

Department C

Wool Products and Sheep

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MAILED ENTRIES MUST BE POSTMARKED ON OR BEFORE MONDAY JULY 31, 2017

HAND DELIVERED ENTRIES MUST BE IN THE ENTRY OFFICE BY 2 P.M. MONDAY JULY 31, 2017

ONLINE ENTRIES WILL BE ACCEPTED UNTIL 9 AM MONDAY AUGUST 7, 2017

NO ENTRY FORM WILL BE ACCEPTED AFTER THE DATE AND TIME INDICATED EXCEPT FOR SPECIFIC DEPARTMENTS AS INDICATED.

It is the responsibility of the exhibitor to assure the entry form is received in the Fair Entry Office on or before the deadline.

Consistent with the USDA National Scrapie Eradication Program, sheep must be officially identified according to USDA regulations. Examples of official identification would be: (1) USDA approved tags, or (2) a legible registration tattoo, or (3) a USDA approved premises tattoo. When a registration tattoo is used for identification, the registration paper must accompany the animal.

RABIES NOTICE

**Rabies Vaccination: Proof of rabies vaccination is required
READ 2017 ANIMAL HEALTH REQUIREMENTS**

1. All animals and exhibits must be in place by 2 PM Monday, August 14.
2. Please contact Superintendent for an appointment for Sunday arrival.
3. Please read the Department events and requirements very carefully.
4. If you have any questions, contact the Superintendent.
5. Before making entries, read the **General Rules and Regulations, Standards for Conduct for Fairs, Animal Health Requirements and IAFE National Code of Show Ring Ethics.**
6. Original registration certificates must be available for inspection for sheep entered in Classes 5 – 24. Grade sheep are permitted in Class 4 - Market Lambs. Registration review is Tuesday between 5 and 6 PM.
7. Sheep exhibitors' barn meeting on Tuesday, August 15, at 6 PM.
8. Entries are limited to the barn's capacities.
9. Superintendent will assign pens to exhibitors. Each exhibitor will supply his own feed and bedding.
10. **Only two animal entries can be made per exhibitor per lot.**
11. Place the total number of ewes and rams on entry form where indicated. This will help in assigning pens.
- 12 **All entry fees associated with this Department are posted at the beginning of each Class.**

13. All animal exhibits will close at 7 PM on Sunday, August 20. Release time depends on weather and traffic conditions but should be no later than 7 PM. Superintendent will announce exact time after a consultation with Fair officials.

14. There will be a designated area for the parking of all livestock trailers.

15. EXHIBITORS AND SPECTATORS ARE PROHIBITED FROM BRINGING ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES ONTO THE FAIRGROUNDS. ANYONE IN VIOLATION OF THIS MAY BE ASKED TO LEAVE, FORFEIT THEIR PREMIUMS AND/OR MAY BE REFUSED FUTURE PARTICIPATION IN THE FAIR.

2017 Wool Nook Display – Noncompetitive

KALEIDOSCOPE OF COLOR

The 2017 Wool Nook Display welcomes scarves in all colors. Our display will be a kaleidoscope of color to remind us how colorful wool scarves list our spirits in winter and warm our hearts and bodies. Make a scarf in your favorite color. The Wool Nook will showcase all your knitted, crocheted, felted, fulled and woven wool scarves and cowls in our 2017 Wool Nook Display.

SPECIAL INSTRUCTIONS

Wool Products and Skeins must be brought to the Sheep Barn on Friday, August 11, between 4:00 p.m. and 7 p.m. Fleeces may also be delivered on Friday, August 11, between 4:00 p.m. and 7:00 p.m.

Fleeces will also be accepted Monday, August 14, between 10 a.m. and 2 p.m.

Please be sure to attach a 3x5 card to all items, with ONLY your name and telephone number. We will remove this card and attach printed entry cards to your items and work with you to classify each item.

Be aware that the judge may change item lots on the day of judging.

Class 1 – Fleeces

Judge: Sunny Bixby

Judging at 1 PM, Tuesday, August 15

- Fleeces must be from current 2016 - 2017 wool crop and shorn from sheep owned by exhibitor before June 1 of the current year.
- Fleeces must be less than 15 months growth.
- Fleeces must be clean, free of chaff, burrs, tags and foreign matter.
- Fleeces must be skirted. There should be no second cuts.
- It is strongly recommended that entrants tie their fleeces with standard paper twine. Fleeces stay cleaner and neater when they are tied for judging and display.
- Fleeces will be judged on suitability for hand spinning.
- Fleeces must remain on display until 8 PM Sunday.

