

How does the auction work?

Jerry Collins Auctions will be clerking the auction. When you bid on all animals, you are bidding by the pound, live weight. For example, a bid of "Four fifty" on a 260-pound market hog equates to a bid of \$4.50/lb. x 260 pounds, for a total purchase price of \$1,170.00. Buyers have two weeks to pay for their animal. 4-H members do not receive their check until the buyer's check clears the bank.

Buyer's Options

Buyers may elect to keep their purchased animal or donate it back to an approved 4-H committee:

- 4-H Livestock Committee
- 4-H Food Booth Committee
- 4-H Exhibit Building Committee
- 4-H Small Animal Committee
- 4-H Horse Committee
- Glacier County 4-H Council
- Liberty County 4-H Council
- Pondera County 4-H Council
- Toole County 4-H Council

When an animal is donated back, the 4-H'er receives the original auction proceeds. The committee that the animal was donated to then resells the animal at market price and keeps the proceeds of the second sale.

Thank you to our 2024 Buyers

AUCTION BUYERS

- 3 RIVERS COMMUNICATIONS
- AGWEST FARM CREDIT
- APEX ANGUS
- BARCUS FAMILY TRUCKING
- BHE
- BILLMAN'S
- BILLMAN'S HOME DECOR
- BREEN OIL COMPANY
- BROWNING LUMBER
- BTI FEEDS
- CHRISTIAENS MEATS
- CHS
- CJF AG LLC
- COLUMBIA CONSTRUCTION INC.
- COMMERCIAL LYNKS INC.
- CONNELLY ANGUS INC.
- CONRAD BUILDING CENTER
- CUT BANK AUTO BODY
- CUT BANK TIRE
- DIAMOND BOX LIVESTOCK
- DICK IRVIN INC.
- DRY FORK PLUMBING AND HEATING INC.
- DWAYNE AND JAN IRVIN
- ERIC AND KATE MORRISSETT
- FIRST BANK OF MONTANA
- FIRST STATE BANK OF SHELBY
- FLESCH ANGUS
- FRASERS OIL
- FRETHEIM GRAIN
- FRONTLINE AG SOLUTIONS
- FULL THROTTLE AG
- GLACIER ELECTRIC
- I & T TRANSFER
- INDEPENDENCE BANK
- JIM DICKINSON TRUCKING LLC
- JOHNSON CATTLE COMPANY
- LARSEN PRODUCTION INC.
- LAVERDURE LIVESTOCK
- LEAVITT GROUP INSURANCE
- LOHR FARM COMPANY
- M7 BUILDERS
- MARIAS VET CLINIC
- MT AG
- NAPA AUTO PARTS
- NORMAN'S WESTERN WEAR
- NORTHERN VET CLINIC
- NORTHERN FORD
- RICHARD CHADWICK
- ROCKER S. RANCH TRUCKING
- ROCKY RIDGE ANGUS
- SO-LO AIR
- STATE FARM - ADAM KERFOOT
- STOKES FENCING
- STOCKMAN BANK
- TORGERSON EQUIPMENT
- TUMBLEWEED RANCH
- WAHL FARMS
- WESTERN LIVESTOCK AUCTION
- WINDRIFT HILL INC.
- WINKO'S MINI STORAGE

BUYBACK BUYERS

- ART & JODEAN ROONEY
- BARB DOGGETT
- JOE & BARB LARSEN
- ERIC GAGNON
- ADRIAN & JANET HAWKS
- JESSE AND CAROL FULBRIGHT
- RUSS & JUDY TEMPEL
- JULIE GAGNON
- JOEL & KODY FARKELL
- LARRY EPSTEIN
- LUANNE WALLEWEIN
- RAMONA KINYON
- SUSAN VAN DESSEL

