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### **San Angelo Stock Show Opens Swine Shows**

The San Angelo Stock Show and Rodeo will be opening the gates to swine bred anywhere in the United States for the 2019 Junior Market Barrow Show, Junior Breeding Gilt Show, and Junior Stars Gilt Show. The three shows are all open to exhibitors that reside in the state of Texas, are between the ages of 8 (and in the third grade) and 18, and a bonafide member of a Texas 4-H or FFA program.

The Junior Market Barrow Show is the third largest in the state, and typically has over 2,000 entries with exhibitors vying for coveted positions in the show's premium sale. The Junior Breeding Gilt show is open only to registered gilts which also must be state validated.

The newest event, the Junior Stars Gilt Show was added roughly ten years ago and features both a purebred and crossbred division to offer exhibitors more opportunities. This show also has the Stars Gilt Sale, which from the show approximately 100 head of the best purebred and crossbred gilts are offered to auction to breeders from across the nation.

The 2019 show schedule is now available on the association's website. The gilts for both shows will arrive February 8 and 9. All gilts must be in the barn by early morning on the 9<sup>th</sup> and register for the show. The purebred division of the Junior Stars Gilt Show will begin at noon on Saturday, February 9. The Junior Breeding Gilt Show and crossbred division of the Junior Stars Gilt Show will begin the morning of Sunday, February 10. The Junior Stars Gilt Sale will be held the evening of Tuesday, February 12. The Junior Market Barrow Show arrival will be Tuesday, February 12, and the barrows will show Wednesday, February 13 and Thursday, February 14.

In addition, the Junior Market Barrow Show classes and breed divisions will be restructured for the 2019 show. The crossbred division will now be broken into Dark Crosses (four class) and Light Crosses (six classes). Also, the Berkshire breed will now stand alone with two classes, and the Dark OPB's will consist of Spots, Poland China, Hereford, and Tamworth barrows, and will have a total of 3 classes. In order to do this, the Hampshire breed will now have four classes, and the Light OPB division will now have two classes. The sale average across species is projected to be within one half percentage point.

Though this is a major change, the San Angelo Stock Show and Rodeo Association assures exhibitors a first class show will be put on, and there will be no changes to the payout in the Junior Stars Gilt Show or Junior Breeding Gilt Show. Additionally, the Junior Market Barrow show breed winners and reserves will still receive their additionally prize money. The Association is working to acquire sponsors so that all previous awards will be given.

The judge for the 2019 Junior Market Barrow Show is AJ Genter of Archbold, Ohio. Judges for the Junior Breeding Gilt Show and Junior Stars Gilt Show will be announced soon!