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Evergreen
STATE FAIR
MONROE WA

Little Moments, Big Memories!
MAKING MEMORIES FOR 114 YEARS



August 24-29 *and* August 31-September 4

Unofficial
Guide

TRIBUNE'S EVERGREEN STATE FAIR GUIDE 2023



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Little Moments, Big Memories!

Making Memories for 114 Years!

The Evergreen State Fair Park is excited to welcome the public back for the 2023 Evergreen State Fair, starting August 24!

The fair is back this year with new and returning food and commercial vendors, carnival rides, animal barns, displays and exhibits, entertainment, beer gardens, and more.

This year’s theme: “Little Moments, Big Memories! Making Memories for 114 years” reflects how the fair is a place where the community comes together to share experiences.

Fair Hours

August 24 – 29:
10:30 a.m. – 10 p.m.*

Closed Wed. August 30

August 31 – Sept. 3:
10:30 a.m. – 10 p.m.*

Sept. 4 (Labor Day):
10:30 a.m. – 7:00 p.m.

Barns, Grandstand and Event Center close at 9 p.m.

There is so much to see and do at the Evergreen State Fair! There is something new around every corner and something for everyone.

General Admission

Advance Purchase Tickets on Sale Now Through August 23 at etix.com

- Advance Purchase Admission ... Adult \$15
- Advance Purchase Admission ... Senior / Youth \$10
- Weekday Round-up Package: 4 Admission Tickets ... \$40

Purchase tickets online at etix.com

Admission Tickets

- Adults (ages 13-61)... \$16 Weekdays - \$18 (Sat & Sun)
- Seniors (ages 62-89)... \$13 Weekdays & Weekends
- Youth (ages 6-12) ... \$13 Weekdays & Weekends
- Active Military with I.D.... \$13 Weekdays & Weekends
- Seniors (age 90 and older) ... FREE
- Kids (age 5 and under) ... FREE

Parking Prices

Disabled parking is available in all Fairgrounds parking lots at the same rate as non-disabled parking.

Senior Day at the Fair is Monday, Aug. 28

Seniors age 62+ are admitted into the Fair for Only \$6 !

Seniors age 90+ are admitted free any day of the Fair.

These spaces are located closest to the entrances in all official parking lots.

- Cars & Motorcycles ... \$10 per space used on Weekdays; \$15 per spaced used on Weekends

Cash and Card (Visa & Master Card) are accepted for parking payments. Parking passes are non-transferable and cannot be used for re-entry to the Fairgrounds Parking Lot.

Carnival Prices

Advanced Purchase Carnival Wristbands

- Discounted Advance Unlimited Ride Wristbands only \$35 online through Aug. 23 (Service fee applies to on-line sales at etix.com.)

- Unlimited Ride Wristbands ... \$40 (Valid for any one person any one day of the Fair)

Individual tickets and sheets of tickets will be available for sale. Rides require multiple individual tickets.

Tickets can be purchased online at etix.com or at the West/Red Gate Ticket Pass Booth: Aug. 7-18 Mon-Fri 8:30 a.m. - 4 p.m.; Aug. 21-Sept. 3 daily from 9:30 a.m. to 7:30 p.m. (Fair closed Aug. 30); Sept. 4 from 9:30 a.m. - 4 p.m. 360-805-6777.

The Evergreen State Fair Park is located at 14405-179th Avenue SE, Monroe WA 98272

Carnival offers thrills for everyone!

Butler Amusements, the largest carnival in the Western United States, will be at the Evergreen State Fair, where fair-goers of all ages will find their favorite rides!

Carnival hours are August 24-29 and August 31 - September 3 from 11 a.m. to 11 p.m. and September 4 from 11 a.m. to 7 p.m. (closed Aug. 30).

Near the Blue Gate (East) are the Family and Kid rides. Kid rides are gentle and smooth running with just the right amount of thrill for first time riders. Family rides can accommodate adults and children which is perfect for children who are not ready to brave the rides alone.

Just inside the Red Gate (West) is where the Spectacular and Major rides are located. Spectacular rides are the most thrilling and exhilarating.

Advance carnival wrist-

bands on sale now through August 23. Advance wrist-bands are only \$35 (valid any day of the fair) and are on sale online at www.ETIX.com. (Regular cost is \$40.)

All rides have height and other restrictions. Please visit EvergreenFair.org for restrictions, safety and general information.

Butler Amusement rides: Giant Wheel, Zillerator Roller Coaster, Century Wheel, Freak Out, Supershot Drop, Shake Up, Typhoon,

Ring Of Fire, Footloose, Rock Star, Bumper Cars, Yo-Yo, Eagle 16, Tilt a Whirl, Area 51, Zipper, Tornado, Americana Carousel, Cliff Hanger, Haywire, Raptor, Eclipse, Giant Slide, Monkey Maze, Looney Tooter Train, Bear Affair, Jump Around Buggies, Hot Rods, Jungle, Atlantis, Orient Express, and MORE!