Marias Fair 4-H Livestock Auction

Glacier, Toole, Liberty, and Pondera counties

Saturday, July 19, 2025

1 p.m. - Pre-Sale Social

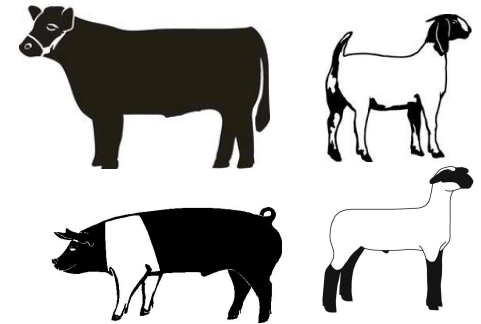
& Registration

3 p.m. - Auction

Marias Fairgrounds

Seewald Barn, Shelby, MT

You can also bid online via
<https://jerrycollinsauctions.com/>



For questions regarding the 4-H Livestock sale, please contact:

- Jesse Fulbright, Liberty County Agent at jlf@montana.edu or 759-5625
- Kari Lewis, Glacier County Agent at kari.lewis@montana.edu or 873-2239



Welcome to the Fair!

The Marias Fair is the culmination of the year for many 4-H members and marketing their livestock project is the last step. Through 4-H livestock projects, members develop life skills of work ethic, responsibility, perseverance, and goal setting. Thank you for your support of our livestock sale, which provides our youth with the ability to begin livestock breeding projects and save money for a college education.

All 4-H youth are required to complete Quality Assurance training which teaches youth proper care and management, nutrition, selection, and proper animal health practices. These principles help ensure the buyers are provided with the highest quality product possible.

The sale order, including animal weights and ribbon placings, will be posted online at <http://mariasfair.msuextension.org/> and printed copies will be available Saturday at 1 p.m. at the Seewald Barn.

Buyers may also bid online and watch the sale stream live at www.jerrycollinsauctions.com. Please see the Buyer Guide for more details.



Processing/Transport

The Marias Fair 4-H Livestock Committee will provide transportation of the livestock to the selected processors immediately following the sale. Beef will be processed at Christiaens Meats in Valier. Hogs, lambs, and goats will be processed at Glacier Processing Coop in Columbia Falls. Processed beef can be picked up in Valier. Processed pork, lamb, and goat will return to the Marias Fair Exhibit Building parking lot for pickup in August (specific date will be coordinated with each buyer by Glacier Processing Coop). If a buyer prefers to use a different processor, they will be responsible for transporting their purchased animal(s) on Sunday, July 20 to the processor of their choice. Any transportation by buyers needs to be coordinated through the 4-H Livestock Committee or MSU Extension agents.



Do you want to support the 4-H Livestock Sale, but maybe you are not sure if you are able to use an entire animal? Remember, you can also purchase an animal with a group of family, friends, or a business, and then split the cost and the meat.

Processing

Processing fees are: Beef - \$1.00/lb. (hanging weight), Pork, Lamb, Goat - \$1.25/lb (hanging weight) and curing pork is \$1.50/lb. The harvest fee is \$200 for beef, \$70 for hog, lamb, or goat (any lambs/goats with carcass weight under 55 lb. are flat \$175 fee). Buyers will be contacted by the processor for desired cutting and wrapping instructions. To place cutting instructions or to inquire about your product, please contact Christiaens Meats at (406) 279-3624 or Glacier Processing Coop at (406) 892-5643.

Custom Cut Examples

Actual pounds of retail cuts received will vary depending upon animal's weight, dressing percentage, animal's leanness, processing including bone-in vs. boneless cuts, percentage fat in ground product, etc.

Beef

- Sale Weight – 1,100 – 1,650 lbs.
- 2024 Avg. Price/lb.: \$7.72
- For a live weight of 1,300 lbs., about 450 – 550 pounds of processed retail cuts are expected.

Swine

- Sale Weight – 220 to 300 lbs.
- 2024 Avg. Price/lb.: \$17.20
- For a live weight of 260 pounds, about 125 – 145 pounds of processed retail cuts product are expected.

Lamb

- Sale Weight – 110 to 165 lbs.
- 2024 Avg. Price/lb.: \$19.53
- For a live weight of 130 pounds, about 45 – 50 pounds of processed retail cuts are expected.

Goat

- Sale Weight – 70 to 110 lbs.
- 2024 Avg. Price/lb.: \$18.20
- For a live weight of 90 pounds, about 20 to 30 pounds of processed retail cuts are expected.