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## **FACT SHEET**

### **Sci-Fi Adventure, Dancing Pigs, and Wild West Escapades! Visit the Clark County Fair this August 6-15 with All New Features**

**Ridgefield, WA** – Get the whole family ready for the 142<sup>nd</sup> edition of the Clark County Fair, this August 6 through 15 and get ready for more features and adventure! The Clark County Fair Association has created an amazing line up of features including a great Sci-Fi adventure called – Alien Encounter: The Day the Fair Stood Still, plus see a brand new Wild West Show, our first ever Pro Rodeo, Extreme Quad Racing and the internationally famous Valentine's Performing Pigs!

Amazing musical talent is slated for the Fair (inside the Sleep County Amphitheater) including Miranda Lambert, The Farewell Tour of the Scorpions with Dokken (Sold Out) and Boy's Like Girls.

Don't miss the return of DockDogs®! High flying canines compete for long distance braggin' rights. Also returning this year is the Jest in Time Circus of Fools, on the Columbian Family Fun Stage, The Knights of the Realm are back by popular demand, there will be plenty of kids' activities and plenty of hoofs – cows, horses, goats, llamas and more. Plus, see all kinds of motor sports action, monster trucks, bull riding and the greatest carnival around. Go to [www.clarkcofair.com](http://www.clarkcofair.com) for all the details!

**[MEDIA NOTE: all press releases and photos are available at ClarkCoFair.com, complete schedules, photos and press releases are ready for download]**

#### **CONCERT LINE UP**

The Clark County Fair has country, rock and pop music coming to the Fair. After last year's successful transition to utilizing the Sleep County Amphitheater we are offering three amazing artists for three great nights of music! NOTE: Amphitheater dates require the purchase of a performance ticket – and Fair admission is included.

Clark County Fair Concert Series in the Sleep County Amphitheater are:

Friday, August 6 –	Miranda Lambert on stage at 8pm
Saturday, August 7 –	The Scorpions with special Guest Dokken (SOLD OUT) at 8pm
Monday, August 9 -	Boys Like Girls on stage at 8pm

NOTE: A Fair ticket does not gain entry to concerts – entry requires an additionally purchased ticket – those patrons who buy Amphitheater tickets do have complimentary entry to the Fair for that day.

## **EXHIBITION HALL FEATURES**

The Clark County Exhibition Hall will be open, air conditioned and filled with great exhibits for the whole family to enjoy:

- Commercial Exhibits – featuring the latest in kitchen gadgets, cosmetic, home and garden implements, and just about any product and service you can imagine.
- Community Exhibits – with hobbies, crafts, foods, floral displays and 4H exhibits.

## **ALIEN ENCOUNTER: The Day The Fair Stood Still – a Sci Fi Adventure!**

A crashed space craft has been moved onto the Fairgrounds, little did we know the trouble that would cause! Come see our newest special feature – Alien Encounter: The Day the Fair Stood Still. Take a spine chilling walk through the space craft, see alien artifacts, a functional lab, and of course, there will be aliens, lots of aliens. Enter the storage warehouse if you dare....

## **FAMILY FUN BY THE TON**

There's plenty to do for kids of all ages:

- The hilarious antics and comedy of Valentine's Performing Pigs is an all new attraction of *pig-tacular* proportions! These Internationally famous performing pigs will have everyone cheering for more!
- It's the best spectator sport at the Fair! Come witness the amazing leaping skills of some of the top DockDogs® competitors. DockDogs welcomes one and all to compete for long-distance braggin' rights. Anyone can enter! Go to [www.DockDogs.com](http://www.DockDogs.com) to register.
- Check out the Jest In Time Circus of Fools! This returning feature of the Fair highlights the comedic antics of Topper Todd and Li Li Zucchini as they perform their sensational juggling, unicycle and stilt walking performances throughout the day! This stage will also host other strolling performers and community acts daily.
- Be sure to visit Comcast Kids Park for a myriad of great activities and free kid-friendly entertainment and contests. See great jugglers, kid singing groups, puppet shows, and take part in arts & crafts, pony rides, face painting and an all-new petting zoo!
- The Radio Disney Kids Stage (inside the Comcast Kids Park) will feature: magicians, local children's acts, kid's contests, and the Let's Pretend Circus, an interactive entertainment that pulls their stars from the audience!
- Hey Mom, enter your little-one in some great and fun contests: Pretty Baby, Toddler Trot, Diaper Derby and Hula Hoops – also located inside the Comcast Kids Park.

