



The 2026 CLASSIC Donkey & Mule Show*
June 13 & 14th at the Limestone County Fairgrounds
922 N. Tyus Street, Groesbeck, Texas 76642

Saturday June 13th Donkeys and Mules

Sunday June 14th Miniature Donkeys & Mules

Judge Eric Scott (minis) & Judge Kelly Reames (large)

Sanctioned by **NMDA and **ACOSA****

****Large Covered Arena and Stalls**

****RV Spaces with water and electric**

Adult, Youth, Novice, Green, Sub-Youth, Non-Driving and Pre-green Divisions

PeeWee classes are held during the noon break- Awards to all participants.

****Entry deadline is May 25, 2026****

Classes with 2 or less entries may be combined at the Judge's discretion. Classes begin sharply at 8:30 a.m. Donkeys and Mules are on Saturday June 13th, Mini Donkeys and Mules on Sunday June 14th. Use of entire arena for all classes.

Animals in ACOSA class must be registered with American Counsel of Spotted Asses.

National Miniature Donkey Assn. rules to govern Miniature Donkey classes according to current NMDA rulebook. All Miniature Donkeys Must be registered prior to show.

A current negative Coggins is required at check in for all donkeys and mules. NMDA classes will be governed by NMDA Rules. The Texas Rule Book will be used where applicable. SDMS Rules: swdonkeyandmulesociety.com

Lynda Cornell is generously providing a Taco Dinner on Saturday after the end of the day.

The Concession Stand will be staffed and open for breakfast and lunch on Saturday and Sunday.

Consider bringing an item for the Silent Auction Table. All proceeds go directly to our Scholarship Fund.

Door Prizes and drawings for entrants! Silent Auction Table to benefit the SDMS Scholarship Fund.

Contact Donna Baethge at 254-913-5925 with any questions. See you there!



2026 SDMS CLASSIC SHOW June 13 & 14, 2026

Office Fee	\$ 25 per animal x _____ =	\$ _____
NMDA Fee	\$ 2 per animal x _____ =	\$ _____
Adult Classes	\$ 18 per class x _____ =	\$ _____
Youth Classes	\$10 per class x _____ =	\$ _____
Stall Fee	__Fri__Sat__Sun \$35 per night/stall x _____ =	\$ _____
Tack Stall	__Fri__Sat__Sun \$35 per night x _____ =	\$ _____
Shavings (bring your own or)	\$10 per bag x _____ =	\$ _____
RV Hook Up	__Fri __Sat__Sun (#nights x \$35)	\$ _____
Sponsorship	No Amount too small	\$ _____
Taco Dinner Saturday evening at conclusion of Saturday Show at 6:30 p.m.		\$ <u>FREE</u>
Indicate how many people attending:	_____	
<u>TOTAL DUE</u>		\$ _____

Make checks payable to SDMS. Must be postmarked by May 25, 2026

Mail your entries to :

**Donna Baethge
1761 Hare Rd
Salado, TX 76571**

Overnight tie-outs without a stall are not allowed

Check List: Include your Registration, Entry Form, Liability Release Form, and Sponsorship forms with your check.

- **Remember to bring your Coggins and Registration at check-in prior to beginning of show.**



Release / Participant / Observer Hold Harmless Agreement

I understand that the Southwestern Donkey & Mule Society has planned this event to allow equine participants and their friends to enjoy and participate in an equine activity June 13 & 14th, 2026

I understand that, Under Texas Law (Chapter 87, Civil Practice and Remedies Code) an equine professional is not liable for an injury to or death of a participant in equine activities resulting from the inherent risks of equine activities. I certify that I am fully aware of and (1) assume all risks and hazards inherent in the participation of the above equine activity, where known hazards exist by generally common accepted fact; and (2) assume all risks and hazards inherent in the use of the Limestone County Fairgrounds Arena, where known hazards exist by generally common accepted fact. I understand that I must always ride/handle/drive in a safe manner. I further certify that, if I am signing this waiver and release of claims for my child, that this child has been offered animal safety instruction when required.