All-Star Stunt Dogs perform at the Fair daily!

Stunt Dog Show Productions is a family owned business led by the Perondi's. This family business originally started in 1999 as the "Extreme Canines Stunt Dog Show." They have been featured on Good Morning America, Animal Planet, ESPN, Fox Sports, and have been guests on the Oprah Winfrey Show, the Tonight Show with Leno, the Ellen Degeneres Show, Queen Latifah Show, Sabado Gigante, Disney Plus, and NatGeo Wild.

The Perondi's All-Star Stunt Dogs have been rescued from pounds and shelters from across the country and are trained using positive reinforcement. Their mission is to promote pet adoption, responsible pet ownership, and educate on the importance of spay



and neutering. During every show they take time to share their mission and encourage everyone to spend more time with their pets at home.

THE ALL-STAR STUNT DOGS show is their ground and stage act which features world class frisbee dogs,

award-winning dog tricks, audience participation, comedy antics, high-jumping, stunt dog agility racing, and the finale stunt of the day.

The All-Star Stunt Dogs will have three daily performances during the Evergreen State Fair.

Evergreen Morning of Dreams returns August 29

The Evergreen State Fair opens its gates early for people who need a calmer setting

Nationally recognized as an award winner for removing barriers in parks, Evergreen Morning of Dreams is a morning event to experience the fun of the fair in a calmer setting without lights or sounds. The fair can create sensory overload for some people and fair staff hope to provide a more accessible fair experience for those who need it by providing a time that is quieter, calmer and has less sensory stimulation.

“Morning of Dreams is a very special day here at the fair park,” said Mike Ohlsen, Evergreen State Fair Manager. “We see some of the biggest smiles on this day and it means so much to our team to be able to make the fair more accessible and welcoming to our community.”

The Evergreen State Fair opens early at 9:00 a.m. on Tuesday, August 29. Fair gate admission is required.

What opens early for Evergreen Morning of Dreams?

- The Kiddieland Carnival will be open with no lights or sounds 9:00 – 11:00 a.m. (carnival tickets required)
- Food vendors including: Big Dogs, Aussie Onion Burst, Tacos Monte Alban, JJfroyogo, Purple Cow
- Roving entertainment: Joe



Stoddard (Variety/Musician/Ventriloquist) and Eric Haines (Stilts)

- The display hall #500 and animal barns

• Farmer for a Day: Learn to milk a cow, pick an apple, dig potatoes, and gather eggs. Located at the Ag Display #260

• Snohomish County 4-H will be hosting a scavenger hunt in the 4-H building #501 from 9:00-10:30 a.m.

• Western Heritage Museum will also be open early

The fair officially opens at 10:30 a.m. when all buildings and outside vendors and displays are open. There is an adult changing table located in the Western Heritage Museum #611 restroom.

For more information about accessibility at the Evergreen State Fair including maps and building descriptions, visit this webpage: <https://www.evergreenfair.org/294/Maps-and-Accessibility-Information>

See Ciscoe at the Fair! “Ooh-La-La!”

Ciscoe is well known in the media. Every other Monday morning, he appears on KING5’s New Day Northwest with Margaret Larson; plus he is featured regularly on KING5’s Take5 news show. His popular “Gardening with Ciscoe” show with Meeghan Black aired for many years on KING/KONG TV.

You can catch his gardening advice mixed with a hearty dose of humor every Saturday on News Talk 97.3 KIRO FM.

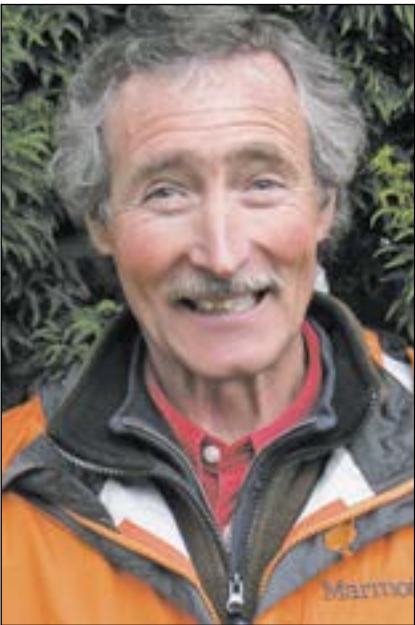
His book, ‘Ask Ciscoe’, was a national best seller and his new book “Oh, La La” is hot off the press. In addition, he co-authored books on roses and perennials, and he wrote a weekly garden column

for the Seattle Post Intelligencer followed by the Seattle Times.

