

**Calhoun County Fair  
Combine Demolition Derby  
Information**

1. Derby is open to all participants 18 years of age or older.
2. Entry fee of \$5.00 (non-refundable).
3. Entries limited to the first 25 participants.
4. Entries and fee can be mailed to (or dropped off at) the fair office by August 19<sup>th</sup>.  
Calhoun County Fair  
P.O. Box 311  
720 Fair Street  
Marshall, MI 49068
5. \$15.00 for a pit pass for anyone other than the driver and 4 registered pit crew members.
6. \$200.00 premium paid to participant in this event.
7. 1<sup>st</sup> place heat winner - \$100.00.
8. All first place winners from each heat will advance to the feature heat.
9. All second place participants will go to the consolation heat. The winner will advance to the feature. If there are three or less second place machines, they will automatically advance to the feature.
10. A thirty minute break will be taken at the conclusion of the consolation heat to repair for the feature heat.
11. Feature heat premium \$300.00 for 1<sup>st</sup> place.
12. Grandstand admission is \$8.00 per person. Infield is \$10.00 per person.

**Superintendents:**

Mike Murphy – 269-781-4047

Ken Letts - 269-781-1841

**Committee Members:**

Jim Hamilton – 269-317-2596

Dave Biggs – 269-781-8221

Dale Dowding

### **Entry Rules:**

1. Entry form including \$25.00 Entry Fee can be mailed or dropped off to the fair office by August 19, 2010 or you can register starting at 2:00 p.m. on the day of the combine derby.
2. Drivers must be 18 years of age or older and show proof of age.
3. All drivers and pit crew must sign a liability waiver agreement.
4. Each driver will receive a gate pass for himself and 4 crew members. They will receive a free 1-day fair gate pass and pit pass. No other people will be in the pits once the combine derby is ready to start.
5. **Combines must be approved by Combine Demo Derby committee before entry is accepted.**

### **Inspection Rules:**

1. **All combines must arrive by Thursday August 19 by 12:00 p.m. for inspection. NO EXCEPTIONS!!** Enter at the Clinton Street gate and go to the East end of the racetrack. A second inspection will be Thursday at 3:00 p.m.
2. At least one representative (either driver or crew member) must be present during inspection.
3. All combines must be started and moved during inspection.
4. All combines must have cabs with safety bar welded at least 36" from floor of cab on front and sides.
5. Cabs must have safety belts (must be added if not already equipped) and glass removed. If you do not have a cab, make a cab from 2" pipe and cover with steel cattle paneling or similar covering material to protect the driver. No headlights or tail lights on unit.
6. Combines must use a grain table (**NO CORN HEADS ALLOWED**) in a fixed position at 18" from the ground. Lift cylinders **MUST** be removed and steel tubing in its place. **NO EXCEPTIONS.**
7. Combine grain table must have reel, arms, guards, cutter knives and loose sheet metal removed. Combine ladder and unloading auger must be removed and the separator must be inoperable.
8. Auger in grain head must be welded on at least one end to prevent turning. Protruding fingers should be cut off.
9. Driver's door must be welded shut.
10. No reinforcement of rear axle. No added shields to protect transmission belts, wheels or tires.
11. Fuel tank must be removed and replaced with outboard motor fuel tank and mounted in grain tank and covered so it will not short out.
12. Batteries must be mounted on the top of the combine.
13. Combine tires must be rubber, filled with air only. No fluid will be allowed. No dual wheels will be allowed.
14. All combines to be as originally manufactured. (No reinforced parts or shields.)
15. All combines must have a 12"x12", white, painted square on both rear sides of machine to be used for entry number.
16. Combines may be decorated and painted. **NO** profanity or obscene materials will be allowed.

17. Once combine passes inspection, a stick shall be mounted in the vicinity of the operator and combine will be moved to a separate location. **Once combine passes inspection, no work will be done to the machine.**  
**NO EXPECTATIONS!**

