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MONMOUTH COUNTY FAIR OFFERS FAMILY FUN



FREEHOLD – Looking for some fun and excitement? Head to the Monmouth County Fair! Held Wednesday-Sunday, July 22-26, at East Freehold Showgrounds, Kozloski Road, Freehold, this event features rides, entertainment, fireworks, home and garden competitions, 4-H exhibits and more. Highlights of this year's event include *Rexie the T-Rex*, *Mutts Gone Nuts*, *Those Funny Little People*, *Fishing Friendly* and *Hilby German Juggler*.

There will be plenty of returning favorites including *Bwana Jim's Wildlife Show* and *Robinson's Racing Pigs*. See Bwana Jim and his unique collection of snakes, gators and exotic creatures during this educational and high-spirited show. Then be sure to catch the racing pigs as they compete for a cookie amid cheers and squeals from the crowd. Both *Bwana Jim's Wildlife Show* and *Robinson's Racing Pigs* will be at the Fair all five nights.

Once again the Fair will feature a petting farm. Children are invited to stop by and visit with an alpaca, rabbits, goats, chickens and ducks. Admission to the petting farm is free. For a fee, children can buy food to feed the animals and/or have their photo taken.

Those looking for excitement should check out all new rides provided by Reithoffer Shows including the *Avalanche*, *Wild Claw*, *Tornado*, and *Zero Gravity*. Families with young children should head to the kiddie area for the *Circus Train*, *Hot Wheelz*, *Jumping Jumbos* and *Snowball Express*. Be sure to get your fill of rides by taking advantage of ride wristbands. These wristbands allow fairgoers to enjoy unlimited rides on any one wristband day. Ride wristbands can be purchased online at Reithoffer Shows' website <http://reithoffershows.com/buy-mega-pass> for the discounted price of \$23 each. Wristbands purchased online can be used for any one wristband day. Online sales end July 21. Wristbands will also be available for purchase at the Fair for \$25 each. Wristband days are Wednesday, Thursday and Sunday.

The Fair gate is open 5-11 p.m. on Wednesday-Friday, July 22-24; 3-11 p.m. on Saturday, July 25; and 11 a.m.-6 p.m. on Sunday, July 26 at East Freehold Showgrounds, Kozloski Road, Freehold Township. Admission is \$8 per person. Children 12 and under are free. Advanced admission ticket sales are available through July 15, and may be purchased online at www.monmouthcountyparks.com or by calling 732-842-4000, ext. 1, Monday-Friday from 8 a.m.-4:30 p.m.

Become a fan of the Monmouth County Park System's Facebook page and watch for fun Fair contests including trivia contests, scavenger hunts and more! The Monmouth County Fair is organized and presented by the Monmouth County Park System in cooperation with the Monmouth County 4-H Association. The Monmouth County Park System, created in 1960 by the Monmouth County Board of Chosen Freeholders, is Monmouth County's Open Space, Parks and Recreation agency.

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