## **EXTREME ACTION AT THE FAIR**

Get ready for some pulse pounding and heart stopping action! The Clark County Fair has all your action at the Grandstands! Now that the concerts have been moved to the Amphitheater we have action going on all days of the Fair!

- Get ready to defend the realm from invaders! Knights of the Realm are back! Jousting, sword fights, and general mayhem is grandly rewarded by the King on August 6 and 7.
- New this year, a rip-roaring, boot stomping Wild West Show is coming to the Fair on August 8.
- Also new this year we have our first ever Northwest Pro Rodeo happening on August 9.
- The Northwest Bull Riding Championship returns with the top bull riders in the region vying for money and fame this August 10. Also, Mutton Busting is back too!
- Extreme "Big Air" Motorcycles comes to the Fair where the best motorcycle daredevils perform in-air acrobatics on August 11.

- A new, thrilling and highflying motorsport feature is coming to the Fair – Extreme Quads on August 12.
- Crashing, bashing and mayhem is on tap with Demolition Derby this August 13.
- Pro Arena Truck Racing is all about bumps, jumps and flying mud. Watch as sport trucks race head to head for prizes and bragging rights on August 14.
- Monster & Tuff Trucks is one of the most popular spectator sports around and is back on August 15. Plus take a ride on the Monster School Bus!

### **ROYALTY REIGNS FOR 2010**

This year, Taylor Gainer has been named Queen of the Clark County Fair Court. Princesses Courtney Miskell and Kaycee Cook will also reign during the annual Fair festivities and will travel all over the west attending other rodeos, parades and activities representing Clark County and the surrounding communities.

American Honey Queen Lisa Schluttenhofer will be at the Clark County Fair. She is the daughter of Mike and Roberta Schluttenhofer of Thorntown, Ind. She is a sophomore at Purdue University, where she is studying natural Resources and Environmental Science. At Purdue, Lisa is involved in the College of Agriculture, Dean's Scholars Program, Purdue Chapter of Heifer International and activities at St. Thomas Aquinus Church. She has been keeping bees for eight years and also enjoys hiking, being outdoors, cooking, speaking Spanish and volunteering.

### **FUN IN THE COUNTRY**

What's a county fair without hundreds of animals, blue ribbons, apple pies and baby animals!

- Head, Heart, Hands, and Health are the four H's in 4-H, and they are the four values on display during the run of the Clark County Fair through fun and engaging programs and activities. Look for science displays, breeding programs, kitchen activities, animal judging contests and plenty of great activities.
- National FFA Organization shows their stuff with dozens of animal programs.

### **TAKE A RIDE**

- Carnival Rides are always a favorite so be sure to visit the Sierra Mist Midway. Dozens of exhilarating rides are slated, plus no trip to the Fair is complete without a ride on the Giant Ferris Wheel. Go to [www.clarkcofair.com](http://www.clarkcofair.com) for a complete listing of rides and where to find deals on all-day ride wristbands.
- People's Community Credit Union wants you to consider taking public transportation this year to the Fair and be eco-responsible.
- Be sure to visit the C-Tran web site at [www.c-tran.com](http://www.c-tran.com) for bussing schedules or go to the Fair web site for details.

## **2010 CLARK COUNTY FAIR OVERVIEW**

### **HOURS**

August 6	8 am to 11 pm
August 7	10 am to 11 pm
August 8 thru 12	10 am to 10 pm
August 13	10 am to 11 pm
August 14	10am to 11 pm
August 15	10 am to 10 pm

**ADMISSION**

Buy early and Save! Advance Discount tickets & packages available online & at Community Partner Locations through August 5th at 6pm.

\$10 Adult (\$8 in Advance)

\$8 Seniors 62+ (\$6 in Advance)

\$7 Children 7-12 (\$5 in Advance), Kids Under 7 Free!

