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ALAMEDA
COUNTY FAIR
JUNE 15–JULY 8

PRESS RELEASE

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And the Winners are...
Alameda County Fair Announces Best of 2018
Commercial & Amateur Wine Competitions

Pleasanton, Calif. – Alameda County Fair recently hosted its popular annual commercial and amateur wine competitions. From the 210 commercial entries received, the following are the top medal winners for each of this year's competitions:

Best of Show Red: The Wine Group, Concannon Reserve Cabernet Sauvignon 2015

Best of Show White: Darcie Kent Vineyards, Grüner Veltliner 2016

Best of Show Dessert: Las Positas Vineyards, Casimira

Best of Show Sauvignon Blanc: Dry Creek Vineyard, Fumé Blanc 2017

Best of Show Zinfandel: Rock Wall Wine Company, Monte Rosso Zinfandel 2016

The Amateur Winemaking contest is open to California residents age 21 and over. Congratulations to this year's top winners from 78 entries received:

- Best of Show Red: Koos Wines
- Best of Show White: Serendipity Cellars
- Best of Show Dessert: Heaven's Gate Vineyard

For a complete list of wines and winners, visit:

<http://annual.alamedacountyfair.com/compete/alameda-county-wine-competition>

<http://annual.alamedacountyfair.com/compete/sauvingon-summit-zin-challenge>

All Gold Medal wines from the 2018 competitions will be available for purchase by the glass at the Wine Garden every day of the Fair. For more information visit www.alamedacountyfair.com.

2018 Alameda County Fair Information


Dates: June 15-July 8 (Closed June 18-19, 25-26, July 2-3)

Hours: 11AM-11PM daily (except July 4th, see website for updates)

Carnival Hours: Wed-Thurs 12PM to closing, Fri-Sun 11AM to closing, July 4 (11AM-6PM)

Horse Racing: June 15-17, 21-24, 28-30, July 1, 4, 6-8

Big O Tires FREE Concerts: 8PM-9:15PM PM nightly. "Born Free" video & fireworks show immediately following at Concert Lawn.

 **BART & WHEELS** – Take BART to the Dublin/Pleasanton Station then catch the WHEELS Fair Shuttle (Route 52) to the Fairgrounds -- all day, every day of the Fair, until closing.

Gate Admission*:

- Adults (13-61) -- \$15
- Seniors (62+) -- \$10
- Kids (6-12) -- \$10
- Children under 6 – FREE
- General Parking - \$10
- Carnival wristbands -- Wed-Thurs \$30, Fri-Sun & July 4, \$35
- Carnival Fast Pass – NEW! Any single day \$10
- Sky Ride – NEW! \$5 one-way, \$8 round-trip

*Purchase in advance (before June 15) and save up to 33%

Special Pre-Fair Pricing (until 6/14/18):

- Adults (13-61) -- \$12
- Seniors (62+) -- \$8
- Kids (6-12) -- \$8
- General Parking - \$8
- Unlimited Carnival Wristbands -- \$28
- Season Pass (admission for all 18 days and discounts on events) -- \$40
- Fun Pack (4 general admission tickets and 1 parking pass) -- \$50

Special Days (ALL SPECIAL PRICING ENDS AT 5PM):

- Opening Day: June 15 – \$1 Admission, \$1 Rides, UNTIL 5PM
- Father's Day: June 17 – Dads FREE, UNTIL 5PM
- \$2 Bites of the Fair (Thursdays): June 21 & 28, July 5 — Select fun-sized Fair treats just \$2 each, UNTIL 5PM
- Kids FREE Thursdays (12 and under): June 21 & 28, July 5, UNTIL 5PM
- Boomers FREE Fridays (62+): June 22, 29 & July 6, UNTIL 5PM

Special Days (continued):

- Clothing Drive for Foster Kids presented by Mattress Firm: June 20 — Bring a brand new child's clothing item and receive FREE admission & \$1 rides, UNTIL 5PM
- Feed the Need Food Drive benefitting Alameda County Community Food Bank presented by Lucky California: June 27 — Bring 4 non-perishable food items and receive FREE admission & \$1 rides, UNTIL 5PM
- First Responder's Day: July 4 – Free admission with valid ID, UNTIL 3PM
- Military Appreciation — One FREE Fair admission with valid Military ID, ALL DAY, EVERYDAY

2018 Big O Tires Concert Series:

6/15 – Blue Oyster Cult
6/16 – Sean Kingston
6/17 – En Vogue
6/20 – Clay Walker
6/21 – 38 Special
6/22 – Smash Mouth
6/23 – Boys of Summer: The Music of the Eagles
6/24 – Sir Mix-A-Lot
6/27 – Morris Day & The Time
6/28 – Con Funk Shun
6/29 – Queen Nation (Queen Tribute)
6/30 – The Tubes
7/1 – Purple Reign
7/4 – NO CONCERT
7/5 – LeAnn Rimes
7/6 – Journey Revisited (Journey tribute)
7/7 – Super Diamond (Neil Diamond tribute)
7/8 – WAR

The Alameda County Fair is operated by the non-profit Fair Association without any tax funding from the government. It is ranked one of the Top 50 North American Fairs and the 7th largest Fair in California. The Fairgrounds is home to the Oldest One-Mile Race Track in America.