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Alameda County Fair Announces Best of 2019 Commercial & Amateur Wine Competitions

Pleasanton, Calif. – Alameda County Fair proudly announces the top medal from its recently held 2019 commercial and amateur wine competitions. As always, all Best of Show and Gold Medal wines from the 2019 competitions will be available for purchase by the glass at the Wine Garden, every day of the Fair:

2019 Alameda County Wine Competition (154 total entries)

Best of Show Red: Stony Ridge, Petite Sirah, 2016

Best of Show White: Las Positas Vineyards, Albarino, 2018

Best of Show Rose*: Darcie Kent Vineyards, Victories Rosé, 2018

Best of Show Sparkling*: Ehrenberg Cellars, Brut – SCHMIDT

Best of Show Dessert: BoaVentura Deported, 2013

*New categories this year

2019 Zin Challenge & Sauvignon Summit (136 total entries)

Best of Show Zinfandel: Dry Creek Vineyard, Heritage Vines Zinfandel, 2017

Best of Show Zinfandel Dessert: Sobon Estate, Zinfandel Port, 2017

Best of Show Sauvignon Blanc: Chacewater Winery Sauvignon Blanc, 2018

The **Amateur Wine Competition** is open to California residents age 21 and over. Congratulations to this year's top winners from 103 total entries received:

- Best of Show Red: Las Positas College Cellars, South Slope Field Blend, 2017
- Best of Show White: Le Shack de Jack, Sauvignon Blanc, 2018
- Best of Show Dessert: Fred Watkins, Ruby Port, 2015

For a complete list of commercial wines and winners, visit:

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

<https://annual.alamedacountyfair.com/sauvignon-summit-zin-challenge/>

For the amateur competition winners list, visit:

https://annual.alamedacountyfair.com/pdf/2019/exhibits/adult/Adult_Amateur_Wine.pdf

For more information visit www.alamedacountyfair.com.

2019 Alameda County Fair Information

Dates: June 14-July 7 (Closed Mondays & Tuesdays: June 17-18, 24-25, July 1-2)

Hours: 11am-11pm daily (except July 4th, 11am-8pm, see website for updates)


Carnival Hours: Wed-Thurs 12pm to closing, Fri-Sun 11am to closing, July 4 (11am-8pm)

Horse Racing: June 14-16, 20-23, 27-30, July 4-7

Big O Tires Concerts: 8pm-9:15pm nightly. Special video & fireworks show immediately following at the Bud Light Concert Lawn on the Bay Area Air Quality Management Jumbotron.

2019 Big O Tires Concert Series:

- 6/14 - WAR
- 6/15 – Ashanti
- 6/16 – Ramon Ayala (with opening artist Yolanda Del Rio)
- 6/19 – Sammy Kershaw, Collin Raye, Aaron Tippin – 90s Electric Throwdown
- 6/20 – Earth to Mars (Bruno Mars tribute)
- 6/21 – Loverboy
- 6/22 – Aly & AJ
- 6/23 – Lifehouse
- 6/26 – Sheila E.
- 6/27 – KISS Revisited (KISS tribute)
- 6/28 – Gin Blossoms
- 6/29 – BB King Blues Band featuring Michael Lee (from The Voice)
- 6/30 – James Garner’s Tribute to Johnny Cash
- 7/3 – Trace Adkins
- 7/4 – NO CONCERT
- 7/5 – Aja Vu (Steely Dan tribute)
- 7/6 – Tommy Castro & The Painkillers – Killin’ It Live Record Release Tour
- 7/7 – Vince Neil of Mötley Crüe

 **BART & WHEELS** – Take BART to the Dublin/Pleasanton Station then catch the WHEELS Fair Shuttle to the Fairgrounds. All day, every day of the Fair, until closing (except July 4th).

Gate Admission*:

- Adults (13-61) -- \$15
- Seniors (62+) -- \$10
- Kids (6-12) -- \$10
- Children under 6 -- FREE
- General Parking -- \$10

- Unlimited Carnival wristbands -- Wed-Thurs \$30, Fri-Sun & July 4, \$35 – valid any one day of Fair
- Sky Ride -- \$6 unlimited rides any one day of Fair

**Purchase in advance (before June 13) and save up to 33%*

Special Pre-Fair Pricing (until 6/13/19):

- Adults (13-61) -- \$12
- Seniors (62+) -- \$8
- Kids (6-12) -- \$8
- General Parking -- \$8
- Unlimited Carnival Wristbands -- \$28 (Valid any one day of the Fair)
- NEW! 2019 Fair Season Pass PREMIUM (admission for all 18 days with PARKING, plus concert & event discounts) -- \$80
- Season Pass (admission for all 18 days, plus concert & event discounts) -- \$40
- Fun Pack (4 general admission tickets and 1 parking pass) -- \$50
- New! BUY ONE, GIVE ONE – Buy a regular, full-price admission ticket (\$15) and give a Fair ticket to a deserving, local foster family. Promotion period runs May 29 to June 12, 2019. Tickets must be purchased online through the Fair's website.

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

- FriYAY FREE til 3 -- Opening Day, Friday, June 14, FREE admission UNTIL 3pm
- Father's Day: Sunday, June 16 -- Dads FREE, UNTIL 5pm
- \$2 Fair Food Bites (Thursdays): June 20 & 27 -- Select fun-sized Fair treats just \$2 each, UNTIL 5pm
- Kids FREE Thursdays (12 and under): June 20 & 27, UNTIL 5pm
- Boomer FREE Fridays (62+) presented by Alameda County Social Services Agency: June 14, 21, 28 & July 5, UNTIL 5pm
- Pet Food Drive, partnering with Valley Humane Society: Wednesday, June 19 -- Bring new, unopened pet food items (see list) and receive FREE admission & \$1 rides, UNTIL 5pm
- Feed the Need Food Drive benefitting Alameda County Community Food Bank presented by Lucky California: Wednesday, June 26 -- Bring 4 non-perishable food items and receive FREE admission & \$1 rides, UNTIL 5pm
- Clothing Drive for Foster Kids presented by Mattress Firm: Wednesday, July 3 -- Bring a new child's clothing item and receive FREE admission & \$1 rides, Until 5pm
- First Responder's Day: July 4 -- Free admission with ID
- Military Appreciation: Every Day -- One FREE Fair admission with valid Military ID, ALL DAY, EVERYDAY

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