- Identify the fleece by breed of sheep on the exhibitor's tag.

There is no limit on the number of fleece entries per exhibitor per lot.

ENTRY FEE \$2.00 PER LOT

Award:	1st	2nd	3rd	4th	5th
	\$17	\$13	\$10	\$8	\$6

White Fleeces

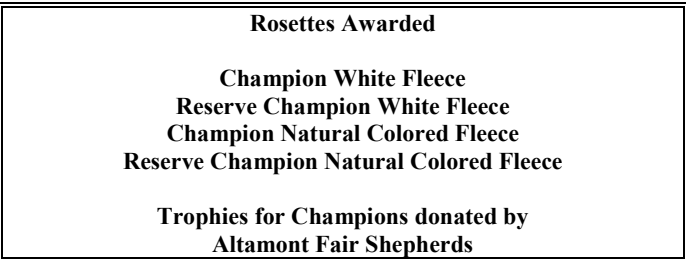
LOT

1. Fine
2. Medium
3. Long wool

Natural Colored Fleeces

LOT

4. Fine
5. Medium
6. Long wool



Class 2 - Wool Products

Judge: Sunny Bixby

Please refer to special instructions on page 1

- The novice lot is open to exhibitors of any age who have newly begun practicing production skills and are showing for the first time.
- Articles may be picked up after 8 PM Sunday. If you are unable to pick up your items prior to Sunday night 10 PM, **please notify the Superintendent so that your items can be properly secured.**
- Attach two (2) 3x5 cards to each article. On card one (1) write name and telephone number **ONLY**. On card two (2) list a) fiber content, b) technique used, c) purpose of article.

ENTRY FEE \$2.00 PER LOT DESIGNATIONS A. AND D.,

LOT DESIGNATIONS B. AND C. NO ENTRY FEE

Award:	1st	2nd	3rd	4th	5th
	\$17	\$13	\$10	\$8	\$6

DIVISION	A. OPEN	B. AGES 14-18
	C. UNDER 14	D. NOVICE

NOTE: INDICATE ON THE ENTRY FORM THE LOT NUMBER AND THE DIVISION LETTER FOR EACH ENTRY IN THE WOOL PRODUCTS CLASS.

Products

All articles are to be handmade by the exhibitor. Unless indicated, exhibitors may use commercial or handspun yarns in appropriate categories.

LOT

1. 100% sheep's wool, knitted or crocheted with commercial yarn.
2. 100% sheep's wool, woven, hooked, hand sewn, machine sewn or any combination with commercial yarn and/or wool yardage.
3. 100% sheep's wool, handspun by the exhibitor, handwoven, knitted or crocheted large item, such as afghan, blanket or sweater. For this category a handwoven article with a commercial warp may be considered handspun if the weft is handspun. (Small 100% wool items belong in Lot 11.)
4. Sheep's wool or sheep's wool with other natural fibers, minimum 40% sheep's wool; non-wearable, any technique.
5. Sheep's wool or sheep's wool with other natural fibers, minimum 40% sheep's wool; wearable, woven. (Non-wearable woven articles belong in Lot 4.)
6. Sheep's wool or sheep's wool with other natural fibers, minimum 40% sheep's wool; wearable, knitted or crocheted.
7. Wet felted article, sheep's wool or sheep's wool with other natural fibers, minimum 75% sheep's wool, hand felted.
8. Dry or Needle felted article, sheep's wool or sheep's wool with other natural fibers, minimum 75% sheep's wool, hand felted.
9. Small, wearable article, any technique or combination of techniques – commercial wool or wool blended with other natural fibers (hats, mittens, socks, etc.).
10. Small, non-wearable article, any technique or combination of techniques – commercial wool or wool blended with other natural fibers (toys, jewelry, napkins, holiday ornaments, etc.).
11. Handspun, small, wearable or non-wearable article, any technique or combination of techniques – wool or wool blended with other natural fibers.
12. Fulled article, knitted or crocheted oversized, then washed and fulled to shrink and interlock fibers, wool or wool blended with other natural fibers.
13. MAKE IT WITH SOCK YARN features all articles made with commercial sock yarn, wool or wool blended with other natural fibers, any technique or combination of techniques. Commercial sock yarn with up to 25% nylon may be used for articles entered in this Lot.
14. Exotic Fiber article, using natural fiber other than sheep's wool, such as alpaca, angora, llama, mohair, silk, soy silk, tencel, hemp, linen or cotton; any technique or combination of techniques with handspun or commercial preparation. Please note exotic fiber articles are not eligible for Champion Wool Product or Reserve Champion Wool Product awards.
15. Fine lace article, knitted or crocheted using lace or fingering weight yarn (20-30 wraps per inch) in an open work pattern; sheep's wool or sheep's wool blended with other natural fibers, minimum 50% sheep's wool, handspun or commercial preparation.
16. Local sheep article made from the wool of a local New York State sheep; any technique or combination of techniques. Raw fleece or roving for this article must be obtained from the flock of a local shepherd in Albany, Schenectady or Green counties. On a 3x5 card,

