



## **SPRING BASH AT THE ROCK DEMO DERBY HELD AT FAIRGROUNDS**

The sounds of engines revving filled the air at Rock Springs for the second Spring Bash at the Rock Demo Derby on June 6. The event was co-sponsored by the Meigs County Fair and the Albany Independent Fair.

Sponsors for the event were TP One Stop, Fulton Concessions, Reed & Bauer Insurance, Wilson Welding, Premier Energy, Bridgeport Equipment, Krawczyn Holdings, Sunbelt, Johnny on the Spot.

Winners from the event are as follows in order of placement (1st, 2nd, etc.):

- Pro Stock Full Size - Ethan Cobb, Carter Jones
- Pro Stock Mini Cars - Danny Mullens, Matthew Mullens
- Stock Full Size Cars - Jace Howard, Donald Aspery
- Stock Mini Cars - Karl Dodridge, Brandon Harris
- Stock Full Size - Matthew Mullins, Brandon King, Roger Rafferty
- Bone Stock Mini Cars - Chaz Hanson, Brian Gould, Tanner Slone
- Bone Stock Trucks/Vans/SUV - Patrick Ewing, Randall McCune
- Mad Dog Winner - Matthew Mullins

Power Wheels participants were Steve Dailey, Hunter Sass, Jensen Sass, Waylon Sass, Emsley Smith and Braxton Cummings.

The Demolition Derby returns to the Meigs Fair on August 22 at the Grandstand. More information will be forthcoming on the derby at the fair.



## **Car Enthusiasts Turn Out for Annual Car Show**

Read about the Car Show held during Trade Days at the fairgrounds on Page 2.

## **Fair Royalty Applications Due Soon**

Interested in being Fair Queen or King? How about Livestock Prince or Princess? Get the applications in soon! Find out the details on Page 3.

## **Jr Fair Board Goes on Leadership Retreat**

Jr Fair Board Members went to Canter's Cave for learning experiences and more. Read all about it on Page 4.

## **Projects Underway**

Projects are underway around the fairgrounds and there will be some changes when the fair returns in August. Find out what those changes are on Page 5.

## **Excitement Building**

Excitement is building as the 163<sup>rd</sup> fair draws near. Find out what is in store for you at this year's fair on Page 5. Kids Day on Page 6.



## CAR ENTHUSIASTS TURN OUT FOR ANNUAL CAR SHOW

The annual Car Show held during Trade Days was held on June 6. The Car Show is held alongside of the Trade Days flea market and craft fair with vendors.

The car show brought together automotive enthusiasts from across the region for a day filled with classic cars, custom builds, muscle cars, trucks, and vintage vehicles. Visitors enjoyed strolling through rows of beautifully restored automobiles while owners shared the stories and craftsmanship behind their prized vehicles.

The event attracted families and community members of all ages, creating a fun and welcoming atmosphere. With great weather, impressive entries, and strong community support, the car show was a successful event that highlighted both local automotive talent and the fairgrounds as a gathering place for community activities throughout the year.

“We were thrilled with the turnout and support for this year's car show. It was great to see so many beautiful vehicles on display and families enjoying a day together at the fairgrounds. Events like this bring our community together and help showcase all that our fairgrounds have to offer,” said Tara Roberts, vice president of the fair board and chair of the event.



## FAIR ROYALTY APPLICATIONS DUE JULY 1

The deadline is fast approaching for applying to be fair royalty.

Serving as fair royalty is a unique opportunity to represent the fair and the entire county while developing valuable leadership and communication skills. Fair royalty promote the fair throughout the year, attend community events, meet new people, and help showcase the traditions and opportunities that make the fair special. The experience builds confidence, encourages personal growth, and creates lasting friendships and memories.

The Meigs County Fair King, Queen, Runner-Up, Livestock Prince, and Livestock Princess are selected from the applications submitted from members of the various youth organizations including 4-H, FFA, Girl Scouts, Scouting America (Boy Scouts), and Grange.

Among the requirements to be Livestock Prince or Princess, the youth must be age 9-15 as of January 1<sup>st</sup> and exhibit a beef, dairy, goat, horse, poultry, rabbit, sheep, or swine project at the fair.

The King and Queen must be at least 16 years, but not older than 19 as of January 1<sup>st</sup> along with being a member of one of the Junior Fair organizations.

Other rules apply for fair royalty as well.

Fair Royalty was sponsored in 2025 by Home National Bank.