In consideration of permission to participate in this event, I and/or my representatives, heirs, executors, and assigns agree to WAVE, RELEASE, ACQUIT, INDEMNIFY, HOLD HARMLESS, AND FOREVER DISCHARGE the Southwestern Donkey & Mule Society, any property owner of facilities included in the event, and/or their agents, heirs, and assigns, from all civil causes of action (whether arising under the laws of the State of Texas and/or the United States of America,) damages, liabilities, costs, controversies, claims, intentional tort, gross negligence, negligence, carelessness, defects in equipment or facilities, whether latent or patent or by any other cause of action whether known or unknown. I understand that no one is authorized to make statements or representations, either verbal or written, which in any way contradict this waiver and release of claims.

Limestone County Fairgrounds, Limestone, State of Texas and Southwestern Donkey & Mule Society and/or their agents, heirs, and assigns shall not be responsible for theft, loss or damage to any of the property of the undersigned, and/or the undersigned's representatives, heirs, and assigns. I also agree to be fully responsible for any damage incurred in any manner during the period that I have any equine or equipment or physically remain on the property of the Limestone County Fairgrounds.

Name (print) _____ Signature _____

Address _____

Negative Coggins Information (Please list all animals being exhibited by those names listed above)

Animal Name _____ Breed _____ EIA#/Date _____

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ADULT ENTRY FORM June 13 & 14, 2026

Exhibitor: _____ Owner _____

Animal's Name: _____

Breed: (circle one) Mini Donkey Mini Mule Donkey Mule AGE _____

Gender: Jack Jennet Molly Gelding John DOB: _____

Class Numbers: _____

Miniature Donkey: Adult Green Non-Driving Pre-Green

Donkey or Mule: Adult Novice Adult Green

Adult Entry Form:

Exhibitor: _____ Owner _____

Animal's Name: _____

Breed: (circle one) Mini Donkey Donkey Mule

Gender: Jack Jennet Molly Gelding John DOB: _____

Class Numbers: _____

Miniature Donkey: Adult Green Non-Driving Pre-Green

Donkey or Mule: Adult Novice Adult Green



YOUTH ENTRY FORM

Exhibitor: _____ Owner _____

Child's Date of Birth: _____ Youth Sub-Youth

Animal's Name _____

Breed: Donkey Miniature Donkey Miniature Mule Donkey Mule

Gender: Jennet Gelding Donkey/Mule's DOB: _____

Class Numbers: _____

REQUIRED: Parent/Guardian Signature for Release (Read Release before signing.)

_____ Signature of Parent/Legal Guardian

YOUTH ENTRY FORM

Exhibitor: _____ Owner _____

Child's Date of Birth: _____ Youth Sub-Youth

Animal's Name _____

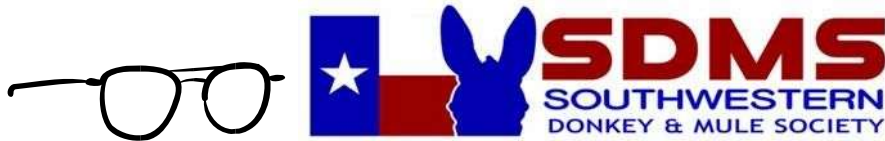
Breed: Donkey Miniature Donkey Miniature Mule Donkey Mule

Gender: Jennet Gelding Donkey/Mule's DOB: _____

Class Numbers: _____

REQUIRED: Parent/Guardian Signature for Release (Read Release before signing.)

_____ Signature of Parent/Legal Guardian



After Registration – Things to know.

Class Additions / Changes

Class changes for already entered animals must be made by June 12, 2026

Fees must be paid at the time of the addition or change if applicable. A class change form must be completed by the exhibitor or owner. Forms will be available at the office and Points Keeper's table. Once the show begins, class change forms can be obtained and submitted at the Points Keeper's table.

No changes will be allowed at the gate!

NMDA

National Miniature Donkey Assn. rules to govern Miniature Donkey classes according to current NMDA rulebook. All Miniature Donkeys Must be registered prior to show in NMDA Classes.

Classes & Divisions

Please refer to the **Texas Rule Book** for complete descriptions and explanations of divisions and classes. For classes not covered in the rule book, see the Special Class Descriptions page under Class List on the SDMS website.

