

The "Old Fairgrounds" is located at 155 Veterans Drive, Cookeville.
The new "Convention Center" is located at 2121 Event Center Dr. Cookeville.



2026 Schedule
Freedom & Tradition
THURSDAY, July 30

Gates & Buildings open at 4:00pm,

FREE admission Sponsored by Hyundai of Cookeville

- Convention Center: Opening Breakfast, invitation only.
- Convention Center: Pageants: Pre-Teen, Teen, Fairest of the Fair 6p – 8p. (see page 36)
- Old Fairgrounds: Main Stage/Arena: 250th US Army Birthday Celebration 5:30pm
- Main Arena: Antique Tractor Pull 6:00pm
- East Arena: WP/Ranch Clinic 5pm; Open Ride 7:30pm
- Big Barn: Greased Pig
- Wilson Stage: Steve Warren 7:00pm
- Midway: open 6p – 11p; Armbands \$25 (6p – 10p)



FRIDAY, July 31

Gates & Buildings open at 4:00pm, \$5 admission

- Convention Center: Pageants Senior Ms; Ms Elite; Ms, 6p – 8p (see page 37)
- Old Fairgrounds Main Arena: Truck and Tractor Pull 7:00pm
- Big Barn: Hog Show 5:00pm
- Midway: open 6p – 11p; Armbands \$30 (6p – 10p)

SATURDAY, August 1

Gates & Buildings open at 12pm (West Gate 3p) \$5 admission

- Convention Center: Pageants, ages 10 & under (see page 37)
- Entry Day: Gates (NE, E, & N) open at 7:30am, Free admission until 12:00p (see pages 5-23)
- Poultry Entry: 9am – 3pm (see pages 35)
- Main Arena: Open Western Horse Show 9:00a (East Arena 3p)
- Main Arena: Monster Trucks 7:30p (6pm-7pm Meet the drivers)
- Big Barn: Goat Show 12:00pm
- Midway: open 4pm – 11pm; Armbands \$30 (4p – 10p)
- Music Barn: Corn Hole Tournament: 9:30am
- Petting Zoo opens at 12:00pm



SUNDAY, August 2

Gates & Buildings open at 12:00pm, West Gate 2p, \$5 admission

- Music Barn: Special Adults Day-Invitation only
- Chicken House: Jr Showmanship 1:30pm
- Main Arena: Demolition Derby 6:00pm
- East Arena: Team Roping Jackpot 1pm, Park in East Lot
- Wilson Stage: Back Roads Band-Pat Fitzpatrick 7:00pm
- Big Barn: Sheep Show 12:00pm
- Midway: open 3pm – 11pm; Armbands \$30 (3pm – 10pm)

MONDAY, August 3

Gates & Buildings open at 4:00pm, \$5 admission

- Convention Center: Senior Citizen Day 9:00am
- Main Arena: Jump & Run 6:30pm
- East Arena: Wild Horse & Mule Show 6:30pm
- Big Barn: Greased Pig Catching
- Midway: open 6pm – 11pm; Armbands \$25 (6pm – 10pm)

TUESDAY, August 4

Gates & Buildings open at 4:00pm, \$5 admission

- Main Arena: Motorcycle Races 6:00pm (Practice 5pm)
- East Arena: Roping Practice
- Big Barn: Dairy Cow Show 6:00pm
- Midway: open 6pm – 11pm; Armbands \$25 (6pm – 10pm)
- Music Barn: Corn Hole Tournament 6:00pm

WEDNESDAY, August 5

Gates & Buildings open at 4:00pm, \$5 admission

- Chicken House: Poultry Pick-up 4pm – 9pm
- Main Arena: Motorcycle Races 6:00pm (Practice 5pm)
- East Arena: Barrel Clinic 6:00pm
- Wilson Stage: Peachtree Learning Center 7:00pm
- Big Barn: Greased Pig Catching Contest
- Midway: open 6pm – 11pm; Armbands \$25 (6pm – 10pm)

THURSDAY, August 6

Gates & Buildings open at 4:00pm, \$5 admission

- Main Arena: Putnam County Horse Show 6:30pm

- Wilson Stage: Timeless Highway Band/Dale Johnson 7:00p
- Midway: open 6pm – 11pm; Armbands \$20 (6pm – 10pm)

FRIDAY, August 7

Gates & Buildings open at 4:00pm, \$5 admission

- Music Barn: Special Children's Day- Invitation Only, 9am
- Main Arena: Back Roads Band 5:30 followed by Hedrick Rodeo Company 7:00pm
- Midway: open 6pm – 11pm; Armbands \$30 (6p – 10p)



SATURDAY, August 8

- Music Barn: Pet Show 10am, registration begins 9:30am
- Main Arena: Demolition Derby 7:00pm
- East Arena: 4-H Horse Show 10am, Mounted Shooting 6:30pm
- Wilson Stage: Tennessee Outlaw Country
- Big Barn: Beef Show 4:00pm, Greased Pig Contest
- Midway: open 4pm – 11pm; Armbands \$30 (4pm – 10pm)

SUNDAY, August 10

- **Pick-up Day: 1:00 – 2:30pm pick-up entries.**
- **Premium checks available 1:00 – 2:30pm**

The Putnam County Fair Board offers two PRE - FAIR EVENTS

At the Old Fairgrounds (155 Veterans Dr.)

JUNE 11th – JUNE 20th

Cookeville Carnival

presented by The James Gang

Open 6:00pm nightly - Free parking & admission



JUNE 19th, Friday

Open to the World Walking Horse Show

MAIN ARENA: Old Fairgrounds, 1515 Veterans Drive.

See SECTION G, page 38, for complete details

JULY 25TH Draft Horse & Mule Show

MAIN ARENA: Old Fairgrounds, 1515 Veterans Drive.

See SECTION G, page 42, for complete details

