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Everything You Need to Know about the Evergreen State Fair in Monroe

August 23-September 3, 2018

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General Information

Thursday, August 23, 2018 through Labor Day, Monday, September 3, 2018

Fair Hours:

10 a.m. to 10 p.m. August 23 through September 2

10 a.m. to 7 p.m. September 3

Carnival Hours:

11 a.m. to 11 p.m. August 23 through September 2

11 a.m. to 9 p.m. September 3

Cost:

Adults- \$14

Youth (6-15) - \$10

Seniors (62-89) - \$10

Active Military with I.D. - \$10

Kids (5 and under) - FREE

Seniors (90+) – FREE

Dollar Up for Oso - Add optional \$1 to help Oso Slide Memorial Fund

See list below for Special Admission Days and Dollar Up for Oso information!

For all other information about the Evergreen State Fair, visit EvergreenFair.org



Fair Honoree – Elaine Wilson

(Will be at 2pm Opening Day Ceremony)

Each year, The Evergreen State Fair honors an individual or family who has contributed significant personal time and energy toward the improvement and betterment of the annual fair. This year, the Evergreen State Fair recognizes and celebrates the dedication of Elaine Wilson, retired Open Class Wool Superintendent.

Elaine's involvement with the Fair began when she was a young girl participating in 4H showing animals and eating at the Star Grill. What began as a family project to raise dairy goats and sheep quickly grew into four decades of a family business raising sheep, goats, alpacas and more.

As the Open Class Wool Superintendent, Elaine always made it her mission to make her department as educational and interactive as possible. She was known for having great touch and feel displays along with informational handouts so fairgoers could have a better experience and learn about the wool industry. Perhaps one of her best qualities was her compassionate smile and ability to interact with guests who had questions no matter the time of day. Largely because of her passion, Elaine's husband, kids and even grandkids all show and participate in the Fair each year.

Even though Elaine has retired from her official duties as Superintendent, she still devotes her time each year to demonstrating and educating other people to see it flourish. It's evident that the continued growth of the department is because of the commitment and care that Elaine shed on it for 20 years and for that reason, the Evergreen State Fair would like to recognize her as the 2018 Fair Honoree.

2018 Snohomish County Centennial Farm Family – Bartelheimer's

(Will be at 2pm Opening Day Ceremony)

Frederick Bartelheimer left Germany with his siblings in 1894 at the urging of his father. He initially settled in Nebraska, where he married and started his family and farm. After more than a decade there, he longed for a setting more reminiscent of home. In 1911, he sold all the livestock except for the dairy cows and moved them and his family to Snohomish. He and his wife enjoyed the similarity of the scenery and weather to Germany and enrolled the children in the school at Zion Lutheran Church, and attended services there at a time when preaching was still done in German. The property that they transformed into a farm was the hillside just east of Snohomish, which is currently bisected by State Route 2. The farm went from the valley floor up a few hundred feet in elevation. Dairy cows were the primary focus, as they became for several of his eleven children on nearby farms.

Opening Day Ceremony will Honor Jim Donner

(10am Ribbon Cutting Celebration and 2pm Opening Day Ceremony)

Opening Day of the 2018 Evergreen State Fair is dedicated to James (Jim) H. Donner. Jim was an influential member of the Snohomish County community with a long history of involvement, community service and avid lover of the Fair. Jim passed away on April 3rd, 2018. His wife Geraldine (Gerri) Donner will cut the opening day ribbon at the 10am celebration on August 23rd.

WHAT'S NEW?

Dollar Up for Oso

Help the Oso Slide Memorial by participating in “Dollar Up for Oso” exclusively at the Evergreen State Fair. Add a dollar when purchasing Evergreen State Fair tickets at the gate or online at Etix.com. 100% of the donated dollar will go toward the Memorial fund.

Snohomish County Parks, Recreation and Tourism has been working with families of victims, survivors and responders of the March 22, 2014, SR 530 Mudslide – or “Oso Slide”- to develop a concept and initial design for a permanent memorial to be built. Funding is needed to complete the project. Dollar Up for Oso is a great way for the community to be involved if they choose. There will be an Oso Slide Memorial booth where Fair goers can learn more about the Memorial project.

Concerts move to VIP or BOGO tickets

New this year! Go VIP or buy 1 get 1 free! Grandstand Festival Seating for all concerts is buy one get one free and includes fair gate admission (a \$14 value). That’s two concert tickets and two fair gate admissions for the price of one concert ticket.

Guests who purchase VIP tickets have floor seats to the show and are invited to return to their seats with their beer/wine. All guests in the Grandstands will need to remain in the beer garden area for consumption. All tickets can be purchased at EvergreenFair.org.

Beer & Wine Garden

In order to enhance the Fairgoer experience, a beer and wine garden will be available to guests 21+ every day of the Fair, including at concerts and Speedway events! Enjoy a corn dog with a beer to wash it down—just do it responsibly!

Goat Yoga

Join in the first ever Baaamaste at the Fair experience featuring your friendly Fair goats on Wednesday, Aug. 29, at either 9 a.m. or 6 p.m. Guests 8 years and older are invited to join in the fun of this 75 minute yoga session led by Bliss Yoga Studio out of Monroe. Buy tickets at EvergreenFair.org.

Duck Races

Introducing a new daily exhibit to the Fair this year, Great American Duck Races! Daily races will be held at 11 a.m., 1 p.m., 3:30 p.m. and 5:30 p.m. and are free with gate admission.

