

# 4-H WORM RACE

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PROCEDURES FOR THE HOWARD COUNTY  
4-H CLOVER COLOSSAL INTERNATIONAL WORM RACE  
Saturday, August 14th - Post Time 1:30 P.M.

**Awards sponsored by:** Darla Bouma-Church, Dayton 4-H Club, Mr & Mrs Hugh Rein, Mr and Mrs Shane Rossman, and The Sustersich-Cihan Family

1. **All owners must register their contestants by name, at the 4-H Indoor Exhibit Building by noon so that lanes can be assigned.** Classes 1, 2, and 3 are for Clover ages (5-7) currently enrolled in 4-H.
2. All owners will take their contestants to the appropriate track and assigned lane. The track will be located in the center of the show ring area. After placing the contestants in the starting position, it is the responsibility of the owners to identify their contestants. In any dispute of ownership, the contestant will be eliminated from the competition.
3. The time for the contestants to run/crawl to the Finish Line of the track will be noted by the racing official. The first worm to reach the Finish Line will be the winner of each heat. The times of all participants will be compared, and from the shortest time in transit, THE FASTEST WORM IN HOWARD COUNTY will be determined. In case of a dead heat, if the contestants are physically capable of further motion, the race will be re-run/crawled in order to determine the winner.
4. There will be separate events for different classes of contestants. Slimys (earthworms, night crawlers, etc.) will race others in that category. Fuzzies (caterpillars, wooly bears, etc.) will race other fuzzy contestants. Centipedes and millipedes, due to their lightning locomotion, will race each other exclusively. Slugs will be encouraged to race with the slimy participants.
5. First place worm tamers in each race will be awarded a \$5.00 premium. First through tenth place worm tamers will be awarded ribbons. Fastest worm class exhibitors clovers in each race will receive participation ribbon and \$1.00 premium.
6. Once race is over, worms should be placed in the proper environment to survive.

## **CLASSES:**

Fastest Worm in Howard County - (5-7 year old 4-H Clovers)

1. Slimys (earthworms, night crawlers, slugs)
2. Fuzzies (caterpillars, wooly bears)
3. Pedes (centipedes and millipedes)

Worm Tamers - ages 8 & above. Open to any Howard County resident

4. Slimys
  5. Fuzzies
  6. Pedes
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