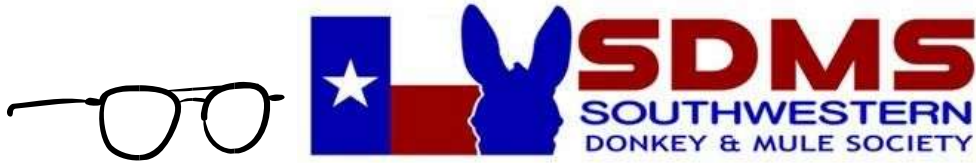
Texas Rule Book

- The show will comply with the Texas Donkey and Mule Organizations Rule Book 20202021.
- The 2020-21 Texas Rule Book can be reviewed on the Southwestern Donkey & Mule Society's website at www.swdonkeyandmulesociety.com

Youth Classes

- Any exhibitor under the age of 13 must have an adult (wearing show dress code) in the arena for all classes. Youth exhibitors may show in the Youth exhibitor classes and any Halter Class, including mixed gender classes where adults are showing jacks.

If both an adult and a youth are showing the same animal, you must declare at check in who is going to show at Halter for points. You cannot wait until after the show starts.



Testing

The entry of an animal in any class indicates permission by the exhibitor for an authorized person (either a person trained in the proper veterinary procedures or a state certified veterinarian) upon the request of show management, to take a specimen of urine, saliva, blood, or other substance for testing. Any refusal to comply with such request shall constitute grounds for immediate disqualification of the animal from further participation at the show and shall bar the animal from participation in future Texas Regional Clubs sanctioned event as determined by the Regional Club's Show Committees.

Animal Abuse

Upon a report or discovery of inhumane treatment of an animal, the designated Show Hearing Committee shall immediately investigate the incident. See The Texas Rule Book, page 15 for complete information regarding handling of such situations.

Shavings

You may bring your own shavings to the show, or pre-purchase them for \$10 per bag.

Food for Purchase

The concession stand will be open Saturday and Sunday for breakfast and lunch. Lynda Cornell is providing a complimentary Taco Dinner for the club Saturday evening at 6:30. Please indicate on the entry form the number of people planning to attend so Lynda can plan ahead.

Where to stay

We have rooms blocked at Quality Inn 1210 Ellis Street, Groesbeck TX . Please indicate you are with SDMS for the rates provided.

\$94.99 2-Queen bed/ \$89.99 King bed. **(254) 729-0077**

You must book prior to May 22, 2026 to guarantee your room and rates.



Show Policies.

Refund Policy:

- Only applies to animal or exhibitor
- Need statement from veterinarian or physician on letterhead
- Documentation to be submitted within one week after show.
- Only the class fees will be refunded.
- Refund will be made after entry check clears bank.
- Any appeal must be made at the next board meeting.
- No refund for scratched classes.

Payment by Check:

- There will be a \$25 fee for returned checks.
- Post-dated checks will not be held or accepted.
- No open checks will be accepted.

Overpayment:

- Over \$10 will be refunded after the entry check clears bank
- \$10 or under will be applied to the show as sponsorship.

Animal Substitution:

- Can be made 3 days prior to first day of show and pay office fee for new animal
- No substitutions at the show
- No refund for scratched classes.

Dogs:

No dogs are permitted in the barn or arena unless an approved/certified service dog.

Contact Information:

Show Coordinator: Donna Baethge (254) 913-5925
donnasdonkeys@gmail.com



SPONSORSHIP FORM

The Southwestern Donkey and Mule Society is a 501(c)(5) nonprofit organization under section 170(c) of the IRS code.

Platinum Sponsor	\$1,000 and above	\$ _____
Gold Sponsor	\$ 500-999	\$ _____
Silver Sponsor	\$ 300-499	\$ _____
Champion High Point Sponsor	\$ 100	\$ _____
Reserve Champion High Point	\$ 75	\$ _____
Individual Class Sponsor \$	\$25 per class	\$ _____
	Total Sponsorship:	\$ _____

List of Awards or Classes to Sponsor:

_____	_____
_____	_____
_____	_____

(f your choice is already sponsored, we will select another class for you. No amount is too small. Your sponsorship will be acknowledged by the announcer, on our website and facebook page.

Sponsor's Name, Business Name & Address as you would like it to appear:

Business Name _____

Individual Name _____

Address _____

Phone _____ Email _____

Website: _____