

**Manatee County Cattlewomen
Herdsman Award
Information Sheet**

The Manatee County Herdsman Award has been presented to Steer Exhibitors since the 1960's. This award is designed to reward the hard work, responsibility, care and dedication of youth steer exhibitors to their projects. Exhibitors are divided into Junior, Intermediate and Senior levels based on their age as of Sept 1st. **Youth 8-10 will be judged as a junior, youth 11-13 as intermediate and 14-18 will be judged as a senior.**

The program consists of **one announced** and **one unannounced** on-site visit to your steer and during the fair. **The exhibitor is required to be in attendance at the announced visit or they will be disqualified.** During these visits the committee will be looking for cleanliness of the pen area, feed area, feed and water troughs, your animal, how well you handle your animal, as well as what you know about your animal, and safety practices while handling your steer and around the pen area. In October and again closer to the fair the committee will make on-site visits to your steer. The second visit will be unannounced. If your animal is kept behind a locked gate you or a parent will be contacted the day of the visit for admittance. The final evaluation of the exhibitor and the animal will take place at the fair. Committee members will be present during the stay at the fair as well as during the show to see your ability to handle your animal and how clean you keep your animal and your animal's space during the fair along with sportsmanship during the fair.

On-Site Visit Dates

1. Announced Visit

Sunday October 13, 2019

Between 1pm- 4pm

Exhibitor must be present

2. Unannounced Visit

*Exhibitor **MUST** notify Michelle Woodham,
michelle@troutandleigh.com or 941-812-6280 if you will be
out of town and the committee will need special gate access.*

3. Fair evaluations

January 20th – 25th 2020

Herdsman Awards- January 25th

Grand Champion – Belt Buckle

Reserve Champion - \$50

The Manatee County Cattlewomen's Herdsman Awards Committee wishes you the best with your project for the 2017 Manatee County Fair. We look forward to working with you.

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Name: _____ **Age (as of Sept 1st):** _____ **Division (jr/int/sr):** _____

Parents Name(s): _____

Address where animal is located: _____

City: _____ **Zip Code:** _____

Contact Number(s): Parent: _____ **Exhibitor:** _____

Email address: _____

Alternate Contact Number(s) (with gate access): _____

Do you pass through a locked gate to get to your steer? _____ **Is your steer at your home?** _____. **Best Contact email address:** _____

Detailed directions to the location of your steer: _____

Parent Signature

Exhibitor Signature