

## Contestants sought for mud VB, soccer, Farm Olympics, ATV Rodeo at PC Fair

Written by Holyoke Enterprise

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Tons of friendly competition for all ages is scheduled at this year's Phillips County Fair in Holyoke.

On Family Fun Day, Friday, July 26, the action includes a mud volleyball tournament, youth soccer tournament, Family Farm Olympics and an ATV Rodeo, all of which require registration.

Mud volleyball tournament fun will begin at 9 a.m. Teams will include four to five players, and pre-registrations should be handled by calling Shanda Willmon at 854-2328.

A youth soccer tournament is planned from 2-4 p.m. with four-man teams. Show up early to register.

Family Farm Olympics starts at 6 p.m. Pre-registration can be handled by calling the Extension office at 854-3616 or show up at the event to register.

Farm Olympics has been set up with easy family-type activities, much different than when Farm Olympics was part of the fair a couple of years ago.

Farm Olympics events include tricycle race, tire flip, water bucket carry, egg carry and wheelbarrow race. Prizes will include tickets to carnival activities.

ATV Rodeo action is set to begin at 8 p.m. Friday night. To pre-register, call Gale Wiebers at 854-5067. Rules and entry forms can be found on the fair website at [phillipscofair.com](http://phillipscofair.com).

Another Family Fun Day activity on Friday, July 26 at the fair is the 5 p.m. barbecue catered by R&B Catering. A new kids' hot dog meal will be offered at a reduced price.

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Bingo fun is scheduled at 6 p.m. in the Ortner room at the Event Center on Friday.

Also available on the fairgrounds will be Frisbee golf, inflatables, dunk tank and carnival games.

Parade of champions and press time are set for 4 p.m. Friday.

Both Friday and Saturday nights at the fair will feature a beer garden and a dance in the evening to the Juke Joint Cruisers.

The exhibit building will open Friday and Sunday at 9 a.m. and Saturday at 10 a.m.

### **Events begin Wednesday**

Entertainment at the 2013 Phillips County Fair begins Wednesday, July 24 with the 7 p.m. county and open team roping by Heath Lapp.

Thursday, July 25, a pitch tournament will begin at 6:30 p.m. in the Biesemeier room at the Event Center.

### **Saturday full of fun**

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Saturday, July 27 is also full of fun activities at the fair.

The “There’s Country in the Air” parade with Jerry and Judy Beavers and Bud and Bonnie Bieseimeier as grand marshals will begin at 10 a.m.

Orphan Grain Train will be hosting a bratwurst and hot dog feed in the Bieseimeier room Saturday after the parade, and carnival fun will begin at 11 a.m.

Also at 11 a.m. is the pet show in the show arena.

Cow patty bingo will begin at 12:30 p.m., as will the pedal tractor pull.

Starting at 1 p.m. are the salsa contest in the Event Center, toy show from 1-4 p.m. in the east exhibit building and horseshoe pitching.

Catch-it-Rabbit action begins at 2 p.m., with the Junior Livestock Sale at a new time this year—2:30 p.m. The buyers’ barbecue will follow the sale in the Bieseimeier room.

Stock car racing at its finest will hit the Phillips County Raceway at 7 p.m. Saturday.

### **Mexican Rodeo highlights Sunday events**

New to the fair arena this year is a Maexican Rodeo which will begin at noon Sunday, July 28.

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Sure to provide lots of fun, the rodeo features dancing horses, bucking horses, bucking bulls and more. Live music and a beer garden will also be featured that day.

Sunday morning begins with a community church service featuring River Ministries of Plymouth, Minn., at Homesteaders Park from 9-10 a.m.

Round robin showmanship is set for 10:30 a.m. in the show arena, and the carnival opens at 11 a.m.

Release of all exhibits and premium payout will be handled from 1-3 p.m. Sunday.

### **Royalty named**

Phillips County Fair royalty have been named for the 2013 fair following a program Friday evening, July 12.

Josilyn Lutze will serve as lady-in-waiting, while princesses are Taylor Hendrix and Kaitlyn Kent.

The girls completed applications, then went through an interview process and horsemanship skills last Friday.

Vanessa Tharp is serving as the new fair queen coordinator for Phillips County.

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