

Calgary Stampede Committees

4-H Committee

Provides the Calgary regional 4-H Clubs with facilities and professional advice for the production of shows and programs - scheduled for June each year. This is the largest show in Canada.

Acreage Lifestyle Show Committee

Organizes and hosts the Acreage Lifestyle Show during the annual Roughstock event each spring.

Agriculture Education Committee

Organizes and hosts school visitations during the Dairy Classic and annual Roughstock event. The purpose of these visits is to create an awareness and appreciation for agriculture as it relates to our daily lives and to provide a "hands-on" "all-senses" experience for students and educators.

Agriculture Media Committee

The purpose of the Agriculture Media committee is to inform and educate the rural and urban public about agriculture events and to act as a liaison between the agriculture committees and the media during the 10 days of Stampede.

Ag-tivity in the City Committee

Ag-tivity in the City educates and entertains the public in an enjoyable and refreshing manner through a wide variety of agricultural activities, displays and demonstrations. The "ag-tivity in the city" tent allows the Alberta agriculture industry to showcase our food consumption, safety and nutrition.

Beef Cattle Committee

Primary purpose is to promote the beef cattle industry through educational displays and hosting events.

Blacksmith Competition Committee

Major objective is to offer a major international competition for the blacksmith's trade at Stampede each July. Several different types of competition are held with the aggregate winner being named the world champion blacksmith.

Caravan Committee

The committee takes the Stampede "flavour" to regional shopping centres where some 14 "shows" are presented, consisting of breakfast for 5,000+ people, live entertainment, pony and hay rides, petting zoo. The committee also oversees the Family Breakfast and the Queens' Alumni breakfast for special needs children. Caravan operates year-round providing breakfasts at special promotional and community events.

Concessions & Exhibits Committee

The Concessions and Exhibits committee promotes a high degree of attractiveness and cleanliness of Stampede Park and the concessions and exhibits booths during Stampede, using a publicized reward program.

Corporate Relations Committee

The Corporate Relations Committee assists with fostering relationships in collaboration with the Sponsorship Department, the Calgary Stampede Foundation, and the Calgary Stampede Board of Directors by defining, producing and executing networking programs and events, and by engaging current and future partners in a first class manner representative of the Calgary Stampede and its western heritage and values.

Courtesy Car Committee

The Courtesy Car committee is responsible for coordination arrangements for transporting VIP's and special guests between Stampede Park, hotels and airport, as well as assisting with special appearances throughout the community by visiting dignitaries. The committee schedules a crew of drivers to handle driving duties as required between 8:00 a.m. and 10:00 p.m. daily.

Dairy Cattle Committee

Main purpose is to promote the dairy cattle industry through the organization of the Dairy Classic. This show takes place in the last week of April each year and involves shows from the four major breeds and displays from dairy oriented businesses.

Downtown Attractions Committee

DTA is responsible for a lot of off Park attractions such as the chuck wagon breakfasts, Stephen Avenue Mall activities, square dancing, rope square, Indian parades, old time rigs, fantasy heads and organizing the visiting marching bands as well as our Stampede Band for demonstrations at rope square.

Farm Equipment Committee

Coordinates one major machinery show each year during Stampede and works with other committees on special displays for other shows.

Grandstand Show Committee

The primary purpose is to organize and support all aspects of the evening Grandstand Show, the Young Canadians School and outside appearances, in conjunction with Avery Productions. The committee also provides stage tours and hosting services for special guests to the Eye in the Sky.

Heavy Horse Pull Committee

Organizes the Heavy Horse Pull competition during Stampede.

Heavy Horse Show Committee

Present, judge and demonstrate Heavy Horse breeds during the Stampede and other related events during the year.

Historical Committee

The Historical committee preserves, presents and promotes the history of the Calgary Exhibition and Stampede and its affiliates, from the inception of the organization in 1884 to present day.

Indian Events Committee

The committee is responsible for the coordination of all the activities at Indian Village during Stampede, where the Stony, Peigan, Blood, Blackfoot and Sarcee Indians erect their teepees and re-enact life as it once was by opening their teepees for visits and demonstrating dancing, games, cooking and handicrafts.

International Livestock Auctioneers Committee

Each Stampede, conducts the International Livestock Auctioneers Championships.

International Youth Livestock Committee

Provides an opportunity for youth to show their livestock and compete for scholarships.

International Agriculture Committee

Host a lounge during Stampede and other Agricultural events for international guests to facilitate their ability to make business contacts in and around Calgary in order to promote our agriculture industry.

Kids' Day Breakfast Committee

Major function is to organize the Kids' Day Breakfast, a free attraction in the grandstand during Stampede. Approximately 15,000 children and their parents are fed a pancake breakfast followed by a stage show incorporating rodeo events, grandstand entertainers and prizes.

Light Horse Committee

Primary purpose is to present, promote and demonstrate Light Horse Breeds during Stampede.

Livestock Evaluation Committee

This committee provides an opportunity, for students of all ages, to study the science of Livestock judging – held annually in the early part of June.