Ciscoe can often be found working in his Northeast Seattle garden which has been featured in several publications.

Besides gardening, he is passionate about travel. Despite his busy schedule, he manages to find time to lead garden tours to countries all over the world.

Ciscoe will be on the Courtyard Stage Sunday, September 3 at 2:00 p.m.



Centennial Farm: Duffner Family Farm

Each year Snohomish County recognizes a farm that has remained in continuous production under the same family ownership for 100 years or more.

This year the Duffner Family Farm in Snohomish is being honored.

In 1920 George and Lisa Marie Wilson purchased 40 acres of farmland in Snohomish.

They were born in Estonia, immigrated to the United States, and moved to Canada to farm for a few years where some of their children were born.

George was a tailor and the family raised cows and grew vegetables for their use.

Following Lisa Marie’s death in 1950, their son Daniel took over the farm.

In 1960, their daughter Marie and husband Larry Duffner purchased the farm.

Marie was born inside the farmhouse and continued

to operate the farm until her death in 2019 at the age of 95.

The NPRA Rodeo Returns September 2-4

The excitement of the Rodeo is returning to the Evergreen State Fair at 7 p.m. Saturday, September 2 and Sunday, September 3, and at 2 p.m. on Monday, September 4.

This slam packed two hours of action will include Bareback Riding; Break-away Roping; Barrel Racing; Bull Riding; Saddle Bronc Riding; Steer Wrestling; and Team Roping. Intermission events are the Stirrin’ Dust Drill Team, Clown Act and Draft Horses (draft horses on Saturday and Sunday only).

Saturday, September 2 is “Tough Enough To Wear Pink” night.

Sunday, September 3 is “Military Appreciation Night.”

Monday, September 4 is the “Cowboy Crisis Fund.”

Tickets are available online at etix.com, at the Arena Box Office or the gates on the day of the show for \$10 (age 13-61) and \$7 (youth 2-12 and Seniors 62+). The price of admission to the Rodeo does not include entry to the Fairgrounds. The Rodeo is September 2-3 at 7 p.m., and Monday, September 4 at 2 p.m. in the Indoor Arena (#100).



Equestrian Events at the Fair!



- **4-H Horse Shows:** August 24 - 29 and August 31 (Fair is closed Wed. Aug. 30)
- **Western Regional / Open Class Horse Show:** August 24 - 26 at 5:00 p.m.
- **Western Regional Open Class Horse Show:** August 27 at 2:00 p.m.

- **WA State Draft Horse and Mule Extravaganza:** August 27-29 at 5:00 p.m. (featuring Washington Pullers Association on Monday, Aug. 28)
- **Wednesday, August 30- Fair is**



Closed

- **NPRA Rodeo:** Sept. 2-3 at 7 p.m.
- **Snohomish County Western Games:** Sept. 2-3- Stilly Figure 8, One Jump Scurry, Polo and Key (Team: Rescue - time permit-ting) from 10 :30a.m. - 5 p.m.

Monroe Fair Days Parade and Market

Saturday, Aug. 26 from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m.

The Monroe Fair Days Parade is finally here! The Fair’s theme is “Little Moments, Big Memories!”

Everyone’s favorite summertime event, The Monroe Fair Days Parade will be Saturday, Aug. 26

will feature appearances and performances from the Monroe high school cheerleaders and Marching

Band, cars from Evergreen Speedway, the Seafair Pirates, Horses of IXTAPA Monroe, equestrian teams, floats and many more!

Over 10,000 spectators line up the streets of Downtown Monroe to watch over 100 floats and performances!

The Monroe Fair Days Parade will start at 11 a.m. rain or shine and will be along West Main Street.

**** ROAD CLOSURE NOTICE****

The following streets will be

closed from 8 a.m. to 2 p.m. for the Parade on August 26:

179th SE closed from W. Main St. to 160th ST SE

Main Street closed from 179th Ave. SE to N. Blakely St.

Blakely closed from W. Main St to W. Hill St.

Hill Street closed N. Blakely to N. Kelsey St.

The Market will be from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. at the Wagner Performing



Arts Center, 639 West Main Street.

Attractions, Displays & Events



INTERNATIONAL LUMBERJACK SHOWS
Location: Frontierland, #409
12pm; 4pm and 7pm daily; (no 7pm show on 9/4) Fair is Closed Aug. 30
From axe throwing, log rolling, sawing and some comedy mixed in – your Fair day experience would not be complete without seeing the lumberjack show.



AZTEC INDIAN DANCERS
Location: #418
2pm and 6pm (no 6pm show on 9/4) Fair is Closed Aug. 30
This unique show of Indian dancers will amaze you! Their beautiful costumes, cultural teachings, and dancing are one-of-a-kind.