**For more information and for applications, go to [themeigscountyfair.com](http://themeigscountyfair.com)**



## LEADERSHIP RETREAT OFFERS GROWTH & FUN FOR JR FAIR BOARD

Earlier in the Spring, Junior Fair Board members took part in a leadership retreat at Canter's Cave 4-H Camp. Most of the Junior Fair Board were in attendance for opportunity for growth, connection, and fun.

Throughout the retreat, members focused on building self-awareness, strengthening communication skills, and enhancing teamwork—all essential tools as they continue to serve and lead within our fair community.

They did a deep dive into Real Colors where they were able to learn more about themselves, but also how they could better interact with other colors. They used their colors to think through the committees they were on and how they could make those more efficient moving forward. Jr Fairboard President Tyson Hupp says, "Learning about other member's colors is really going to help a lot with communication on the board."

First year member Garrett Beasley said of the retreat, "It was very engaging and there were great teamwork building opportunities."

Senior member Hannah Jackson was thankful for the retreat and what an open environment it was for members to learn and grow together.

The retreat was planned and hosted by Amanda Faulk and Mackenzie Lowe.

*The Junior Fair Board are youth from one of the following organizations 4-H, Girl Scouts, Scouting America, Junior Grange and FFA. Junior Fair Board officers for 2026 are President Tyson Hupp, Vice President Paige Smith, Secretary Ellie Howell, Treasurer Garrett Parry, Historian Bryant Mohler. Members are Zoey Barnhart, Garrett Beasley, Serenity Bishop, Ashlyn Bradford, Elijah Circle, Hannah Circle, Laurel Huggins, Opal Huggins, Hannah Jackson, Bella Johnson, Nevada Johnson, Hunter Lackey, John Lechler, Grace Lee, Taylor Lewis, Ivy McClain, Colton McKnight, Zachariah McKnight, Jeremiah Mohler, Hunter Parry, Peyton Richmond, Kendall Schagel, Sophia Shaw and Braelynn Sims. The Junior Fair Board Coordinator is Amanda Faulk.*



## PROJECTS UNDERWAY FOR GROUNDS IMPROVEMENTS

Several projects are underway to improve the fairgrounds.

A water improvement project on the Midway is scheduled to be completed before the fair in August. The project will upgrade water lines and improve water access for vendors on the Midway. Water line improvements have been ongoing around the fairgrounds in the past several years.

Gates near the Cattle Barn and Thompson Roush Building have been replaced. The fair board has been looking at replacing gates and fencing through that section and others.

An expansion is being added to the Sheep Barn. With some areas of livestock projects growing, there was a need for additional space. Work including additional pens will be done as well, but the fair board has been working on it. The project is expected to be done prior to the fair.

## EXCITEMENT BUILDING FOR 163<sup>RD</sup> MEIGS COUNTY FAIR AUG 17-22

Plans have been underway for the 163rd Meigs County Fair and the excitement is building! There's something for everyone to enjoy as the fair continues the tradition of Farm, Family & Fun Since 1851!

This year features a rodeo, truck and tractor pulls, demo derby, horse pulls and more. It wouldn't be the fair without harness racing at the Rock as well. Kids Day is set for Wednesday, Aug. 19 (see the next page for details). Senior Day is Thursday, Aug. 20. Specific information will be released soon on the schedule.



Fireworks celebrating America's 250 years of Independence end out the 163<sup>rd</sup> fair. Just 75 years into the American experiment the Meigs County Fair started as a one day event. While it has been 175 years since that first fair, it is only the 163<sup>rd</sup> fair because there were times the fair was not held. Those times include years of war and economic hardship.

Once again livestock will return to the show ring. The thunder of hooves will be heard at the race track. Memories will be made. It is THE event of the year.

More information including the full schedule will be forthcoming. Check the Meigs County Fair website and Facebook page for details. Keep an eye out for the Fair Book soon too!

# STARS, STRIPES, AND SUMMER NIGHTS

## KIDS DAY PREVENTION DAY



WEDNESDAY,  
 AUGUST 19, 2026  
 10:00 AM – 1:00 PM

MEIGS COUNTY FAIRGROUNDS  
 HILL STAGE

JOIN SPARK THE STAR TO EXPLORE THE FAIR AND COLLECT SUMMER STARS

### WHAT'S HAPPENING?

- Featuring: DJ Rockin' Reggie –Get ready to dance, laugh, and party
- Wellness Activities
- Games & Giveaways
- Summer Party
- Positive Messaging & Prevention
- Resources

### WHY COME?

Your health, happiness, and family are important, so today we're honoring **YOU!**

### FREE ENTRY

for youth ages 17 & under until **NOON!**

Registration starts at 10:00 AM

Get a Free Swag Bag while supplies last!



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