list breed of sheep, owner of sheep, and sheep owner's town and county of residence. Also, list fiber preparation techniques used. Support New York sheep and shepherds and tri-county fiber producers.

SPOTLIGHT ON SCARVES, INCLUDING COWLS

Each year this category will feature one of four small wearable articles, socks, mittens, hats or scarves, in the spotlight. This year the spotlight is on scarves. All scarves will be judged as a group in Lot 17.

17. Spotlight on SCARVES/COWLS, any technique or combination of techniques; handspun or commercial wool or wool blended with other natural fibers.

SPOTLIGHT ON SCARVES BLUE RIBBON AWARD: In addition to the premium awards listed at the beginning of this Class, the Wool Nook will present an additional special award of \$10.00 to the best blue ribbon scarf. To receive this award, all divisions will be judged as a group and only one additional \$10 award will be given.

SKEINS

All skeins must be handspun by the exhibitor, a minimum of 2 ounces and 40 yards, tied in at least two places, washed and blocked. Skeins will be judged based upon evenness of singles, evenness of ply, control of twist and applicability to the project noted on the 3x5 card.

LOT

18. Skein of yarn: 100% sheep's wool, white, dyed or natural color, two-ply.

19. Skein of yarn: 100% sheep's wool, white, dyed or natural color, one-ply.

20. Novelty skein of yarn, which must include textural changes: 40% or more sheep's wool, may include other natural fibers and embellishments, 2-ply.

21. Skein of yarn: 40% or more sheep's wool, combed or carded with other natural fiber; one- or two-ply.

22. Skein of yarn: 100% mohair, handspun, white, dyed or natural color, one- or two-ply.

23. Exotic fiber skein: natural fibers other than sheep's wool (e.g., mohair, alpaca, angora, llama, silk, soy silk, tencel, hemp, linen or cotton). Any techniques, blended or not. Minimum of 1 ounce and 40 yards.

24. Local sheep skein: skein of yarn, 100% wool, white, natural color, or dyed, one or two ply from a local New York State sheep. Raw fleece or roving for this skein must be obtained from the flock of a local shepherd in Albany, Schenectady or Green counties. On a 3x5 card, list breed of sheep, owner of sheep, and sheep owner's town and county of residence. Support New York sheep and shepherds and tri-county fiber producers.

25. Skein of yarn dyed by the exhibitor; may be dyed in the wool, dyed as roving or dyed as yarn, 100% wool, one or two ply. (Note: fiber preparation and how skein was dyed on a 3x5 card.)

SPECIAL AWARDS

RECYCLE REUSE RENEW AWARD for the article that best demonstrates a creative use for recycled wool yarn and recycled wool

products. This article will also demonstrate the durability and versatility of wool, which, because of its strength, can be recycled and reused. For example, a knit vest is fulled and reassembled as a backpack. Yarn is recovered from a scarf and reused in a hat. Wool trousers are cut into strips and braided into a rug. Include a picture of the original article used in your recycling project with your entry. The body of your project must be at least 50% recycled wool. Your project may include other recycled items. Please indicate eligibility for this award on your 3x5 card and get a special tag on the day of product entry. Prize donated by BLUE STONE FARM, WESTERLO, NY.

