

Northumberland 4-H Association National Junior Beef Heifer Show Team Selection Process

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The Northumberland 4-H Association shall annually call a meeting of its beef and dairy club leaders. The association president, the county livestock contact and the Region 3 Representative (as required) will also be asked to be in attendance. This meeting shall be held prior to June 1st, and will be convened with the purpose of reviewing the process for the selection of team members for the National Junior Beef Heifer Show (NJBHS) and the Canadian 4-H Classic Junior Dairy Show.

The Selection Committee for the National Junior Beef Heifer Show team will be comprised of current Northumberland 4-H Association beef club leaders. The leaders of each beef club will meet to draft a list of potential team members from the county. One representative from each club will then meet to finalize a team of up to 16 members. The Livestock contact from the Northumberland 4-H Association will be included in this process.

In order for members to be eligible for NJBHS team selection, they must:

- Attend at least 2 shows that will count toward their total point score, noting that they will receive points for up to 3 shows if they choose to attend them. If a member chooses to attend more than 3 point shows, their lowest scores will be dropped. Point shows include Campbellford Fair, Quinte Championship Show, Warkworth Fair and Roseneath Fair.
- The members with the top 5 total showmanship scores will be selected, followed by the next 5 top conformation scores. The remaining 6 spots on the team will be wild card spots, to be filled at the discretion of the Selection Committee.
- Points will be distributed as follows:
 - o Points will be given in final showmanship and conformation classes for each age division. Judges at each point show will be asked to advance as many competitors as they see fit to the final class in order to ensure that the best quality showpeople and calves are eligible to receive points.
 - o For all in county point shows:
 - Heifer Calf Class- all heifers born in the current year will be shown in one class. If there are more than ten in the class, the class will be split into youngest half and oldest half.
 - Yearling Heifer Class - all heifers born in the previous year will be shown in one class. If there are more than 10 in the class, the class will be split into youngest half and oldest half.
 - o Members will be assigned points based on their actual standing within the class. If they are 1st, they will receive 10 points, 2nd – 9, 3rd – 8, 4th – 7, 5th – 6, 6th – 5, 7th – 4, 8th – 3, 9th – 2, 10th or under – 1 point.
 - o Any member who is awarded Grand Champion Showperson or Grand Champion Female will receive an additional 10 points.
 - o Any member who is awarded Reserve Grand Champion Showperson or Reserve Grand Champion Female will receive an additional 5 points.
 - o Any members who are involved in a tie for the 5th highest showmanship or conformation score will not automatically be slotted into wild card spots.
- Beef club 4-H members who wish to be considered for the Royal Beef team selection process must inform the Livestock Coordinator no later than September 15th.
- The Northumberland 4-H Association has the right to approve or deny decisions regarding selection for the Northumberland 4-H Association National Junior Beef Heifer Show Selection Process.

If you have any questions regarding the Northumberland 4-H delegate selection rules please forward them to the Northumberland 4-H Association.