**PACKAGES** - available online in advance (advanced ticket sales end Thursday August 6 at 6pm)

Fabulous Four Pack - \$24

Two Adult & Two Children (7-12) Admission

Tiny Tots Package - \$35

Two Adults, 30 Ride Coupon Book, Kids Under 7 Free

Summer Sizzle Pack - \$69

Two Adults, Two Children (7-12), 2 Unlimited Ride Wristbands

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The Clark County Fair celebrates 141 years of showcasing Clark County's rich agricultural heritage, community participation and outstanding commerce. The Clark County Fair has grown into the largest single location event in the Vancouver/Portland area offering activities for the entire family. All the Big. Wild. Fun. of the Clark County Fair returns this August 7 through 16, 2009. For more information visit [ClarkCoFair.com](http://ClarkCoFair.com) .

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## **New Features Come to the Clark County Fair! Aliens, performing pigs, and cowboys set the stage!**

**Ridgefield, WA** – Are you ready for out of the world entertainment... literally. How about seeing the impossible performed daily by a ... pig? Or would you like to travel back in time to when the cowboy won the west? Of course you do, that's why you come to the Clark County Fair each year! Plenty of new features, entertainment and performances are coming to the Fair. The Clark County Fair runs this August 6<sup>th</sup> through the 15<sup>th</sup>! Be sure to visit [www.ClarkCoFair.com](http://www.ClarkCoFair.com) for all the details!

### **The Day the Fair Stood Still**

Here is the ultimate Alien Encounter! The producers of *Scream at the Beach* will be creating their own Area 51 – with all the thrills, chills and fun any Sci-Fi lover could want. Tour a crashed UFO, meet aliens from another world, and get ready to be frozen with fright... It's the Day the Fair Stood Still. There will also be daily gaming competitions presented by Best Buy. If you think you are the best at *Madden 2011*, *Call of Duty*; *Modern Warfare 2*, *Halo 3* or *Guitar Duty*, we want you to prove it! Register online at [www.fgx2010.info](http://www.fgx2010.info).

### **Valentine's Performing Pigs**

If pigs could fly... well these pigs can shoot hoops, skateboard, mow the lawn, jump through hoops and a whole host of other funny and amazing stunts. For the first time ever the Internationally famous Valentine's Performing Pigs come to the Clark County Fair!

### **The Wild West Show**

The Wild West comes alive in a rootin' tootin' fun experience for the whole family. See amazing tricks, thrills and roping, as these showman put on a show you won't soon forget. The Wild West Show is a live show, inside the Grandstands with a western town and plenty of good guys and bad guys. Sunday – August 8<sup>th</sup>.

### **NW Pro Rodeo – A Two Day Event**

Our first ever two day rodeo is being presented at the Clark County Fair. The Fair has had bull riding for many years, but rodeo fans should be delighted to hear that a full rough-stock only rodeo will be presented. The NW Pro Rodeo will feature the top rodeo cowboys and cowgirls in the region doing bareback, saddle bronc, barrel racing and bull riding. This year will also mark the return of Mutton Bustin' for the kids. Don't miss the inaugural year of NW Pro Rodeo at the Clark County Fair. Barrel Racing & Rough-Stock Monday – August 9<sup>th</sup>, Mutton Bustin' and Bull Riding Tuesday – August 10.

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**It's the Ultimate Grandstand Line up!  
Plenty of Non-stop action at the Clark County Fair!**

**Ridgefield, WA** – If you thrill at the sound of a finely tuned engine, stomp your feet when “big-air” occurs, or can’t get enough rodeo dirt flying fun, then the Clark County Fair is for you! We’ve moved all concerts to the Sleep Country Amphitheater – which means we’ve added all new Grandstand Action for 2010 – with new acts, thrilling shows and it’s all free with Fair Admission. The Clark County Fair runs this August 6<sup>th</sup> through 15<sup>th</sup>!

Here is the amazing Grandstand action for the 2010 Clark County Fair – with two shows daily. Be sure to visit [www.ClarkCoFair.com](http://www.ClarkCoFair.com) for all the details!