SPECIAL DISPLAYS, ATTRACTIONS AND EVENTS:

All-Star Stunt Dog Shows, Antique Tractor Display & Pedal Tractors, Carnival, Chainsaw Carvers, Costume Characters (Ag Stage #260, Madrigal Girl, Spider Guy, Rapunzel, Marvelous Captain, Cinderella and Ice Queen), Fireworks (Aug. 24 at 9 p.m. FREE with admission and Sept 3 after Demo Derby paid show), GOAT PLAYGROUND, International Lumberjack Shows, Laser Show (Aug. 28 at 8:30 p.m. FREE with admission), Master Gardeners, Minotaur Maze - “WATER’S EXTREME JOURNEY (Events Center), Monroe Fair Days Parade (W. Main St.), Morning of Dreams (Aug. 29 from 9-11:00 a.m. Sensory-friendly), Rodeo (Sept. 2-4), Roving Performers, Shannahan Cabin, Snohomish County Agriculture Display, Snohomish County PUD ARC Trailer Demos Sow & Litters, WA Draft Horse & Mule Extravaganza, Western Heritage Center, WSU Master Gardeners , Youth Livestock Auction, (Aug. 26 at 5 p.m.) and more.

CONTESTS: Egg Toss, Scone Walk, Water Balloon Toss, Buble Gum Blowing, Quarter in the Haystack, and Frisbee Throwing.

www.evergreenfair.org

Please check the Evergreen State Fair website before going to the Fair. More activities could be added and some might change. It will be critical to “know before you go” to enjoy a safe and fun fair. See you at the Fair!

Clean Air Fair

For the health and safety of both visitors and employees, the Evergreen State Fair is proud to be a Clean Air Fair! In compliance with Washington Initiative 901 RCW 70. 160, smoking or vaping is not allowed in public building entrances, exits, windows that open and ventilation intakes. The Evergreen State Fair offers dedicated smoking areas which are denoted by red tents.

FREE LASER SHOW
Monday, August 28 in the Grandstands.
Music by AC/DC vs. Guns n Roses
with paid Fair admission!

Family Fun
Activity
Center
Under the
Grandstands
Find family
activities for
all ages!

Welcome to the thrill of the Evergreen Speedway!



Evergreen Speedway has fast become the center of motor-sports in the Pacific Northwest. As the only NASCAR track in Washington State, it hosts the NASCAR Whelen American Series and the NASCAR K&N Pro Series West. Evergreen Speedway hosts weekly NASCAR, in addition to Drag Racing, Drift,

and dozens of non-racing events throughout the year. Evergreen Drift Pro Am is nationally recognized as #1 in the nation and one of eight tracks in the United States to host Formula Drift. The entire staff of Evergreen Speedway takes great pride in hosting you, your family and friends at the best family

Fair in America! Evergreen Speedway celebrates their 69th year of operation on the Evergreen State Fairgrounds in 2023. High Road Promotions operators, Doug and Traci Hobbs, have been recognized by NASCAR for excellence as a Top 10 track in North America multiple years.

The 2023 Evergreen Speedway Fair line-up is maybe the best ever – each night has something for everyone!

• **Friday, August 25 is MONSTER TRUCKS and Racing!** The Gates open at 4 p.m. and Fan Fest starts at 5:40 p.m. Enjoy Monster Truck, Megasaurus, Jr. Hornets, Bus Races, Mini Bump 2 Pass, and more!

Tickets are \$40 admission for those age 13-61, \$30 for seniors (62+) and for youth age 6-12, youth age two to five are \$5 with children under two admitted free if sitting on your lap. Tickets include Fair admission! Do not surrender your ticket at the gate as it acts for both Fair Gate Admission and entry to this event!

• **Saturday, August 26 is MONSTER TRUCKS &**

Racing with Megasaurus, Bus Races, Dwarfs, and Hornets. Gates open at 3 p.m. and Fan Fest starts at 4:50 p.m.

Tickets are \$40 admission for those age 13-61, \$30 for seniors (62+) and for youth age 6-12, youth age two to five are \$5 with children under two admitted free if sitting on your lap. Tickets include Fair admission! Do not surrender your ticket at the gate as it acts for both Fair Gate Admission and entry to this event!

• **Sunday, August 27 is the SUN Matinee Show – MONSTER TRUCKS & Racing** with Megasaurus, Vintage Modifieds, Dwarfs, and Bus Races. Gates open at Noon and Fan Fest starts at 1:50 p.m.

Tickets are \$40 admission for those age 13-61, \$30 for seniors (62+) and for youth age 6-12, youth age two to five are \$5 with children under two admitted free if sitting on your lap. Tickets include Fair admission! Do not surrender your ticket at the gate as it acts for both Fair Gate Admission and entry to this event!

