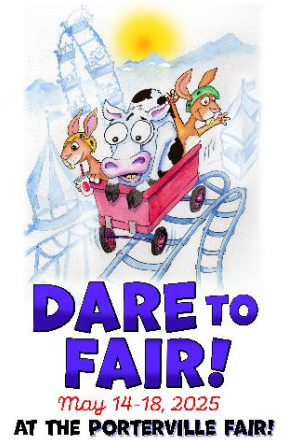


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2025 PORTERVILLE FAIR – GENERAL INFO

(Porterville, CA) – Do you “*DARE TO FAIR*”? If you answer yes, you’re in luck! The 2025 Porterville Fair will run May 14-18. Get a taste of arts, agriculture, an amazing carnival, plus entertainment for all.

The 2025 Fair has entertainment galore to fit every guest’s tastes. You’ll be met at the front gate by a fair time favorite, Cooks Racing Pigs charging around the track for an ice cream treat as they cross the finish line. All ages can love their way through the Global Livestock Petting Zoo where your favorite furry friends will be hanging out. Those aren’t barking dogs with sore throats you hear. The air will be filled with the happy go lucky sounds of joyful barking sea lions at the Sea Lion Splash show! This truly is a show for kids of all ages to experience. Keeping in the oceanic lane, the food court will be anchored by the Stingray Encounter. You will learn about these quiet sea creatures and if you “*DARE*” you can reach in and gently pet them as they gracefully glide through the water. Step inside the Bank of the Sierra Expo Building and amongst the many commercial vendors you will be pleasantly surprised by the new home of over 1,000 beautiful and creative handmade projects of young 4-H and FFA exhibitors. The Caricature Entertainment Company is being brought back by popular demand to send you home with a personal Fair memory, hand drawn of you, your friends and family with a comical twist. The drawings are absolutely free to all Fair guests compliments of Porterville Fair. You may run across Ventriloquist Vikki sharing her talents with fair goers young and old. You never know what her colorful crazy friends might do or say!

Admire the showcase of Ag Mechanics projects by our local FFA & 4-H members and several high school Trades classes. A silent auction of the top Ag Mechanics projects will run 10:00 AM – 2:00 PM, Saturday, May 17th. All winning bids must be paid in the Admin Office immediately following the closing of the auction.

The Greg Childress Porterville Breakfast Rotary Stage will be filled nightly with all your favorite local entertainers including The Dance Workshop, Dance Horizons, Spin Academy, Dazzling Dynamics, Enchanted Dance Studio, Melissa Cohea, Isaac Frias and Jason Gil. See the official schedule of events for actual show times. (Entertainers listed confirmed at time of print.) Grab an ice-cold adult beverage provided by the Porterville Eagles Club and show your support for our local entertainers!

The Butler Amusements Carnival will have many *DARING* options (and some not so *DARING*) to add the spice you like in a fair visit! The Midway would not be complete without the wide array of rides for you to choose from. Or choose to ride them all with your unlimited ride wristband. A sample ride scheduled to appear this year are Inversion, Turbo Force, Vertigo, Welcome to My Nightmare, Puppy Roll, Wacky Worm Coaster and Jurassic Fun House. Just a few of the exciting rides that are coming to the midway in addition to a great family-friendly Kiddie

Land. The rides at the Fair can have over 14,000 riders in the air or off the ground every hour, which means that every dime spent on an unlimited ride wristband will be more than worth it!! One day Pay One Price (POP) ride wristbands are available throughout the community and at the fair office. They are a great value at the discounted rate of \$35 prior to the Fair opening at 5:00 PM, Wednesday, May 14th. After that time, they will be available through Butler Amusements on-site and will go up to \$40 plus a service fee. POP's are available throughout the community. Go to PortervilleFair.com for a complete list of sellers. *Please note:* Parking and gate fees begin at 6:00 AM Wednesday morning. A limited number of fast passes will be available each day. \$10 Wednesday and Thursday and \$15 Friday, Saturday and Sunday.

“The Jr. Livestock Shows and Auction are a fundamental part of Porterville Fair and one of the biggest aspects of each exhibitor’s Fair experience. Each young exhibitor demonstrates an incredible level of commitment, responsibility, and dedication to their project, which helps prepare them for the real-world,,” states, Livestock Superintendent John Corkins. “Approximately 145 million dollars in livestock sale money has been generated through the fair to our youth.”

Community support is key to every Jr. Livestock Auction. The market animal exhibitors are prepped and excited to get in front of a live crowd and strut their stuff. The animals in the auction will be sold in species order beginning with the hogs. The Grand and Reserve Grand Champions will be sold at noon followed by the Heritage Hog shown by Diego Loftin of Lindsay High School FFA. All net proceeds from the sale of the Heritage Animal will support the Livestock Department directly.

Every day is a new experience!

- Thursday, May 15: Special Friends AND Physics Day
- Friday, May 16: Farm Day
- Saturday, May 17: Auction Day
- Sunday, May 18: Fiesta Day

Come on out if you *DARE* as the Fair only comes once a year! Don’t be left out. The 2025 Porterville Fair runs May 14 - 18. The Fair is located 2 miles west of Hwy. 65 on Teapot Dome in Porterville. Admission prices for the Fair are \$15 for adults, \$10 for seniors, \$10 for children 6-12, and 5 and under are free. For more information on the Porterville Fair go to PortervilleFair.com or call 781-6582.