SECOND TIME AROUND AWARD for a product that was shown by the same exhibitor at the 2016 Altamont Fair in a different form – a fleece is now a skein or an article, a skein is now an article, a sheep from last year's live show now has its fleece entered as a wool product (skein or article). Please indicate eligibility for this award on your 3x5 card and get a special tag the day of product entry. Prize is donated by **New Fadum Farm, New Scotland, NY.**

BEST USE OF COLOR for a skein considered the best use of color by the wool products judge. This product does not have to receive a blue ribbon in its own lot to be considered. All entries will be considered for this prize, donated this year by **Mountain Treadlers Fiber Arts Guild.**

BEST USE OF COLOR for an article considered the best use of color by the wool products judge. This product does not have to receive a blue ribbon in its own lot to be considered. All entries will be considered for this prize, donated this year by **Mountain Treadlers Fiber Arts Guild.**

BEST USE OF NATURAL COLOR OF FIBER (not dyed) for a skein or article considered the best use of natural color (not dyed) by the wool products judge. This product does not have to receive a blue ribbon in its own lot to be considered. All entries will be considered for this prize, donated this year by **Foster Sheep Farm, Schuylerville, NY.**

BEST YOUTH AWARD FOR AN ITEM OR GROUP OF ITEMS by an exhibitor under the age of 19. Please indicate your age on your 3 x 5 card. Prize donated by **the Altamont Fair Wool Nook.**

BEST COLOR AND PATTERN IN WEAVING for a woven article displaying innovative color and patterning. Prize donated by **Apple Meadows Farm, Altamont, NY**

SPINNING BEE PRIZE for the longest continuous thread in wheel or drop spindle at the spinning bee. Prize donated by **The Spinning Room, Altamont, NY.**

KNITTING WITH DISTINCTION for a hand knitted article considered to be the best example of knitting skill and artistry. Prize donated by **CeCe's Wool, Esperance, NY.**

Rosettes Awarded
Champion Wool Product
Reserve Champion Wool Product
Champion Skein of Yarn
Reserve Champion Skein of Yarn

Trophies for Champions donated by
Altamont Fair Shepherds

Class 3 - Sheep Photo Contest

Only 1 Submission Allowed Per Lot

submission must be ready to hang

Judging Friday by 5 PM

ENTRY FEE \$1.00 PER LOT

Award : 1st 2nd 3rd 4th 5th
\$10 \$6 \$4 \$3 \$2

LOT

1. Black and White
2. Color
3. Fun Photo

1. The Fun Photo is based on humor and laughter. Looking at the photo should "warm your heart." The Fun Photo will only be judged on the subject of the photo. The Fun Photo must be entered under the category of Fun Photo.

2. Sizes of photos accepted: (3 ½ x 5, 4 x 6, 5 x 7 or 8 x 10)

3. Judging will be in the following areas: Possible 25 points

- a. Composition – the overall picture +5
- b. Lighting – contrasts on colors, shading, etc. +5
- c. Sharpness of image – how focused is this picture? +5
- d. Viewer's Eye – what is the first thing a person sees in your photo? +5
- e. Photo Presentation: + 5
Is the picture framed, matted?
What is the overall presentation of the picture?

**SHEEP EXHIBITORS' BARN MEETING
TUESDAY 6 PM**

Class 4 - Market Lambs

Tuesday – 7:30 PM

- Market lambs may be purebred, grade, or crossbred animals.
- Market lambs may not be shown in Classes 5-24.
- Lambs may be rams, wethers or ewes. All lambs exhibited as market lambs, either individually or in pens, must have been slick shorn after August 1. Animals to be exhibited in a breed lot will not be eligible.
- Lambs must be docked.
- Lambs will be placed into lots at the weigh-in time, 7 p.m.

ENTRY FEE \$3.00 PER LOT

Award: 1st 2nd 3rd 4th 5th
\$22 \$19 \$17 \$14 \$12

LOT:

1. Under 60 lbs
2. From 60 to 100 lbs.
3. Over 100 lbs.
4. Pen of two market lambs

Classes 5 - 24

Meat and Wool Breeds Open Sheep Show

Wednesday – Noon

- Not more than three (3) breeds shall be entered by one person, family or farm.
- Substitutions will be allowed within breed lots.
- The Superintendent will determine the order of the breed show.
- For group entries, only one entry per exhibitor.
- A sheep must have been shown in an individual breed lot to be

shown in a group lot. Group lots are defined as: pairs, dam & offspring, get and flock.