• **Saturday, September 2 is the Figure 8 Mania.** Enjoy



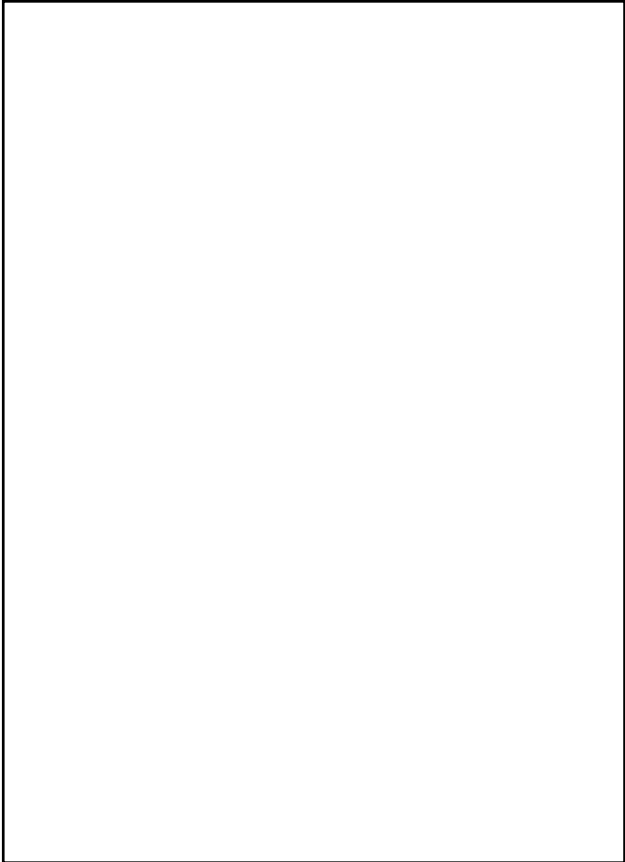
Super Stock Figure 8, Street Stocks, Mini Stocks, OUTLAW FIGURE 8, and Mini Bump 2 Pass. Gates open at 4 p.m., fun begins at 6 p.m.

Tickets are \$30 admission for those age 13-61, \$24 for seniors (62+) and for youth age 6-12, youth age five and under are admitted free. Tickets include Fair admission! Do not surrender your ticket at the gate as it acts for both Fair Gate Admission and entry to this event!

• **Sunday, September 3 is DEMOLITION DERBY AND FIREWORKS!** Enjoy Stingers, V8 Extremes, Bus Races, Boat Races, Youth Hornets, DEMO DERBY and FIREWORKS Show! Gates open at 2 p.m.,

fun begins at 6 p.m. Tickets are \$42 admission for those 13-61, \$30 for seniors (62+) and youth age 6-13, kids age 2-5 are \$5, children under age two are admitted free if sitting on your lap. Tickets include Fair admission!

For more information visit EvergreenSpeedway.com Tickets for all Evergreen Speedway race events during the fair can be purchased online at etix.com or at the West/Red Gate Ticket Pass Booth: Aug. 7-18 Mon-Fri 8:30 a.m. - 4 p.m.; Aug. 21-Sept. 3 daily from 9:30 a.m. to 7:30 p.m. (Fair closed Aug. 30); Sept. 4 from 9:30 a.m. - 4 p.m. 360-805-6777.



2023 Courtyard Stage entertainment

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The Evergreen State Fair offers a wide array of talent at the Courtyard Stage. (#514 on the Map on Page 2) *Schedule Subject to Change*

Thursday, August 24 (Opening Day)
11:00 a.m. Reptile Man
12:15 p.m. The Sound Guys (Classic Rock/Harmony Duo)
2:00 p.m. Fair Opening Ceremony
3:30 p.m. Ice Cream Making Contest
5:15 p.m. The Blue Mariah Band (Country)
7:00 p.m. 4H Awards Ceremony
8:30 p.m. The Pilchuck Boyz (Rock)

Friday, August 25
11:00 a.m. Siggie the Vintage Man (Country)
12:30 p.m. Arlington School of Dance
1:45 p.m. Scott Lindenmuth Jazz
3:45 p.m. Aztec Indian Dancers
5:15 p.m. Square Dance Party (Square Dancers of Mt Baker Council)
7:30 p.m. James Howard Band (Blues/Rock/Jazz)

Saturday, August 26
11:15 a.m. Highlight Quartet (Women's Barbershop Quartet/interactive kid's show)

12:45 p.m. Great American Train Wreck (Country)
2:30 p.m. Baile Folklore Colibri (Mexican and Aztec Traditional Dance)
4:30 p.m. The Shed Players (Roots, Folk, Blues)
6:30 p.m. Stilly River Lockdown (Country)
8:30 p.m. Midnight Hour (Classic Rock, Blues, R&B)

