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What: 58th Dixie National Livestock Show and Rodeo
When: Monday, February 6, and Tuesday, February 7
Where: Mississippi State Fairgrounds

Schedule of 58th Annual Dixie National Livestock Show and Rodeo Events Taking Place Today, Monday, February 6, and Tuesday, February 7

STATE FAIRGROUNDS, Miss. – Commissioner of Agriculture and Commerce Andy Gipson invites everyone to attend the 58th annual Dixie National Livestock Show and Rodeo and announces the schedule of events taking place today, Monday, February 6, and Tuesday, February 7, 2023. All events take place on the Mississippi State Fairgrounds.

The 2023 Dixie National Legislative Livestock Showdown starts at 6:00 p.m. today at the Judging Arena inside Barn 14. This unique show is a test of skill and showmanship between Mississippi legislators, who team up with FFA and 4-H livestock exhibitors. This year's show includes over 30 legislators from across the state, who will represent the junior exhibitor from their respective district. This event is free to the public.

Starting tomorrow and running through Wednesday, February 8, is the Mary Hopkins Memorial Equestrians with Disabilities AQHA Show. This unique event, held at 9:00 a.m. each day inside the Kirk Fordice Equine Center, exhibits multiple horse skills from a variety of riders with some form of disability. This year, over 25 exhibitors from Indiana, Wisconsin, Illinois, Texas, Arkansas, Missouri and Tennessee will face off in a series of competitions including horsemanship, Para reigning, western pleasure and more. This event is free to the public.

Also, the famous Dixie National Wagon Train will be rolling into Jackson this week, on Thursday, February 9, and Friday, February 10. Each year, groups from across the state make the long trek to the Capitol City in true, western style riding only wagons and mounted horses. Spectators will have the opportunity to observe the wagon trains along Highway 80 and I-55 South on Frontage Road around lunchtime each day.

Scheduled Activities & Events for Monday, February 6, 2023:

- 8:00 a.m. – Beef Breeding Show - Coliseum
- 11:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m. – Dixie National Steakhouse - Trade Mart
- 1:00 p.m. to 3:00 p.m. – Premier Meat Goat Exhibitor Contest - Farmers Market
- 2:00 p.m. – Boer Goat Showmanship and Show - Judging Arena
- 6:00 p.m. – Legislative Livestock Showdown - Judging Arena

Scheduled Activities & Events for Tuesday, February 7, 2023:

- 8:00 a.m. – Goat Showmanship - Judging Arena/Barn 14
- 15 minutes after Goat Showmanship – Commercial Meat Goat Doe Show - Judging Arena/Barn 14
- 15 minutes after CMGD Show – Market Goat Show - Judging Arena/Barn 14
- 9:00 a.m. – Equestrians with Disabilities Horse Show - Equine Center
- 11:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m. – Dixie National Steakhouse - Trade Mart
- 3:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m. – Premier Dairy Goat Exhibitor Contest - Farmers Market

Events of the 58th Dixie National Livestock Show and Rodeo run through Sunday, February 19, 2023. The Dixie National Rodeo, the largest rodeo east of the Mississippi River, takes place Friday, February 10, through Sunday, February 12, and again Wednesday, February 15, through Saturday, February 18, inside the Mississippi Coliseum at the State Fairgrounds.

Rodeo Entertainment:

Friday, February 10, at 7:00 p.m. – Randy Houser
Saturday, February 11, at 2:00 p.m. and 7:00 p.m. – Chancey Williams
Sunday, February 12, at 2:00 p.m. – Mark Chesnutt
Wednesday, February 15, at 7:00 p.m. – Lainey Wilson
Thursday, February 16, at 7:00 p.m. – Diamond Rio
Friday, February 17, at 7:00 p.m. – Casey Donahew
Saturday, February 18, at 2:00 p.m. and 7:00 p.m. – Chris Lane

To purchase tickets to the Dixie National Rodeo, visit <https://www.ticketmaster.com/dixie-national-rodeo-tickets/artist/848320>. A limited number of concert-only tickets to Lainey Wilson following the February 15 performance of the Dixie National Rodeo are available for purchase at the Mississippi Coliseum Ticket Office.

For more information, visit www.dixienational.org, follow the Dixie National Livestock Show & Rodeo on Facebook or call 601-961-4000.

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