**Knights of the Realm**

Thy honor shall be protected! Watch as medieval warriors of the sacred realm come to life in this amazing display of skill, jousting, swordsmanship and chivalry. Knights of the Realm is a live show, featuring some of most thrilling stunts, fights and horsemanship skills ever seen at the Clark County Fair. Friday and Saturday – August 6<sup>th</sup> and 7<sup>th</sup>. [sponsored by Fred Meyers, Peterson Cat and Dex Knows]

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**Northwest Bull Riding Championship:**

See thirty plus professional bull riders from all over the west and Canada risk life and limb, pitting their skill and sheer will against the brute force of the toughest 2,000 pound bulls around. It’s an eight-second battle of pure adrenaline and only the best will make it! Tuesday, August 10<sup>th</sup>. [Sponsored by Washington’s Lottery]

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### **Extreme “Big Air” Motorcycles and Motocross:**

Nothing gets the pulse pounding like wheel-to-wheel race action. The Northwest’s top motocross athletes vie for prizes and recognition as they leap, turn and burn their way to the finish lines. Watch the “Big Air” competition as these daredevils fly dozens of feet in the air, dangling off their motorcycles in amazing feats of daring and even doing back flips! Wednesday – August 11<sup>th</sup>. [Sponsored by Taco Bell and Mt. Dew]

### **Extreme Quads**

If the motocross and big air wasn’t enough on Wednesday, how about even more moto action – this time of the four wheeled variety. Brand New this year - Extreme Quads will feature the top quad racers and daredevils in the area. The fast and furious action is a must see! Thursday – August 12<sup>th</sup>. [Sponsored by Peterson Cat]

### **Demolition Derby:**

Got a car that needs a good thrashing? Well then think about entering the last grassroots racing opportunity available. Demolition Derby! The derby is open to anyone from rookies to veterans and is a thrill a minute. Not interested in entering? Catch all the crashing, smashing action on Friday – August 13<sup>th</sup>. [Sponsored by Pepsi and S&I Equipment]

### **Pro Arena Trucks and Tuff Trucks:**

Drivers from all over the west coast are making way to the Clark County Fair to test their speed and endurance around the track. The best-of-the best drivers will compete for cash and trophies. Don’t miss the newest ride to the Fair – The Monster School Bus! Come ride in-between shows, for free! Saturday - August 14<sup>th</sup>. [Sponsored by People’s Community Credit Union]

### **Monster Trucks and Tuff Trucks:**

Watch as these gargantuan trucks crush, smash and catch air. One of the most popular extreme sports at the Clark County Fair – come early for the best seats – because they go fast! The Monster Trucks are making their way to the Clark County Fairgrounds. New this year – the Monster School Bus – that kids and actually ride in between shows! Sunday - August 15<sup>th</sup>. [Sponsored by Dr. Pepper and Battle Ground Cinema and People’s Community Credit Union]

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## **Watch my Rooster Crow and Llama Strut! Come see amazing Farm Animals at the Clark County Fair**

**Ridgefield, WA** – For many, the fair is still the best place to see farm animals and farm practices up close. The Clark County Fair was started 142 years ago to celebrate the diverse agricultural heritage of the region. Today, the tradition continues with hundreds of farm animals, breeding programs, agri-science exhibits and farm management information all available to the public during the Clark County Fair this August 6 through 15th at the Clark County Fairgrounds.

Selection of FFA and 4-H activities slated for the Clark County Fair [go to [www.ClarkCoFair.com](http://www.ClarkCoFair.com) for complete listing of events and times]:

Vet Science Displays, Table Settings, Kitchen Activities, Chicken Dress Up, Rooster Crowing Contest, Horse Judging, Cat Fitting – Showing and Demonstrations, Fashion Shows, Llama Judging, Performing Arts, Dairy Goat Fitting and Showing, Horse Riding and Shows, Swine Breed Show and much more.

About FFA: The National FFA Organization was organized as the "Future Farmers of America" in 1928 in Kansas City, Mo. In 1988, the official organization name was changed to The National FFA Organization to reflect the broadening field of agriculture, which today encompasses more than 300 careers in everything from agri-science to biotechnology to turf grass management. For more info on the National FFA Organization visit their web site at [www.ffa.org](http://www.ffa.org).

About 4-H: No state can rightfully claim to be the birthplace of 4-H (Head, Heart, Hands, and Health), because many states were experimenting with agricultural youth programs prior to 1900. These early programs were frequently called "Boys Corn Clubs," "Girls Canning Club" or something similar. These groups paved the way for a youth program to be part of the Cooperative Extension mission. Visit [www.fourcouncil.edu](http://www.fourcouncil.edu) for more information on the 4-H.

The local agricultural community is still an important and vital part of our community and the Clark County Fair is proud to host and assist in keeping the culture and history alive for our region.

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