21.
2. Teams will be divided into brackets and will play in a single-elimination tournament until only one team remains undefeated.
3. The event will be held inside the Teague Arena on a wood shavings floor. Contestants should dress and prepare accordingly.
4. Ample seating will be available for spectators in the Teague bleachers.
5. **Participation points will not be included in the calculation of the “Top 10” awards**

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If you do not have a team, and still want to participate, the AJCA will find a team for you to be on!

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2017 AJCA Round-Up Salesmanship

Objective:

The objective of the AJCA Round-Up Salesmanship Contest will be for an individual to present a persuasive presentation to a panel of three judges outlining the positive attributes of the individual's animal, in effect, a mock sales presentation. This contest will require proficiency in public speaking as well as comprehensive knowledge of the animal being presented. Contestants must be AJCA members.

Rules:

1. Salesmanship will be an INDIVIDUAL COMPETITION and will be available for each of the three age categories: Junior, Intermediate, or Senior.
2. Each person will bring one steer or heifer to stand with them as their subject animal.
3. Cattle are not to be groomed when presented during the AJCA Round-Up Salesmanship Contest. Cattle should be presented clean and dry.
4. Participants must bring a dues-paying AJCA Member to hold and exhibit the animal during the presentation.
5. This is a timed event. Participants will have no more than 10 minutes to present their animal before the panel of judges. There will be an official timekeeper that will give a 5 minute warning as well as a 1 minute warning. Times will be strictly enforced.
6. The top five placing individuals for each age division will be recognized.

Judging Criteria:

Members entered in the AJCA Salesmanship Contest will be judged on their performance in several areas. Some of the criteria the judges will evaluate include:

1. *Time Management* (how efficiently time is spent)
2. *Visual Appearance* (appearance of contestants and the subject animal)
3. *Subject Knowledge* (judges may ask contests questions during the contest)

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2017 AJCA Round-Up Carne Fiesta Contest

Objective:

The objective of the AJCA Round-Up Carne Fiesta Contest will be for a team of three contestants to prepare a Mexican-style ground beef dish for a panel of judges. Teams will be judged on the appearance of their workstation, their adherence to food safety, and the final appeal of their dishes. Contestants must be AJCA members.

Rules:

1. Each team will be comprised of three contestants; one from each of the three age categories: Junior, Intermediate, and Senior.
2. *If a team is unable to be comprised of representatives from each of the three age divisions, the team can be made up of three juniors, or two intermediates and one junior.*
3. Each team will be given 1 pound of ground beef to use for the competition as well as a container to deliver their dishes to the judges. *All other materials including ingredients, condiments, dressings, plates, grills, utensils, etc. will be the responsibility of each team.*
4. Each team will be given a table and an allotted space to set up their work area.
5. Each team will present 3 identical portions of their dish to a panel of judges.
6. Contest officials will test each dish that leaves the work station for preparation to ensure that it has an internal temperature of at least 160 degrees.
7. **Only gas grills and electric grills will be allowed – NO charcoal grills will be allowed.** Griddles, hotplates, etc. will be allowed. Participants are STRONGLY ENCOURAGED to bring a generator and 75+ feet of extension cord if their team plans to use an electric griddle. There should be extra generators in place outside the contest area for use by those youngsters who are not able to secure their own generator; however, use of those generators will be limited.
8. This is a timed event. Teams will have 45 minutes from the time they're given their raw meat until they are required to submit their entries for judging.
9. Teams will be assigned staggered start times in an effort to give each team an opportunity to present the judges with a fresh, Mexican-style dish. This means separate panels of judges will be evaluating the teams at their workstations and also at the judges' tasting table.
10. **ONLY PARTICIPATION POINTS FROM THE Carne Fiesta CONTEST WILL BE INCLUDED IN THE CALCULATIONS OF THE "TOP 10 AWARDS"**

Judging Criteria:

Teams entered in the AJCA Round-Up Carne Fiesta Contest will be judged on their performance in several areas. Some of the criteria the judges will evaluate include:

1. *Teamwork* (how well the team members work together)
2. *Creativity* (ingredients used in the preparation process)
3. *Time Management* (how efficiently time is spent)
4. *Visual Appearance* (appearance of contestants and their work area)

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5. *Subject Knowledge* (judges may ask questions during the contest)
6. *Final Product* (appearance and taste of the dish)

2017 Skill-A-Thon Contest

Objective:

The objective of the AJCA Skill-A-Thon Contest will be for an individual contestant to exhibit their knowledge of agriculture relating to the beef cattle industry. Contestants will take a written examination that will include general agricultural knowledge, tool identification (tools commonly used in beef production), feedstuff identification and breed identification. Contestants must be AJCA members.

