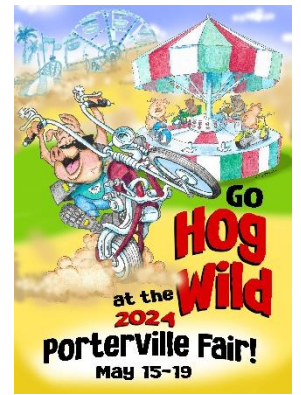


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**BUTLER AMUSEMENTS BRINGS THE ACTION BACK TO PORTERVILLE
WITH MORE RIDES!**

(Porterville, CA) – Butler Amusements returns to the 2024 Porterville Fair bringing twists, flips, turns, and even some slow and low excitement for fair goers of all ages! Butler Amusements has been providing a high quality safe, clean, and exhilarating carnival to fairs, festivals and celebrations for 55 years and is the largest amusement producer in California. Butler’s reputation and track record make them a highly sought-after carnival. Porterville Fair is lucky to have them! These are the attributes that are vital to the Porterville Fair Board and help ensure a fun and safe experience at the Fair each year.

Butler Amusements is always looking for new challenges and thrills to share with thrill seekers. With the expansion in the Midway area, Butler Amusements has stepped up to the plate and pulled out all the stops for our community! You’ll find some new to town heart stopping thrills waiting for you.

By popular demand, Turbo Speed will return to the Porterville Fair. Not for the faint-hearted, riders are taken for a 70 mph “spin” at the ends of a whirling arm that takes them 120 ft. in the air and sends them hurtling towards earth in an arc generating force three times the pull of gravity. The best feature is the upside down free-flipping action Turbo Force delivers.

If 100 ft. in the air sounds a bit more doable. Jump on the A.R.M. Vertigo. It towers over the midway at 100 ft. in height and seats twenty-four passengers. Each seat holds two riders who are secured by a lap restraint. Once the ride begins, the entire center twists in a circular motion. Riders enjoy a swinging sensation as the entire center track lifts up slowly until reaching the top of the ride. Once the swing ride reaches the top it begins to slowly swing in a descent.

Unless you’ve just enjoyed that giant corndog, the Mega Flip is for you! Mega Flip is new to the Fair. It sends riders spinning in every direction there is! While the main arm swings from side to side, the circular formation of seats spins for an out-of-this-world ride experience.

Unlike any other ride on our midway, the Super Shot brings a new dimension of thrill to carnival-goers. 12 passengers are loaded into each circular passenger station. Over-the-shoulder harnesses secure patrons while they are gently lifted up the 90-foot tower. Once the passenger station reaches the top, it is released in an accelerated freefall and riders experience G-Forces in excess of 3 1/2 times normal. Riders are then cushioned by a magnetic braking system that stops the station before it reaches the base of the tower. The Super Shot is an exciting spectacular addition to the Butler midway!

Towering at 70 feet, the Freak Out seats 16 people and takes them on a thrilling journey into the sky! Passengers are secured by over-the-shoulder harnesses as they dangle in expectation. Once the ride begins, the seats slowly rotate as the entire boom arm begins to swing horizontally. Passengers swing over the midway directly overhead of those watching from the front of the ride. The ride climax is reached as the main boom arm reaches a height of over 40 feet in the air while the passenger seats rotate.

If you are drawn to the more old school traditional type thrill, go back in time by taking a ride on the Zipper. The Zipper has been one of the Midway's most recognizable attractions for years, providing thrills to riders from teens to adults. There's more spinning going on with the Zipper than an out-of-control top. While the 'cages' holding two passengers each rise and descend on a tower boom, each spins independently and the entire boom turns, too. Three times the action, backed by spectacular lighting will bring you back for more. You'll also find your favorites like Scrambler, and the Grand Carousel where it is a tradition to locate the lead horse with the adornment of a beautiful rose collar.

The Giant Wheel is a pleasant ride for the entire family. A towering tradition of Butler Amusements, the majestic Giant Wheel dominates the Midway day and night, offering patrons a sweeping view of the entire fairgrounds and the surrounding area from a height of nearly 100 feet! Passengers are seated in separate gondolas and then whisked smoothly up, around, and down again; a motion reminiscent of the ferris wheel. When the fun and excitement come to an end each night, the beautiful mesmerizing lights will go out on the Giant Wheel signaling the end of another fun fair day.

Little kiddos will not be left out as Kiddie Land is separate from the Midway making it a magical space for the young ones. Jump on the Jumpin' Jumbos! The pint size passengers control the action as eight plump elephants take to the air. In addition to the circular motion of the ride, children can control the vertical action of their individual car by pushing or pulling the control bar. Each car holds 3 children or 1 adult and 1 child.

For a slower roll take a ride on Tommy Kangaroo. Experience the graceful, gentle ride of a baby kangaroo carried in the safety of his mother's pouch. Four Kangaroos welcome children aboard for a smooth ride. Passengers sit inside each kangaroo and as the ride turns, each kangaroo slowly revolves as well.

You can't miss the Giant Slide waiting for you front and center near the main gate. It is a towering mammoth of a slide with plenty of racing lanes for you and your friends! Kids of any age enjoy the thrill of this giant slide as they sail down the rippling path. Passengers climb a stairway, higher and higher to the top of the slide and then laugh and squeal with delight as they sail to the bottom.

There is something for the brave and the not so brave in Kiddie Land. The kids will love Wacky Shack Funhouse, The Wacky Worm Coaster, Jumping Jungle and so much more where every moment has the potential to become a memory with photo ops a plenty lasting a lifetime for you and your little ones.

Discount One-Day Unlimited Ride Wristbands (POP-Pay One Price) are now available at locations throughout the community for \$30.00. The price will increase to \$35.00 after 4 PM on opening day, Wednesday, May 15. Minimum height requirements do apply on most rides. Individual tickets may provide the best value for the children 36-48 inches tall. and can be purchased at all carnival ticket boxes. The carnival rides are not made for children under 36 inches. They will not be allowed to ride. On average, rides typically require 3-5 tickets. Several may be more than 5 tickets per rider. Keep that in mind when purchasing tickets.

With carnival fun comes rules set for your safety. Infants nor children under 36 inches are not allowed to ride carnival rides. No casts, expectant mothers, nor intoxicated individuals are allowed on rides. Each ride has posted height requirements. Riders who might not meet height requirements may be allowed to ride with another rider. Tickets or a wristband are required for all riders. The requirements are in place with your safety in mind and are posted at the entrance of each ride and on the carnival ticket boxes. It is always up to the experienced ride operator to decide if it is safe for you to ride.

Celebrate the 76th Porterville Fair with the ride of a lifetime on Butler Amusement's amazing carnival rides. For more information regarding the activities and entertainment at this year's Fair, please visit the Porterville Fair Office at 2700 W. Teapot Dome Ave., Porterville, www.PortervilleFair.com , or call 781.6582.

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