Miniature Donkey Committee

This committee promotes the industry by providing shows of the Miniature Donkey breeds at Stampede.

Miniature Horse Committee

This committee promotes the sale and show of the Miniature Horse breed at Stampede as well as hosts the Canadian National Show annually.

Next Generation Committee

This committee works to attract and engage the next generation of audiences as patrons, supporters and volunteers of the Calgary Stampede. They assist the organization in leveraging emerging and non-traditional promotions, marketing, social-media, and on-line tools to promote the CS brand and events. They work to effectively reach new and younger audiences with Stampede messages.

Parade Committee

Organizes and produces the annual Stampede Parade which kicks off the 10 days of Stampede. The Parade committee provides the marshaling requirements along the parade route and liaises with participants and others involved, i.e. Media, IP', float entries, etc.

Promotion Committee

This year-round committee supports and promotes the Calgary Exhibition and Stampede both locally and abroad by promoting western values and heritage and creating awareness of the Stampede. Some of the valuable components of this energetic committee are the Stampede Stages, the CES Mascot - "Harry the Horse", the Parade Show Wagon, line dancers, western performers and ropers.

Queens' Alumni Committee

The Queen's Alumni committee is comprised of former Royal Trios who organize three unique events for challenged young children so that they can participate in a simulated western experience especially geared for them. The committee also holds the annual Giddy Up Gala fundraising event.

Reception Committee

Provides hosts for Rotary House and the Volunteer's Lounge during Stampede. Duties involve greeting guests, making them comfortable and welcome, getting drinks, cleaning tables and other hosting duties.

Sheep Committee

Mandate is to promote the purebred sheep business through the Calgary Stampede Sheep show; to promote the wool and shearing industry through a sheep-shearing contest; and to promote the sport of stock dog trialing through the stock dog competition held during Stampede time.

Stampede Band Committee

The Calgary Stampede Band committee promotes Western Heritage & Values by providing a world class musical, educational and performing experience for the youth of Calgary and Southern Alberta, by planning and managing all activities of the "Calgary Stampede Show Band".

Stampede Chuckwagon Committee

Plan and present World Champion Chuckwagon Races known as the Rangeland Derby held every evening during the Stampede. The committee also plans and presents the Canvas Auction, held during Roughstock, where potential advertisers bid for the right to place their corporate name on a chuckwagon.

Stampede Lotteries Committee

The committee negotiates contract agreements and coordinates with local service clubs, to hold the on-park sale of lottery tickets for the Rotary Club Dream Home, Lion's Pot O' Gold and Kinsmen Wheels during Stampede time as well as coordinating the 50/50 draws with the Band Parent's Association.

Stampede Rodeo Committee

Plan and present the Rodeo held during Stampede of each year as well as the Canadian Rodeo Tour Championships (CRTC) in the Fall each year.

Stampede Royalty Committee

The Queen committee is responsible for the selection, training and grooming of the Stampede Queen & Princesses and bookings appearances for them.

Stampede Talent Search Committee

Purpose is to showcase and develop the skills of young people in performing arts in southern Alberta. The committee stage auditions to select contestants prior to Stampede and hosts shows culminating in the selection of the Stampede Talent Search winner.

Steer Classic Committee

Purpose is to present the "Stampede Steer Classic" during the Stampede and to co-produce a commercial cattle show in conjunction with the Western Stock Growers.

Swine Committee

Purpose is to foster the improvement of breeding pigs in the Province of Alberta by providing an arena where leading swineherds can meet in competition.

Visiting Bands Committee

Primary function is to provide accommodation, meals and transportation for visiting bands who participate in the Stampede Parade. In addition, they also coordinate the appearances and escort all bands throughout the city during the ten days of Stampede. The committee also sponsors and stages the competition for Marching Show Bands held in the Saddledome on Tuesday of Stampede as part of the free attraction package.

Western Performance Horse Committee

Purpose is to conduct the Team Cattle Penning, Cutting Horse and Working Cow Horse competitions during both Stampede time and throughout the year.

Western Legacy Awards

These awards recognize those who demonstrate commitment to western values and support for western heritage in four categories: Sustained Contribution (individual & group), Innovation and Youth. Recipients of the Sustained Contribution category exhibit extraordinary community support over a number of years, while the award for Innovation recognizes a person or group that has created a single visionary project that speaks to western values. The Youth category is open to young people under 25 years of age and recognizes youth who have demonstrated their commitment to making a difference.

Western Showcase Committee

The Western Showcase committee hosts competitions and showcases exhibits depicting our Western Lifestyle. The exhibits include: arts and crafts, floral artistry displays, kitchen theatre demonstrations, artisan booths, and the Western Art Show which features the Western Art Gallery, Western Art Sales Salon, the High School Art Exhibit (Scholarship Award) and the Western Art Auction.

Youth Speech & Debate Committee

This committee operates on a year-round basis to organize a youth related speech and debate competition for community organizations and associations.