Sunday, August 27
11:00 a.m. Uncle Doug (Folk)
12:45 p.m. Bailadores de Bronce (Mexican Dance Group)
1:45 p.m. Joe Stoddard (Variety)
2:45 p.m. Bailadores de Bronce (Mexican Dance Group)
4:00 p.m. The Blue Mariah Band (Country)
6:00 p.m. Moon Candy (Americana)
7:45 p.m. Katelyn and the Roosevelts (Blue Grass)

Monday, August 28
10:45 a.m. Siggie the Vintage Man (Country)
12:15 p.m. Danny Vernon's Illusion of Elvis
1:30 p.m. Under the Radar (a Cappella quartet)
2:15 p.m. Danny Vernon's Illusion of Elvis
3:30 p.m. Scone Walk Contest (sponsored by Conifer/Fisher Scones)
4:30 p.m. Aztec Indian

Dancers 5:45 p.m. Moonlight Swing Orchestra (Big Band Swing)
8:30 p.m. Minimum Wage Band (Rock)

Tuesday, August 29
10:30 a.m. New Age Flamenco (World Music, Spanish, Latin)
12:00 p.m. Ranger and The Re-Arrangers (Hot Club Swing)
1:45 p.m. The Fentons (Country)
3:30 p.m. Sheri Roberts Greimes & JoMomma (Americana Blues)
5:15 p.m. Eric Haines (Variety)
6:30 p.m. The Sound Guys (Classic Rock/Harmony Duo)
8:00 p.m. Joe Stoddard (Variety)

FAIR IS CLOSED
Wednesday, August 30



Lonely Hearts Club, a Beatles tribute band, will perform on the Courtyard Stage Saturday, Sept. 2 at 5:30 p.m.

Thursday, August 31
11:00 a.m. Reptile Man
12:15 p.m. Magical Ventriloquist Vikki Gasko Green (Bilingual)
1:30 p.m. FENDERBOYZ (Rock)
2:45 p.m. Under the Radar (a Cappella quartet)

3:45 p.m. Bubble Gum Blowing Contest (sign ups 3:30pm)
5:00 p.m. Sheri Roberts Greimes & JoMomma (Americana Blues)
6:45 p.m. The Dan Canyon Band (Country)
8:00 p.m. The Pilchuck

Boyz (Rock)

Friday, September 1
11:00 a.m. Siggie the Vintage Man (Country)
12:15 p.m. Eric Haines (Variety)

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1:15 p.m. Magical Ventriloquist Vikki Gasko Green (Bilingual)
2:45 p.m. The Honeyjacks (Blue Grass)
4:30 p.m. The Blue Mariah Band (Country)
6:30 p.m. Monroe Community Band (Concert Band Music – Circus Music)
8:15 p.m. Wholesale Band (Rock)

Saturday, September 2
10:45 a.m. Magical Ventriloquist Vikki Gasko Green (Bilingual)
11:45 a.m. New Age Flamenco (World Music, Spanish, Latin)
1:00 p.m. In FolkMotion Cloggers
2:30 p.m. Inochi Taiko (Traditional Japanese American Style Drumming)
3:30 p.m. In FolkMotion Cloggers
5:30 p.m. The Lonely

Hearts Club (Beatles Tribute)
8:00 p.m. Sweet Emotion (Rock – Aerosmith Tribute)

Sunday, September 3
11:00 a.m. Magical Ventriloquist Vikki Gasko Green (Bilingual)
12:45 p.m. Applause Studio
2:00 p.m. Ciscoe Morris (Gardening Expert)
4:15 p.m. The Blue Mariah Band (Country)
6:00 p.m. The Fentons (Country)
7:30 p.m. The Fabulous Murphtones (Classic Rock)
9:00 p.m. Scattered Sunn (Rock)

Monday, September 4, (Labor Day)
10:30 a.m. Magical Ventriloquist Vikki Gasko Green (Bilingual)
12:00 p.m. Sheri Roberts Greimes & JoMomma (Americana Blues)
2:00 p.m. Take Seventeen

Band (Big Band, Jazz, Swing, Blues)
4:00 p.m. Wholesale Band (Rock)
5:45 p.m. The Sound Guys (Classic Rock/Harmony Duo)
Fair Closes at 7:00 p.m.



Sweet Emotion, Aerosmith tribute band, will perform Saturday, Sept. 2 at 8 p.m.

Evergreen Fair announces 2023 Concert Lineup

The Evergreen State Fair has announced the much-anticipated Grandstand Stage concert line-up for 2023:

- Monday, August 28: AC/DC vs. Guns N’ Roses Laser Show (Rock). **This hour-long show is free with paid fair admission.**
- Tuesday, August 29: Neon Trees (Pop Rock)
- Thursday, August 31: Bone Thugs-n-Harmony with Twista (Hip Hop)
- Friday, September 1: Nate Smith (Country)

Neon Trees will be performing on Tuesday, August 29. The show starts at 7:30 p.m. and tickets are \$30-60 and include fair gate admission.

