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2010 PRE-FAIR HORSE SHOWS AND MORE!

Turlock, CA (June 17, 2010) – Get ready for some fun and free horse show and more entertainment at the Stanislaus County Fair FoodMaxx Arena.

The 2010 Stanislaus County Fair's **Horses & More** events begin **Monday, June 21, 2010** and continue through **Thursday, July 15, 2010** in the FoodMaxx Arena. These events are **free**.

The arena event shows and judging include:

- Horse Show – 4-H & FFA English – Monday, June 21, 7:30 a.m.
- Horse Show – Open English followed by Quadrille – Monday, June 21, 6:30 p.m.
- Horse Show – 4-H & FFA Showmanship followed by 4-H & FFA Western – Tuesday, June 22, 7:30 a.m.
- Open Western Show – Tuesday, June 22, 6:30 p.m.
- Horse Show – 4-H & FFA Gymkhana – Wednesday, June 23, 7:30 a.m.
- Horse Show – Open Gymkhana – Wednesday, June 23, 6:30 p.m.
- Jr. Rodeo hosted by Turlock Horseman's Club – Saturday, June 26, 8 a.m.
- Cutting Horse Competition followed by Branding – Sunday, June 27, 7:30 a.m.
- Horse Show – Open Cattle Classes – Sunday, June 27, 6:30 p.m.
- Mule Show – Gymkhana – Friday, July 9, 6:30 p.m.
- Mule Show – Halter/ English/ Western/ Trail – Saturday, July 10, 7:30 a.m.

- Mule Show – Packing Classes followed by Cattle Timed Events – Saturday, July 10, 6:30 p.m.
- Mule Cattle Classes – Sunday, July 11, 7:30 a.m.
- Junior Rabbit Meat Pens Judging followed by Single Fryer Rabbit Judging – Wednesday, July 14, 9 a.m.
- 4-H & FFA Jr. Poultry Meat Pens and Eggs followed by Meat Pen Birds – Poultry Showmanship –Thursday, July 15, 8 a.m.

The Open Gymkhana event on June 23 will be dedicated to cancer awareness. There will be a number of breast cancer survivors competing throughout the horse events. Pink ribbons and raffle tickets will also be available to purchase and donations will be accepted on behalf of the American Cancer Society. The four legged participants will be wearing their pink ribbons as well.

“These events will bring excitement to the Fairgrounds as we gear up for the Fair,” said Adrenna Alkhas, spokesperson for the Stanislaus County Fair. “Guests anticipate the pre-Fair events and we are especially looking forward as we honor those who are fighting or have fought against cancer.”

The 2010 Stanislaus County Fair opens Friday, July 16 for a 10-day run. Discounted Fair admission tickets, unlimited ride wristbands and FoodMaxx Arena motorsports tickets are now on sale. Visit the Fair’s website for detailed ticket sale information at www.stancofair.com. The 2010 Fair theme is “Flavors of the Valley.” The theme will highlight food and beverage products that are processed in the Central Valley. The 2010 Fair will also feature the highly popular Rainforest Adventure, sponsored by Sky Trek Aviation, which debuted in 2009. Also planned for 2010 are 10-nights of free celebrity concerts included with admission, a total of five stages of live entertainment, upwards of 30,000 local exhibits and over 1,750 animals.

To receive future Fair concert announcements by text message, text the word “FAIR” to 47645. Fair enthusiasts can also follow how the 2010 Fair is developing at twitter.com/stancofair. In addition, become a fan of the Fair at facebook.com/stancofair. Fair news and event listings are also available at myspace.com/stancofair.

The mission of the Stanislaus County Fair is to provide a family and community oriented experience promoting agriculture, entertainment and technology. For more information about the Stanislaus County Fair log onto its website at www.stancofair.com.

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