**Derby Rules:**

1. Machines will be divided accordingly into heats by Combine Demo Derby Committee. Large model combines will be placed in a separate heat and will not compete in consolation or feature. A Powder Puff heat will be added pending interest and at least two entries.
2. There will be a 20-minute time limit for each heat. Consolation and feature heats will follow.
3. All combines must participate in the parade before the start of the combine demo derby. Pit crew can ride in the combine grain tank only.
4. No combines will be allowed to run during any show that is going on in the grandstand.
5. No pit racing will be allowed.
6. No direct hits to the driver's area.
7. Drivers of combines are not allowed to lift the wheels of another combine off the ground.
8. Must make contact with another combine within 3 minutes or be disqualified.
9. Drivers of combines have a maximum of three minutes to restart engine or have combine in motion.
10. All motions of combines must have halted upon signal from flagman, officials, and/or announcers in case of fire, injury or other emergency.
11. No hits when opponent's combine is out of bounds or caught on the side walls or end blocks. (Reduce the possibility of combine upsetting.) There will be no deliberate hitting of disabled combines. Disabled combines must have motors turned off.
12. The wooden stick mounted in the vicinity of the driver will be broken off when combine becomes inoperable or disqualified.
13. Heat winners will be parked in a designated area. No working on combines allowed until officials approval.
14. Any unsportsmanlike conduct will result in immediate removal of participants off the fairgrounds and awarded money will be forfeited.
15. A special award will be given to the best-decorated combine.
16. Cash premiums of \$200.00 will be awarded to each of the participants of the combine demo derby.

**DERBY OFFICIALS HAVE FINAL SAY!**

### Safety Rules:

1. All combines must be inspected by derby officials.
2. Drivers must wear seat belts and helmets with front shields.
3. Drivers and crew must wear long pants and heavy shirts. No shorts, tank tops or muscle shirts allowed. Full leather shoes must be worn.
4. Drivers are responsible for actions of their pit crew.
5. No pit racing, alcohol or drugs allowed on the fairgrounds including pit areas.
6. No 2-way radio contact with driver.
7. Drivers and crew **MUST** sign insurance waiver.
8. Must have a minimum 5 lb. fire extinguisher accessible to driver and secured in cab.
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*Official Entry Form*

**Calhoun County Fair  
2010 Combine Demolition Derby**

**Thursday, August 19, 2010 – 7:00 P.M.**

Superintendents: Mike Murphy & Ken Letts  
Committee Members: Jim Hamilton, Dave Biggs & Dale Dowding

**Entry form and \$5.00 entry fee can be mailed in advance**

**Please make checks payable to:**

Calhoun County Fair  
P.O. Box 311  
Marshall, MI 49068

Please Print

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City, State, Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone Number: \_\_\_\_\_

Social Security Number: \_\_\_\_\_

Make and model of combine entry: \_\_\_\_\_

I have read and hereby agree to abide by all the rules and regulations of the Calhoun County Fair Combine Demolition Derby. I agree that the Calhoun County Fair and its board of directors are not responsible for damages or personal injuries.

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Date received in office: \_\_\_\_\_ Initials: \_\_\_\_\_

## Combine Demo Derby Waiver of Liability

Participants Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

### WAIVER OF LIABILITY

IN CONSIDERATION OF ACCEPTING THE ENTRY, THE REGISTRANT, INTENDING TO BE LEGALLY BOUND FOR THEMSELVES AND THEIR HEIRS, EXECUTORS AND ADMINISTRATORS, WAIVE AND RELEASE ANY AND ALL RIGHTS FOR ANY INJURIES AND DAMAGES THEY MAY HAVE AGAINST THE CALHOUN COUNTY AGRICULTURAL & INDUSTRIAL SOCIETY (C.C.A.I.S.), ELECTED OR APPOINTED OFFICIALS OF THE CALHOUN COUNTY AGRICULTURAL & INDUSTRIAL SOCIETY, ITS EMPLOYEES, AGENTS, SUCCESSOR AND ASSIGNS FOR ANY AND ALL INJURIES OR DAMAGES ARISING OUT OF THE COMBINE DEMOLITION DERBY.

FURTHERMORE, THE PARTICIPANT HEREBY ACKNOWLEDGES THAT THIS EVENT IS INHERENTLY DANGEROUS AND INJURIES ARE POSSIBLE.

### **WARNING: READ BEFORE SIGNING – THIS IS A RELEASE**

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_  
(Participant)

Pit Crew (1): \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Pit Crew (2): \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Pit Crew (3): \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Pit Crew (4): \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Witness: \_\_\_\_\_  
(C.C.A.I.S.)

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*Announcer's Information Form*  
*Please turn in at inspection*

Combine Driver: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City, State: \_\_\_\_\_

Model of Combine: \_\_\_\_\_ Combine Entry # \_\_\_\_\_

Pit Crew

Sponsors (Official use only)

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