Clean Air Fair Continues

For the health and safety of all our guests, smoking or vaping of any kind is prohibited inside the Fairgrounds or within 25 feet of the entrances. The Fairgrounds is not only a place of employment for

many hardworking staff members but is also a public place for children and families to recreate. Thank you for helping keep our air clean!

Back by Popular Demand

Morning of Dreams

Nationally recognized as an award winner for removing barriers in Parks, Evergreen Morning of Dreams is back with an expanded registration of 1,000 participants. Morning of Dreams is a two-hour morning event for children and adults with disabilities or special needs to experience the fun of the Fair in a calmer setting. Evergreen Morning of Dreams will be on Wednesday, August 29 from 9:00 to 11:00 a.m.

Concert Series

Monday, August 27- Roots & Boots Tour (Sammy Kershaw, Aaron Tippin, Collin Raye) (Country)

Show at 7:30 p.m. doors open at 6:00 p.m.
BOGO Grandstand Tickets \$30 (\$15 per person)
VIP Tickets \$40-55

Tuesday, August 28- American Idol: Live! (Top 7 contestants and special guest Kris Allen) (All genres)

Show at 7:30 p.m. doors open at 6:00 p.m.
BOGO Grandstand Tickets \$40 (\$20 per person)
VIP Tickets \$50-65

Wednesday, August 29- Spike and the Impalers (Rock)

Show at 7:30 p.m. doors open at 6:00 p.m.
BOGO Grandstand Tickets \$16 (\$8 per person)
VIP Tickets \$20-28

Thursday, August 30- Randy Houser with special guest Michael Ray (Country)

Show at 7:00 p.m. doors open at 5:30 p.m.
BOGO Grandstand Tickets \$40 (\$20 per person)
VIP Tickets \$50-65

Friday, August 31- SKILLET (Christian Rock)

Show at 7:30 p.m. doors open at 6:00 p.m.
BOGO Grandstand Tickets \$40 (\$20 per person)
VIP Tickets \$45-60

All concert tickets include gate admission to the Fair (a \$14 value). Tickets can be purchased at Etix.com or at the Fair Pass Booth beginning August 6 through day of concert. Learn more at EvergreenFair.org. You can also Dollar Up for Oso when you buy concert tickets.

Fair on a Budget

Discount Rides

Purchase your Unlimited Ride Wristbands by August 22nd and save \$5! You can purchase the wristbands online at Etix.com (fee applies) or at the Fair Pass Booth (no additional fee).

Special Admission Days

- Thursday, August 23- Opening Day: FREE admission until 3 p.m. with a non-perishable food donation of three items per person. Sponsored by King 5, KCMS and the Herald.
- Friday, August 24- Blue Friday: \$2 off admission for anyone wearing Seahawk gear until 2 p.m. Sponsored by Black Pine Spas and KJR AM.
- Monday, August 27- Senior Day: All Senior Citizen's age 62 and better receive FREE admission all day long! Sponsored by Brookdale and KIXI.
- Tuesday, August 28- 2 for 1 Tuesday: Buy one gate admission, receive a second admission of equal value for FREE. Sponsored by NW Chevy Dealers.
- Wednesday, August 29- Family Day: \$6 gate admission for everyone ages 6-89 until 6p.m. Sponsored by Sleep Number.
- Thursday, August 30- Kid's Day: Kids 15 and under receive FREE admission all day! Sponsored by 98.9 The Bull and Movin' 92.5.
- Friday, August 31- Heroes Day: FREE admission for all military, first responders and their dependents with ID. Sponsored by Black Pine Spas, 94.1 KMPS and 100.7 The Wolf.
- Monday, September 4- Labor Day: \$2 off gate admission for everyone! (Fair closes at 9 p.m.) Sponsored by Xfinity and 100.7 The Wolf.

Kids 5 and under are always FREE!

Free Activities

There are HUNDREDS of free things to do at the Fair that are included with your gate admission price! Here's a list of a few of them to get you started on planning your day at the Fair!

- Petting Zoo- Come interact with a wide variety of animals including a wallaby, potbelly pig, fallow deer pygmy goats and more! Sponsored by Speedway Chevrolet and RV Center! Open daily from 10:30 a.m. to 8:30 p.m. (closes at 8:00 p.m. on Labor Day)
- Farmer for a Day Display- Little ones are sure to enjoy their time being a farmer in this interactive display! Open daily from 10 a.m. to 8 p.m. (closes at 7 p.m. on Labor Day).
- Display Halls- Did you know we have over 24,000 entries in the Fair every year? Wander down the rows of incredible handmade and homemade goods, arts, foods and more!
- International Lumberjack Show- Watch as axes are thrown, logs are rolled and Lumberjacks race to the top of 60 foot poles! This family friendly event will be sure to have your jaws dropped. Daily shows at 12:00 p.m., 4:00 p.m. and 7:00 p.m. (no 7:00 p.m. show on Labor Day).
- Sow and Litter Display- Every year Farmer Miller's pig gives birth to baby piglets! Stop by barn #513 to see how old they are when you visit!
- Sky Valley Antique Tractor Display- Come visit area #638 to see the large collection of antique tractors! If you have little ones, they can race around a roped off track in a tractor their own size!

- Duck Races- This family friendly show is sure to please viewers of all ages! Sponsored by Les Schwab Tires. Daily shows at 11:00 a.m., 1:00 p.m., 3:30 p.m. and 5:30 p.m.
- Western Heritage Museum- Stop in for an interactive museum experience like none other! Touch and see history from Northwest Washington like logging, mining, agriculture and more! Open daily 10:00 a.m. to 10:00 p.m. (closes at 7:00 p.m. on Labor Day).

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