- Flock shall consist of four sheep: one ram (any age), one ewe lamb and two other ewes (either two yearlings or one yearling and one two years old or over).
- Get of Sire will consist of three animals sired by one ram and to include exhibit of at least one ram and one ewe.
- Maximum of 4 rams per exhibitor.
- Original registration certificates must be available for inspection for sheep entered in Classes 5 – 24. Registration papers should be presented to the sheep superintendent on Tuesday for review prior to admission to the show.
- Place the total number of ewes and rams on the bottom of the entry form. This will help in assigning pens.

Meat Breeds

Class 5 - Cheviot

Class 6 - Dorset

Class 7 - Hampshire

Class 8 - Montedale

Class 9 - Romanov

Class 10 - Shropshire

Class 11 - Southdown

Class 12 - Suffolk

Class 13 - Tunis

Class 14 - Any Other Breed – Meat

Grand Champion Ewe, Ram, Flock – Meat

Wool Breeds

Class 15 – Border Leicester

Class 16 - Cotswold

Class 17 – Lincoln Longwool

Class 18 - Natural Colored

Class 19 - Natural Colored Romney

Class 20 – Natural Colored Cotswold

Class 21 - Romney

Class 22 - Scottish Black Face

Class 23 – Natural Color Border Leicester

Class 24 - Any Other Breed – Wool

Grand Champion Ewe, Ram, Flock - Wool

ENTRY FEE \$3.00 PER LOT

Award: 1st 2nd 3rd 4th
\$29 \$26 \$22 \$19

RAM LOTS

1. Two years or older
 2. One year old
 3. Pair of yearlings
 4. Fall lamb, born between 9/1 and 12/31 previous year
 5. Spring lamb
 6. Pair of lambs
- Breed Champion Ram

EWE LOTS

7. Two years or older
 8. One year old
 9. Pair of yearlings
 10. Fall lamb, born between 9/1 and 12/31 previous year
 11. Spring lamb
 12. Pair of lambs
- Breed Champion Ewe

GROUP LOTS

13. Dam & Offspring
 14. Get of Sire
 15. Flock
- Breed Champion Flock

Rosettes Awarded

**Champion and Reserve Ewe
Champion and Reserve Ram
Champion and Reserve Flock – by Breed
Grand Champion and Reserve Ewe, Ram, Flock – Meat
Grand Champion and Reserve Ewe, Ram, Flock – Wool**

**Trophies for Grand Champions Donated by
Altamont Fair Shepherds**

Class 25 - Over the Hill

Thursday – 7 PM

- This is a showmanship lot for adults judged by the award winners of the 4H Showmanship lots. Entrant does not have to own sheep. **We especially encourage the parents to join in the fun!**

ENTRY FEE \$2.00

**Award: 1st 2nd 3rd 4th 5th
\$15 \$10 \$8 \$6 \$4**

LOT 1. 19 years old or older (No current 4H members)

Class 26 - Costume Class

Friday – 7 PM

- Costume lot is open to all ages. Contest is judged on originality and creative costuming.
- Themes concerning sheep and wool are encouraged.
- Leaders and sheep should be in costume.
- One or more people per sheep may make an entry.
- Entrant does not have to own sheep.

This event is a huge draw for spectators – lots of fun!

ENTRY FEE LOT 5 \$2.00, LOTS 1-4 NO ENTRY FEE

**Award: 1st 2nd 3rd 4th 5th
\$15 \$12 \$10 \$8 \$6**

LOT

1. Under 8
2. Ages 8-11
3. Ages 12-15
4. Ages 16-18
5. Open

Class 27 - Wool Spinning Bee

Saturday - Noon

- Exhibitors must supply own wheel or drop spindle, prepared fleece and niddy noddy.
- Exhibitors will spin for 30 minutes. The yarn will be measured at the completion of the contest.
- Winners will be determined by the greatest number of yards of yarn spun. Excessive breakage will be penalized.
- Please enter only one lot, since lots run concurrently.

ENTRY FEE \$2.00 FOR LOT DESIGNATION C., LOTS A. AND B. DESIGNATION NO ENTRY FEE

**Award: 1st 2nd 3rd 4th 5th
\$15 \$10 \$8 \$6 \$5**

DIVISION

- A. Under 14
- B. Ages 14-18
- C. Open Class

NOTE: INDICATE ON THE ENTRY FORM THE LOT NUMBER AND THE DIVISION LETTER FOR EACH ENTRY.

