

New this year

Christian cowboys to conduct service

The newly formed Mid-Columbia Christian Cowboys will conduct a testimonial confession with music and sharing of God's word at this year's fair and rodeo.

"The Mid-Columbia Christian Cowboys were founded in April of 1985" President of the association, Bob Lofton, of The Dalles says, "We are an 'Outreach Ministry', not

a church or religion."

Cowboys and cowgirls aren't the only people to benefit from services that the group puts on at local fairs and rodeos, throughout the Northwest. People who enjoy Gospel music and songs, prayer, and sharing the 'Word of God', are welcome to join in the Sunday service August 17, at 9 a.m. at the fairgrounds.

Kids invited to show pets

Prize pets of all sizes, types, and varieties will be featured at the pet show, Thursday, August 14, at 2 p.m. when accompanied by an owner 12-years-old or younger. Children with a pet will receive a special ribbon and a silver dollar. One pet per child may be shown. Dogs must be on a leash. Easily frightened animals should be brought in cages.

Joyce Hughes, superintendent, urges all pet lovers under 12 to participate. Special awards will be given in the following categories: most unusual, best dressed, largest pet, smallest pet, most talented pet, and most colorful. All participants should be present promptly at 2 p.m.

in the picnic area next to the dorm building to be judged. No pre-registration is required.

Caretaker completes busy year

Ed Struthers, caretaker for the Morrow County Fair Board, has completed a busy year in this position. He has been responsible for the attractiveness of the grounds, as well as many improvements including assisting Gourmet Foods in rewiring

the main pavilion, planting new trees, assisting with old tree topping, a drainage field for the wash racks, clean-up from the removal of an old barn, and building a new fire escape for the north grandstand.

Look for floral decorations again this year

Floral decorations will be an important part of the fair again this year. Over 300 planters of flowers, foliage plants and vegetables grown

by the Heppner Garden Club for the fair will be arranged in garden scenes and splashes of color around the grounds and in the exhibit hall and other buildings.

Due to the many requests after last year's fair to buy the planters, this year the club will offer a number of planters for sale on the last day of the fair. Those interested in purchasing should contact Jane Rawlins.

CowBelles will be in middle kitchen again this year

The Morrow County CowBelles will be in the Middle Kitchen Thursday and Friday selling taco salads from 11 a.m. - 2 p.m.

CowBelles will also have homemade pie for sale by the slice or the whole pie.

A taste sensation to satisfy any appetite.

Contests

Thursday, August 14

- Musical Squares, 5 & under - picnic area 11 a.m.
- Ugly Dog, all ages - picnic area 1 p.m.
- Pet Show, 12 and under - picnic area 2 p.m.
- Nail Driving, women only - picnic area 4 p.m.
- Goat Ribbon Tying 6:30 p.m.
- 6 & under untie ribbon from tail
- 7-12 tie ribbon on tail - picnic area

Friday, August 15

- Stick Horse Race, 5 and under - front of annex 11 a.m.
- Shoe Kicking, all ages - beside office 4:30 p.m.

Saturday, August 16

- Cow Chip Throwing 2 p.m.
- Men, women, and children - Little League Field
- Frog Jumping, all ages - picnic area 4 p.m.

Ride shuttle bus to the fair

The Fair and Rodeo shuttle bus, sponsored by the Morrow County School District, will run from the high school through downtown Heppner and out to the fairgrounds during Fair and Rodeo Week. The bus will leave the high school on the hour and make a return trip approximately 20 minutes later. The bus will run 10 a.m.-6 p.m. Thursday through Saturday and 7 a.m.-3 p.m. on Sunday.

Fair and Rodeo goers are encouraged to make use of this service to avoid parking problems at the fairgrounds.

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