Rules:

1. This is an individual competition. The competition will be divided into three (3) age categories: Junior, Intermediate, and Senior. Each division will take an examination that reflects the appropriate knowledge of said age division.
2. Written tests, pencils and all other materials necessary will be provided at the site of the contest.
3. Contestants will have exactly one hour to complete the test. Tests can be started late until the first examination is turned in. After the first examination is turned in, no more examinations may be started.
4. No parents will be allowed in the testing room. An adult will be assigned by Alabama Cattlemen's staff to assist students during test, if necessary.

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2017 AJCA Round-Up Showmanship Contest

Rules:

1. Exhibitors must be AJCA members.
2. Cattle used in the AJCA Round-Up Showmanship Contest must also be entered in the AJCA Round-Up Cattle Show. Exhibitors may only use animals they entered in the AJCA Round-Up Cattle Show in the AJCA Round-Up Showmanship Contest.
3. Showmanship classes will be split as evenly as possible from each of the three age categories: Juniors, Intermediates, and Seniors. A champion Junior, Intermediate, and Senior showman will be named. **Winners will be announced at the Banquet.**
4. A special non-ownership class will be included at the conclusion of the showmanship contest for youth ages 9-21 who do not have an animal at the show but are able to borrow an animal from another youth. This class is intended for youth who are not experienced showmen. Pre-registration for this class is not required.
5. No cow-calf pairs will be allowed in the AJCA Round-Up Showmanship Contest. In the event that a heifer does have a calf at her side, the calf may not enter the ring during showmanship.

Non-owner Showmanship

Objective: The objective of the AJCA Roundup non-owner showmanship is to expose AJCA members who are not involved with show cattle a chance to exhibit cattle. Participants will be placed on showmanship ability and Participation points will be awarded.

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2017 AJCA Round-Up Cattle Show

Rules:

1. There will be a \$25 per head entry fee for all animals entered during the 2017 AJCA Round-Up Cattle Show. Payment must accompany entries turned in to the ACA office.
2. The deadline for entries and entry fees for the 2017 AJCA Round-Up Cattle Show must be in to the ACA office by July 1, 2017.
3. Entries received to the ACA office after the entry deadline or without the appropriate entry fee will not be entered into the AJCA Round-Up.
4. Entries in the 2017 AJCA Round-Up will NOT be automatically entered in any other shows.
5. Certificates of veterinary inspection are not required for animals since there are no out-of-state cattle entered.
6. No butt fans; fans must blow parallel to the tie wall.
7. Only steers and heifers will be eligible for the 2017 AJCA Round-Up; no bulls will be allowed to be on the grounds five animals of the represented breed must be entered to constitute a breed show in the heifer show. Those that do not have at least 5 head will show as All Other Breeds (AOB).
8. Prospect market steers, prospect market heifers, and commercial heifers will show by ACTUAL weight which will be determined by a committee of show officials operating the scales. **(See classification rules for steers on page 16 and for heifers on page 17.)**
9. Prospect market steers and prospect market heifers must be less than one year old on the day of the show.
10. Heifers are not allowed to show as breeding heifers and prospect market heifers. Entry forms allow exhibitors to choose the one category in which they will exhibit their heifers.
11. Steers will show by breed divisions. A committee of show officials will determine a steer's appropriate breed category during weigh-in.
12. Class winners in each breed division of the prospect market steer show will be brought into the ring to determine Grand Champion and Reserve Champion steer for the respective breed.
13. Class winners in the prospect market heifer show will be brought in to determine Grand Champion and Reserve Champion prospect market heifers.
14. The Grand Champion and Reserve Champion steers from each breed division and the Grand Champion and Reserve Champion prospect market heifers will then be brought back again to determine a Top 5 of the entire prospect market show, first being Supreme Champion Market Animal.
15. Heifer classes will consist of heifers born on or after July 24, 2015 and before March 1, 2017.
16. Champion and Reserve Champion from each breed in the breeding heifer show will re-enter the ring at the conclusion of the heifer show to determine a Top 5 of the entire heifer show, first being Supreme Champion Breeding Animal.
17. Cattle not entered in the 2017 AJCA Round-Up Cattle Show will not be allowed in the barns.
18. Heifers MUST be registered in exhibitor's name. Original registration papers MUST be provided at check in. No photocopies will be allowed.

