



# AFAN IN ACTION

## July 2022 Monthly Update

End of July means the beginning of fair season! Good luck to all the young people who will be putting their hard work up for judging. It is such a great learning experience and will really benefit them for life. Also, good luck to all the parents, club leaders, and mentors who will spend nearly as much time (maybe more!) helping their kids get ready to put their best foot forward. Have a safe and fun fair!

Eighteen teams enjoyed a perfect afternoon at Indian Trails golf course in Beemer, NE this past June at the 2<sup>nd</sup> annual AFAN/NSDA golf tournament. There was some good golf played and there was some other golf played; but everyone had a good time. Sometimes it is important to step back from the day-to-day tasks of agriculture and have a little fun. That is really what we hope to accomplish with this tournament. See folks that we maybe haven't for a while and just enjoy the day. If you missed the tournament, put it on your calendar for June 15, 2023, and we hope to see you there!

On June 7<sup>th</sup> we had the privilege to co-host an open house at the Fitzke's new 1,250 head finishing barns. The Fitzke's have a farrow to finish operation near Ayr (south of Hastings). They wanted their neighbors to see what they are doing and show off the new buildings. They have made a major financial commitment to their long-term viability with these new buildings. This is a multi-generational operation, and they are a great family!

One thing the team at AFAN loves to do is show folks new livestock facilities. If you are planning to build something new and want to show it off; let us know, we'd be glad to help.

Speaking of pork...our 2<sup>nd</sup> annual Nebraska Pork Expo will be taking place on July 20<sup>th</sup> in York, NE. We have a great line-up of speakers, topics, and a full house of vendors. Whether you are in the pork industry or interested this is a great place to come and gather information. The event is free to attend, there is free lunch and a free social hour at the end of the day with door prizes. The Nebraska Pork Producers Association annual meeting will be held over the lunch hour too.

The rest of the summer will see the AFAN team in action around the state promoting livestock and looking for ways to grow all facets of the industry. If you have a group that you think we should speak to, let us know. We're glad to hit the road and carry the word about the benefits of livestock!

Steve Martin  
AFAN Executive Director

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## Looking Ahead

July 20th is the Nebraska Pork Expo in York, NE! Registration begins at 8:30 AM. The

NPPA annual meeting will also be held during this time. Be sure to join us for some great speakers and amazing food! More information about all of these events can be found [here](#) and it's FREE!

We are also starting to plan our next Livestock Facility Tour for September! Keep an eye on our website for more details!

We look forward to seeing our partners and our ag industry friends in the coming months!

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## Save the Date

### July

20: [Nebraska Pork Expo](#) in York, NE

### August

8-9: Central Confinement Services Confined Cattle Symposium, Columbus, NE

### September

Livestock Facility Tour - TBD

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