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## **North American International Livestock Exposition Saddle Mule & Donkey Show Debuts November 8-10 at the Expo.**

*June 26, 2007, Louisville, KY ...* North American International Livestock Exposition (NAILE) officials announced that the inaugural North American International Saddle Mule and Donkey Show will take place on November 8, 9 and 10. Sanctioned by the North American Saddle Mule Association (NASMA) the show will carry the association's "A" designation and will be a double-judged, double point competition.

Event organizers expect a large turnout for the event, with entries coming from as far away as Wyoming and Texas. According to Harold Workman, President and CEO of the Kentucky State Fair Board, "We're confident that our new saddle mule show will attract entries of the exceptional quality that is the hallmark of the North American International. After all, visitors expect to see the finest animals in the world when they come to the Louisville show."

Classes for mules and donkeys will be offered. Halter classes for both will lead off the competition on Thursday, Nov. 8. Halter classes are followed by pleasure driving, trail riding and showmanship classes.

Friday's and Saturday's scheduled classes will alternate with North American International Draft Horse Show classes in the Freedom Hall show ring. Friday's lineup includes the following mule and/or donkey classes: hunter under saddle, hunter hack, coon jumping, western pleasure, barrel racing, mulemanship, ranch riding, gaited trail pleasure and freestyle reining. On Saturday afternoon, mules will compete in western pleasure, walk-run-walk, open racking, speed racking, reining and poles. Youth, amateur and open classes are offered. More than \$8,000 in premiums will be awarded.

Show premium list and schedule and NAILE catalogs containing all exposition information and rules are available for download on the NAILE website at [www.livestockexpo.org](http://www.livestockexpo.org). For additional information contact the NAILE offices at P.O. Box 36367, Louisville, KY 40233-6367, by fax at 502-367-5299, or by e-mail at [KFECNAILE@ksfb.ky.gov](mailto:KFECNAILE@ksfb.ky.gov). Entry deadline for the Saddle Mule & Donkey Show is October 31, 2007.

The 34th Annual NAILE is produced by the Commonwealth of Kentucky at the Kentucky Exposition Center, Louisville, KY, under the direction of the Kentucky State Fair Board. During the Expo's two-week run November 3 through 16, the facility's entire 1,200,000 square feet of climate-controlled exhibit space is used. More than 200,000 visitors and exhibitors attend the event annually.