LOT

1. Drop Spindle
2. Wheel (any type)

Class 28 - Blocking and Trimming

Saturday – 3 PM

The contest will be judged on the basis of the best job of preparing a sheep for the show ring within one hour.

- Sheep will be provided and drawn by lot.
- An entry will consist of a team of two people. Both people may trim and block. The age of the oldest member determines lot assignment.
- One team member must enter this class on their entry form

LOT 3 ENTRY FEE \$2.00, LOTS 1 AND 2 NO ENTRY FEE

**Award: 1st 2nd 3rd 4th 5th
\$15 \$12 \$10 \$8 \$6**

LOT

1. Under 14
2. Ages 14-18
3. Open

Class 29 - Ladies' and Gentlemen's Lead Line

Saturday – 7 PM

This lot is designed to illustrate how important wool is as a garment. It is a fashion show of wool worn by the contestant contrasting with the live wearable fiber! Please be prepared to present yourself and your animal with an oral description, explaining what you are wearing, its construction technique, etc. We are looking for a complete look - that is, if you are presenting a dress-up ensemble, be sure your shoes and other accessories complement your outfit.

- Leader must be wearing one article that is 100% wool. It does not have to be handspun or hand knit. Bonus points will be awarded for garments that are handspun or handmade
- Wool accessories for sheep are optional.
- Leader does not have to own sheep.
- Halter and lead line are required.
- Exhibitors will be prepared to introduce themselves and describe their garments.

ENTRY FEE LOTS 5-7 \$2.00

LOTS 1-4 NO ENTRY FEE

Award:	1st	2nd	3rd	4th	5th
	\$15	\$12	\$10	\$8	\$6

LOT

1. Ladies, Under 14
2. Gentlemen, Under 14
3. Ladies, Ages 14-16
4. Gentlemen, Ages 14-16
5. Ladies, Open
6. Gentlemen, Open
7. Pairs, both sexes represented, any age

Class 30 - Sheep Promotion

No entry fee

Award:	1st	2nd	3rd
	\$28	\$25	\$20

- Five linear feet of interior wall space will be assigned to the exhibitor by the Wool Nook Supervisor.
- Display must be completed by Tuesday 12 Noon and remain in place until Sunday 8 PM.
- Exhibits will be judged on effectiveness in promoting sheep and wool industry.

Class 31 – Shepherd's Award

No entry fee

Award:	1st	2nd	3rd
	\$25	\$20	\$15

This award is open to all exhibitors in the barn.. The presentation of the award will be guided by the following criteria:

- Manner in which the exhibitor cares for and shows his/her sheep.
- Neatness and cleanliness of stalls, bedding and animals.
- Use of farm sign.
- Cooperation with Superintendent, exhibitors and the public.

SUNDAY

In lieu of the Open Doe Goat Show, previously scheduled in this time slot, there will now be a fun day obstacle course for both sheep and goats. No entry fees, no monetary awards. For details please contact the superintendent in charge of this department.

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Livestock Exhibitor Camping/Vehicle Registration

Name:		
Address:		
City:	State:	Zip:
Home Phone:	Cell Phone:	

Type of Livestock (circle one)

Cattle Goats Horses Poultry Rabbits Sheep

NOTE: Camping space is limited, sites are on a first come, first serve basis. Campers will be received starting Saturday August 13, from Noon to 6:00 p.m. Under no circumstances is a camper to be placed on a site without the express permission of the Altamont Fair. If you must bring your camper to the grounds before August 13 prior approval must be obtained from the Altamont Fair. If a camper is placed without approval, it will be moved and you will be charged a \$50 removal fee.

For a pump-out you must notify the main office to receive the appropriate tag for that day's schedule. This tag is to be placed in a prominent location on the camper. Pumping of sites is scheduled from 7-9 a.m. daily.

CAMPER INFORMATION

Year:	Length:	Width:
Make/Model/Type:		
Plate Number:		
Arrival Date:	Departure Date:	Number of nights:

\$100.00 per camper(includes 7 nights of electric/water only)

NOTE: PLEASE COMPLETE ONE FORM PER CAMPER
NO SLIDE OUTS