Neon Trees is a pop-rock band with a new wave flair, formed in 2005. Their debut hit “Animal” was a double Platinum smash that won them a Billboard Music Award for Top Alternative Song in 2011. Another Top 10 hit, “Everybody Talks”, featured in a popular commercial for the Buick Verano car, followed.

Neon Trees’ musical style is described as pop rock, new wave, synth-pop, indie rock, alternative rock pop, and electropop.

Sputnikmusic described the band’s debut studio album, “Habits”, as a “refreshing blast of timeless rock energy and spirit that wouldn’t sound out of place



Nate Smith performs on Friday, September 1 at 7:30 p.m.

at any point from ‘60s garage-rock to 2010 dance rock.”

Bone Thugs-n-Harmony with Twista will take the stage at 7:30 p.m. on Thursday,

August 31. Tickets are \$30-60 and include fair gate admission.

Bone Thugs-n-Harmony (formerly known as B.O.N.E. Enterprises) is an American hip hop group composed of rappers Wish Bone, Layzie Bone, Krayzie Bone, and Flesh-n-Bone.

Their hit song, “Tha Crossroads”, won a Grammy Award in 1997. The group is regarded as one of the greatest hip hop acts of all time.

Bone Thugs-n-Harmony is the only group that has worked with renowned American rappers 2Pac, the Notorious B.I.G., Eazy-E, and Big Pun while they were all still alive.

About.com ranked them No. 12 on its list of “the 25 Best Rap Groups of All Time”, and MTV called them “the most melodic hip-hop group of all time”.

TWISTA is one of the fastest rappers in the business, but you cannot truly appreciate his style until you see him in concert.

His Chopper style of rap helped him earn the Guinness World Records title of fastest rapper in the world in 1992, after he pronounced 598 syllables in 55 seconds.

Country hit-maker, **Nate Smith** performs on Friday, September 1 at 7:30 p.m. Tickets are \$20-40 and include fair gate admission.

Featuring a mix of gritty backwoods soul, rock ‘n’ roll swagger and velvet-thunder vocals, Nate Smith’s personal journey inspired him to be a beacon of country-music hope.

Learning guitar at 13, Garth Brooks, Elvis Presley and Bob Seger were among those informing his powerful, fire-from-within vocals, while Michael Jackson made



Bone Thugs-n-Harmony with Twista will take the stage at 7:30 p.m. on Thursday, August 31

him crave the spotlight and Nirvana gave his sound a jagged edge.

He’s made a huge splash with songs such as his Platinum-certified multi-week No. 1 hit “Whiskey On You,” which was lauded as the “breakup song of the summer” by Country Now.

The CMT Awards and ACM Awards nominee is currently on tour with Thomas Rhett and will hit the road with Cole Swindell this fall.

Tickets can be purchased online at Etix.com, over the phone (800) 514-3849 or in person at the Evergreen State Fair Park’s Administration

Office (14405 179th Ave. SE, Monroe, WA 98272).

Grandstand Concert Reserved Seating, Grandstand Festival Seating and Premium Party Pit/SRO are available for purchase.

Enjoy a cold beverage of beer and wine from the beer garden, which can be purchased and brought into Grandstand Concert Seating.

A family-friendly, alcohol-free section will be available in the Grandstand Festival Seating on a first come first served basis.

All concert tickets include fair gate admission (up to a \$16 value).



Photo by GabrielleNB, Jen Rosenstein

Neon Trees will be performing on Tuesday, August 29. The show starts at 7:30 p.m.

Fireworks Shows!!

There will be two Fireworks Shows at the Evergreen Speedway Racetrack / Grandstands during the Evergreen State Fair:

- Thursday, August. 24 at 9:00 p.m. **(free with paid fair gate admission)**
- Sunday, September 3 after the Demo Derby (included in the Demo Derby ticket)

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Anouncing Mike Ohlsen as new Fair Manager