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2017 AJCA Steer Classification Rules

Steers will be shown by breed and weight. Breed must be entered on the entry form. Three (3) classifiers will independently determine if a steer is entered correctly. If not, the classifiers will recommend an appropriate breed or the steer will automatically be moved to the crossbred class. The classifiers decision is final.

Breeds with 10 head or more will be shown in at least two (2) classes.

Every effort will be made to have minimum weight ranges in each class as much as possible.
Those breeds with less than three (3) head will be shown as All Other Breeds (AOB).

Each breed division will have a Grand Champion and Reserve Grand Champion and those two (2) steers will then compete for the Overall Grand Champion and Reserve Grand Champion in the final drive. Third, Fourth and Fifth Overall Steers will be selected from all the Grand and Reserve Breed Champions.

Suggested breeds are, but are not limited to:

Angus- AN	Beefmaster- BM	Brahman- BR	Brangus- BG
Charolais- CH	Chi-Influence- CI	Crossbred- XX	Gelbvieh- GV
Hereford- HH	Limousin- LM	Maine-Anjou- MA	Red Angus-RA
Santa Gertrudis-SG	Shorthorn- SS	Simmental- SM	
ShorthornPlus- SH+	Performance Documented- PD		

Steer Classification Guidelines:

Continental Breeds:

Steers must show a predominance of characteristics indicating that the animal is approximately 50% or more of the breed entered. Continental breeds include (but are not limited to) Charolais, Chi-Influence, Gelbvieh, Limousin, Maine-Anjou, Simmental.

Charolais: Must exhibit the diluter gene that would be indicative of 50% Charolais genetics

Simmental: White sclera in eye, white markings indicative of breed.

British Breeds:

Angus: Must show all the characteristics of the Angus breed; black in color with no white above the underline, or on leg, foot or tail. (White is allowed in front of the navel). Smooth polled, no scurs.

Hereford: Must show all characteristics of the Hereford breed. Freckles, eye pigmentation and line-backs are acceptable. Horned and Polled Herefords are eligible. (Horned steers must be dehorned).

Shorthorn: Must show all characteristics of the Shorthorn breed. Color should be red, white or red/white roan. Those steers classified as Shorthorn Plus or are black & white or blue roans will show in the ShorthornPlus division.

Red Angus: Must show all characteristics of the Red Angus breed. Smooth polled, no scurs.

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Brahman Influence:

Must show evidence of Brahman (or Brahman derivative) parentage.

Performance Documented:

To be eligible for the Performance Documented Steer Classes, along with completed entry forms, exhibitors MUST provide a copy of the validated performance documentation / weaning performance data summary from a computerized record program such as the Alabama BCIA or a National Breed Registry. Steers MUST be from an Alabama reared contemporary group of more than three (3) animals. Adjusted weaning weight, weaning weight ratio and number of contemporaries will be the information provided to the Judge.

2017 AJCA Novice Division

Objective: Provide those Round-up attendees born 2009 and later a positive, learning experience, that will expose them to the Alabama Junior Cattlemen's Association and give them an opportunity to have fun while being recognized as the future of our organization. Pre-registration is required but there is no fee for participating. All NOVICE CONTESTS WILL TAKE PLACE ON SATURDAY, JULY 22nd beginning at 11:00 am

Contests:

1. Coloring Contest
2. Skill-A-Thon (very basic agriculture knowledge)
3. Assisted Showmanship
4. Obstacle course
5. Other events to be determined

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2017 Top 10 Awards

Objective: Encourage all Round-up participants to compete in as many contests as possible.

How it works:

1. AJCA members will receive 10 points for each contest they enter.
 - a. **Photography**
 - b. **Poster**
 - c. **Ad-Design**
 - d. **Record Book**
 - e. **Essay**
 - f. **Career Development**
 - i. **Intermediates and Seniors only**
 - ii. **Points will not count towards overall boy and girl awards**
 - g. **Public Speaking**
 - h. **Cattle Judging**
 - i. **Team Grooming**
 - j. **Salesmanship**
 - k. **Build-a-Better Burger**
 - l. **Showmanship**
 - m. **Steer Show**
 - n. **Heifer Show**
 - o. **Skill-A-Thon**
2. For those contests highlighted above with **Black** font, placing points are as follows:
 - a. 1st place – 10 points
 - b. 2nd place – 8 points
 - c. 3rd place – 6 points
 - d. 4th place – 4 points
 - e. 5th place – 2 points

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