

**Milton-Freewater Jr Show & Sale**  
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Dear Friends & Supporters:

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On behalf of the Milton-Freewater Jr Show & Sale, we would like to say **Welcome to 2024**, and **THANK YOU** for your continued support of this program for our local youth.

We are very excited for the May 2024 Jr Show & Sale. This will be the **2<sup>nd</sup> year** that **Grange** will be participating, which is a great opportunity to grow not only our sale, but provide additional opportunities for our local youth. If you have any questions regarding Grange, please contact Mary Nelson at 509-301-9681.

**2023 Highlights:** We had our float in the Milton-Freewater Christmas Parade in December 2023, and the participation was **outstanding!** The float was beautiful with many volunteers riding on the float, and exhibitors walked in the parade with their lambs and goats. It reflects our commitment to building the program and we're excited to continue to grow. We also had our first **Annual Volunteer Appreciation Dinner**, to thank all of those who go above and beyond for the Jr Show & Sale. Watch for our 2024 event, scheduled for **October 12, 2024.**

Last year was a busy year for the board and volunteers. We began the project of renovating the perimeter fence and sheep / lamb pens and will complete time for this year's sale. It's been a wonderful project, which our board member Jon Dowling is spearheading, and we are thankful for his continued support! If you have any questions don't hesitate to reach out directly to Jon at 509-288-1876.

Our focus project for **2024** will be to **finalize** the perimeter fencing, and then begin the process of **removing the structure on Hwy 11, preparing to install a fire lane and driveway.** This will be a great addition to the Jr Show Grounds, and we are eager to begin this project. Donations are happily accepted to continue to upgrade the facilities, and Jon can answer any questions you may have.

Our Board and Sale Committee continue to prepare for 2024, and we are ready to help our youth succeed with their projects and cannot wait to see everyone May 9 -12, 2024, Mother's Day Weekend! We invite you to attend the Sale on Sunday the 12<sup>th</sup> of May at **noon**, to personally see the dedication these exhibitors have for their projects and animals. You will not be disappointed!

The Awards Committee is busy ordering buckles and custom awards the exhibitors have come to love. If you would like to sponsor an award, there are many options, all an important part of recognizing the achievements of the exhibitors. If you have specific questions on awards, please reach out to Destini Cavalletto at 805-610-5895 or Nika Lee at 509-520-0075. The awards range from \$50 to \$150, and all donations are greatly appreciated.

As we begin final details, we ask that if you can contribute any amount to helping our youth continue to do what they love, that you consider making a donation to:

**Milton Freewater Jr Show ~ P.O Box 379 ~ Milton-Freewater, OR 97862**

THANK YOU in advance for your support of our youth, the LEADERS OF TOMORROW!

Sincerely,

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