Monroe local and longtime fair employee to help lead the fair into the future



Mike Ohlsen

The Evergreen State Fair is excited to announce Mike Ohlsen as the new Fair Manager. As a lifelong resident of Monroe, Mike has worked in some capacity at the fair park since 1984. The Fair Manager role dates back to 1903 and is an important leadership position that oversees both the largest event in Snohomish County and the year-round operations of

the 193-acre Evergreen State Fair Park. Mike’s career with Snohomish County has given him a wide range of experience, from Facility Maintenance Worker I, II, III, IV to Lead Facility Maintenance Worker for Snohomish County Parks. In 2022 he was the Co-Interim Fair Manager. “I bring unique skills and knowledge gained from 27 years of leadership and maintenance work at the Fair Park,” said Mike Ohlsen, Fair Manager for the Evergreen State Fair Park. “My goals as the new fair manager are to support our amazing fair park team and create strong relationships with our partners and surrounding community so they can be proud to be our neighbors.” Growing up in Monroe, Mike has many fond memories of the Evergreen State Fair, including seeing

many of his family members show animals, work and volunteer at the fair, and even working in the scone booth himself. His first date with Brenda, his wife of 33 years, was at the Home Show at the Evergreen State Fair Park. “It excites me to be working with such a passionate team to produce the best fair possible to create memories for our community, including my family who is now in its fourth generation of fair workers,” said Mike. “This is a critical role to fill, and Mike is a qualified and proven leader,” said Tom Teigen, Director of Snohomish County Conservation and Natural Resources. “The Fair Park is a significant economic driver and heritage site in Snohomish County. We’re looking forward to Mike’s leadership and vision of maintaining the traditions of the fair and look to the future to preserve the fair park as a

community asset.” “The Evergreen State Fair is a true gathering spot for the community. It brings people together and creates memories – whether that’s participating in the fair as an exhibitor or attending with friends and family. That extends to events throughout the year. Mike is an excellent choice to continue to improve the fair for our community and future generations of fairgoers,” said Sharon Swan, Director of Snohomish County Parks. The 2023 Evergreen State Fair runs August 24-29 and August 31-September 4. The theme is “Little Moments, Big Memories! Making Memories for 114 Years”. You can see Mike at the Opening Ceremony on August 24. Learn more at: www.evergreenfair.org.

Avoid the Hassle and Take the Bus!

Getting to the fair has never been so easy! Take the bus and avoid the hassle and expense of driving and parking fees. Community Transit has front-door service — Routes 270, 271 and 424 will take riders straight to the West Gate entrance. Plan your trip from anywhere in Snohomish County. See the details for each route at communitytransit.org/ridetofair.

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2023 Fair Honorees: Rick and Jean Lindsey

This year’s Fair Honorees couldn’t go to a more deserving couple because of their passion for fairs, exhibitors, and fairgoers. They have been involved with the Fair since the early 90’s. They started by supporting their two daughters, Misty and Camas, along with all the other club members. After a few years they founded their own club, Blue Chips, and moved into the roles of club leaders. Their involvement grew as they took on positions of Program Leaders and eventually Fair Superintendents.

They have been invaluable in their support for 4-H Youth, Open Class and have volunteered at many other Fairs over the last 33 + years. They have worked at the Club, County, and State Levels in many different capacities for 4-H.

Jean and Rick have devoted their time to being superintendents and have shared their knowledge and experience with so many people. Being a superintendent requires one to be knowledgeable and committed to their field and many spend their whole careers being experts in one department. What makes

the Lindsey’s so amazing is that they have been coordinators, assistants, clerks, judges, and superintendent for several different departments.

They never shy away from the task and bring organization, communication, and humor to the table to overcome challenges and make real improvements for the fair community.

Their involvement is not only limited to the 11-day fair. They have put in many hours volunteering for the Evergreen Fair Foundation and Evergreen Youth Livestock Show and Sale, as well as others.

They have worked to make The Evergreen State Fair a great experience for exhibitors and Fairgoers alike. They continue to have an impact on so many people



in a positive, supportive, and loving manner.

Rick and Jean Lindsey will be honored at the 2023 Evergreen State Fair Opening Ceremony at 2:00 p.m. on Thursday, August 24 on the Courtyard Stage. They will cut the ribbon to open the Fair. Rick and Jean will also ride in the Monroe Fair Days Parade on Saturday, August 26 in downtown Monroe.

Congratulations Rick and Jean!

NEW: Magical Ventriloquist Vikki Gasko Green

Vikki Gasko Green is an award – winning, bi – lingual ventriloquist.

Vikki delights audiences with her unique blend of drama, magic, education, and audience participation exciting young and old alike.

She has a zany cast of characters from Griffen the Dragon to Hank the Polar Bear and Lucky the Iguana, just to name a few!

Vikki has been honored to perform her one - woman magical ventriloquism show for corporations, fairs, festivals, school assemblies and libraries entertaining audiences across the United States, Puerto Rico, and the



United Kingdom.

Vikki will be performing on the Courtyard Stage:

- Thursday, Aug. 31 at 12:15 p.m.
- Friday, Sept. 1 at 1:15 p.m.
- Saturday, Sept. 2 at 10:45

a.m.

- Sunday, Sept. 3 at 11 a.m.
- Monday, Sept. 4 at 10:30 a.m.

Performances are free with paid fair admission.

